

CAPSTONE PROJECT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The use of technology in our everyday lives and harnessing it to our advantages is one vital part we need to pay attention to.

In this report,

- current and future databases and programming languages are looked at;
- how these changes over time;
- its drastic usage increase in future years; and
- what that will mean for one who plans on venturing in the study or use of any of them.

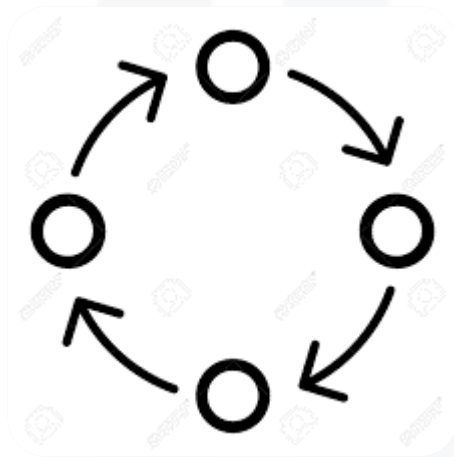
INTRODUCTION



This report is about using IBM Cognos in creating dashboards with various visuals presenting data for current and future technology trends (regarding programming languages, databases, platforms and web frames) likewise demographics (based on gender, age, countries and a combination of gender and formal education).

This report is for anyone wanting to venture into learning a database querying and/or programming language skill. By reading through this report, a reader will gain more insights into knowing the current and future programming languages and databases in circulation.

METHODOLOGY



- ▶ For the dashboard tabs, two files were provided from the web: [m5_survey_data_demographics.csv](#) and [m5_survey_data_technologies_normalised.csv](#).
- ▶ For the GitHub job postings slide, the job postings data was collected using GitHub API into a file named "github-job-postings.xlsx".
- ▶ For the Popular languages slide, the data was collected using web scraping into a file named "popular-languages.csv".
- ▶ Charts were developed using Python, Excel and IBM Cognos environments.

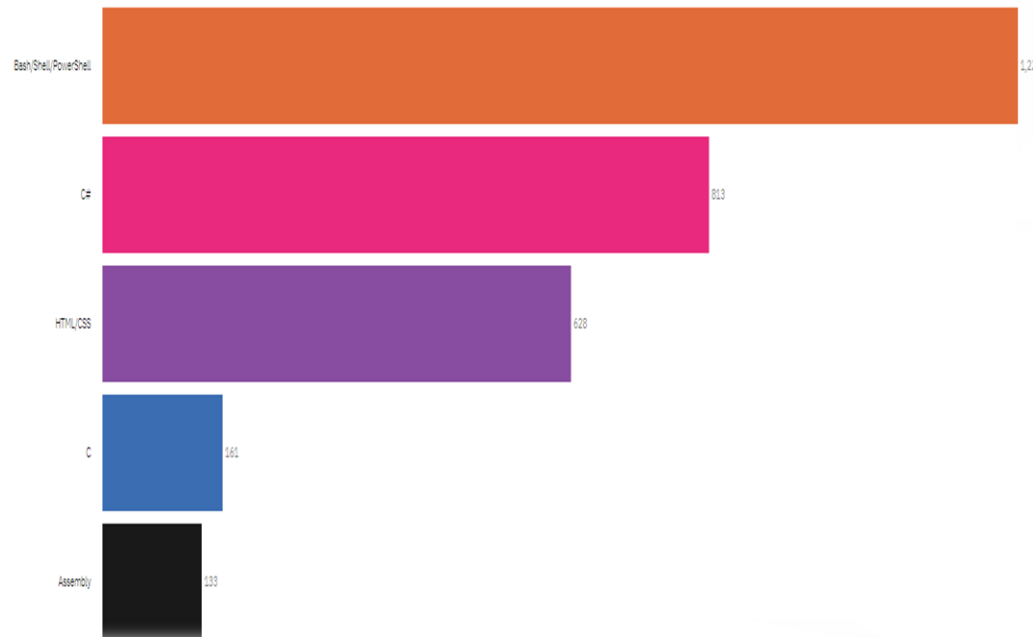
RESULTS

- ▶ Programming language trends
 - This shows two bar charts with details for the top 5 current year and next year programming trends.
- ▶ Programming language trends – Findings and Implications
- ▶ Database trends
 - This shows two bar charts with details for the top 5 current year and next year database trends.
- ▶ Database trends – Findings and Implications

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE TRENDS

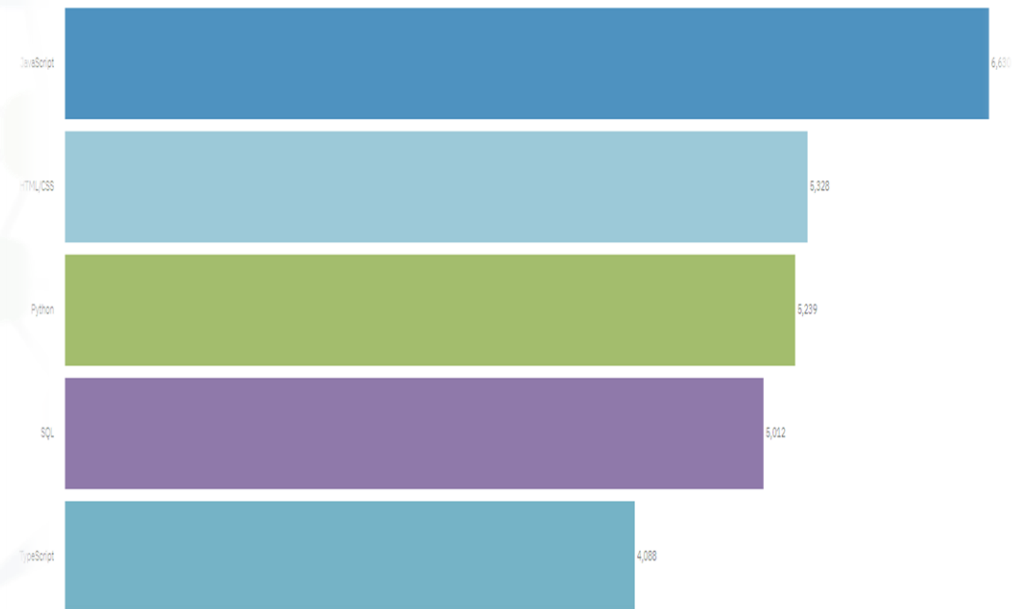
Current Year

Top 5 Language Worked With



Next Year

Top 5 Language Desire Next Year



PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE TRENDS - FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- ▶ The top 5 current programming languages are Bash/Shell/PowerShell, C#, HTML, C and Assembly while the top 5 future programming languages are JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Python, SQL and TypeScript.
- ▶ Bash/Shell/PowerShell is the top current programming language with 1227 enrollments while JavaScript is the top future programming language with 6630 enrollments.
- ▶ HTML/CSS seems to be a very relevant programming language currently and, in the future, as it can be seen to be still be in the top 5 in both trends.
- ▶ Python ranked third in the top 5 future programming language.

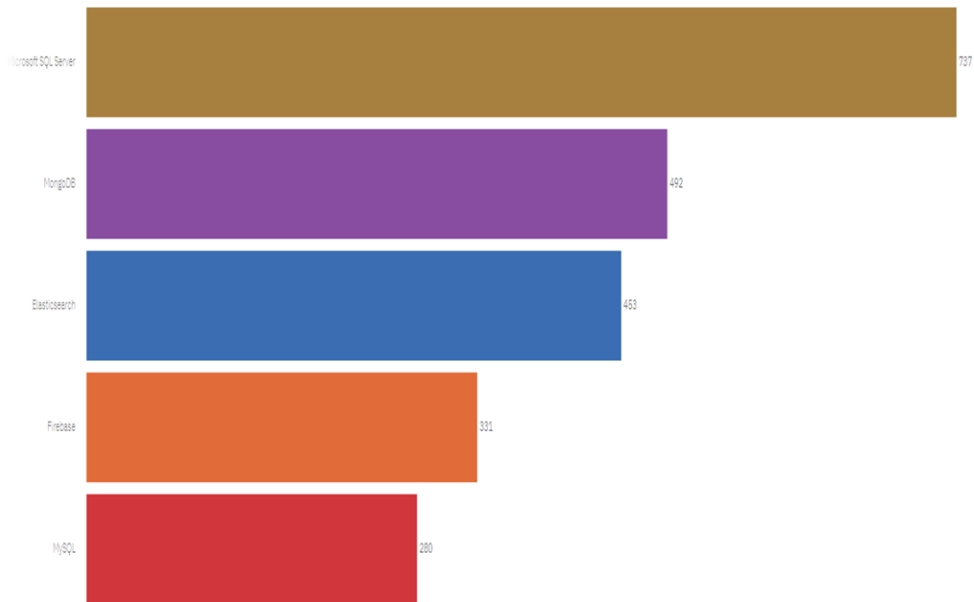
Implications

- ▶ The current trending programming languages might not be the top ones in the future such as Bash/Shell/PowerShell, C#, C and Assembly.
- ▶ The trend of programming languages in use varies and changes with respect to time.
- ▶ The knowledge of HTML is a plus at both times.
- ▶ Python will be a good programming language to learn now because it comes as a good choice in the coming year.

DATABASE TRENDS

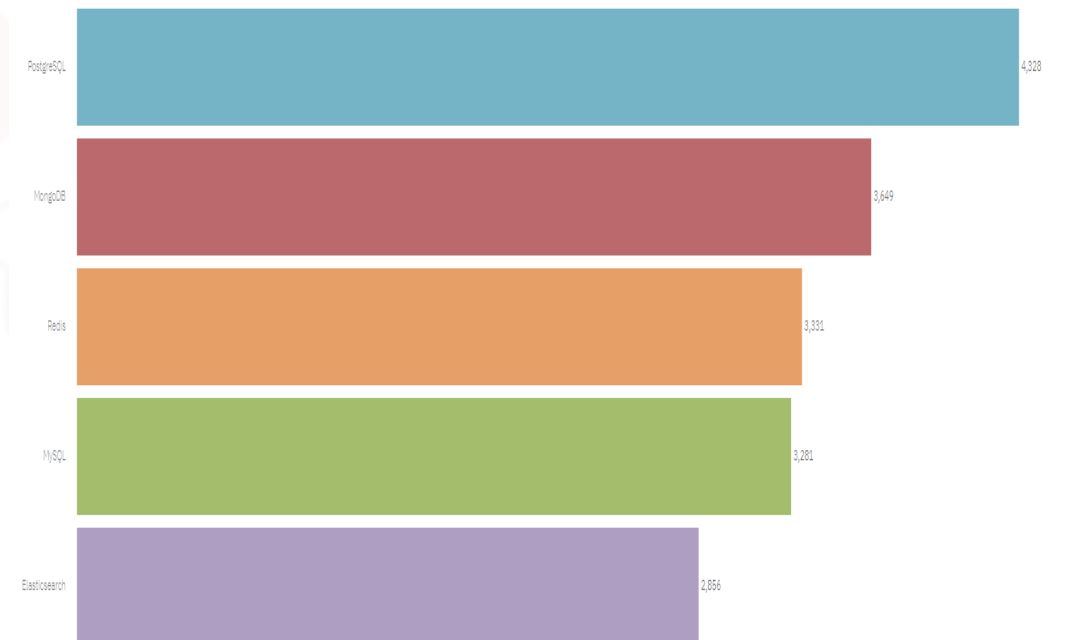
Current Year

Top 5 Database Worked With



Next Year

Top 5 Database Desire Next Year



DATABASE TRENDS – FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- ▶ The top 5 current database are SQL Server, Mongo DB, ElasticSearch, Firebase and MySQL while the top 5 future databases are PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis, MySQL and ElasticSearch.
- ▶ SQL Server is the top current database in use with 737 enrollments while PostgreSQL is the top future programming language with 4328 enrollments.
- ▶ MongoDB can be seen to maintain its position as the top 2nd database both currently and in the future trends.
- ▶ MySQL and ElasticSearch also remained on the top 5 spots in both trends.
- ▶ The study and use of databases grew greatly, like 6 times in figures more in the upcoming year than currently.

Implications

- ▶ The current trending databases might not be the top ones in the coming year such as SQL Server been replaced at the top by PostgreSQL in the coming year.
- ▶ The learning MongoDB will be beneficial both now and in the coming year
- ▶ MySQL and ElasticSearch are also important tools that will be beneficial now and in the coming year.
- ▶ Getting into the knowledge of database now is good because the use will be greatly increased in the coming year.

DASHBOARD



The permanent link for the IBM Cognos dashboard:

<https://ibm.co/3vyuii8>

DASHBOARD TAB 1

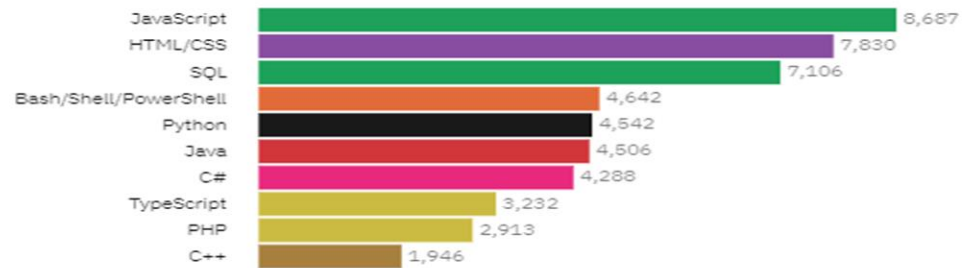
Current Technology Usage

Future Technology Trend

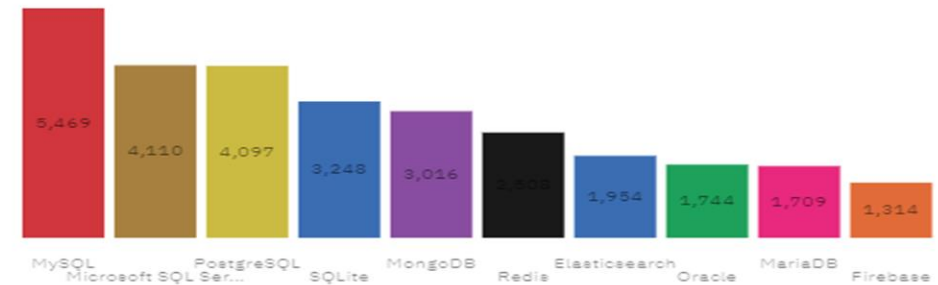
Demographics



Top 10 Language Worked With



Top 10 Database Worked With



Platform Worked With



Top 10 WebFrame Worked With



DASHBOARD TAB 2

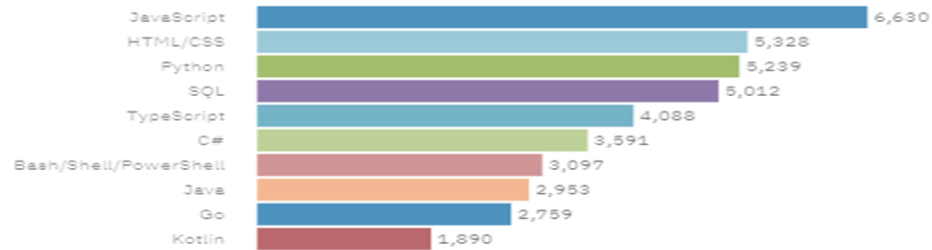
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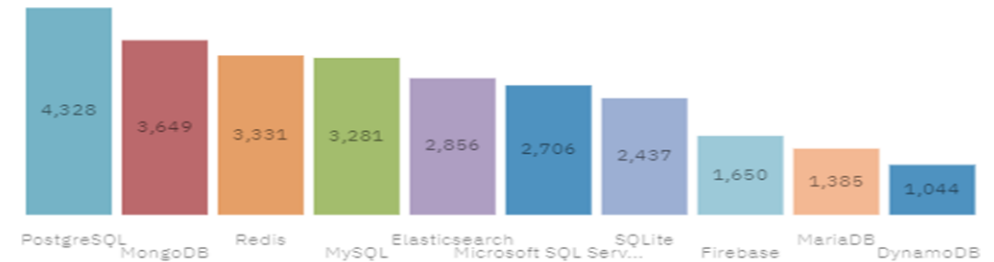
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Top 10 Language Desire Next Year



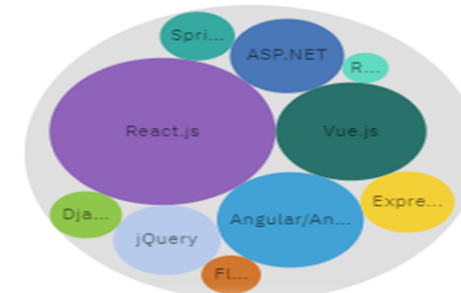
Top 10 Database Desire Next Year



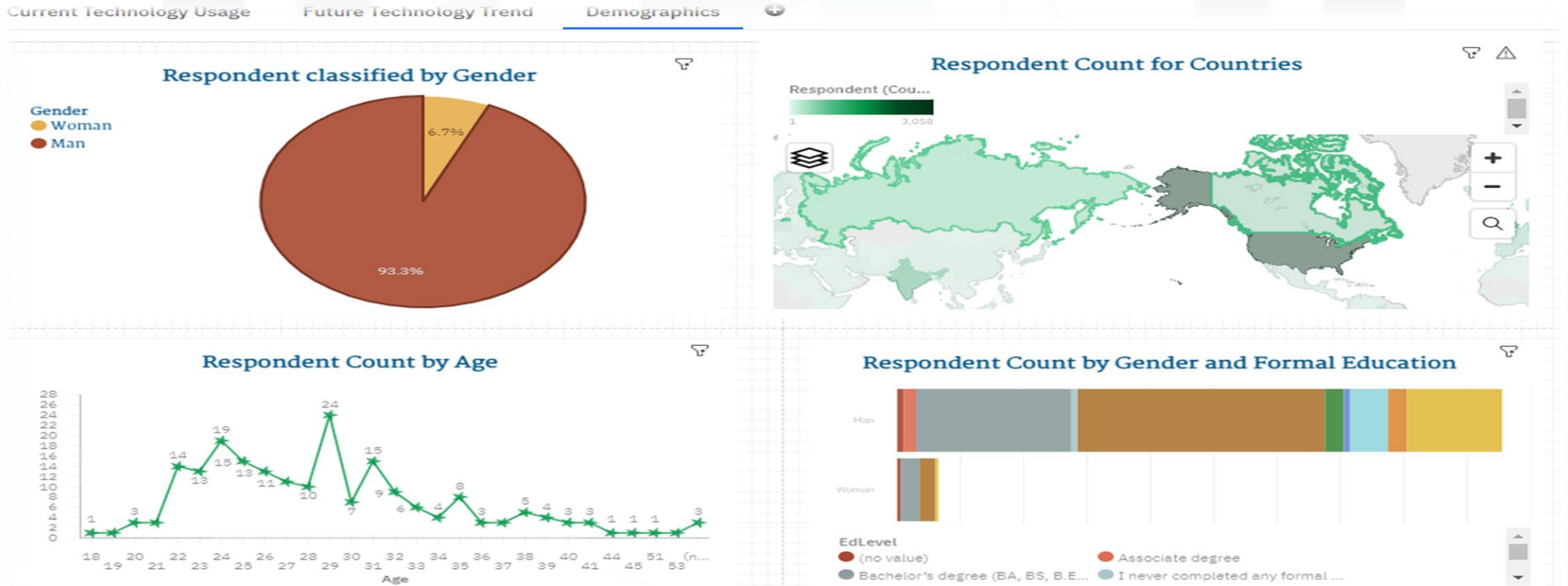
Platform Desire Next Year



Top 10 Web Frame Desire Next Year



DASHBOARD TAB 3



DISCUSSION



- ▶ Overall Findings
- ▶ Overall Implications

OVERALL FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- ▶ JavaScript and HTML/CSS remained as the top two programming languages both in current and future technology trends.
- ▶ Six other programming languages also remained within the top 10 spots in both current and future trends. As for the databases, nine out of the top 10 in the current trend still proved relevant with the top 10 in the future trends.
- ▶ There are more male respondents than female respondents which shows the field is largely male-dominated.
- ▶ Those in countries such as USA, Canada, UK, Germany are a lot grounded in these technology compared to bare lowest we have in the African continent.
- ▶ Respondents with a bachelors degree, masters degree and some college study are the majority the uses of these technologies.
- ▶ Respondents between the ages of 22 – 24, 29 and 31 are those who use these technologies more.

Implications

- ▶ The knowledge and use of JavaScript and HTML/CSS remains relevant those the years.
- ▶ Learning or using any other constant top programming language and/or databases will be at a advantage.
- ▶ The technology field will continually be male dominated unless more females dive into this field.
- ▶ As the developing countries are embracing technology and its trend to the better their nations, Africa needs to do likewise to as not to be left behind.
- ▶ Quite the learned ones are the one who make use of these technologies, so it can be inferred that these skills are taught in colleges/universities.
- ▶ Learning these skills at the ages mentioned is good but would be better in formative ages.

CONCLUSION



A few insights that could be derived from this report are:

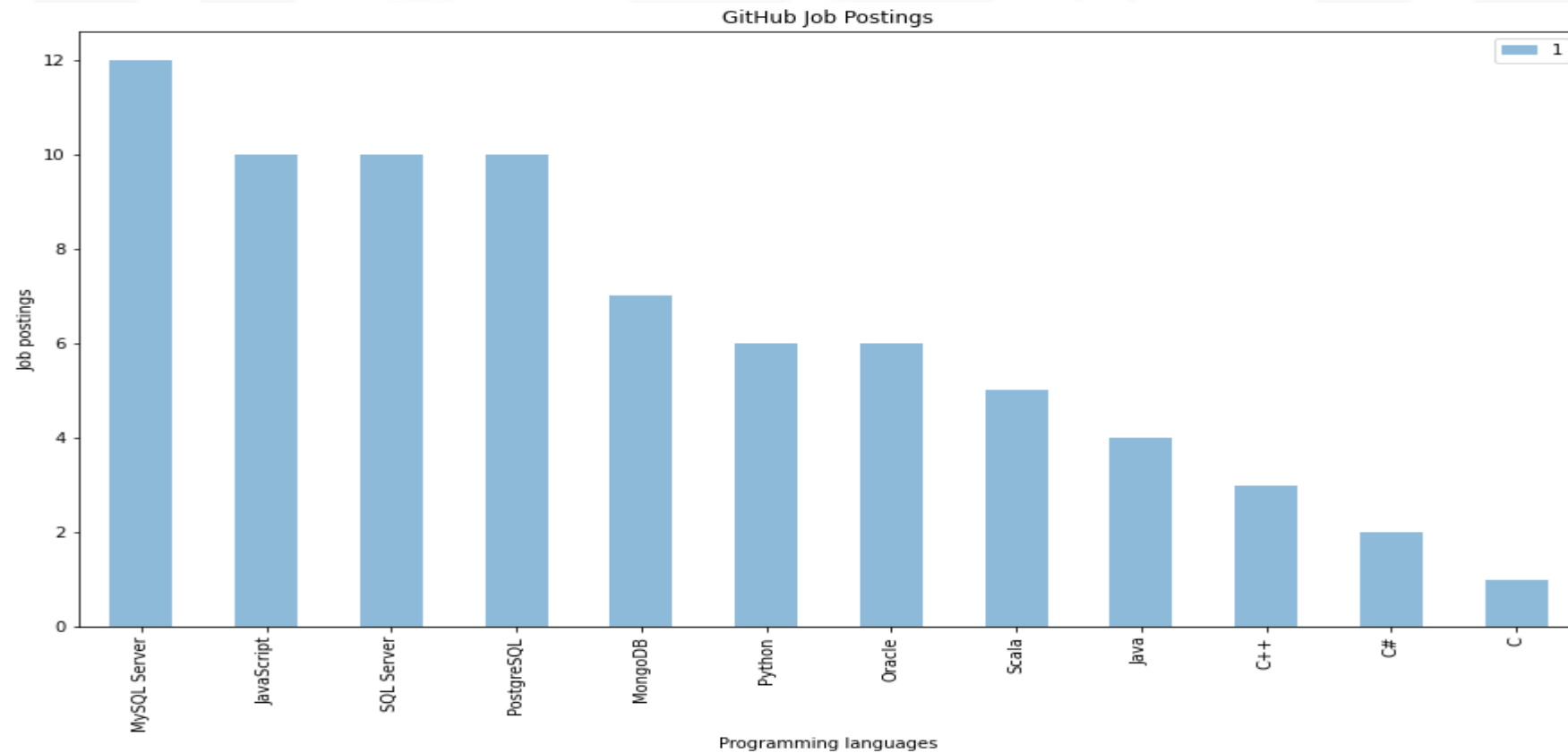
- ▶ Technology trend changes over time likewise we have to move with the trend.
- ▶ The knowledgeable use of JavaScript, HTML/CSS and one database technology (say PostgreSQL) would be a good combination for any aspiring technology personnel.
- ▶ New emerging database and programming languages use will surely always emerge but once the fundamentally basic ones are known, one has an edge ahead.
- ▶ Technology trends should not be limited to just colleges/universities but should be incorporated from basic school levels.

APPENDIX



- ▶ GitHub Job Postings
- ▶ Popular Languages

GITHUB JOB POSTINGS



POPULAR LANGUAGES

