Tech Job Seeker Insight

Absolute IT are pleased to present our latest Tech Job Seeker Insight Report, from a survey of over 3,200 tech professionals from around New Zealand & offshore. The report provides insight into IT job seeker’s plans for and expectations of 2015.

OVERVIEW
Workplace satisfaction continues to remain strong in New Zealand with 85% of tech professionals considering their current IT job a good place to be and 91% stating their work / life balance as either average or above.

There has been a 10% decrease in the number of tech professionals considering heading overseas in 2015, down to 24%. These figures are reflected in Statistics New Zealand reports that show New Zealand’s continual increase in migrants (more arrivals than departures). This figure is primarily due to the decrease in kiwis choosing to live in Australia.

Flexible working hours is still the top non-financial benefit New Zealand tech professionals want from an IT job, followed by career development planning and advice, and additional annual leave.

A ‘better salary package’ is the top motivating factor for permanent staff when accepting a new IT job, compared with contractors who rate ‘better pay rates’ and ‘challenging work’ equally important.

In 2014 80% New Zealand tech professionals received a pay increase and the good news is 94% of employers are either planning to give their staff / contractors a pay increase in 2015 or are undecided. Interestingly only 58% of tech professionals are expecting a pay increase in 2015, with an additional 28% unsure.

With good tech talent in dramatically short supply and demand for the best talent still rising in New Zealand, it is no surprise that 67% of tech professionals are still considering a move to a new IT job in 2015.

Baby Boomers are more likely to move jobs this year, with 69% considering a move, compared with a slightly less 63% of Gen Y.

The key reasons cited for moving IT jobs are ‘time of a change’, ‘skills not being utilised’, ‘workplace culture’ and ‘low salary’. 
PAY INCREASES

The good news is employers are listening, with 50% supporting flexible working hours and remote access.

EXPECTING A PAY INCREASE IN 2015

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CONSIDERING A MOVE TO A NEW JOB IN 2015

AVERAGE 67%

63% GEN Y

69% BABY BOOMERS

TOP REASONS FOR MOVING JOBS

1. SKILLS NOT BEING UTILISED
2. WORKPLACE CULTURE
3. LOW SALARY
4. TIME FOR A CHANGE

AVERAGE 67%
DATA SECTOR SPLIT

69% PRIVATE SECTOR (100+ STAFF)
29% PUBLIC SECTOR
2% NOT FOR PROFIT

DATA REGIONAL SPLIT

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