

Everyone from leaders in the IT industry to journalists and laymen predict what will be the next big thing in IT. Although some things have not come to fruition, many have been developed and continue to impact the skills needed to support new or changed technologies. Keeping an eye on tech predictions and industry trends have helped Apex plan for the future to meet the needs of our clients and contract employees.

Below are thoughts about the next moves for the IT industry from Forrester, Gartner, ThoughtWorks, WantedAnalytics and Hollywood:



► Forrester

[Forrester Predictions 2015](#)

Which emerging trends in business and technology can deepen customer engagement and drive company growth? Forrester's Predictions briefs examine the forces that will impact your business technology agenda in the coming year, to help you anticipate change and optimize strategy.

All Forrester Predictions briefs were published in November 2014.

► Gartner

[Gartner Reveals Top Predictions for IT Organizations and Users for 2015 and Beyond](#)

Gartner, Inc. has revealed its top predictions for IT organizations and IT users for 2015 and beyond. Gartner's top predictions for 2015 begin to examine a shift in the age old relationships between man and machine due to the emergence of digital business.

► ThoughtWorks

[ThoughtWorks Tech Radar](#)

Every six months or so, ThoughtWorks publishes their Technology Radar tracking trends in IT techniques, platforms, tools, and languages and frameworks. The Radar is written by the ThoughtWorks Technology Advisory Board, which includes leaders from all aspects of the IT industry.

► WantedAnalytics

[Top IT Skills for 2015](#)

We examined which IT skills were most in-demand from September 2014 to December 2014. As these abilities were commonly sought after in the second half of 2014, it's likely that they will continue to be needed by employers in 2015.

► Hollywood

Chicago Tribune: ["How realistic is the 2015 of 'Back to the Future Part II'?"](#)

The future — at least Chicago-born director Robert Zemeckis' idea of the future, as envisioned in 1989 — arrives, in our present space-time continuum, in 553 Earth days. That date, Oct. 21, 2015, is when "Back to the Future Part II" is set, and the movie imagines a world of flying vehicles, hoverboards, drone dog-walkers — and in the future a lot of stuff will float, apparently.