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Monster Employment Index Sees 16% Year-Over-Year Growth, Continuing 8-Month Trend

Month-Over-Month Increase of 1% in September

September 2010 Index Highlights:

- All major metropolitan markets tracked by the Index exhibit positive annual growth
- Service related industries - health care and social assistance; and professional, scientific, and technical services rise in September
- Annual growth remains stable for manufacturing; and transportation and warehousing between August and September

Summary Overview

The U.S. Monster Employment Index recorded its eighth consecutive month of positive year-over-year growth during September with a growth rate of 16 percent. This is an accelerated rate from the 12 percent in the previous month, but less than the peak of 21 percent seen during June and July. The Index rose two points (1 percent) in September as online job demand partially rebounded from the August levels.

The Monster Employment Index is a monthly gauge of U.S. online job demand based on a real-time review of millions of employer job opportunities culled from a large representative selection of corporate career Web sites and job boards, including Monster.com®.

During September, online job availability rose in 8 of the Index’s 20 industry sectors and in 10 of the 23 occupational categories monitored. Index results for the past 13 months are as follows:

SEP 10	AUG 10	JUL 10	JUN 10	MAY 10	APR 10	MAR 10	FEB 10	JAN 10	DEC 09	NOV 09	OCT 09	SEP 09
138	136	138	141	134	133	125	124	114	115	119	120	119

“Although we have seen the growth rate slow a bit over the last two months, it is encouraging that the Index continues to show positive year-on-year growth during 2010. This is a clear sign that employers are recruiting in greater numbers than they were a year ago and bodes well for steady, but continued improvement in the U.S. labor

market,” said Jesse Harriott, senior vice president and chief knowledge officer at Monster Worldwide.

Several Service Sectors Remain Strong on Monthly and Annual Basis; Accommodation and Food Services Records Slowdown in Annual Growth Rate

Online recruitment activity rose in eight and held steady in five of the 20 industries between August and September. Compared to year-ago levels, 19 industries are showing positive growth trends, with majority of the industries recording accelerated growth from August.

Several service related industries exhibited gains in September with professional, scientific, and technical services; and healthcare and social assistance both rising in the Index, recording high annual growth rates amongst the industries. Both, health care and social assistance; and transportation and warehousing recorded annual increases of 25 percent and 20 percent respectively. These are positive signs for both industries as their annual growth rate exceeds that of the overall index. Meanwhile, manufacturing (up 16 percent); saw annual growth rates remain more or less stable from the previous month.

In contrast, accommodation and food services remained one of the weaker sectors in the September Index from an annual perspective with year-over-year growth rate slightly slowing since August indicating some moderation in demand conditions.

Protective Service; and Military-Specific Occupations Register Largest Gains in September; Healthcare Support and Legal Show Strongest Year-Over-Year Growth

Overall online demand for workers rose in 10 and remained flat in four of the 23 occupational categories in September.

Among occupations, protective service and military-specific recorded the largest increases in online job availability on a monthly basis. Year-over-year sector demand trends remained strongest for healthcare support (up 31 percent) and legal (up 22 percent). Office and administrative support and healthcare support edged up between August and September as reflected by growth in the broader service-related industries. Within the more white-collar segment, the computer and mathematical (IT) occupational group also registered a rise in September.

In contrast, personal care and service; and food preparation and serving related occupations recorded a slowdown in annual growth rate as reflected by the slowdown in the larger accommodation and food services industry.

Online Job Availability Increases in Six U.S. Census Bureau Regions in September; North Dakota Records Highest Annual Growth amongst States

During September, online job availability expanded in six of the nine U.S. Census divisions between August and September. Long-term growth accelerated for Middle Atlantic, which is now the top growth region from an annual perspective. Despite improvement, annual growth remains most reserved in South Atlantic and East South Central.

Among the 50 states and the District, 36 registered increased online job opportunities in September. In contrast with previous months, the fastest annual growth rates were found in central U.S. New York, the fastest growth state in August year-over-year, slipped in the state rankings with a more moderate 21 percent annual growth rate in September. The District of Columbia was the only location in this segment of the Index with an annual decline.

Adjusting the number of online help-wanted ads for total working population, the Monster Employment Index found the following states to be the top ten in terms of per-capita online job availability during the month of September:

Rank	State
1	Delaware
2	Alaska
3	Arizona
4	Connecticut
5	Vermont
6	Montana
7	Maryland
8	Rhode Island
9	Virginia
10	Massachusetts

Twenty Two of 28 Major U.S. Metro Markets Monitored By the Index Rise in September

Philadelphia exhibited a four point (7 percent) gain in September to lead all major metro markets in monthly growth. Although still muted relative to 2007, recruitment has expanded over the past 12 months for nearly all occupations in this market, most notably for white collar occupations like life, physical, and social sciences; legal; management and healthcare practitioners. Meanwhile, Chicago registered improvement in online recruitment trends similar to Philadelphia, with the inclusion of Computer and mathematical; and education, training, and library among the white-collar occupational groups.

The Washington DC market exhibited the most moderate annual growth among the major metros in the Index. Among occupations, demand has gradually emerged over the year for management; architecture and engineering; the sciences; and arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media.

To obtain a full copy of the Monster Employment Index report for September 2010, and to access current individual data charts for each of the 28 metro markets tracked, please visit <http://about-monster.com/employment-index>. Data for the month of October 2010 will be released on November 4, 2010.

Top Industries Looking for Employees in September

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

INDUSTRY	SEP 10	AUG 10	JUL 10	JUN 10	MAY 10	SEP 09
Public Administration	204	190	198	193	186	172
Utilities	141	132	121	121	121	102
Health Care and Social Assistance	110	107	107	108	102	88
Other Services	188	183	183	188	183	163
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	59	58	59	59	57	49

Most Wanted Occupational Experience in September

Occupational categories registering the largest increases in online job demand in September included:

OCCUPATIONS	SEP 10	AUG 10	JUL 10	JUN 10	MAY 10	SEP 09
Protective Service	90	83	77	85	85	83
Military Specific	160	149	150	155	153	152
Healthcare Support	209	195	205	201	180	159
Community and Social Services	196	188	187	191	185	161
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	144	140	135	134	134	126

Online Job Demand Increases in 6 of the Nine Major U.S. Regions in September

Online job opportunities remained positive in 6 of the 9 U.S. Census Bureau Divisions in September. The regions are presented here in order of largest month-to-month rate of increase:

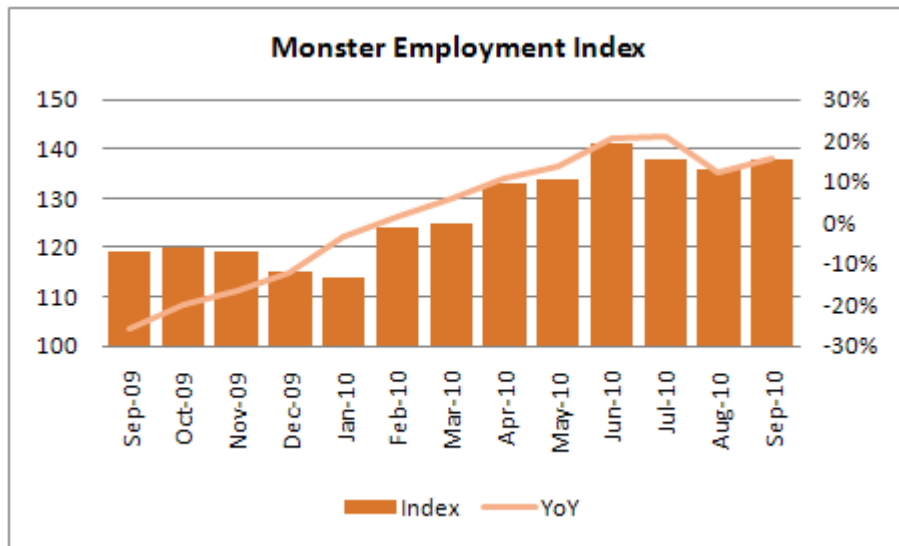
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU REGIONS	SEP 10	AUG 10	JUL 10	JUN 10	MAY 10	SEP 09
Mountain	142	134	136	137	132	121
East South Central	140	136	140	142	135	126
New England	125	122	126	130	124	110
West North Central	139	137	138	141	130	118

West South Central	214	211	210	216	204	188
East North Central	125	124	125	127	120	106
Middle Atlantic	130	130	132	133	129	108
South Atlantic	128	128	130	134	127	116
Pacific	114	115	117	119	114	99

Most Improved Local Markets in September

Metro areas showing the highest rate of increase in online job offerings in September included:

LOCAL MARKETS	SEP 10	AUG 10	JUL 10	JUN 10	MAY 10	SEP 09
Philadelphia	63	59	58	57	56	44
Cincinnati	83	78	77	84	75	60
Baltimore	53	50	51	54	49	45
Minneapolis	95	90	86	91	86	70
Chicago	82	78	76	78	74	63



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119	120	119	115	114	124	125	133	134	141	138	136	138

By Region

	2010									2009			
	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep
New England	125	122	126	130	124	124	112	112	103	103	110	111	110
Mid-Atlantic	130	130	132	133	129	130	117	114	105	107	111	111	108
East North Central	125	124	125	127	120	119	112	111	101	103	107	107	106
West North Central	139	137	138	141	130	128	121	124	113	114	118	120	118
South Atlantic	128	128	130	134	127	128	119	117	110	112	116	118	116
East South Central	140	136	140	142	135	132	130	132	122	121	126	128	126
West South Central	214	211	210	216	204	202	200	200	175	177	183	184	188
Mountain	142	134	136	137	132	129	123	124	118	118	121	122	121
Pacific	114	115	117	119	114	113	105	102	96	96	100	100	99

By Industry

	2010									2009			
	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	177	188	196	195	195	205	208	211	203	184	181	183	188
Mining, Quarrying and Oil and Gas Extraction	191	189	182	178	176	169	149	148	139	132	134	129	126
Utilities	141	132	121	121	121	117	108	110	114	106	111	103	102
Construction	194	193	195	200	197	195	176	165	157	163	167	164	167
Manufacturing	93	93	93	91	91	91	84	83	81	79	81	81	80
Wholesale Trade	137	136	134	134	134	133	129	127	121	126	130	124	126
Retail Trade	141	143	135	135	140	137	124	116	118	120	125	128	133
Transportation and Warehousing	154	155	160	157	150	149	138	131	125	131	137	128	128
Information	80	80	81	80	77	77	79	81	68	69	70	71	70
Finance and Insurance	52	53	52	52	53	53	52	51	45	46	48	47	47
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	55	55	57	60	55	62	63	57	51	50	53	53	54
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	59	58	59	59	57	56	53	54	49	50	51	50	49
Management of Companies and Enterprises	117	118	122	122	111	117	111	111	101	104	110	107	107
Administrative, Support, Waste Management, Remediation Services	55	55	56	55	54	54	51	51	49	51	53	53	54
Educational Services	87	92	94	91	91	89	82	81	82	79	83	81	83
Healthcare and Social Assistance	110	107	107	108	102	91	86	84	83	84	83	96	88
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	41	41	42	42	41	40	37	35	36	35	35	36	39
Accommodation and Food Services	105	111	108	113	99	104	95	94	94	96	105	99	102
Public Administration	204	190	198	193	186	183	182	190	180	169	164	180	172
Other Services	188	183	183	188	183	175	161	162	145	151	156	160	163

By Occupation

	2010									2009			
	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep
Management	144	144	148	152	144	147	139	133	122	125	131	131	131
Business and Financial Operations	148	145	146	151	148	145	132	134	122	121	128	125	124
Computer and Mathematical	102	101	101	102	97	98	94	95	86	87	89	86	86
Architecture and Engineering	88	88	90	89	84	88	84	84	75	75	77	77	75
Life, Physical, and Social Science	119	123	132	130	121	127	124	123	113	109	113	113	112
Community and Social Services	196	188	187	191	185	179	160	174	156	164	163	163	161
Legal	115	116	111	111	105	98	93	101	89	93	92	91	94
Education, Training, and Library	123	130	134	132	130	125	116	114	118	113	118	113	114
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	95	95	96	96	94	91	84	77	75	74	75	75	80
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	161	161	159	159	159	145	139	136	132	134	136	159	145
Healthcare Support	209	195	205	201	180	178	166	175	174	174	159	169	159
Protective Service	90	83	77	85	85	78	71	83	84	92	90	90	83
Food Preparation and Serving Related	110	115	118	119	108	116	107	98	96	102	109	110	120
Building, Grounds Cleaning, Maintenance	110	115	118	122	116	117	110	106	99	99	104	105	107
Personal Care and Service	48	53	57	59	54	62	53	53	48	43	44	47	49
Sales and Related	90	91	91	93	93	94	90	90	82	82	88	87	86
Office and Administrative Support	105	103	106	104	102	101	98	95	89	94	98	97	99
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	162	169	175	176	182	191	203	196	200	187	181	185	186
Construction and Extraction	116	115	115	116	115	114	103	97	92	95	97	95	96
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	144	140	135	134	134	130	125	124	116	121	124	123	126
Production	122	121	121	117	117	117	108	108	100	100	103	103	102
Transportation and Material Moving	99	100	103	100	96	95	88	84	80	85	87	82	83
Military Specific	160	149	150	155	153	152	159	148	156	155	153	153	152

By Local Market

	2010										2009		
	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep
Atlanta	92	91	90	93	88	90	84	78	66	71	74	72	75
Baltimore	53	50	51	54	49	51	46	44	38	42	45	46	45
Boston	81	78	77	81	79	78	66	62	52	57	61	63	68
Chicago	82	78	76	78	74	76	68	66	55	60	62	61	63
Cincinnati	83	78	77	84	75	73	69	65	54	56	60	61	60
Cleveland	99	99	95	100	91	91	88	80	70	75	75	74	76
Dallas	106	104	100	105	103	101	99	95	80	84	86	87	88
Denver	102	103	100	100	96	94	89	86	77	80	82	83	84
Detroit	97	93	89	91	79	78	72	70	57	63	66	64	63
Houston	120	117	115	118	114	111	107	104	97	98	102	102	105
Indianapolis	89	90	87	92	82	82	78	76	68	70	75	71	72
Kansas City	97	94	88	97	87	86	79	75	65	69	73	73	73
Los Angeles	69	67	66	69	67	67	61	58	51	54	56	56	57
Miami	74	73	73	78	75	76	72	69	59	62	64	64	64
Minneapolis	95	90	86	91	86	85	84	78	68	72	72	70	70
New York City	84	83	83	84	82	82	73	70	60	65	68	68	68
Orlando	56	54	54	60	53	50	50	44	36	39	40	40	40
Philadelphia	63	59	58	57	56	54	45	43	36	41	43	43	44
Phoenix	72	71	69	71	70	70	67	65	60	62	63	62	62
Pittsburgh	151	144	142	152	141	136	131	126	108	112	118	114	115
Portland	89	93	90	97	88	84	79	71	62	69	74	72	71
Sacramento	75	75	74	78	71	70	68	62	57	59	64	65	64
San Diego	72	71	71	74	70	71	69	65	60	62	66	65	66
San Francisco	76	76	75	76	73	73	68	66	58	61	64	63	63
Seattle	108	107	108	111	105	104	99	93	84	89	90	90	91

St. Louis	114	111	109	116	104	102	99	95	83	85	89	90	91
Tampa	82	80	78	87	77	77	73	71	62	63	66	65	65
Washington, D.C.	54	53	51	58	54	55	48	46	38	45	49	49	52

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Launched in April 2004 with data collected since October 2003, the Monster Employment Index is a broad and comprehensive monthly analysis of U.S. online job demand conducted by Monster Worldwide, Inc. Based on a real-time review of millions of employer job opportunities culled from a large, representative selection of online career outlets, including Monster, the Monster Employment Index presents a snapshot of employer online recruitment activity nationwide. 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%. To obtain a full copy of the Monster Employment Index report for September 2010, including all charts and tables, please visit <http://about-monster.com/employment-index>. Data for the month of October 2010 will be released on November 4, 2010.

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