

AI adoption to boost data, cloud role hiring

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Chennai: As companies navigate AI adoption, demand and salary growth for data science, data engineering, DevOps and cloud computing roles are expected to grow faster than other technology roles in FY25 compared to the previous fiscal, according to TeamLease Digital.

The tech staffing and solutions providers' snapshot analysis shows that a rise in AI, machine learning (ML), and automation skills has significantly increased the demand for data-related roles. While 69% of job postings for data scientists mentioned ML skills in FY24, demand for natural language processing jumped from 5% in 2024 to 19% in 2025, indicating a broad industry shift toward AI-driven solutions, the company said in a note.

The demand for AI-related roles will increase 17% in the current fiscal and about 25% in FY26, Neeti Sharma, chief executive of TeamLease Digital, told **TOI**. This includes roles such as data scientist, analyst and engineer, big data developer, AI/ML engineer, database administrator, devOps, IoT and automation engineer.

The migration to cloud infrastructures has increased hiring in roles related to cloud engineering, development, and architecture.