

# Ruby on Rails is a Dead Language

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Matt Gifford, (aka [ColdFuMonkeh](#)) twittered an article that has lead me to a startling conclusion: Ruby on Rails is a dead language! Read more to find out why.

The article that Matt references is [Ten Dying IT Skills](#) at Global Knowledge. We all know ColdFusion is a dead language, I mean the article nails it on the head: that there are more openings for PHP developers than for ColdFusion developers must mean that there aren't very many jobs for us CF developers. I find it amazing though, that they missed the second conclusion from their job opening comparison: If ColdFusion is a dead language because it only has 2,000 job openings compared to PHP's 11,000 openings, than Ruby on Rails must be a dead language with only 1,500 openings. I'm not sure how such a well researched article could have missed this, but there you have it. Ruby on Rails is a dead language.

This post is meant to be very tongue-in-cheek. I don't think ColdFusion and Ruby on Rails are dead languages. Comparing numbers of job openings at a single site without any data about factors relating to those numbers is about as revealing as comparing the weight of pocket lint between PHP and CF Developers.