State of the product job market in 2025

There's a lot to be optimistic about





Welcome to a subscriber-only edition of my weekly newsletter. Each week I ta reader questions about building product, driving growth, and accelerating your career. For more: Lenny's Podcast | How I AI | Lennybot | Lenny's Reads | Courses | Swag



Annual subscribers now get a free year of <u>Perplexity Pro, Notion, Superhuman, Linear,</u> <u>Granola, and more</u>. <u>Subscribe now</u>.

Last year, I did a two-part series on the state of the product job market (see <u>part 1</u>, <u>2</u>), where we found:

- 1. A shift toward hiring senior candidates
- 2. The decline of Scrum
- 3. The share of remote roles shrinking
- 4. The share of PM roles based in the Bay Area growing

It's a great time to revisit the state of the product job market, and there's a lot to optimistic about! We're seeing:

- 1. Open PM and engineering roles are trending up
- 2. AI PM roles (and AI-related roles in general) are exploding
- 3. Layoffs are slowing

- 4. Capital investment is increasing
- 5. The Bay Area continues to be the center of opportunity
- 6. Remote work opportunities are declining—and are probably near a new base
- 7. There are lots of open PM roles around the world

A big thank-you to <u>TrueUp</u> for making this analysis possible through their incredidataset. They continuously scan every open job at every big tech company and every top startup, and then categorize and tag each role. You can browse all open PM rolete, and sign up to get job alerts when new product roles are posted.

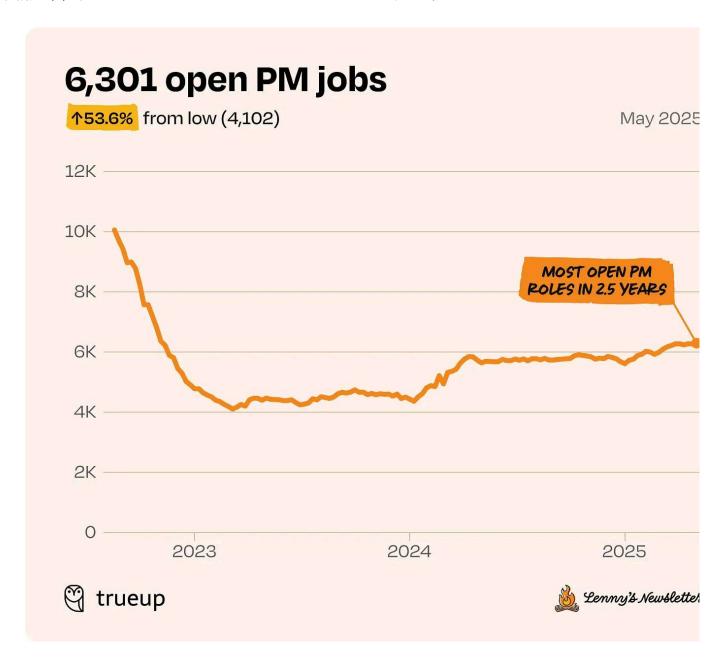
Now, on to the data.

P.S. If you prefer, you can listen to this post in convenient podcast form: <u>Spotify</u> / <u>Apple</u> / <u>YouTube</u>.

1. Open PM and engineering roles are trending up

In spite of what you're hearing about recessions and AI taking jobs, open roles for product managers and engineers at tech companies are *increasing*.

There are over 6,000 open PM roles globally right now—53.6% above the bottom w saw in 2023, and already up 11% since the start of the year. This is the most open F roles we've seen in over two years.



Engineering role growth looks very similar—just scaled up 10x. Open engineering roles saw an uptick earlier this year, and we're currently seeing the highest numbe open roles since late 2022.