



EMPLOYMENT I N D E X

Online Job Offerings in Sweden Decline at the End of the First Quarter, Reports Monster Employment Index

March 2009 Index Highlights:

- The Monster Employment Index Sweden continued its declining trend in March, following a slight uptick in February. The Index dipped three points in March, in a decline similar to the one observed in March 2008. Year-on-year the Index was down 79 points
- The administration; sales; and engineering sectors showed the sharpest monthly and annual declines
- Conversely, job opportunities in the research and development; and hospitality and tourism sectors rose in March
- Opportunities declined for managers; technicians and associate professionals and plant and machine operators and assemblers
- Elementary occupations; and service and sales workers saw the highest levels of increased demand among occupational groups
- Regionally, Ostra Mellansverige noted the sharpest decline in job opportunities; no regions noted increased opportunities on the month

Summary Overview

The Monster Employment Index Sweden dipped three points in March to 127, the Index's lowest reading since September 2006. The signs of cooled labour demand in Sweden can be seen across the country, as all regions noted online job opportunity declines. Year-on-year the Index was down 79 points, or 38 percent.

The Monster Employment Index Europe is a monthly analysis of millions of online job opportunities culled from a large, representative selection of corporate career sites and job boards across Europe, including monster.se.

Mar 09	Feb 09	Jan 09	Dec 08	Nov 08	Oct 08	Sep 08	Aug 08	Jul 08	Jun 08	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08
127	130	121	145	156	162	167	159	171	190	200	202	206

"March reflected a dip in online job offerings on the month, which is similar to what we've seen at the end of Q1 in previous years. In total, it seems that job availability has stabilised since the beginning of 2009," said Carl Silverstolpe, managing director Monster Scandinavia. "The longer-term trends don't suggest a forthcoming turnaround, but increased opportunities in sectors including research and development; hospitality and tourism; and healthcare and social work suggest that a number of jobs are still available to job seekers."

Engineering and sales sectors register fewer online job opportunities

Online offerings in engineering fell on both a monthly and annual basis among industry sectors, losing 25 and 227 points respectively. Weaker demand in the sector mirrors falling national turnover in construction and manufacturing. Among occupational groups, professionals; and technicians and associate professional represented the largest decline.

Similarly, the sales sector declined 25 points, following a slight upturn in February. Job availability for technicians and associate professionals declined in March, whilst Ostra Mellansverige saw the largest decline amongst the regions.

Production, manufacturing, maintenance and repair online job offerings fell 13 points and was down 137 points year-on-year. Professionals; and plant and machine operators and assemblers saw the sharpest decline. Regionally, demand in Sydsverige Med Oarna declined the most.

Managers restart declining trend, while service workers rise

Online job availability declined the most for managers in March, dropping 15 points. The administration; engineering; and public services sectors noted declining demand for the workers whilst availability remained stable in the management and consulting sector.

Plant and machine operators and assemblers dipped six points, reflecting weaker demand in the construction and production sectors. All regions saw fewer opportunities for these workers. Year-on-year the group declined 149 points.

In contrast, demand increased five points for service and sales workers, coinciding with increased demand in the hospitality and tourism sectors in preparation for the holiday season. Online opportunities in Vastsverige and Sydsverige Med Oarna increased the most amongst all regions. Despite the increase, on an annual basis, the group slumped 56 points, or 24 percent.

Online job availability weakens in all regions

Job offerings in Ostra Mellansverige dipped six points, the sharpest decline of all regions, however the fall was lower compared to the same period in 2008. The sales; production; and construction sectors noted sharp falls. However they were offset slightly by increased demand in the healthcare sector. Elementary occupations was the only occupational group not to exhibit fewer offerings in the region. Year-on-year, the region slumped 108 points or 44 percent, the sharpest annual decline for all regions.

Sydsverige Med Oarna saw a slight decrease in online job availability, falling three points. The sales; and product sectors note significantly reduced offerings but this was somewhat counterbalanced by increased recruitment activity in the hospitality and tourism; and healthcare sectors. On an annual basis, the region fell 99 points, or 42 percent.

Norra Sverige online job offerings declined by two points. Weaker demand in the region was noted in the sales; and production sectors, echoing the results of the other Swedish regions. Annually, the region was down 70 points.

Top Industries Looking for Workers

Industries showing the greatest monthly increase in online job availability included:

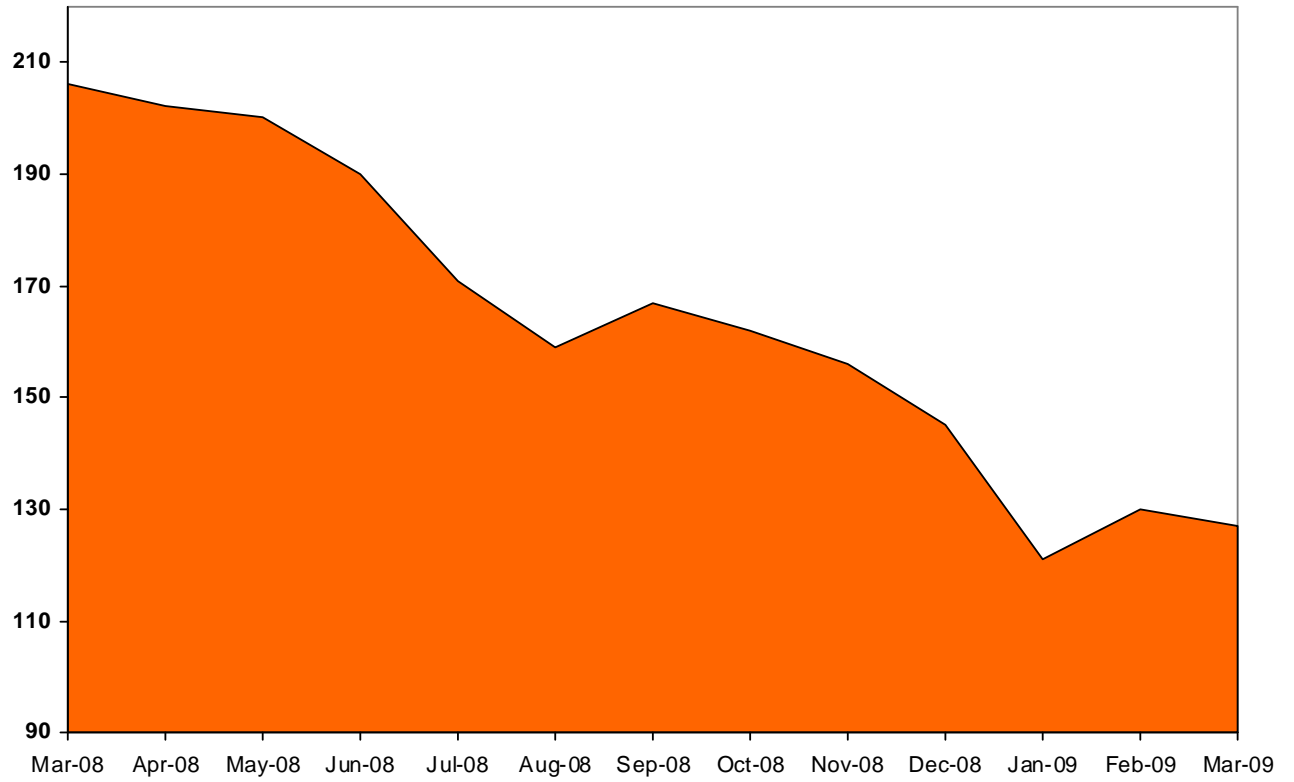
Industry	Mar 09	Feb 09	Mar 08
Research and Development	178	154	210
Hospitality and Tourism	134	118	174
Healthcare, social work	157	145	175
Accounting, Audit	234	223	375

Most Wanted Occupational Experience

Occupational groups showing the greatest monthly increase in online job availability included:

Occupation	Mar 09	Feb 09	Mar 08
Elementary occupations	138	125	138
Service and sales workers	178	173	234

Monster Employment Index Sweden



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

Industry	Mar 09	Feb 09	Jan 09	Dec 08	Nov 08	Oct 08	Sep 08	Aug 08	Jul 08	Jun 08	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08
Accounting, audit, taxes	234	223	232	249	257	274	271	261	309	345	329	354	375
Administrative, organisation	162	190	148	183	214	232	280	240	248	306	336	327	332
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	173	178	142	138	136	146	149	154	163	154	174	190	203
Arts, entertainment, sports, leisure	113	108	93	101	109	120	124	141	150	129	134	133	137
Banking, finance, insurance	119	129	142	164	187	227	219	211	221	238	261	275	272
Construction and extraction	159	163	143	163	175	179	184	167	181	192	211	211	220
Education, training and library	89	90	90	101	97	92	94	101	109	119	110	98	93
Engineering	181	206	245	306	345	368	350	305	361	382	428	402	408
Healthcare, social work	157	145	104	114	116	120	125	118	122	130	146	157	175
Hospitality and tourism	134	118	100	107	119	126	147	131	125	147	163	169	174
IT	256	263	285	341	378	395	382	362	405	423	420	445	458
Management and consulting	188	188	199	234	268	258	265	266	286	293	316	317	349
Marketing, PR and media	70	77	68	74	82	87	92	80	88	91	93	88	88
Production, manufacturing, maintenance, repair	122	135	129	145	175	188	218	193	203	226	245	252	259
Public Sector, defence, community	91	91	90	92	95	94	96	95	94	87	95	116	111
Research and development	178	154	156	152	169	148	149	175	171	184	209	225	210
Sales	164	189	175	199	238	249	254	232	240	272	277	284	292
Telecommunications	223	222	226	240	241	245	248	247	243	245	247	251	264
Transport, post and logistics	132	127	118	146	170	190	216	207	223	244	256	266	247

Monster Employment Index Sweden findings across occupational categories for the past 13 months are as follows:

Occupation	Mar 09	Feb 09	Jan 09	Dec 08	Nov 08	Oct 08	Sep 08	Aug 08	Jul 08	Jun 08	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08
Managers	196	211	193	249	270	268	295	283	292	327	354	371	396
Professionals	148	150	153	174	186	185	185	188	203	219	219	216	213
Technicians and associate professionals	102	108	86	107	130	141	143	127	136	153	171	182	191
Clerical support workers	140	142	144	139	146	151	159	153	156	160	165	164	163
Service and sales workers	178	173	153	171	176	187	206	182	182	198	213	218	234
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	131	137	104	103	103	111	112	112	116	118	126	144	156
Craft and related workers	167	173	154	167	183	196	203	181	199	209	232	226	237
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	101	107	88	114	135	173	185	158	178	204	229	251	250
Elementary occupations	138	125	130	130	143	140	148	133	135	132	137	137	138

Monster Employment Index Sweden findings across Swedish regions for the past 13 months are as follows:

Region	Mar 09	Feb 09	Jan 09	Dec 08	Nov 08	Oct 08	Sep 08	Aug 08	Jul 08	Jun 08	May 08	Apr 08	Mar 08
Norra Sverige (Norra Mellansverige, Mellersta Norrland, Övre Norrland)	120	122	112	130	143	150	152	151	152	170	177	189	190
Ostra Mellansverige (Ostra Mellansverige, Stockholm)	136	142	137	171	188	193	199	186	208	232	243	243	244
Sydsverige Med Öarna (Sydsverige, Småland Med Öarna)	135	138	121	148	165	172	174	167	182	207	223	228	234
Vastsverige (Vastsverige)	118	119	101	131	137	146	158	149	159	180	193	192	204

Monster Employment Index Sweden data for April will be released on May 12, 2009.

About The Monster Employment Index Europe

The Monster Employment Index Europe provides monthly insight into online recruitment trends across the European Union. Launched in June 2005 with data from December 2004, the Index is based on a review of millions of employer job opportunities culled from a large, representative selection of corporate career sites and job boards, including Monster. The Monster Employment Index's underlying data is validated for accuracy by Research America, Inc. – an independent, third-party auditing firm – to ensure that measured online job recruitment activity is within a margin of error of +/- 1.05%.

The Index monitors online job opportunities across all European Union member countries.

The monthly reports for Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United Kingdom and Europe are available at:

http://corporate.monster.com/Press_Room/MEI_EU.asp.

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