

SHORT TERM IT JOB TRENDS	Connecticut	○
	Massachusetts	▲
	New York Metro	▲
	National	▲

The month of May was disappointing for IT job seekers as employers cut the number of job openings (down 5.1%) compared to April. This slip in demand may be temporary as other job markets in the area continue to grow.

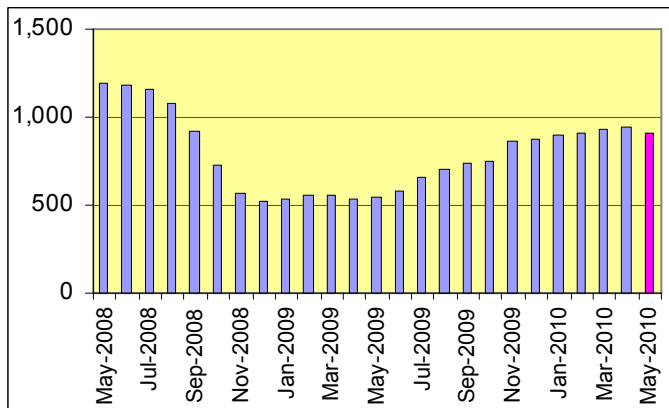
Employers in Financial Services continued to support the demand for IT workers while companies in Insurance and IT Services industries decreased their level of demand for additional work force.

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Connecticut*

May 10	Apr 10	Mar 10	May 09	May 08
930	980	930	490	1,170

All neighboring job markets fared better than Connecticut. Demand in the New York Metro area increased 12.0% while job seekers in Massachusetts found 4.7% more job openings than in April. At the same time the national IT job market continued to grow with a daily average of 8.7% more job openings.

Fig. 1: IT Open Positions, Connecticut*



Demand for all core IT occupations declined except for professionals in IT Management (up 5.3%) and IT Architects / Consultants (up 15.4%).

*) Estimated monthly averages are based on actual count of job openings. Technology skill estimates have been revised.

METHODOLOGY
SkillPROOF surveys the inventories of job openings at large, regional and nationwide direct employers. Job openings are counted and verified every 24 hours. All data sources have been verified for timely removal of filled or closed positions. No data from job boards or search firms are included.
For this report SkillPROOF estimates the counts of job openings. Estimates are calculated directly from SkillPROOF's actual daily counts of job openings. As a base for its calculations, SkillPROOF uses data and findings from reports of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) <http://www.bls.gov>.

Table 2: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

	May 10	May 09
Total IT Job Market	930	980
IT Management	250	310
Software Development	200	230
Systems Eng./Support	200	190
IT Architects/Consultants	150	130
IT Sales and Marketing	50	60
Business/Process Design	30	30
Systems Administration	30	20
Training/Tech Writing	0	0
Hardware Engineering	0	0
Misc.IT Job Categories	20	10

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

	May 10	May 09
Business Analysis	200	120
SQL	190	130
Oracle DBMS	180	90
Java	170	60
C++/VC++	130	50
Unix	110	100
Large system technologies	100	110
Windows OS	100	80
Microsoft SQL Server	90	60
C#	80	20
Linux	80	40
Mainframe	70	70
DB2 (IBM)	60	60
XML	60	50
Offshore team coordination	60	10



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