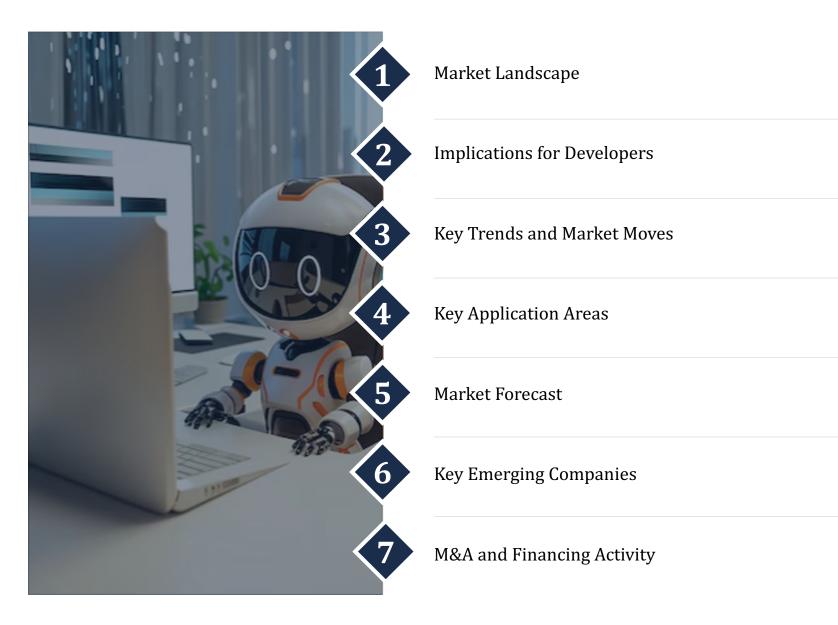


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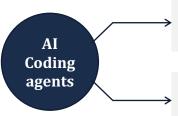


Market Landscape

AI Coding Agent: Introduction and Evolution



Al coding agent growth stems from the shift in software development from manual coding to Al orchestration, opening new opportunities



Autonomous systems executing complete development workflows – code generation, debugging, and optimization – with minimal human intervention

AI Coding Agents vs. AI Code Assistants: Execute end-to-end development cycles independently while assistants only provide suggestions requiring human orchestration

Evolution of AI Coding Agents: From reactive assistance to proactive, end-to-end autonomous development automation



From Manual Coding to AI-Driven Development (Prior to 2020)

- Early AI Tools (GitHub Copilot and Kite) provide basic code suggestions without autonomy
- Pandemic accelerates demand for Alpowered development tools



From Assistance to Collaboration (2021-23)

- Advanced LLMs (like Codex and GPT-4) transform AI into collaborative coding partners
- Enterprise adoption embeds AI across development workflows
- Security and privacy drive regulation; companies must guard against copyright infringement and open-source license violations



From Co-Developers to Autonomous Agents (2024-Early 2025)

- Autonomous agents (Devin and GPT-4o) handle complete development cycles independently
- Developer roles evolve toward oversight and architectural design
- Major tech firms integrate AI coding agents into CI/CD pipelines for production workflows



We are taking GitHub Copilot from being a pair programmer (coding assistance) to peer programmer...a full coding agent built into GitHub. It fixes issues such as bugs, new features, or ongoing code maintenance... will complete these tasks autonomously.

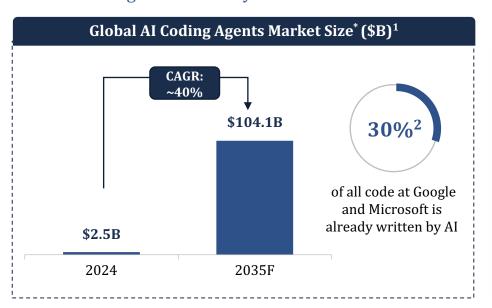
- Satva Nadella, CEO, Microsoft1

1. Medium

AI Coding Agents: Market Landscape



Al coding agents are driving rapid market growth and accelerating innovation in software development, revolutionizing the tech ecosystem



AI Coding Agents: Revolutionizing the Tech Ecosystem

Enterprise Adoption

AI coding agents powering core business applications in Fortune 500 companies

Strategic Leadership

Tech giants implementing coding agents for competitive advantage

Developer Workflow Transformation

Shifting from reactive coding to autonomous, proactive development

Startup Empowerment

Enabling startups to compete by accelerating development with minimal resources

Key Growth Drivers

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Advancements in GenAI models

Enhances code generation, reasoning, and reliability

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Manual legacy code maintenance

Consumes 60–80%³ of developer time, driving AI automation adoption

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Integration into developer tools and DevOps pipelines

Streamlines coding, testing, and deployment processes

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Multi-language

Single AI agent supporting 40+ programming languages

^{1.} Roots Analysis

^{2.} CB Insights

^{3.} Medium



Implications for Developers

Impact of AI Coding Agent on Development Workflows



Building on rapid market growth, AI coding agents are transforming workflows, boosting productivity, and enabling teams to accomplish more with fewer resources



Reduction in Delivery Time¹

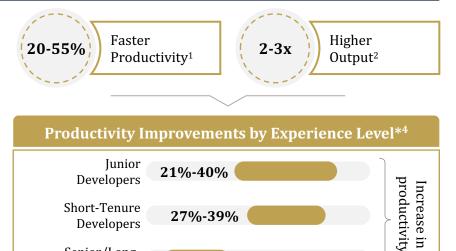
Reduction in Iteration²

Accelerated Development Cycles

AI-powered tools enable developers to code $55\%^3$ faster, debug efficiently, and automate repetitive tasks



GitHub Copilot users complete coding tasks ${\sim}46\%^3\,$ faster on average



7%-16%

Impact on the Market

Al coding agents eliminate **repetitive tasks**, allowing developers to focus on problem-solving, architecture, and innovation, while shifting their roles towards **leadership in AI-driven projects**, **boosting productivity**

Senior/Long-

Tenure Developers

AI Revolution for Non-Developers AI coding agents are democratizing software development, enabling non-technical business professionals to create applications and write code, thus expanding the software creation market

5. Lyzr

4. IT Revolution



For instance, **30%** of AI agent builders on Lyzr Agent Studio** come from business backgrounds in Product, Marketing, Sales, Customer Service, and HR, showcasing the platform's ability to empower non-developers⁵

^{1.} Matthopkins

^{2.} Micrososft

^{3.} AOL

^{*}Research by economists from MIT, Princeton, and the University of Pennsylvania, analyzed data in 2024 from 4,800 developers at Microsoft, Accenture, and a Fortune 100 company using GitHub Copilot

^{**} A low-code/no-code platform that includes coding agents as part of its capabilities

Transforming Developer Roles in the Age of AI Coding Agent



As workflows evolve, developer roles are reshaped, requiring continuous upskilling and the creation of new strategic positions to leverage AI-driven productivity

AI Coding Agents Driving Upskilling and New Developer Roles



of developers view AI knowledge as baseline¹



of workers in 2025 will need major upskilling by 2030 – especially in IT²

AI coding agents are not eliminating developers — they're transforming them into strategic roles,



Prompt Engineers

Craft and refine prompts (e.g., for Windsurf (Codeium), ChatGPT) to maximize AI code generation



AI Systems Operator/ Manager

Deploy, manage, and scale AI systems within existing infrastructure



AI-Enhanced Software Architect

Design systems that integrate AI-generated code into businessaligned systems

How developers can differentiate themselves by mastering key specializations

Prompt Engineering

By mastering the art of crafting precise AI instructions to optimize code generation and enhance contextual understanding

Model Customization

By specializing in fine-tuning AI models on proprietary codebases to achieve superior performance in targeted domain applications

Workflow Integration

By excelling at embedding AI agents into CI/CD pipelines, ensuring seamless tool interoperability and automated workflows

IT Firms Leading The Talent Shift

Large IT firms and global capability centers are rapidly hiring for AI specific roles — such as AI software architects, prompt engineers, and trainers — with demand growing at 300% in recent years and far outpacing supply³



Meta, Microsoft, and Google are leading the charge by hiring prompt engineers expanding their teams of ML engineers, and bringing in product leads to drive AI projects forward^{4,5}



Google

^{1.} Devops.com

^{2.} LinkedIn

^{3.} Economic Times



Key Trends and Market Moves

Emerging Trends Reshaping AI Coding Agents



As AI coding agents mature, they evolve through LLM integration, multi-agent collaboration, and autonomy, reshaping software development with more productivity and less human intervention

Agentic AI: The Future of Autonomous Coding

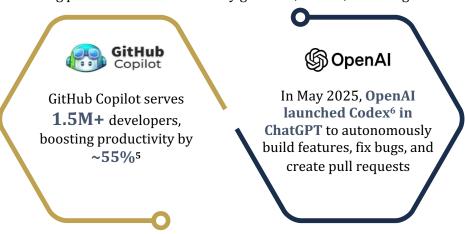
Coding agents are evolving into autonomous actors that independently plan, write, test, review, and merge code with minimal human input





Integration of Advanced LLMs into Coding Platforms

Advanced LLMs* (**OpenAI's Codex, Anthropic's Claude**) are embedded into coding platforms to autonomously generate, review, and merge code



Rise of Collaborative Multi-Agent Workflows

AI coding platforms now support multiagent workflows for tasks like testing, documentation, and integration



Coding agents like

GitHub Copilot and

Windsurf support

this by enabling

multi-agent

orchestration



In 2025⁵, **GitHub Copilot Studio** enabled **multi-agent orchestration**, combining skills to tackle complex software tasks

4. Github 5. Github

6. EducationNext

*Advanced LLMs are AI models that understand and generate human language, enabling tasks like text generation, translation, and summarization

Gartner
 Anthropic
 Apipie

AI Coding Tools: Funding and Innovations



The rapid growth and transformation of AI coding tools are fueled by soaring funding and agent features—enabling ultra-fast multi-file processing, autonomous workflows, and multimodal code understanding...

AI Coding Startups Sky-high Valuation Growth in 20241 \$M 2,600 2,000 ▼ 1.748 1.250 500 500 350 400 **Magic Cognition** CURSOR W Windsurf In 6 months In 7 months In 6 months In 1 months

Valuations for AI coding startups continue to rise in **2025**

Recent Funding Rounds



Cursor reached \$10B² valuation after raising **\$900M** in May 2025





In early July 2025, Sweden-based startup **Lovable** closed a **\$150M+** funding round led by **Accel** at a ~\$2 B valuation



lovable





In June 5, 2025, **Anysphere** closed a bumper **\$900M** funding round that valued the company at \$9.9 billion, led by Thrive Capital **Anysphere**

Recent Innovations/Updates (2025)

Google launched³

AlphaEvolve for optimized algorithms and AI training
Jules (powered by Gemini 2.5
Pro), AI agent for automatic

code writing, bug fixes, and

modify codebases

GitHub updated Copilot⁴

Async agent in GitHub/VS Code, Copilot Chat (Grok 3), and agent mode for JetBrains, Eclipse & Xcode www.windsurf released

Windsurf Wave 3, introducing advanced features like Model Context Protocol (MCP) support, Tab-to-Jump, Turbo Mode, and image drag-and-drop to boost AI dev workflows CURSOR announced

Fusion Tab model in the "A New Tab Model" blog, delivering sub-200 ms p50 latencies for inline edits and cursor jumps across multiple files

^{1.} CB Insights

^{2.} Cruchbase

^{3.} Tech Crunch

AI Coding Agent: Strategic Acquisitions



...This momentum has spurred strategic consolidation across the industry, as firms acquire complementary technologies to broaden and deepen their AI-driven development capabilities

June 2025³: Wix Acquired Base44



Israel based AI no-code platform **Base44** acquired by Wix for \$80M cash (plus \$25M in retention bonuses)—one of the fastest exits in the space

Why Base44?

Wix bought Base44 to harness its profitable LLM-powered app builder—which hit 250K users to boost its AI nocode platform

Competitive Landscape

Among vibe-coding tools, Base44 stood out with 10K users in three weeks, tight LLM cost control, and true end-toend app generation

Impact



The deal highlights the exit potential of lean AI startups, accelerates Wix's AI no-code push, and will spur further consolidation in the AI development ecosystem

May 20254: OpenAI Acquisition of Windsurf

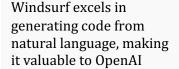






Largest acquisition, shifting from an LLM leader to a key player in AI coding tools

Competitive Edge



Impact



Enhances ChatGPT's coding abilities, strengthening OpenAI's position against competitors and aiming for a \$12B market by 2028⁵

User Experience and Adoption Barriers (1/2)



As AI coding agents advance, they improve development workflows but also introduce legal, ethical, and security risks such as copyright issues, flawed code, and data exposure

Legal/IP

Reproduction of Copyrighted Code

AI coding agents face legal risks, as they may unintentionally reproduce copyrighted code from public repositories



GitHub

GitHub Copilot does this
~1%¹ of the time—
potentially forcing users to
comply with restrictive
licenses like GPL*

Lack of Clear Accountability

AI-generated code raises ethical concerns, especially in corporate environments without clear policies or oversight frameworks



Microsoft offers legal safeguards through its Copilot Copyright Commitment², assuming responsibility for potential claims to reduce enterprise risk

Security & Compliance

Security Flaws

AI assistants frequently suggest code that introduces security flaws



GitHub

32%³ of GitHub Copilot's code snippets may contain potential security vulnerabilities, depending on the programming language

Risk of Data Leakage

Without proper isolation, AIgenerated code can expose confidential information





Repositories with PII# and payment data rose $3 \times^4$ after adopting AI code assistants, and unauthorized API endpoints rose $10 \times$, increasing compliance risks

User Experience and Adoption Barriers (2/2)



Advancements in AI coding agents also raise concerns around code quality, trust, and compliance risks

Technological

Limited Context Handling



Al's finite context window can't fully grasp large, multifile codebases, leading to incomplete or inconsistent suggestions



AI models like **Codex** and **GPT-4 struggle** with large codebases, often producing incomplete or inconsistent suggestions due to context window limits

Developer trust and reliability concerns



Developers remain cautious toward agentic AI due to limited transparency, inconsistent performance, and unresolved concerns around bias and data integrity

Quality of Generated Code and Hallucination Risks



Many developers encounter issues such as syntax errors, hallucinations, and incorrect package calls when using AI coding tools



 $76\%^2$ of developers are in the "red zone," – frequently encounter AI hallucinations and have low confidence in the code it generates



AI coding tools hold great promise, but developers are still grappling with the limitations of context handling and the trustworthiness of generated code. The real challenge lies in reducing hallucinations and improving context awareness, so these tools can truly become reliable partners in the development process. –

Vibor Cipan, Zencoder³



Key Application Areas

AI Coding Agents: Key Application Areas

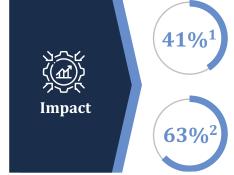


Al coding agents drive key applications like code generation and DevOps automation, further accelerating development cycles and enhancing productivity across industries

Core Application Areas of AI Coding Agents

AI Code Generation

AI coding agents have evolved to drive faster, more efficient development, with AI code generation as the prime focus



of AI-generated code with 256B lines of code in 2024

of developers use AI-driven tools, with productivity as the main benefit

Example of Companies Using Coding Agents to Generate Code



DevOps & Automation

AI agents automate stages of **DevOps pipelines**, including PRs, bug fixes, and integrations

DevOps & Code Completion tools — **75%** YoY³ growth by May 2025, more than **3x** the growth of general AI tools (22%)



Use Case



for debugging tools, test coverage, and code refactoring in autonomous driving tech



integrates with Azure DevOps workflows, supporting

200,000+

users4

benefiting from the tool's advanced code completion and automation

^{1.} ElitBrains

^{2.} MasaiSchool

^{3.} Amplify



Market Forecast

Future of AI Coding Agents



Al coding agent marketplace will become foundational to enterprise software, as Al shifts from a competitive edge to a core requirement for scale and relevance





Key Futuristic Trends

Security-First AI Coding Agents:

Al coding tools will integrate security scanners, enhance model safety, and adopt RBAC* and real-time monitoring—making secure-by-design the new standard

AI Agent Marketplaces:

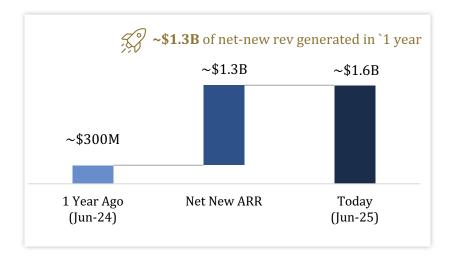
AI agents will be available **on-demand via AI agent marketplaces**, enabling businesses to rent specialized "micro-agents" for tasks

Multimodal and Interoperable:

Using open standards like MCP** and NLWeb, future AI coding agents—like GitHub Copilot's new preview—enable seamless, autonomous workflows

AI Coding Surge Signals a Transformative Future

By mid-2025, AI coding agents saw ARR jump ${\sim}433\%$ $YoY^2—hypergrowth driven by bottom-up adoption and network effects that far outpaces traditional SaaS$



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Rapid evolution in AI coding tools will set new standards, making AI-first strategies essential for growth

*Role-Based Access Control





Looking ahead, within 5 years, **95% of all code will be AI-generated**. Very little is going to be line-by-line human-written code."

- Kevin Scott, CTO, Microsoft³



^{1.} Gartner

^{2.} SaaStr

^{**}Model Context Protocol (MCP)



Key Emerging Companies

AI Code Agents Tech Competitive Landscape



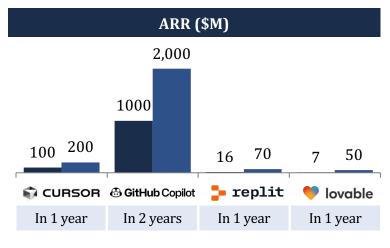


AI Coding Agents: Competitive Landscape

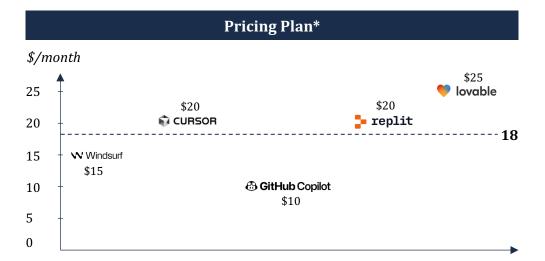


Leading AI coding tools exhibit diverse strengths in feature support, user adoption, pricing, and ARR, illustrating varied approaches to market positioning and value delivery

Features	MCP Support	AI Commit Messages	Multi- language Support	Real-time Collaboration	Context Awareness
₩ Windsurf	\bigcirc	\otimes	\bigcirc	\otimes	\otimes
CURSOR	\bigcirc	\otimes	\bigcirc	\otimes	\otimes
	\otimes	\otimes	\bigcirc	\otimes	\otimes
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^{*}OpenAI Codex ARR is unavailable since it launched in 2025



Companies	No. of Users	Rating#
₩ Windsurf	1 million+	★★★★★ 4.5
CURSOR	1 million+	★★★★★ 4.5
GitHub Copilot	15 million	★★★★★ 4.4
	NA	★★★★★ 4.8
- replit	30 million	★★★★★ 4.3
V lovable	~500,000	★★★★★ 4.6

^{*}Ratings from Gartner, G2, etc.

^{*}All companies offer free plans; Poolside AI uses a pay-per-use model and OpenAI Codex, to introduce flexible pricing options soon The average price line (\$18/mo) represents the mean of the Pro plan rates for these major players



M&A and Financing Update

Recent M&A Deals



Deal Date	Target	Acquiror	Deal Value	Rationale
18-Jun-2025		WIX	\$80.0M	This acquisition enhances Wix's AI capabilities with intuitive, code-free software creation, expanding it's reach and shift toward, intent-based digital development
16-April-2025	₩ Windsurf	 ⑤ OpenAI	\$3.0B	This acquisition strengthens OpenAI's agentic coding capabilities and accelerates its roadmap for autonomous software development within enterprise LLM applications
31-Mar-2025	StormForge	CloudBolt	NA	This acquisition enhances CloudBolt's Kubernetes optimization and reinforces its continuous delivery platform for modern enterprise applications
09-Dec-2024	CodeWP	AUT@MATTIC	NA	This acquisition expands Automattic's AI-powered WordPress development tools and strengthens its position in the enterprise plugin automation market
04-Oct-2024	4 supermaven	• Anysphere	NA	This acquisition bolsters Anysphere's AI coding agent suite with advanced autocompletion and developer productivity enhancements
26-Feb-2024	(\rightarrow) code fresh	💂 Octopus Deploy	\$28.0M	This acquisition strengths Octopus's Kubernetes support and commitment to its best-of-breed continuous delivery platform for VMs and cloud-native enterprise applications
04-Apr-2023	Codiga	DATADOG	NA	This acquisition adds intelligent code quality and security analysis to Datadog's observability and DevOps platform
28-Apr-2022	_pullRequest	l 1ackerone	NA	This acquisition boosts HackerOne's efforts to close the attack resistance gap by moving software testing earlier into development

Source – Allied Advisers' various databases

Recent VC Investments



Deal Date	Target	Investor	Amount Raised	Rationale
12-Jun-2025	 ⑤ OpenAI	PIF Reliance	\$40.0B	The funds will be used for Open AI's AI infrastructure and long-term growth strategy
05-Jun-2025	• Anysphere	>> THRIVE CAPITAL	\$900.0M	The funds will be used for research and development, focusing on enhancing the company's AI models
04-Jun-2025	Sema4.ai	BENCHMARK S S S S S S S S S S S S S	\$25.0M	The funds will be used to accelerated product development and drive enterprise platform adoption in the Snowflake ecosystem and beyond
27-May-2025	₩ Bito	VELA	\$5.7M	The funds will be used to expand agentic tooling and AI Code Reviews, deepen CI/CD integrations and grow the team across engineering, product and GTM functions
07-May-2025	CodeAnt AI	Y Combinator VIX.48749E uncorrelated	\$2.0M	The funds will be used to support the growth of the company's engineering and business development teams
18-Mar-2025	Cognition	8VC	\$120.0M	The funds will be used to accelerate product development of its autonomous coding agent Devin and drive enterprise adoption
07-Mar-2025	○ Reflection	Lightspeed	\$105.0M	The funds will be used to advance product development of its AI-powered autonomous coding agents and expand enterprise adoption via the launch of its Coding Agent API
26-Feb-2025	Continue	HEAVYBIT	\$5.1M	The funds will be used to accelerate product development of its AI coding IDE extensions and scale enterprise platform adoption

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