

**SHORT
TERM
IT JOB
TRENDS**

- Georgia** ●
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- National** ●

The IT job market in Georgia changed little in October. Employers posted a daily average of 3,300 job openings. This is just 0.5% less than in September. Labor demand for IT

professionals in the state has stabilized in the fall. We believe it is unlikely that the volume of job openings will change much before the end of the year. Employers often slow down their hiring during the holiday season as staff may be working fewer hours. Nevertheless, employers will continue to collect resumes for their open positions.

Changes in industry labor demand over the past four weeks mostly canceled each other out. Employers in Financial Services and Banking as well as HiTech posted more job openings last month while the volume of job openings from IT Services and Defense declined.

The national average change little in October improving by just 0.5%.

Table 1: IT Job Openings, Georgia*

Oct 14	Sep 14	Aug 14	Oct 13	Oct 12
3,300	3,340	3,230	3,830	3,710

Fig.1: IT Open Positions, Georgia*

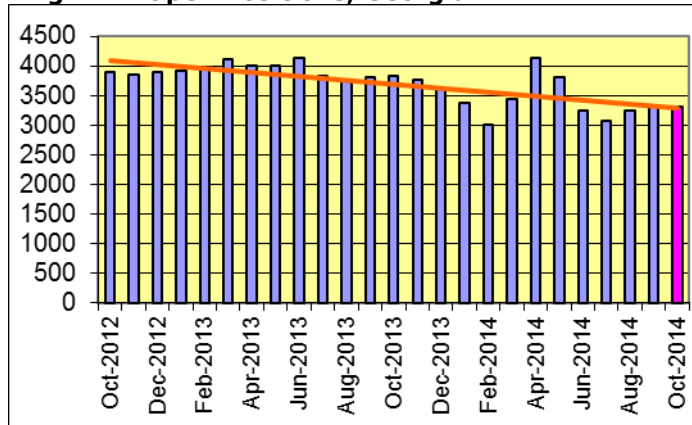


Table 1: IT Job Opening Estimates by Category*

	Oct 14	Oct 13
Total IT Job Market	3300	3830
Systems Eng./Support	790	910
IT Architects/Consultants	580	690
IT Management	550	620
Software Development	530	650
Systems Administration	220	290
IT Sales and Marketing	220	280
Business/Process Design	140	170
Training/Tech Writing	80	90
Hardware Engineering	50	10
Misc.IT Job Categories	140	120

Table 2: Top 15 Needed Skills (Job Openings*)

	Oct 14	Oct 13
Windows OS	530	570
SQL	500	590
Java	490	480
C++/VC++	470	440
Business Analysis	470	490
Linux	430	390
Oracle DBMS	400	440
SAP	360	350
Unix	340	420
Microsoft SQL Server	310	350
Web Services	300	200
ITIL (IT Infrastructure Library)	300	200
Information Assurance (combined)	220	190
Windows Server	220	210
Virtualization Technology	220	260



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

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>.



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