



# Smarter Campaigns Start And End With Data Science

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# What is Data Science?



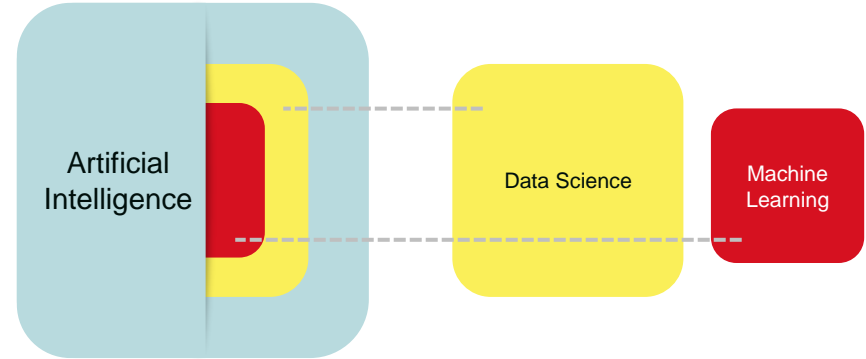
# Model – What, Why and How



 VantageScore  FICO AUTO SCORE 9

 \$319,200 Zestimate®

Connection between data science, AI, and ML



**For a successful model, We need:**

- Business Case and Supporting Data and Model Building Process



# Data Conducive for Data Science

## **CREDIT**

- Tri-Bureau Solutions
- Prescreen Triggers
- ITMA Triggers

## **BUSINESS**

- Demographics
- Business Owner Information
- Credit Data/Business Profiles
- Commercial Real Estate
- UCC filings, SBA & Other Loan Intel
- Import & Export Data

## **CONSUMER**

- 1000s of Demographics & Interests Attributes
- Mortgage & Homeowner Data

## **TRIGGER**

- New to World and Expanding Business
- Businesses Actively Seeking Credit
- Life Events
- New Movers / Pre-Movers

## **DELUXE PROPRIETARY DATA ASSETS**

- ConsumerWealth<sup>®</sup>
- Consumer Financial Insights Suite (includes Net Assets, Investable Assets and more)
- Consumer Spending Behaviors (ConsumerSpend<sup>®</sup>)

» Our Deluxe Data Lakes contain data that is specifically curated for marketing and modeling.



# Model Types

## Input Data

- 1<sup>st</sup> Party Custom Client Models
- 3rd Party Industry Models

## Targeting

- Individual
- Household
- Household + Branch
- Carrier-Route

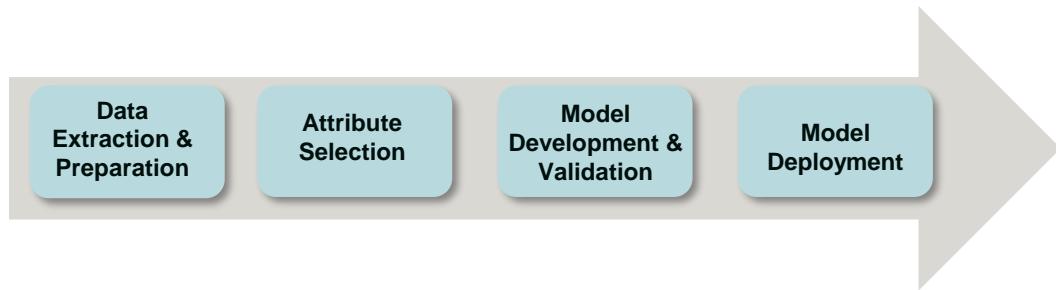
## Product

- Checking/Savings
- CD and Money Market
- Personal Loans\*
- Cards\*
- Mortgage and HE Loans\*

\* Lending product models can be response, conversion or underwriting/risk models.

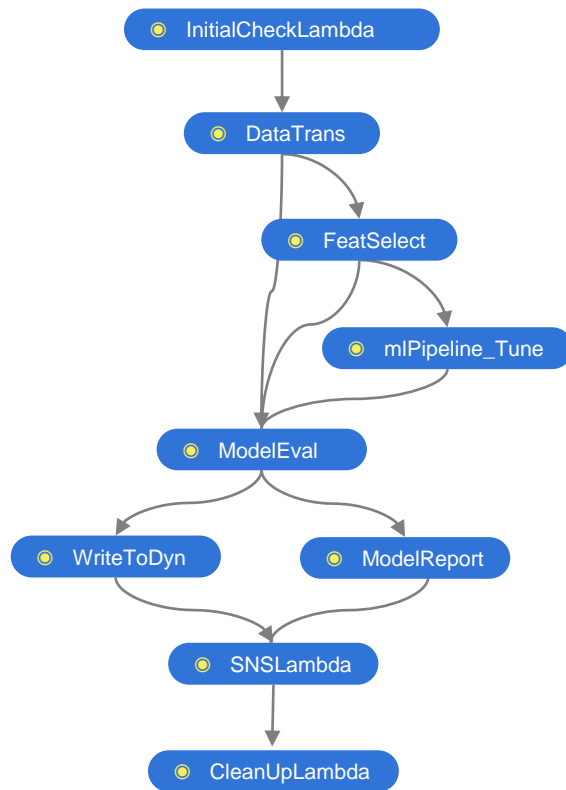


# Model – How is it Built



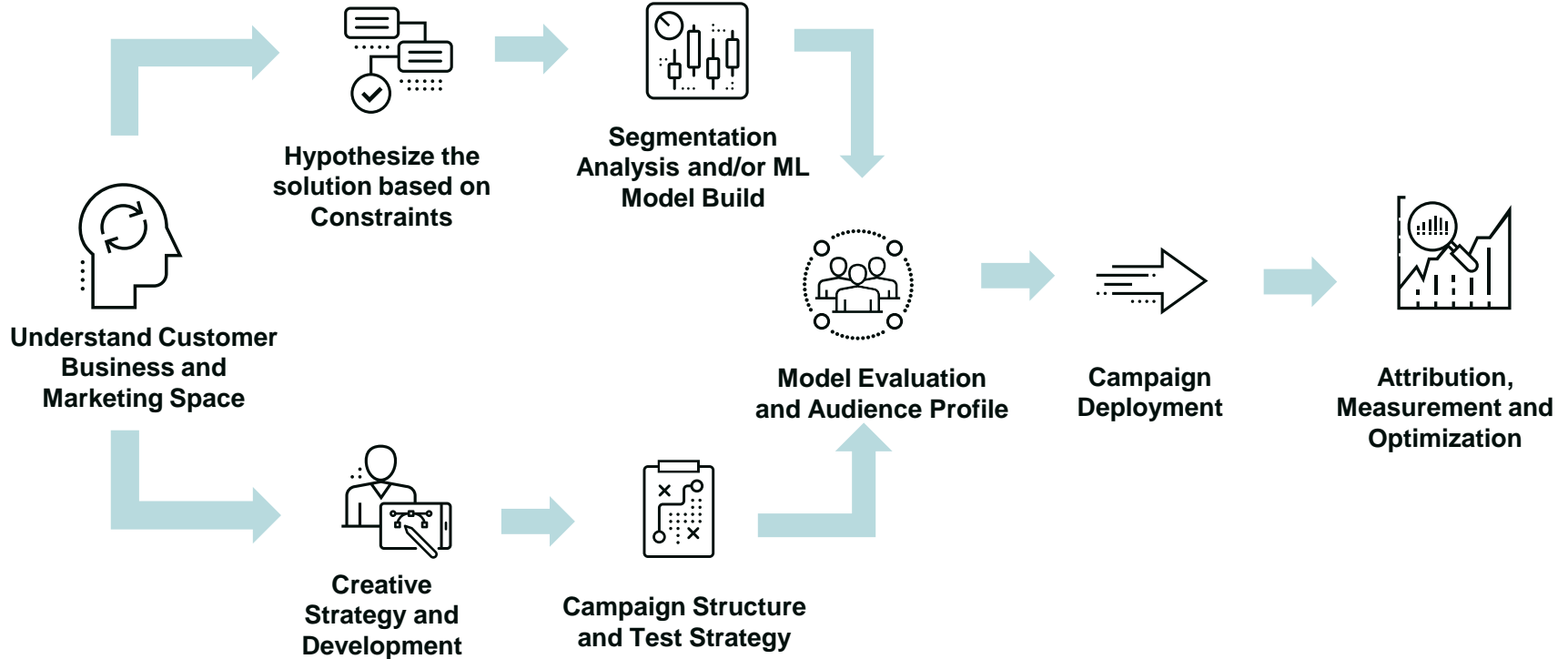
Model Statistics

Max.Lift	Lift.Top.3	AUC	Gini	Linearity	KS		
3.95	2.52	0.808	0.617	1	0.46		
Attribute	Attr	Definition	Type	Interpretation	Importance	Relationship	AUC
INQ02__SQRT	INQ02	INQUIRIES WITHIN 6 MONTHS-AUTO INQS. IN SAME MONTH WILL COUNT AS ONE	sqrt	square root transformation of inq02	100	positive	0.611
NUMHETRANS__NAI	NUMHETRANS	Number of home equity transactions	nai	Sample mean imputation on NA values for numhetrans	43.1	positive	0.681
AVAILHE__NAD	AVAILHE	Available home equity amount	nad	Dummy indicator on NA values for availhe	43.1	negative	0.585





# Typical Marketing Campaign







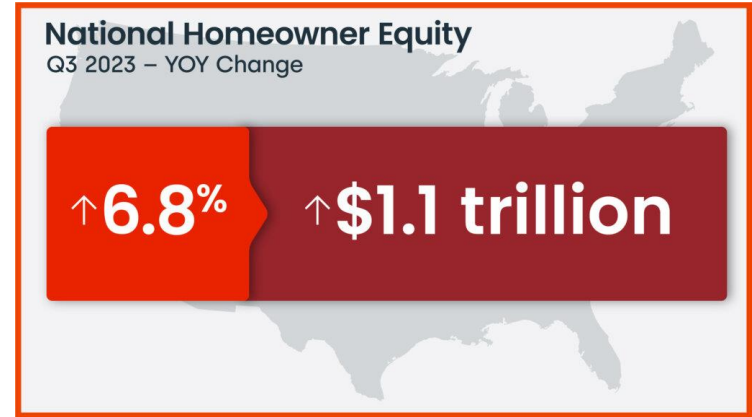
# Home Equity Acquisition

Use Case #1

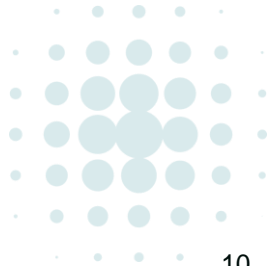


# Business Need

- » Given rising mortgage interest rates and continued growth in home equity values, this mortgage lender wanted to focus on HELOC acquisitions.
- » Deluxe recommended a custom prescreen home equity model to target the most responsive *and* qualified prospects.



Source: CoreLogic, U.S. home equity changes year over year, Q3 2023





# Lender's Underwriting Criteria

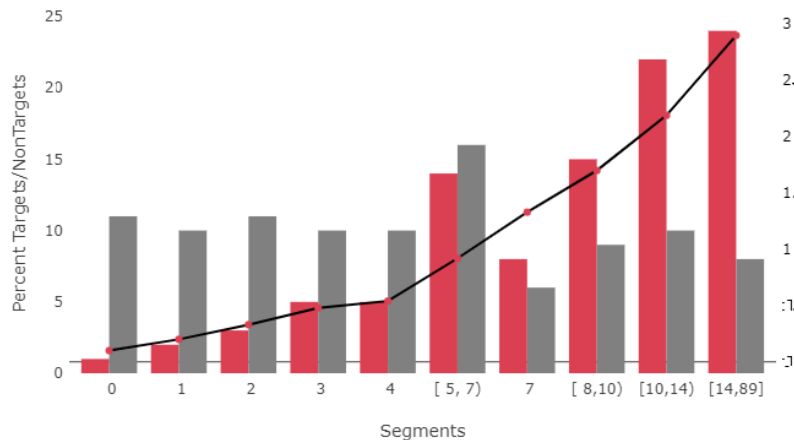
▼ Global Rejects	
Apartment address:	Target
Public record - number of months since most recent bankruptcy:	= From 1 To 84
Mortgage- Number of 30 DPD w/I 12 mos:	= From 1 To 999
Mortgage- Number of 60 DPD w/I 12 mos:	= From 1 To 999
Mortgage-Number of 90+DPD w/I 12 mos:	= From 1 To 999
Estimated market value:	= From 0 To 249999
FICO risk score (FICO):	= From 200 To 679
Currently derog - currently 30+ DPD:	= From 1 To 999
Mortgage loan type:	VA
Mortgage-Number of 30+DPD w/I 13-24 mos:	= From 1 To 9999
Public record - Months since most recent foreclosure:	= From 1 To 84
Available Home Equity Estimate:	= From 0 To 49999

- » In addition to the above exclusions, Deluxe includes only consumers who have available home equity of \$50,000 or more based on varying LTV requirements by FICO range and home type.



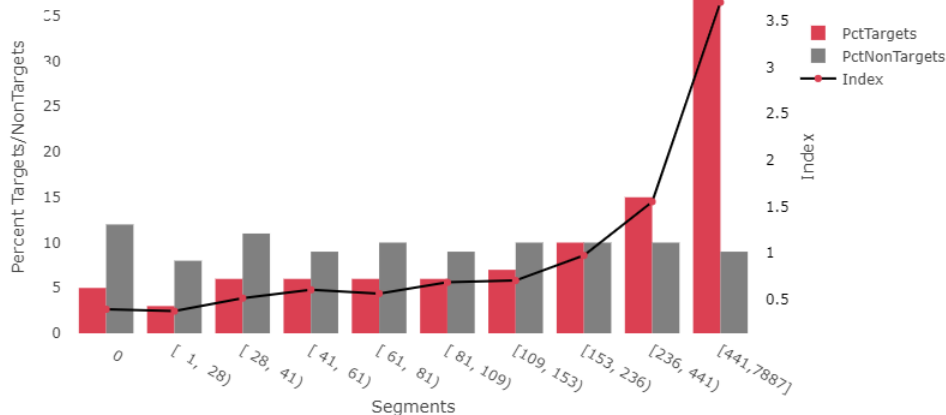
# Attribute Segmentation Analysis

Profile Chart - INSTAL01 - installment - number of installment trade



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1	46	2	10411	10	0.20
2	77	3	10716	11	0.33
3	110	5	10401	10	0.48
4	116	5	9724	10	0.54
[ 5, 7)	320	14	15778	16	0.92
7	178	8	6018	6	1.33
[ 8,10)	342	15	8954	9	1.70
[10,14)	484	22	9723	10	2.19
[14,89]	531	24	7926	8	2.90

Profile Chart - REV24 - revolving - aggregate monthly payment for balances greater than 0

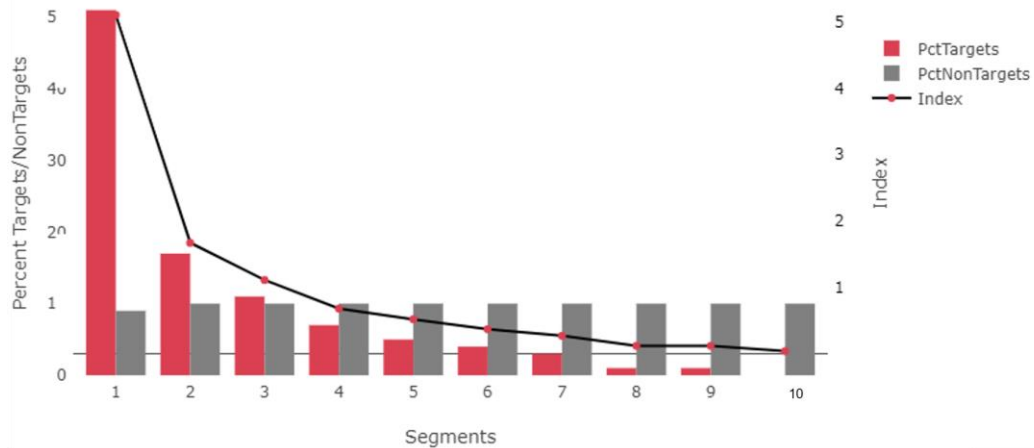


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[ 1, 28)	65	3	8044	8	0.37
[ 28, 41)	127	6	11452	11	0.51
[ 41, 61)	124	6	9466	9	0.60
[ 61, 81)	124	6	10091	10	0.56
[ 81, 109)	141	6	9413	9	0.68
[109, 153)	158	7	10246	10	0.70
[153, 236)	213	10	9955	10	0.97
[236, 441)	345	15	9943	10	1.55
[441,7887]	823	37	9456	9	3.70



# HELOC Model Training Performance

Profile Chart - LOGISTIC\_XGB\_PRED\_NTILE -



**Model**  
Performance

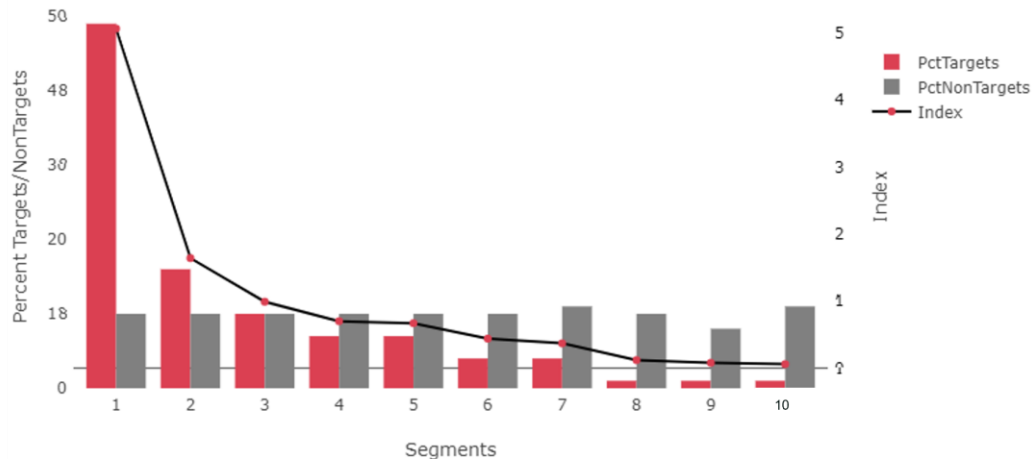
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2	371	17	9916	10	1.67
3	247	11	10040	10	1.11
4	152	7	10136	10	0.68
5	116	5	10171	10	0.52
6	82	4	10203	10	0.37
7	60	3	10228	10	0.27
8	27	1	10260	10	0.12
9	27	1	10259	10	0.12
10	10	0	10277	10	0.04



# HELOC Model Performance on HELOC Targets

**Out-of-Time**  
Holdout  
Performance

Profile Chart - MODEL\_NTILE -

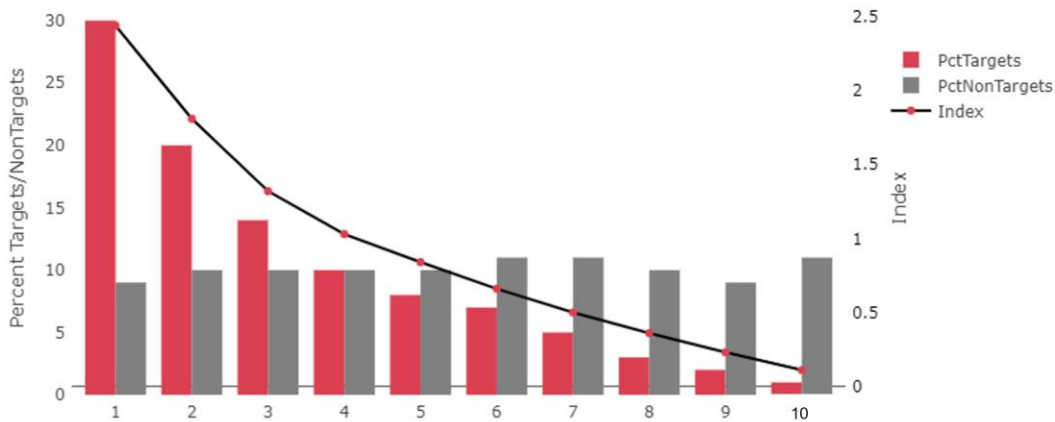


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1	440	49	13706	10	5.06
2	144	16	14136	10	1.64
3	87	10	14247	10	0.99
4	61	7	14125	10	0.70
5	60	7	14519	10	0.67
6	40	4	14718	10	0.44
7	37	4	16017	11	0.37
8	11	1	14921	10	0.12
9	6	1	11907	8	0.08
10	6	1	15801	11	0.06



# HELOC Model Performance on MTG Targets

Profile Chart - MODEL\_NTILE -



Holdout  
Performance on  
**Mortgage Product**

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1	5196	30	9076	9	2.44
2	3581	20	9662	10	1.81
3	2372	14	9654	10	1.32
4	1775	10	9746	10	1.03
5	1447	8	10086	10	0.84
6	1150	7	10566	11	0.66
7	902	5	11269	11	0.50
8	584	3	10388	10	0.36
9	299	2	8488	9	0.23
10	178	1	10837	11	0.11



# Campaign Strategy and Deployment

- » We applied the underwriting criteria before building the model.
- » During deployment,
  - Underwriting + suppression + NCOA criteria
  - Score and choose top N% Model score up to the desired mail quantity with a random control





# Performance



- » Based on the success of Deluxe models in this lender's credit trigger program, we recently moved forward with this batch Demand Gen program.
- » We expect our first results in the upcoming month but given we were able to analyze the data and validate the model upfront, we are confident in the program's success.



# Checking Acquisition

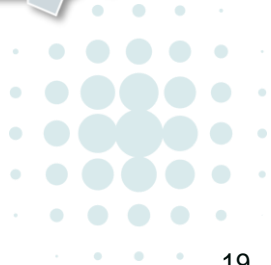
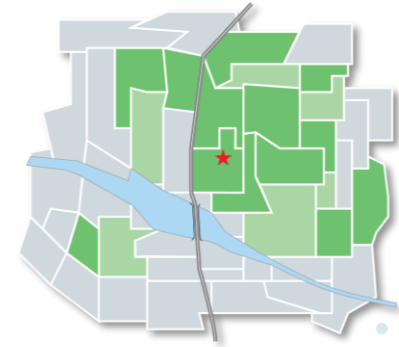
Use Case #2



# Business Need

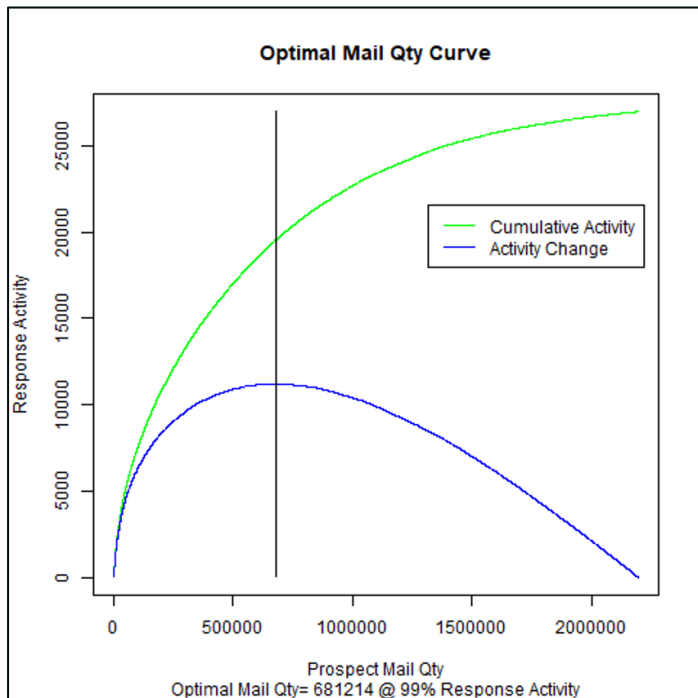
- » This Financial Institution wanted to acquire checking customers at the lowest possible cost.
- » Deluxe recommended targeting prospects most likely to open checking accounts at the most economical cost using our Carrier Route Checking Model.

HIGHEST PROBABILITY  
LOCATIONS





# Analyses and Validations



## Carrier Route Model Validation

Model Decile	Volume	Accounts Opened	Account Response Rate
1	278,034	1,190	0.428%
2	325,956	1,067	0.327%
3	338,703	990	0.292%
4	301,526	734	0.243%
5+	731,901	1,493	0.204%
Total	1,976,120	5,474	0.277%



# Campaign Strategy and Deployment

- » Our strategy was to not only select highly responsive CRRTs per region, but also select an appropriate percentage of **Low and Moderate Income (LMI)** and **Minority (MN)** populations based on the FI's requirements.

Region	Projected_LMI	Target_LMI	Delta
Region 1	35.20%	13.04%	22.20%
Region 2	31.58%	17.39%	14.20%
Region 3	59.34%	18.42%	40.90%
Region 4	37.51%	37.14%	0.40%
Region 5	48.56%	35.66%	12.90%
Region 6	42.80%	23.08%	19.70%
Region 7	55.03%	29.73%	25.30%
Region 8	49.52%	20.41%	29.10%
Region 9	42.40%	32.26%	10.10%
Region 10	30.98%	23.49%	7.50%
Region 11	59.42%	30.77%	28.70%
Region 12	63.88%	52.17%	11.70%
Region 13	73.60%	24.24%	49.40%
Region 14	61.80%	31.94%	29.90%

Region	Projecte_MN	Target_MN	Delta
Region 1	37.10%	13.04%	24.10%
Region 2	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Region 3	27.84%	5.26%	22.60%
Region 4	3.14%	0.00%	3.10%
Region 5	36.74%	24.72%	12.00%
Region 6	17.78%	1.28%	16.50%
Region 7	52.74%	26.12%	26.60%
Region 8	41.84%	4.08%	37.80%
Region 9	27.61%	25.81%	1.80%
Region 10	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Region 11	32.92%	23.08%	9.80%
Region 12	62.54%	52.17%	10.40%
Region 13	65.72%	27.27%	38.40%
Region 14	55.68%	23.03%	32.60%

Note: LMI/MN minimum validation: all Delta are higher than 0, meaning we reached our targeted LMI/MN population percentage.



# Combining Household & Carrier Route Targeting

- » Deluxe has developed Postal Select, a hybrid approach that blends carrier route and household-level targeting to yield the lowest possible acquisition cost.

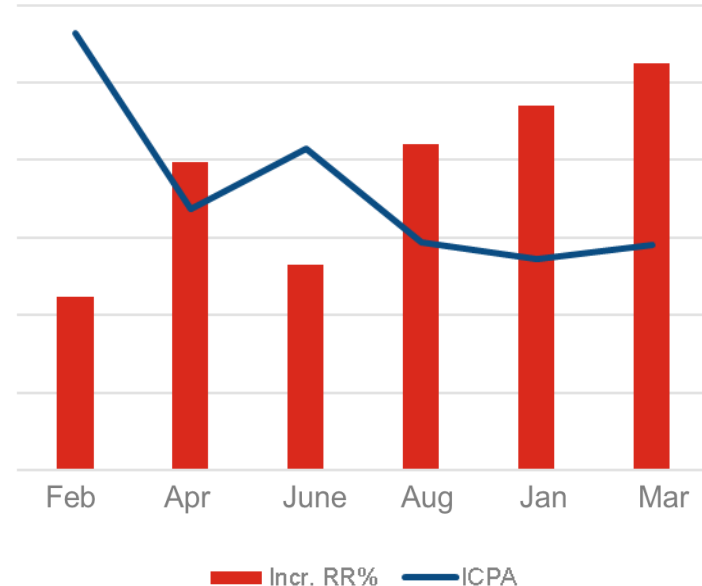
## Household (HH) Targeting

- Extensive consumer, household, property and geo-level data assets for targeting
- Separate, effective targeting approaches for basic vs. premium checking
- Increased investment in data and postage
- Addresses mailers to consumer names

## Carrier Route (CR-RT) Targeting

- Geo-level data for targeting
- More effective for basic checking
- Lower cost / lower investment in data; more economical postage rates
- Usually addresses mailers to “our neighbor”

## Case Study: Transition to Hybrid Approach





# Unsecured Loan Acquisition

Use Case #3



# 14.8% Increase

in unsecured personal loan balances year-over-year, the eighth consecutive quarterly record.

TransUnion Q3 2023 Credit  
Industry Insights Report

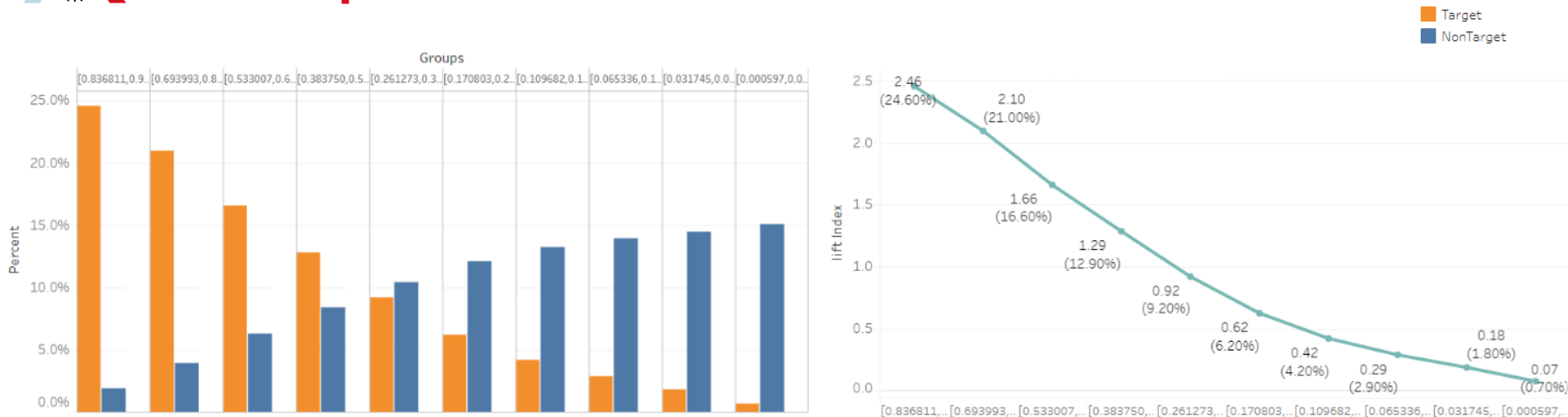
## Business Need

- » This lender wanted to expand their business in the growing unsecured loan market.
- » Deluxe recommended optimization across three different categories: Response, Conversion and Denials, using an ensemble model approach.
- » The lender shared first-party data including applications, funds, and approval and denial flags.





# Response Model

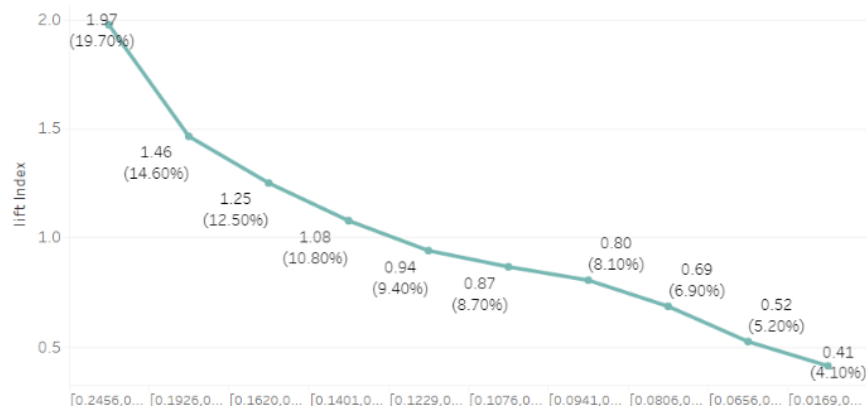
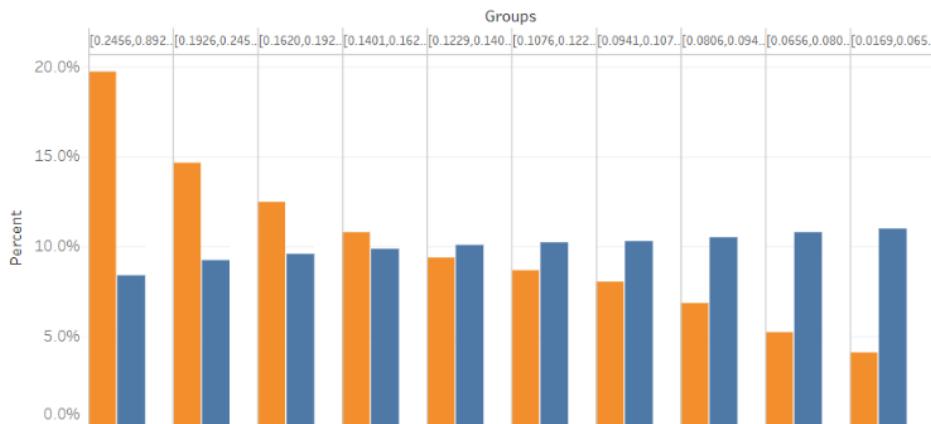


Attribute	Groups	N	Target	Target Rate	Target Per	Non Target	Non-Target Per	lift Index	KS
Response_Model_score	[0.836811,0.9909]	7,759	6,790	87.5%	24.60%	969	1.90%	2.46	22.7%
	[0.693993,0.8368]	7,760	5,791	74.6%	21.00%	1,969	3.90%	2.10	39.8%
	[0.533007,0.6940]	7,759	4,583	59.1%	16.60%	3,176	6.40%	1.66	50.0%
	[0.383750,0.5330]	7,760	3,550	45.7%	12.90%	4,210	8.40%	1.29	54.5%
	[0.261273,0.3838]	7,760	2,536	32.7%	9.20%	5,224	10.50%	0.92	53.2%
	[0.170803,0.2613]	7,759	1,718	22.1%	6.20%	6,041	12.10%	0.62	47.3%
	[0.109682,0.1708]	7,760	1,156	14.9%	4.20%	6,604	13.20%	0.42	38.3%
	[0.065336,0.1097]	7,759	789	10.2%	2.90%	6,970	13.90%	0.29	27.3%
	[0.031745,0.0653]	7,760	508	6.5%	1.80%	7,252	14.50%	0.18	14.6%
	[0.000597,0.0317]	7,760	199	2.6%	0.70%	7,561	15.10%	0.07	0.2%
Overall		77,596	27,620	35.6%	100.00%	49,976	100.00%	1.00	54.5%



# Conversion Model

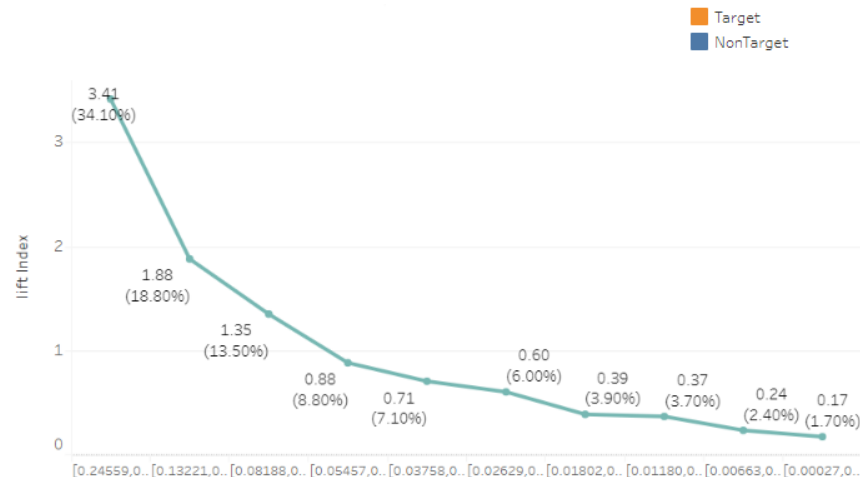
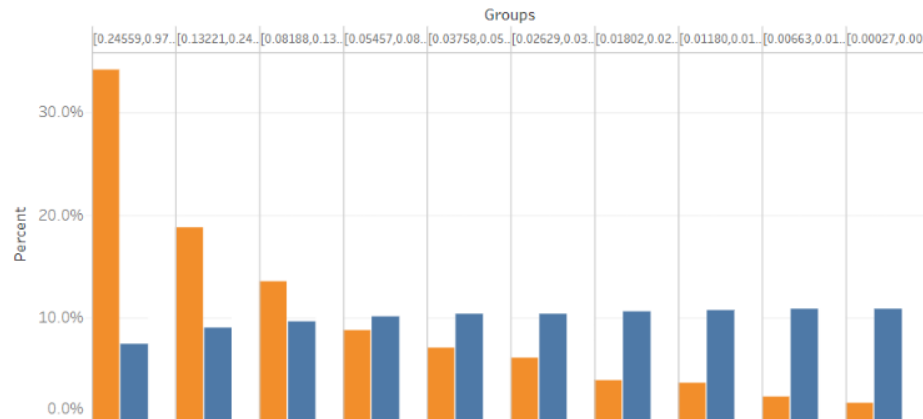
target  
NonTarget



Attribute	Groups	N	Target	Target Rate	Target Per	Non Target	Non-Target Per	lift Index	KS
Conversion_Model_score	[0.2456,0.8925]	3,220	905	28.1%	19.70%	2,315	8.40%	1.97	11.3%
	[0.1926,0.2456]	3,220	671	20.8%	14.60%	2,549	9.20%	1.46	16.7%
	[0.1620,0.1926]	3,220	573	17.8%	12.50%	2,647	9.60%	1.25	19.6%
	[0.1401,0.1620]	3,221	494	15.3%	10.80%	2,727	9.90%	1.08	20.5%
	[0.1229,0.1401]	3,220	431	13.4%	9.40%	2,789	10.10%	0.94	19.8%
	[0.1076,0.1229]	3,220	397	12.3%	8.70%	2,823	10.20%	0.87	18.3%
	[0.0941,0.1076]	3,221	369	11.5%	8.10%	2,852	10.30%	0.80	16.1%
	[0.0806,0.0941]	3,220	314	9.8%	6.90%	2,906	10.50%	0.69	12.5%
	[0.0656,0.0806]	3,220	240	7.5%	5.20%	2,980	10.80%	0.52	6.9%
	[0.0169,0.0656]	3,221	189	5.9%	4.10%	3,032	11.00%	0.41	0.0%
Overall		32,203	4,583	14.2%	100.00%	27,620	100.00%	1.00	20.5%



# Denial Model



Attribute	Groups	N	Target	Target Rate	Target Per	Non Target	Non-Target Per	lift Index	KS
Denial_Model_score	[0.24559,0.97889]	3,055	1,001	32.8%	34.10%	2,054	7.40%	3.41	26.7%
	[0.13221,0.24559]	3,055	551	18.0%	18.80%	2,504	9.10%	1.88	36.4%
	[0.08188,0.13221]	3,055	396	13.0%	13.50%	2,659	9.60%	1.35	40.3%
	[0.05457,0.08188]	3,056	259	8.5%	8.80%	2,797	10.10%	0.88	39.0%
	[0.03758,0.05457]	3,055	207	6.8%	7.10%	2,848	10.30%	0.71	35.8%
	[0.02629,0.03758]	3,055	177	5.8%	6.00%	2,878	10.40%	0.60	31.4%
	[0.01802,0.02629]	3,056	114	3.7%	3.90%	2,942	10.70%	0.39	24.6%
	[0.01180,0.01802]	3,055	108	3.5%	3.70%	2,947	10.70%	0.37	17.6%
	[0.00663,0.01180]	3,055	69	2.3%	2.40%	2,986	10.80%	0.24	9.2%
	[0.00027,0.00663]	3,056	51	1.7%	1.70%	3,005	10.90%	0.17	0.0%
Overall		30,553	2,933	9.6%	100.00%	27,620	100.00%	1.00	40.3%



# Ensemble Approach

Response Model

+

Conversion Model

-

Denial Model



# Campaign Strategy and Deployment

- » We applied the underwriting criteria before building the 3 models. We used first-party data from the lender as our target universe to build these models.
- » During deployment,
  - Underwriting + suppression + NCOA criteria
  - Ensemble score calculated using the conversion and response model score
  - Remove Top 2 deciles of the Denial model from the above universe.
  - Select Top N records using Ensemble Score based on mail volume required



# Performance

## Initial campaign results:

Creative	Creative 1	Creative 2	Creative 3	Total
Mail Application Response Rate	0.86%	0.87%	0.86%	0.86%
Application Decline Rate	51%	55%	52%	53%
Application to Fund Rate	8.2%	8.6%	7.4%	8.0%
Funded Loan Response Rate	0.070%	0.075%	0.063%	0.070%
Mail Loan Balance	\$694,000	\$705,000	\$605,000	\$2,004,000
Average Mail Loan Balance	\$14,800	\$14,100	\$14,400	\$14,400
NOC Response Rate	0.043%	0.047%	0.036%	0.042%
NOC Loan Balance	\$380,042	\$391,132	\$290,836	\$1,062,010



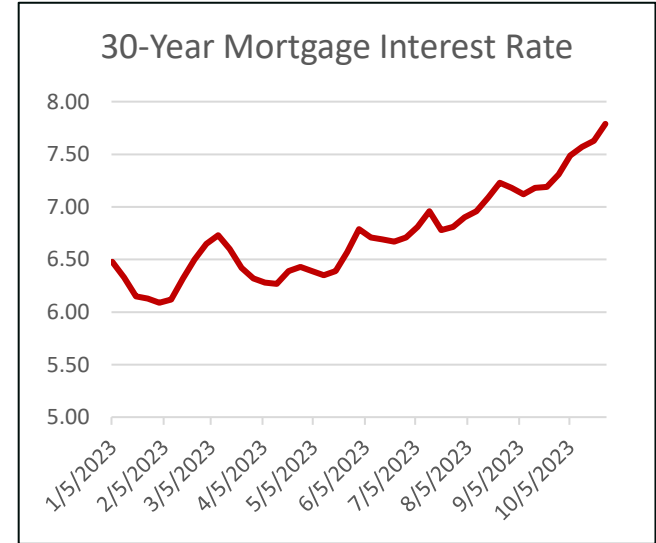
# Mortgage Retention

Use Case #4



# Business Need

- » A national mortgage lender wanted to retain customers during period of increasing interest rates.
- » Rather than randomly market to all customers, Deluxe recommended targeting customers most likely to be in the market for a mortgage product using two of our Deluxe Proprietary Industry Models:
  1. Mortgage In-the-Market Model
  2. Home Equity Conversion Model



Source: Freddie Mac







# Analyses and Validations

Credit MTG In-The-Market Model

Month of Fi..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Grand T..
June	37.41%	20.05%	12.42%	9.68%	8.20%	6.22%	3.55%	1.78%	0.49%	0.19%	100.00%
July	33.35%	19.98%	13.13%	10.74%	9.05%	6.79%	4.12%	1.95%	0.64%	0.25%	100.00%
August	27.98%	20.04%	14.17%	11.89%	10.28%	7.83%	4.48%	2.35%	0.71%	0.28%	100.00%
September	25.31%	19.96%	14.71%	12.54%	10.74%	7.98%	5.02%	2.62%	0.81%	0.31%	100.00%
October	24.06%	19.82%	14.71%	12.57%	11.11%	8.28%	5.29%	2.84%	0.90%	0.43%	100.00%
November	22.59%	18.94%	14.39%	12.67%	11.20%	8.79%	5.89%	3.67%	1.29%	0.58%	100.00%
December	21.94%	18.22%	14.53%	12.66%	11.19%	8.70%	6.05%	4.36%	1.59%	0.76%	100.00%
Grand Total	28.39%	19.68%	13.90%	11.66%	10.08%	7.66%	4.76%	2.64%	0.85%	0.37%	100.00%

Credit HE Conversion Model

Month of Fi..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
June	51.79%	18.87%	9.11%	7.44%	5.35%	4.31%	1.75%	1.17%	0.13%	0.08%	100.00%
July	46.50%	20.59%	11.78%	7.48%	6.49%	4.09%	2.01%	0.81%	0.15%	0.09%	100.00%
August	39.26%	21.51%	13.22%	9.96%	7.45%	4.50%	2.47%	1.15%	0.36%	0.12%	100.00%
September	35.83%	23.11%	13.67%	9.75%	8.06%	5.86%	2.28%	0.88%	0.49%	0.07%	100.00%
October	35.64%	21.48%	13.15%	11.57%	8.36%	5.95%	2.68%	0.75%	0.30%	0.11%	100.00%
November	33.92%	20.94%	13.58%	10.54%	9.25%	6.25%	3.77%	1.11%	0.43%	0.21%	100.00%
December	35.68%	21.12%	13.84%	11.07%	8.18%	4.93%	3.43%	1.56%	0.12%	0.06%	100.00%
Total	40.98%	20.98%	12.34%	9.41%	7.37%	5.02%	2.49%	1.04%	0.28%	0.11%	100.00%

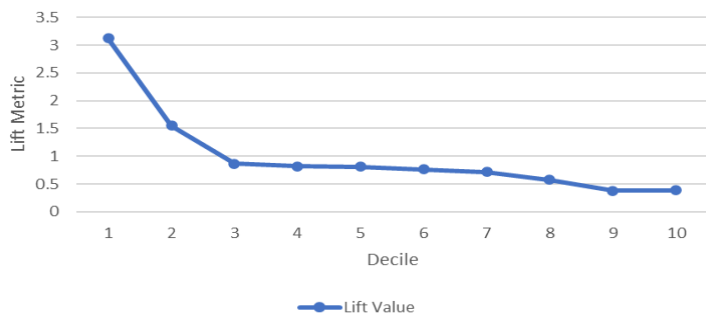


# Analyses and Validations

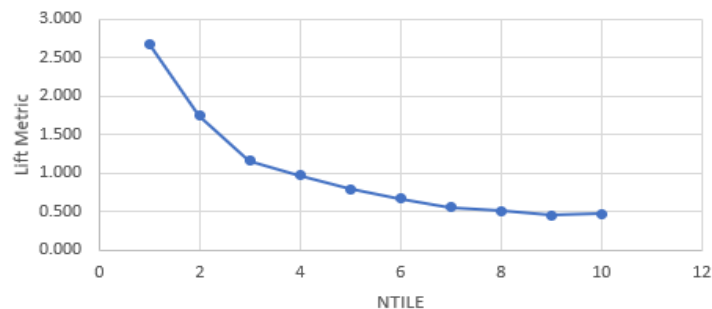
Client Targets + MTG ITM + Underwriting			
Deciles	% targets	% nontargets	Lift
1	68%	21%	5.21
2	12%	16%	1.24
3	6%	11%	0.86
4	4%	10%	0.58
5	3%	9%	0.54
6	4%	8%	0.76
7	2%	7%	0.37
8	1%	7%	0.15
9	1%	7%	0.16
10	0%	4%	0.12

Client Targets + HE CONV + Underwriting			
Deciles	% targets	% nontargets	lift
1	66%	20%	5.22
2	14%	16%	1.35
3	7%	12%	0.92
4	2%	10%	0.37
5	3%	9%	0.51
6	4%	8%	0.88
7	1%	7%	0.32
8	1%	7%	0.21
9	1%	7%	0.22
10	0%	4%	0.00

MTG\_ITM Model Performance on Market



HE\_CONV\_CR\_INSIGHT Performance on Market





# Campaign Strategy and Deployment

» We used Deluxe's Industry Models for the campaign.

» During Deployment:

- Customer portfolio is matched to our credit data assets.
- Underwriting + suppression + NCOA criteria
- **Mortgage Offer:** Top 3 deciles of the Mortgage In-the-Market model
- **HELOC Offer:** Top 4 deciles of the Home Equity Conversion model after Suppression



# Performance



This retention program has been **outstanding** over the past 1+ years and the lender continues to mail customers in the top model deciles every other month.



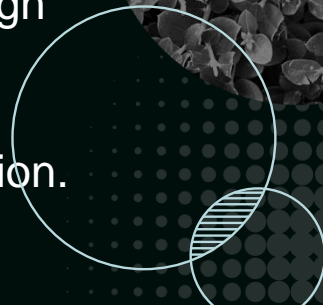
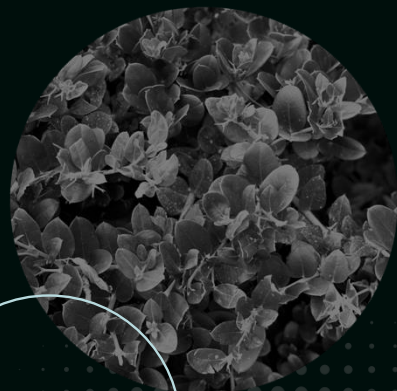
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## Executive Summary



In this session you learned:

- » In marketing, we can predict the likelihood of a consumer purchasing a product with various signals within the disparate Data Assets available about the consumer.
- » Having curated data that is conducive for modeling is key to successful Data-Driven Marketing campaigns.
- » Data Analysis and Validation are crucial steps in the campaign process if you want to make your campaigns smarter.
- » Leading FI's are incorporating models into their marketing campaigns to improve response and lower cost-per-acquisition.



# Thank you for attending!



- » This evening: Join us for our CoLab Reception in Sparkle Ballroom
  - » 4:00 – 5:00 PM
- » Final Night Event tonight on La Côte lawn
  - » 7:00 – 10:00 PM
- » Consider attending these breakout sessions:
  - » **Friend Or Foe: Navigating The Responsible Use Of AI In Marketing**
    - » Today | 3:00 – 3:45 PM | Flicker 2/3
  - » **Strike While the Iron Is Hot With Trigger Marketing**
    - » Tomorrow | 10:45 – 11:30 AM | Flicker 1