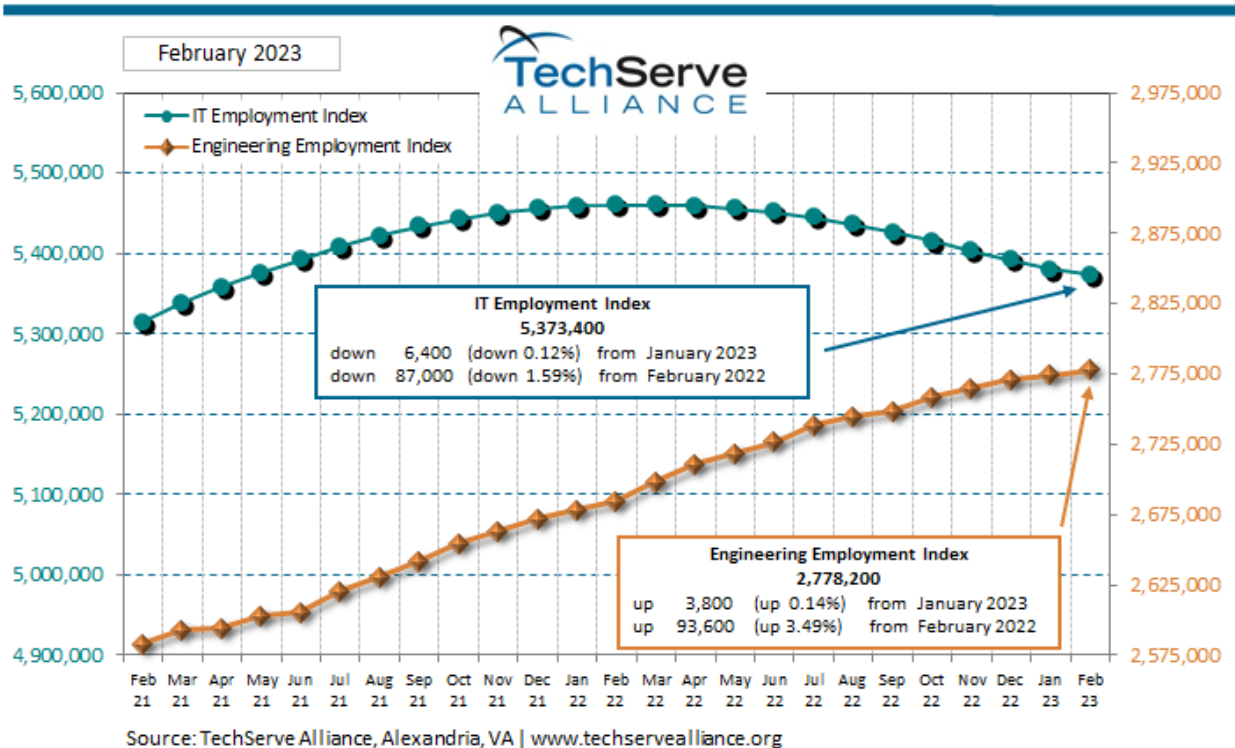


Mixed IT Employment Landscape: IT Jobs Continue to Slip in February Despite Unfilled Positions

Alexandria, VA, March 15, 2023 – IT Jobs declined 0.12% month-over-month in February despite an unemployment rate in IT of only 2.1% in Q4, according to TechServe Alliance, the national trade association of the Technology Staffing and Solutions Industry. On a year-over-year basis, IT employment was down 1.59% from February 2022, a net of 87,000 jobs. The Engineering sector showed a year-over-year job growth rate of 3.49% with the addition of 93,600 jobs during the year and with an unemployment rate of 2.2% in Q4.



“In the aggregate, U.S. IT employment continued to decline reflecting softer demand in some sectors of the economy. In particular, tech companies are retrenching after over-hiring during the height of the pandemic and its immediate aftermath,” said Mark Roberts, CEO of TechServe

Alliance. “However, actual employment of individuals does not happen in the aggregate. Many companies in a range of sectors continue to have difficulty hiring in high-demand IT skill sets. With a historically low IT unemployment rate of 2.1% in Q4 and with hundreds of thousands of open positions, the IT employment landscape does not fit a single narrative.”

The following table presents information about the total number of jobs in certain sectors that provide a significant amount of employment for IT and engineering professionals.

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 non-farm jobs									
February 2023	TechServe Alliance IT Employment Index	Computer systems and design services	Management and technical consulting services	Data processing, hosting and related services	TechServe Alliance Engineering Employment Index	Computer and electronic product manufacturing	Professional and technical services	Federal, State, and Local Government (excluding state and local schools and hospitals)	Total non-farm jobs
number of jobs	5,373,400	2,484,400	1,857,100	483,100	2,778,200	1,103,600	10,760,700	10,995,200	155,350,000
change from previous month	- 0.12%	- 0.1%	+ 0.6%	- 0.8%	+ 0.14%	+ 0.3%	+ 0.2%	+ 0.3%	+ 0.2%
change from same month, one year earlier	- 1.59%	+ 2.8%	+ 6.4%	+ 8.4%	+ 3.49%	+ 2.7%	+ 4.4%	+ 1.7%	+ 2.9%

note: all figures are subject to revision
Sources: Department of Labor/U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and TechServe Alliance

Technical note: TechServe Alliance's IT Employment Index and Engineering Employment Index are the first specific measurements of IT and engineering employment. These unique measurements of total IT and engineering employment are created monthly by studying the ongoing staffing patterns of a dozen IT and computer related occupations in 22 industries and industry sectors employing significant numbers of IT workers and nearly two dozen engineering occupations in 30 select industries and industry sectors employing significant numbers of engineering workers. Both the monthly IT Employment and Engineering Employment Indices are based on U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) data, which is subject to monthly revisions. The indices are also subject to annual revisions and rebenchmarking and may incorporate new occupational definitions. The most recent rebenchmarking took place with the dataset utilized in this February 2023 release.

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