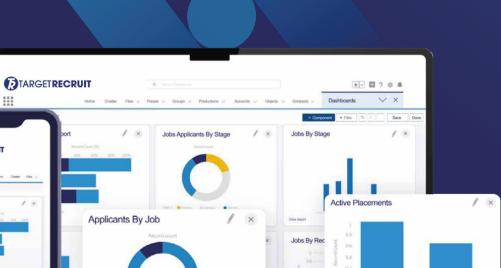# TARGETRECRUIT

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Staffing and Recruiting Tech Trends for 2025

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The recruitment industry is at the cusp of a transformative shift, driven by cutting-edge technologies and innovations that promise to redefine how we attract, engage and retain top talent.

At TargetRecruit we understand that staying ahead of the curve is essential for success in an increasingly competitive market. In this report, we delve into TargetRecruit's top six staffing and recruiting tech trends and predictions for 2025. These insights are the culmination of our deep industry research and experience, along with feedback from our extensive network of recruitment professionals. Our aim is to equip you with the knowledge and foresight necessary to not only adapt to change but to thrive in it.

Our headline prediction: the transformative impact of AI agents

As we look to 2025, the transformative impact of AI and automation emerges as a pivotal force in the recruitment industry. In particular, AI agents - once considered supplementary tools - are poised to become indispensable partners in the recruitment process.

We predict that AI agents will revolutionize the recruitment landscape in the months ahead - redefining collaboration between AI and human recruiters, streamlining administrative tasks and enhancing strategic decision making.

By automating time-consuming activities such as summarizing candidate data, managing routine communications and providing real-time coaching, recruiters will be able to dedicate more time to building meaningful relationships with candidates and clients, ultimately driving better business outcomes.

The human touch

However, technology alone is not enough. True success will come from integrating these innovations in a way that enhances human relationships, supports personalized candidate experiences and drives business outcomes.

We are excited to share our insights on these trends and invite you to explore the predictions outlined in this report. We hope they inspire strategies and spark ideas that will position your recruitment firm for success in 2025 and beyond.

The TargetRecruit Team

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Redefining collaboration between AI agents and recruiters

Let us introduce you to your new personal assistant: the AI agent.

AI agents are software programs that use artificial intelligence to perform tasks autonomously or semi-autonomously, often acting as a virtual or digital assistant. We are already surrounded by AI agents in our lives today: from Netflix's recommendations of what we should watch next, to Siri and Alexa helping us with our questions. Autonomous vehicles, home energy systems and robotic surgery all rely on AI agents.

What's really special about these agents is their ability to learn from their previous actions and take future action based on their learning.

Our prediction for 2025

Our #1 prediction for the year ahead is the growth and widespread adoption of AI agents in recruitment and staffing tech. And we believe this collaboration will evolve into a more symbiotic partnership between AI and human recruiters.

- Digital assistants will **streamline time-consuming tasks**, such as summarizing candidate data and automating routine communications, allowing recruiters to focus on more strategic activities.

- Automation of administrative duties, will **reduce the manual workload**, freeing up time for building meaningful relationships with candidates and clients.

- Real-time coaching will **improve communication quality**.

- Working in partnership with AI agents allows for a **more focused approach** to talent acquisition, driving better outcomes.

- The integration of AI agents, alongside other advances across staffing and recruitment tech, will result in a more **data-driven, personalized, and efficient approach to talent acquisition**.

> "By handling repetitive and analytical tasks, AI agents enable recruiters to focus more on strategic activities like relationship building and decision making, which can significantly improve efficiency and effectiveness and set recruiters up for business growth."

Feature highlights

AI agents can work as a digital assistant for recruiters by automating key tasks and providing intelligent insights.

- Summarizing candidate profiles by analyzing resumes and previous interactions.
- Presenting recruiters with concise, relevant information.
- Automating routine communications, such as sending follow-up emails or scheduling interviews.
- Offering real-time coaching during client or candidate meetings, enhancing quality of interactions.
- Delivering predictive insights, such as forecasting a candidate's likelihood of success in a role or identifying trends in hiring needs.
- Saving time and ensuring consistent engagement.

2025 actions

✔ Take a look at how digital assistants and AI agents can work in partnership with us as human recruiters. Redefining the way we collaborate can allow for a more focused approach to talent acquisition, ultimately driving better outcomes and fostering long-term success in the recruitment industry.

✔ Be ready to embrace AI agents early. We believe recruitment firms can gain a significant competitive advantage by using this tech.

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More AI advantage

If 2024 was the breakthrough year for generative AI, then we predict 2025 to be the year of gaining even more AI advantage.

Over the past 12 months generative AI, including GPT models, has profoundly reshaped the way we work, revolutionizing industries and daily life. Generative AI's ability to generate human-like text, images, and even code has made it a cornerstone of business innovation, unlocking new possibilities and fundamentally changing how we interact with technology.

Our prediction for 2025

Generative AI is set to revolutionize the recruitment industry in 2025, offering transformative solutions that will elevate efficiency and precision. Recruiters who embrace this technology will gain a significant edge in the competitive talent landscape.

- One key advantage is **automated resume screening**, where AI rapidly analyzes thousands of applications, identifying the best matches based on nuanced job requirements. This reduces manual effort and accelerates the hiring process.

- **Personalized outreach messages** are another game-changer. Generative AI crafts tailored communications that resonate with candidates' unique experiences and aspirations, fostering deeper engagement and increasing response rates.

- **Customized interview questions** generated by AI can pinpoint specific skills and cultural fit, enabling more insightful and productive interviews.

> "*Recruiters must leverage generative AI to stay ahead, harnessing its potential to streamline processes, enhance candidate experiences and ultimately secure top talent with unparalleled efficiency. Recruiters who embrace this technology will gain a significant edge in the competitive talent landscape.*"

Feature highlights

TargetRecruit's AI assistant – **Copilot** - has been developed to elevate customer interaction and transform recruitment workflows.

- Generate text recommendations for job descriptions
- Summarize resumes
- Create candidate summaries
- Craft interview questions perfectly aligned with job descriptions
- Save time, streamline recruiter workflows, and make smarter hiring decisions with just a few clicks

2025 actions

✔ Make 2025 your year to explore AI tools, such as TargetRecruit's Copilot, that balance efficiency and productivity alongside human engagement. Embracing this innovation is not just an option—it's the future of recruitment.

3

The rise of advanced, AI-powered CRM

Industry usage of CRM systems by recruiters has grown significantly in recent years, driven by the need to manage large candidate pools more efficiently. With the integration of AI, these systems now offer advanced features such as predictive analytics, automated outreach and personalized engagement strategies.

Our prediction for 2025

In 2025, Candidate Relationship Management tools integrated with AI will revolutionize how recruiters manage their talent pipelines.

- Advanced systems will leverage AI to deliver predictive insights into candidate preferences, allowing recruiters to anticipate needs and craft personalized engagement strategies.

- Generative AI will enhance communication by creating tailored messages that evolve with each interaction, ensuring candidates feel valued and understood.

- This personalized approach will deepen connections - fostering trust and improving candidate experience.

- AI-driven CRMs will enable long-term relationship building, with predictive analytics identifying when candidates might be open to new opportunities. This ensures pipelines are continuously nurtured, reducing time-to-hire and enhancing talent acquisition strategies.

- Recruiters using AI-powered CRMs will maintain meaningful, data-driven communication with candidates - transforming recruitment into a dynamic, relationship-focused process.

2025 actions

- ✔ Embrace AI-powered Candidate Relationship Management systems to enhance your recruitment process. These tools can help you build stronger, more personalized connections with candidates and streamline your pipeline management - ensuring sustained engagement and successful placements in an increasingly competitive market.

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4 Best in class forecasting using predictive analytics

Predictive analytics uses historical data, statistical algorithms and machine learning techniques to identify the likelihood of future outcomes based on past information. It goes beyond describing what has happened, to forecast what might happen in the future.

Our prediction for 2025

Our third prediction for 2025: more prediction! Predictive analytics tools provided through recruitment platforms will continue to transform the recruitment industry. As a result, organizations will further optimize their talent acquisition strategies and drive better business outcomes through smarter, data-driven decisions.

- Leveraging **historical and real-time data to forecast hiring trends** and candidate success rates. By analyzing past hiring patterns, market trends and candidate behaviors, organizations will anticipate future talent needs and align their strategies accordingly.

- Predictive analytics will identify which roles are likely to be in demand, allowing recruiters to **proactively target high-potential candidates**.

- Additionally, these tools will assess **candidate success probabilities**, enabling more informed decisions on who to hire, ultimately improving retention and performance outcomes.

2025 actions

✔ Be sure to review your platform's predictive analytics offering. Precise predictive analytics can significantly boost hiring outcomes.

> " *Adopting platforms with strong predictive capabilities will empower recruitment teams to streamline processes, reduce time-to-fill and enhance workforce planning. We believe this evolution is essential for staying competitive in today's fast-paced job market.* "

5 The rise of composable technology

Put simply, **composable technology** refers to an approach where software systems are built using modular, interchangeable components that can be easily assembled, reconfigured and scaled. This allows users to customize tech stacks by selecting and integrating different tools and services according to specific needs.

Our prediction for 2025

Composable technology will grow as recruiters look for increased agility and scalability to fuel success.

Composable technology frameworks are becoming critical for recruitment firms aiming to adapt to rapid market changes. These modular systems allow organizations to build recruitment tech stacks tailored to their specific needs without overhauling the entire system. Working in this way empowers businesses to respond rapidly to changing market demands and evolving operational requirements.

- One key advantage is the ability to seamlessly **incorporate advanced tools** like predictive analytics or AI-driven CRMs without the need for a complete system overhaul. This modularity ensures that organizations can adopt the latest innovations while maintaining their existing infrastructure.

- Composable technology supports **scalability and flexibility**, crucial for responding to dynamic market changes. As recruitment needs evolve, firms can easily add or remove components, ensuring their tech stack remains efficient and future-proof.

- By adopting composable systems, recruiters can optimize their processes, **stay agile in a competitive market** and deliver superior candidate and client experiences, ultimately driving better business outcomes.
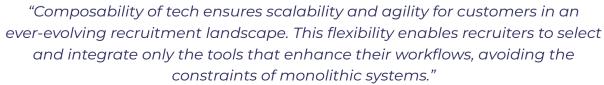
Feature highlights

TargetRecruit's comprehensive applicant tracking system is part of an ecosystem of integrated apps that is tailor-made to address the unique pain-points of the recruitment industry.

- Customizable to provide businesses with just what they need to be efficient, nimble and profitable.
- Built on the Salesforce platform, TargetRecruit modernizes the recruiting cycle, from front office to back office.
- The Salesforce platform is the most trusted enterprise platform with out-of-the-box security, performance, reliability and scalability.

2025 actions

✔ Review the various elements that are critical to your recruitment tech stack.

✔ Consider investing in composable platforms - like TargetRecruit - for a tailored approach to your recruitment technology.

> "Composability of tech ensures scalability and agility for customers in an ever-evolving recruitment landscape. This flexibility enables recruiters to select and integrate only the tools that enhance their workflows, avoiding the constraints of monolithic systems."

6

Increase in hyper-personalized candidate experiences and journeys

Personalized candidate journeys not only improve candidate experience but crucially help recruiters save time, make better hiring decisions and build a stronger talent pipeline.

Our prediction for 2025

In 2025, we expect recruitment platforms to harness advanced AI and big data analytics to deliver hyper-personalized candidate journeys.

By analyzing candidate behaviours, preferences and historical interactions, these systems will offer tailored experiences that align perfectly with individual expectations.

- AI-powered tools will generate **dynamic job recommendations** based on a candidate's skills, past applications and engagement patterns. This ensures candidates are presented with roles that truly match their aspirations, enhancing their overall experience.

- Platforms, like TargetRecruit's TR Intelligence, will create **customized onboarding processes** - making new hires feel welcomed and supported from day one. This personalized approach helps build deeper connections between candidates and organizations.

- By delivering bespoke experiences, these advanced recruitment systems will not only attract top talent but also significantly **improve satisfaction and retention rates**, ensuring candidates feel valued and engaged throughout their journey, ultimately driving better business outcomes.

Feature highlights

TR Intelligence is an integrated set of AI technologies.

- Combines Copilot, Prediction Builder and Next Best Action to enhance every stage of the recruitment process.
- Allows users to leverage AI-driven text recommendations, create custom AI models, receive data-driven recommendations and apply predictive analytics - all without writing a single line of code.

2025 actions

✔ Map out your candidate journey, utilizing software tools like TR Intelligence to build meaningful candidate journeys.

> "The more personalized the candidate experience, the deeper the trust and connection. And that makes it easier for recruiters to attract and retain top talent. By tailoring interactions, recruiters not only enhance candidate satisfaction but also streamline the hiring process for better outcomes."

At TargetRecruit we believe that embracing tech advancements is not just an option but a necessity to stay competitive in the fast-evolving recruitment landscape. By leveraging the kind of cutting-edge technologies discussed here, recruiters can enhance efficiency, drive better outcomes and ultimately secure top talent with greater ease and precision.

We are committed to supporting our clients on this journey, providing innovative solutions and insights that empower recruitment firms to thrive in an increasingly dynamic market.

Together, we can navigate the future of recruitment, harnessing the power of technology to create more meaningful and impactful hiring experiences.

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