



Monster Employment Index France Shows Mild Fall during May, as Online Job Opportunities in HR, Sales and Real Estate Sectors Decline

May 2008 Index Highlights:

- The overall level of online job availability in France fell by two points in May according to the Monster Employment Index France
- The real estate, sales and HR sectors all reported sharp falls in online job availability, while hospitality and tourism bounced back strongly, following a large decline in April
- Fewer opportunities were reported for legislators, senior officials and managers; and elementary workers, while service, shop and market sales workers; and craft-related workers registered higher demand
- The East of France saw the greatest shortfalls, while Ile de France rose for a second consecutive month. On an annual basis, the North registered the highest rate of increase

Summary Overview

The Monster Employment Index France dipped by two points during May, as online hiring activity slowed slightly. Despite the fall, the Index was up 16 points - or 11 percent - year-on-year, with important sectors such as hospitality and tourism picking up strongly in advance of the summer. The Monster Employment Index France is a monthly analysis of millions of online job opportunities culled from a large, representative selection of corporate career sites and job boards across France, including Monster.fr.

May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08	Feb 08	Jan 08	Dec 07	Nov 07	Oct 07	Sep 07	Aug 07	Jul 07	Jun 07	May 07
159	161	160	167	140	156	157	160	147	154	160	154	143

“The slowing rate of growth in sectors such as real estate and sales could be an effect of the erosion in purchasing power across France,” said Bruno Brémond, Vice President of Monster France and Southern Europe. “Nevertheless, the Index has risen 11 percent over the past 12 months and in particular the hospitality and tourism sector has seen strong growth in recent months. It’s a great time for seasonal workers to take advantage of the numerous job offers available online.”

Hospitality and Tourism Sector Regains Momentum following April Decline; Still Down Year-on-year

The HR sector saw a strong fall of 10 points during May, as fewer senior positions such as legislators, senior officials and managers; professionals; and technicians and associate professionals were advertised. Real estate also saw a marked decline of 11 points, following three months of continued growth. The sales; management and consulting and administrative and organisation sectors lost pace this month as well, each showing declines of between nine and 10 points.

The hospitality and tourism sector bounced back with a 20-point jump in demand during May, but remains down year-on-year, having lost 16 points or nine percent since May 2007. The rise was prompted by a surge in hiring for service, shop and market sales workers across the Ile de France and Mediterranean regions, while there was also more demand in Rhone Alpes.

Banking, finance and insurance also saw a second month of solid growth in May, growing five points on higher demand for senior positions such as professionals; legislators, senior officials and managers; and technicians and associate professionals. Despite the recovery, the sector is still down four points, or four percent year-on-year.

Demand for Elementary Workers Stabilises Following Surge

Online opportunities for elementary workers fell strongly by 34 points in May, following three months of solid increase. The fall came as a result of lower demand in the production, manufacturing, maintenance and repair sector. All regions saw fewer opportunities, with South West reporting the steepest decline. Year-on-year growth in online demand for elementary workers was 21 points, or 14 percent.

Senior positions including legislators, senior officials and managers also saw lower demand in May, as the category dropped 12 points. Major decreases were seen in the administrative and organization; and accounting, audit, taxes sectors. These falls were counterbalanced by rising demand in banking, finance and insurance; production, manufacturing, maintenance, repair; and research and development.

In contrast, service workers were in high demand due to the seasonal demand for hospitality and tourism. The category grew by 22 points, but was still down eight points, or seven percent year-on-year.

Ile de France Shows Continued Growth Trend as Hospitality and Tourism Picks-up

Ile de France defied the national trend as the only major region in France to report an increase in online job opportunities in May. The region saw a six point rise in opportunities as online job availability rose in the hospitality and tourism; and banking, finance and insurance sectors. Year-on-year growth across the region was a solid 23 points, or 19 percent.

The East and North both saw falls of two points in May, following growth the previous month. Both saw fewer positions in the marketing, PR and media and administrative and organisation sectors.

Top Industries Looking for Employees

Industries showing the greatest rate of increase in online job availability included:

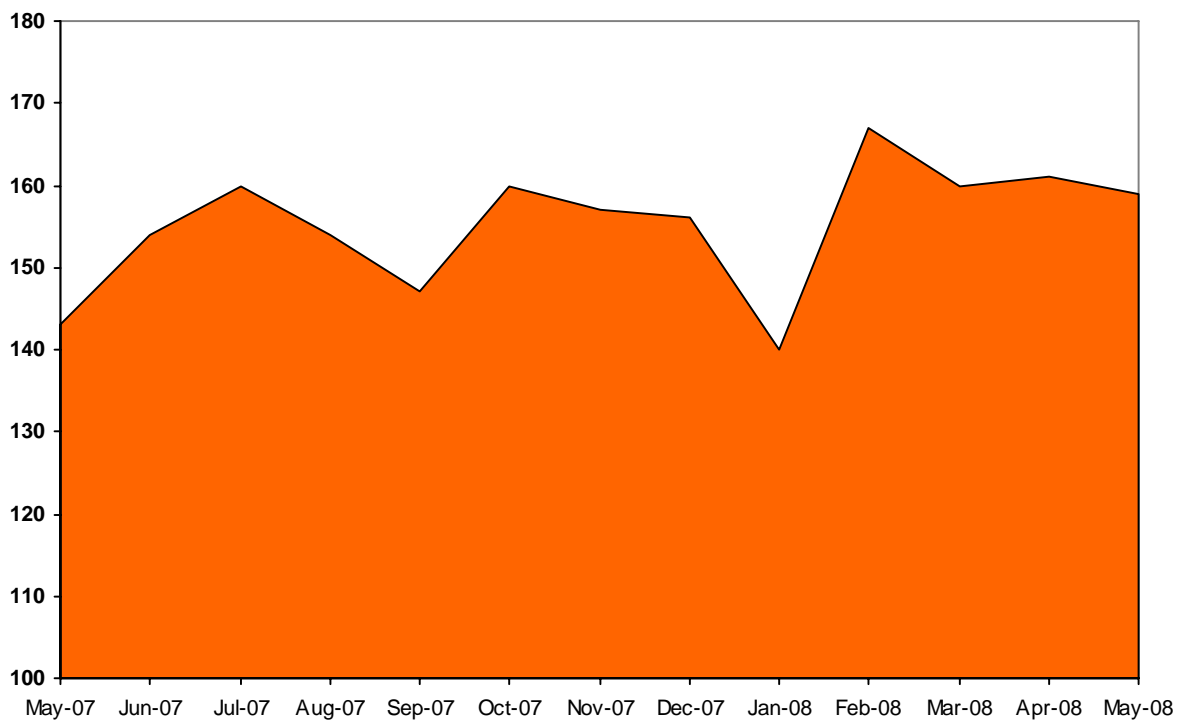
Industry	Apr 08	Mar 08	Feb 08
Hospitality and tourism	170	150	175
Banking, finance, insurance	85	80	76
Construction and extraction	171	167	168
Automotive	163	160	174
Education, training and library	89	87	89

Most Wanted Occupational Categories

Occupational categories registering most significant increases in online job demand included:

Occupation	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	111	89	111
Craft and related workers	258	239	222
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	190	179	174
Clerks	123	120	118

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Monster Employment Index France findings across industry sectors for the past 13 months are as follows:

Industry	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08	Feb 08	Jan 08	Dec 07	Nov 07	Oct 07	Sep 07	Aug 07	Jul 07	Jun 07	May 07
Accounting, audit, taxes	193	192	195	212	176	192	193	181	180	200	192	180	160
Administrative, organisation	121	130	123	130	105	115	118	115	108	113	126	115	111
Arts, entertainment, sport and leisure	136	137	136	132	130	131	133	138	141	136	141	150	149
Automotive	163	160	174	178	154	164	154	154	158	141	158	146	132
Banking, finance, insurance	85	80	76	79	76	74	74	83	82	86	89	89	89
Construction and extraction	171	167	168	172	154	163	159	162	155	171	172	170	158
Education, training and library	89	87	89	95	88	89	93	99	99	103	100	97	93
Engineering	166	169	172	178	154	166	163	167	163	172	172	169	157
Environment, architecture, urbanism	136	135	130	139	123	133	134	138	123	135	139	127	124
Healthcare, social work	167	167	170	172	141	158	147	144	155	161	171	163	155
Hospitality and tourism	170	150	175	149	121	113	127	145	189	168	187	211	186
HR	163	173	173	181	150	162	159	154	144	155	154	192	182
IT	114	118	113	120	108	120	121	118	111	114	115	113	113
Legal	104	111	127	128	109	119	121	121	128	137	141	135	131
Management and consulting	167	176	169	170	147	169	169	171	151	154	166	155	144
Marketing, PR and media	104	108	106	106	98	104	103	101	118	120	128	127	126
Production, manufacturing, maintenance, repair	175	175	170	176	154	171	170	174	156	168	165	161	147
Public Sector, defence, community	119	118	129	154	140	141	142	143	138	144	138	135	159
Real estate	201	212	190	184	172	175	165	185	152	159	161	172	160
Research and development	192	195	199	206	173	187	186	189	165	170	169	149	133
Sales	165	175	171	176	144	166	172	184	143	141	163	146	131
Transport, post and logistics	182	184	178	176	151	165	167	165	166	179	183	178	153

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Occupation	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08	Feb 08	Jan 08	Dec 07	Nov 07	Oct 07	Sep 07	Aug 07	Jul 07	Jun 07	May 07
Legislators, senior officials and managers	153	165	158	164	129	156	159	156	132	135	154	142	117
Professionals	164	169	169	178	150	165	164	164	155	164	164	159	151
Technicians and associate professionals	159	166	160	165	144	158	161	169	153	156	168	160	149
Clerks	123	120	118	121	91	106	103	109	102	110	110	99	100
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	111	89	111	91	81	87	93	96	94	90	108	111	119
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	83	85	84	108	104	109	110	117	115	122	125	130	132
Craft and related workers	258	239	222	239	207	227	215	201	209	215	218	218	203
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	190	179	174	174	145	155	156	152	160	166	172	170	153
Elementary occupations	172	206	178	152	133	180	186	211	145	174	190	166	151

Monster Employment Index France findings across French regions for the past 13 months are as follows:

Region	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08	Feb 08	Jan 08	Dec 07	Nov 07	Oct 07	Sep 07	Aug 07	Jul 07	Jun 07	May 07
Ile de France	141	135	133	137	108	126	125	129	115	107	131	123	118
East	105	107	106	109	99	104	106	108	103	116	107	107	105
North	137	139	137	142	126	135	134	137	129	130	135	110	108
West	116	118	121	125	113	120	120	119	118	118	124	124	120
South-West	93	93	91	94	89	93	92	92	88	89	91	113	108
Rhone Alpes	128	129	126	131	117	123	127	130	119	120	127	125	119
Mediterranean	104	106	105	108	101	106	105	108	103	112	106	105	102

Monster Employment Index France for June will be released on July 8, 2008.

About The Monster Employment Index France

Providing a broad, comprehensive monthly analysis of online job demand, the Monster Employment Index France is an extension of the Monster Employment Index Europe, which is compiled each month by researchers at Monster Worldwide Europe.

Launched in June 2005, the Monster Employment Index Europe provides monthly insight into recruitment trends across the European Union. The Index report is based on a real-time review of millions of employer job opportunities culled from Web sites across Europe, including Monster®. The Index is audited by Research America, Inc. and provides analyses of online job demand within occupational categories, industry sectors and regions.

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