

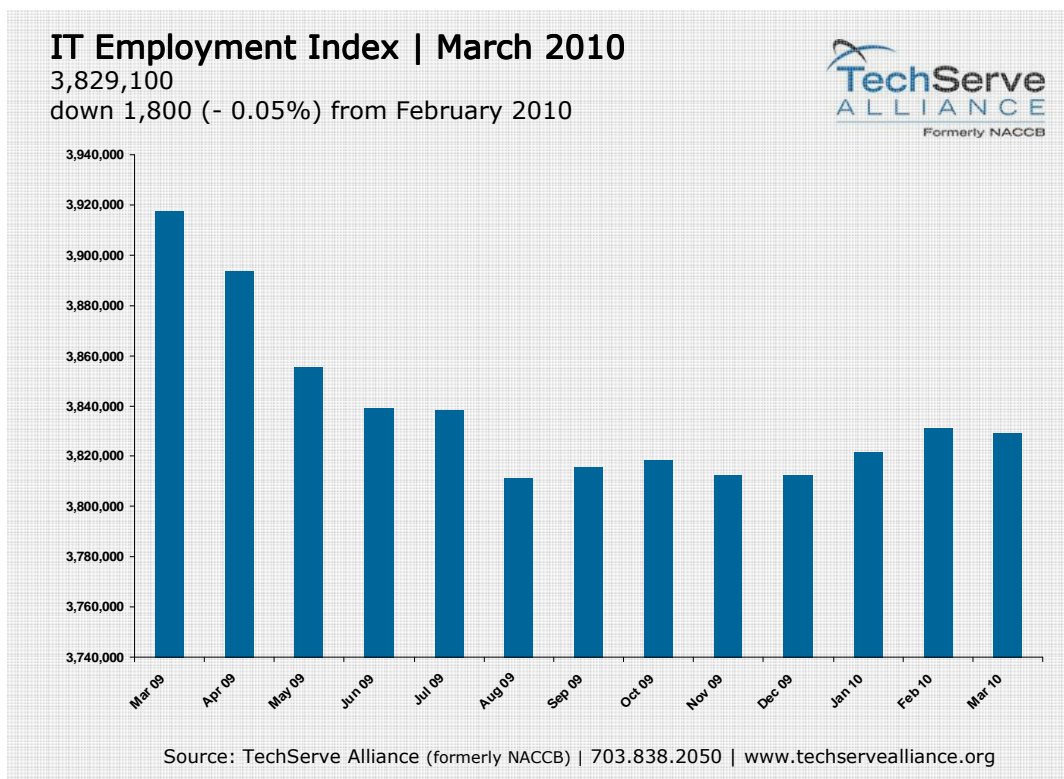
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IT Job Growth Pauses in March

Alexandria, VA, April 5, 2010 – IT employment, which had been in growth mode since the start of the year, paused in March, according to TechServe Alliance, a collaboration of IT services firms, clients, consultants and suppliers.

In the first two months of 2010, IT employment grew by more than 18,000 jobs. In March, the number of IT positions dipped by 1,800, representing a 0.05 percent decrease from the February level of 3,829,100 technology jobs.



“Although IT job growth was essentially flat in March,” said Mark Roberts, CEO of TechServe Alliance, “we are not concerned this is indicative of a major change in the overall growth trend of IT jobs.” “While employment data naturally fluctuates month-to-month, all signs point to continued growth as 2010 continues to unfold.” Roberts said.

IT jobs are found in virtually every sector and industry in varying degrees. The following table presents information about the total number of jobs in certain sectors that provide a significant amount of employment for IT professionals as well as to the number of all jobs.

Comparisons of TechServe Alliance's IT Employment Index to employment in some key sectors with significant numbers of IT jobs as well as to all jobs					
March 2010	TechServe Alliance IT Employment Index	Computer systems and design services	Insurance carriers and related activities	Telecommunications	All jobs
Number of jobs	3,829,100	1,432,500	2,193,600	943,000	129,750,000
Change from previous month	- 0.05%	+ 0.40%	- 0.42%	- 0.40%	+ 0.13%
Change from same month, one year earlier	- 2.26%	+ 0.67%	- 3.25%	- 4.69%	- 1.76%
<i>Note: all figures are subject to revision</i>					
Sources: Department of Labor/U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and TechServe Alliance (formerly NACCB)					

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Technical note: TechServe Alliance's IT Employment Index is the first specific measurement of IT employment. This unique measurement of total IT employment is created monthly by studying the ongoing staffing patterns of a dozen IT and computer related occupations in 16 industries and industry sectors employing significant numbers of IT workers including the manufacturing, wholesale and retail trade, financial, information services, business and professional services, and education and health industries. The monthly IT Employment Index is based on U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data, which is subject to monthly revisions, and therefore, the Index is revised accordingly. The IT Employment Index is also subject to annual revisions and was benchmarked February 2010 with the publication of the BLS January 2010 employment report, which included revisions to several years of employment data.

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