SHORT TERM IT JOB TRENDS

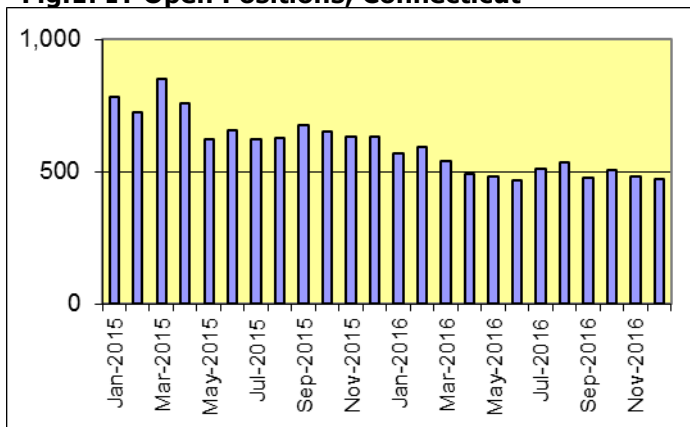|	
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Welcome to the Connecticut IT job market in 2017. Labor demand for professionals in Information Technology remains at a low level. In December, employers posted 470 job openings with job location in the State. This is 2.1% less than in November. While Connecticut tries to improve demand for IT labor through a variety of measures like technology startup hubs it is the large employers who could make a real difference in the short term. The question remains whether those companies with a substantial IT work force will increase their local technology footprint. The Connecticut Department of Labor reported that the two sectors with the largest IT engagement did not increase their payroll much in 2016. According to CT DOL, Financial Activities increased their payroll by 600 jobs and the Information Sector gained 100 jobs between January and November. Both numbers include non-IT jobs. These industries have scalable businesses models more than others with the opportunity to improve results by leveraging IT talent. Connecticut can do better!

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut*

Dec 16	Nov 16	Oct 16	Dec 15	Dec 14
470	480	500	590	760

Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut*

*) Estimated monthly averages are based on actual count of job openings.

Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

	Dec 16	Dec 15
Total IT Job Market	470	590
Software Development	130	140
IT Architects/Consultants	80	130
IT Management	80	90
Systems Eng./Support	80	100
Systems Administration	40	70
IT Sales and Marketing	30	30
Business/Process Design	20	20
Misc.IT Job Categories	10	10

Table 3: Top 15 Needed Skills (Job Openings*)**

	Dec 16	Dec 15
SQL	170	150
Business Analysis	170	180
Oracle DBMS	140	130
Java	120	120
Large system technologies	110	110
Unix	90	90
Linux	70	70
Microsoft SQL Server	70	70
Web Services	70	100
Mainframe	70	60
Windows OS	70	80
XML	60	70
OO (analysis / design / programming)	50	40
Offshore team coordination	50	50
C++/VC++	50	40

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