

# 2023 BAS Case Competition

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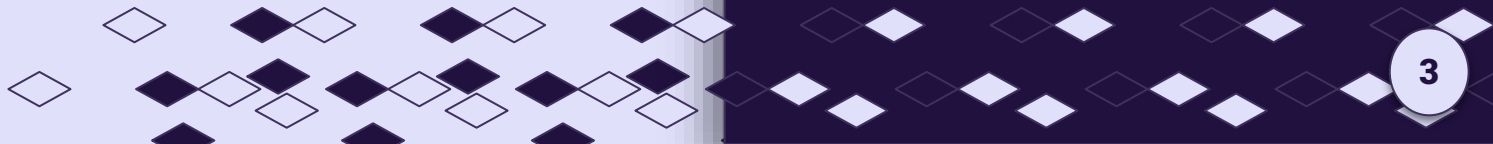
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# Influential Factors



# Choosing the Influential Factors

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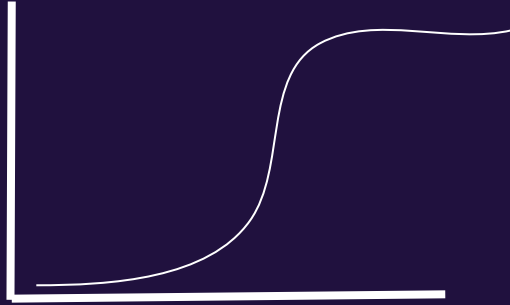
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# Regression Models

# Logistic Regression vs.

# Linear Regression

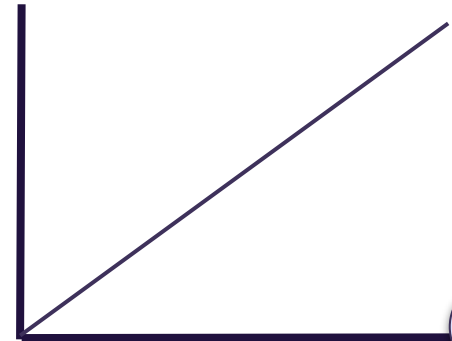


## Logistic Regression Model:

- Typically used when the response variable is discrete
- Would require individual client data and their response (lapse or no lapse)
- Creates a model that indicates the probability of a client lapsing

## Linear Regression Model:

- Typically used when the response variable is continuous
- Assumes that the relationship is linear
- Allows predictions on the rate of lapses



# Methodology/Regression Model

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- **Inputs: 3 data sets (Issue Years: 1981, 1990, 1993)**
  - 4 Input variables \* 86 Inputs/data set
    - Outlier Years Removed
- **Method: Least-Squares Linear Regression**
  - Solves for each Independent Variable and 1 Constant
  - Dummy Variable activates on the Policy Year the Surrender Charge Fee ends
- **How: Excel Plug-In (Analysis ToolPak)**
  - Calculates Regression Statistics.
  - Fast Calculation allows for optimization



# Residual Output

Table 1: Residual Output

Issue-Year-1981				Issue-Year-1990				Issue-Year-1993			
Observation	Pred. Full Lapse	Residuals	Res. %	Observation	Pred. Full Lapse	Residuals	Res. %	Observation	Pred. Full Lapse	Residuals	Res. %
1	0.1705	-0.0173	-1.73%	31	0.0940	-0.0088	-0.88%	59	0.0717	0.0018	0.18%
2	0.1636	0.0100	1.00%	32	0.1141	0.0128	1.28%	60	0.0854	-0.0076	-0.76%
3	0.1656	0.0193	1.93%	33	0.1154	0.0052	0.52%	61	0.0927	0.0248	2.48%
4	0.1471	0.0117	1.17%	34	0.0915	0.0043	0.43%	62	0.0682	-0.0230	-2.30%
5	0.1562	0.0308	3.08%	35	0.1341	-0.0121	-1.21%	63	0.1267	0.0122	1.22%
6	0.1562	-0.0009	-0.09%	36	0.1564	0.0222	2.22%	64	0.0904	0.0075	0.75%
7	0.1646	-0.0021	-0.21%	37	0.1419	-0.0177	-1.77%	65	0.1162	-0.0422	-4.22%
8	0.1695	-0.0065	-0.65%	38	0.1339	0.0201	2.01%	66	0.1309	0.0101	1.01%
9	0.1604	-0.0060	-0.60%	39	0.1374	0.0238	2.38%	67	0.1225	0.0106	1.06%
10	0.1495	-0.0178	-1.78%	40	0.1396	-0.0241	-2.41%	68	0.1286	0.0095	0.95%
11	0.1446	-0.0104	-1.04%	41	0.1451	0.0374	3.74%	69	0.1361	0.0023	0.23%
12	0.1539	-0.0169	-1.69%	42	0.1475	-0.0077	-0.77%	70	0.1422	-0.0273	-2.73%
13	0.1557	-0.0159	-1.59%	43	0.1414	-0.0056	-0.56%	71	0.1489	-0.0199	-1.99%
14	0.1530	-0.0069	-0.69%	44	0.1427	0.0318	3.18%	72	0.1459	-0.0047	-0.47%
15	0.1526	-0.0040	-0.40%	45	0.1456	0.0163	1.63%	73	0.1533	0.0071	0.71%
16	0.1381	-0.0221	-2.21%	46	0.1337	0.0101	1.01%	74	0.1357	-0.0126	-1.26%
17	0.1376	-0.0154	-1.54%	47	0.1292	-0.0128	-1.28%	75	0.1421	-0.0110	-1.10%
18	0.1480	-0.0083	-0.83%	48	0.1348	-0.0025	-0.25%	76	0.1275	0.0037	0.37%
19	0.1381	-0.0223	-2.23%	49	0.1453	-0.0326	-3.26%	77	0.1367	0.0347	3.47%
20	0.1370	-0.0199	-1.99%	50	0.1455	0.0126	1.26%	78	0.1308	0.0335	3.35%
21	0.1324	-0.0033	-0.33%	51	0.1405	0.0100	1.00%	79	0.1396	0.0013	0.13%
22	0.1318	-0.0192	-1.92%	52	0.1411	0.0059	0.59%	80	0.1347	-0.0016	-0.16%
23	0.1447	-0.0154	-1.54%	53	0.1288	0.0137	1.37%	81	0.1272	0.0023	0.23%
24	0.1256	-0.0150	-1.50%	54	0.1312	0.0067	0.67%	82	0.1471	0.0356	3.56%
25	0.1292	-0.0040	-0.40%	55	0.1442	-0.0135	-1.35%	83	0.1279	0.0201	2.01%
26	0.1348	-0.0232	-2.32%	56	0.1394	0.0144	1.44%	84	0.1180	-0.0129	-1.29%
27	0.1304	-0.0033	-0.33%	57	0.1234	0.0391	3.91%	85	0.1228	0.0022	0.22%
28	0.1200	0.0044	0.44%	58	0.1410	0.0026	0.26%	86	0.1465	0.0281	2.81%
29	0.1377	-0.0190	-1.90%								
30	0.1479	-0.0170	-1.70%								

# Regression Statistics

Table 2: Regression Statistics

Multiple R	0.7444
R Square	0.5542
Adjusted R Square	0.5322
Standard Error	0.0179
Observations	86

**R-Square Value: 0.5542**

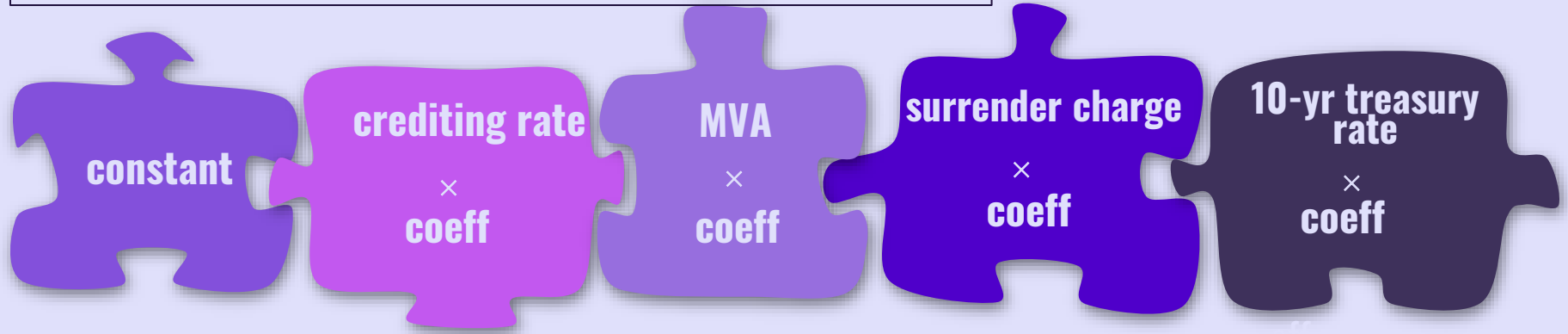
Low **P-Value** Indicates our Variables are significant in explaining Lapse Rate

Table 3: Regression Coefficients and P-values

Variable	Coefficient	P-value
Intercept	0.1415	0.0000
MVA	-0.3125	0.0003
Crediting Rate	-0.9074	0.0023
10-Yr Treasury rate	0.6238	0.0000
Surrender charge	-0.7778	0.0000

# FOUR FACTOR *DYNAMIC* LAPSE RATE FORMULA

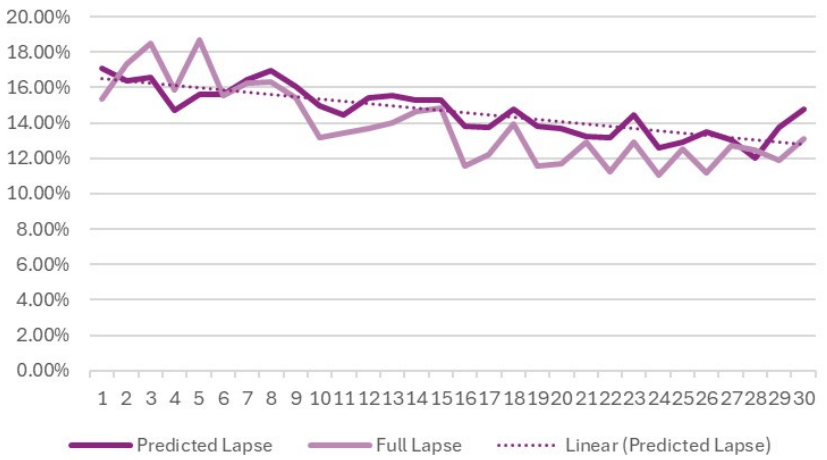
Base Rate  
**14.15%**



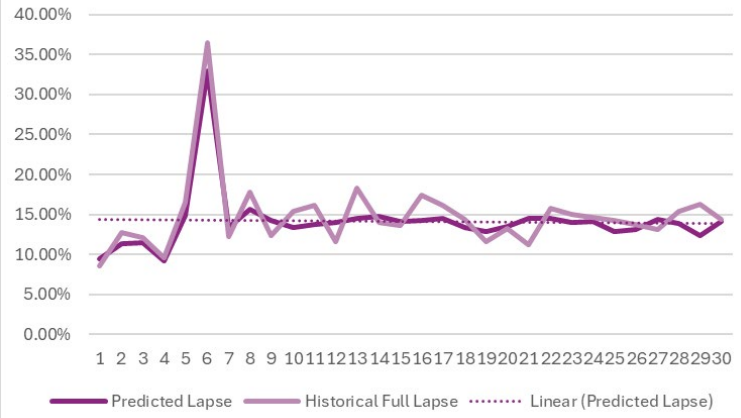
$$\text{Lapse Rate} = \begin{cases} 0.142 + (-0.907 \cdot \text{C.R.}) + (-0.313 \cdot \text{MVA}) + (0.778 \cdot \text{S.C.}) + (0.624 \cdot 10\text{YR}), & \text{Policy Years} \neq 9 \\ 0.142 + (-0.907 \cdot \text{C.R.}) + (-0.313 \cdot \text{MVA}) + (0.778 \cdot \text{S.C.}) + (0.624 \cdot 10\text{YR}) + 0.21, & \text{Policy Year} = 9 \end{cases}$$

# Accuracy Of Model

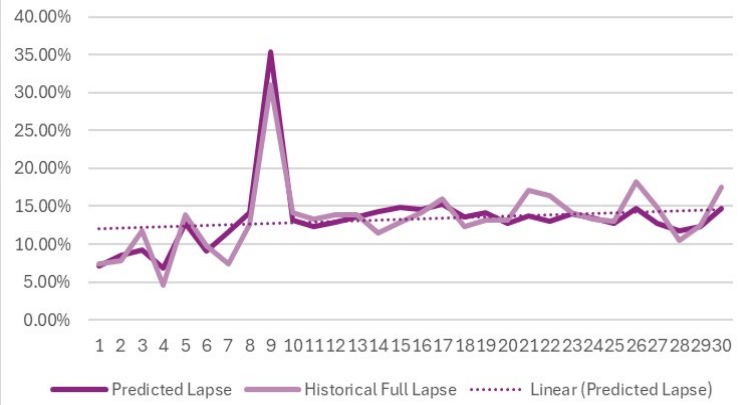
(1981) Predicted vs Historical Full Lapse



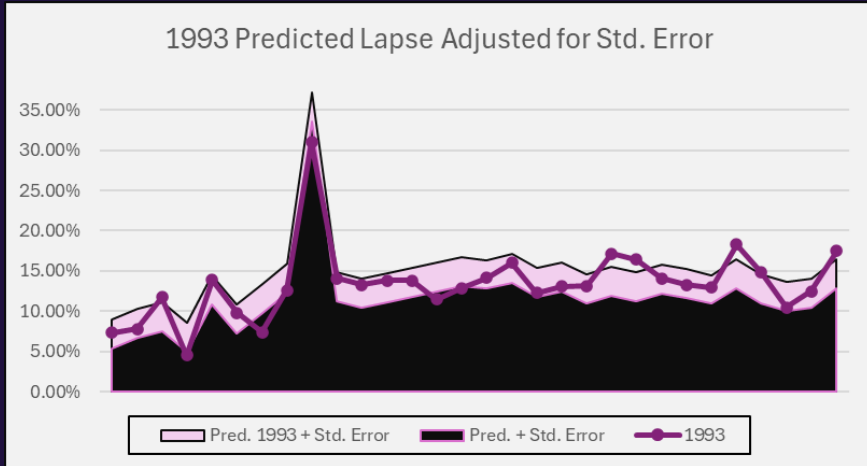
(1990) Predicted vs Historical Full Lapse



(1993) Predicted vs Historical Full Lapse



# Accuracy Of Model - Adjusting for Std. Error

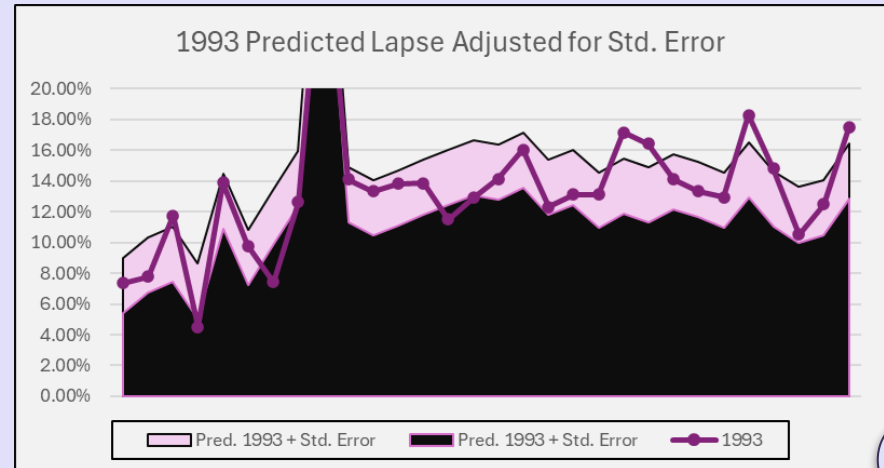


Accounting for a Standard Error Margin ( $\pm 1.79\%$ )

Predictive Model shows **23/30** Historical Lapse Rates fall within Standard Error Margin  
- Historical Lapse Rates taken from (1993)

Zooming in on the graph

- Spikes in Historical Data
- Our Model attempts to predict these Spikes



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## Predicting Future Lapse Rates

# New Product Specifications

Product Name	Pepper Back Fixed Annuity
Target Launch Date	March 1975
Surrender Charge Period	8 years
Surrender Charge Schedule	9%, 8%, 7%, 6%, 5%, 4%, 3%, 2%
MVA interest Rate Period	15 years
Premium	Single
Guaranteed Minimum Crediting Rate	0.70%
First available Annuitization Date	15 years after issue
Free Partial Withdrawal	15%



Product Name	Pepper Back Fixed Annuity
Target Launch Date	January 2023
Surrender Charge Period	8 years
Surrender Charge Schedule	12%, 10%, 10%, 7%, 5%, 4%, 3%, 2%
MVA interest Rate Period	15 years
Premium	Single
Guaranteed Minimum Crediting Rate	1.50%
First available Annuitization Date	15 years after issue
Free Partial Withdrawal	10%

**Previous**

**New**

# Projected Future Lapse Rates

Table 5: Policy Data and Predicted Lapse

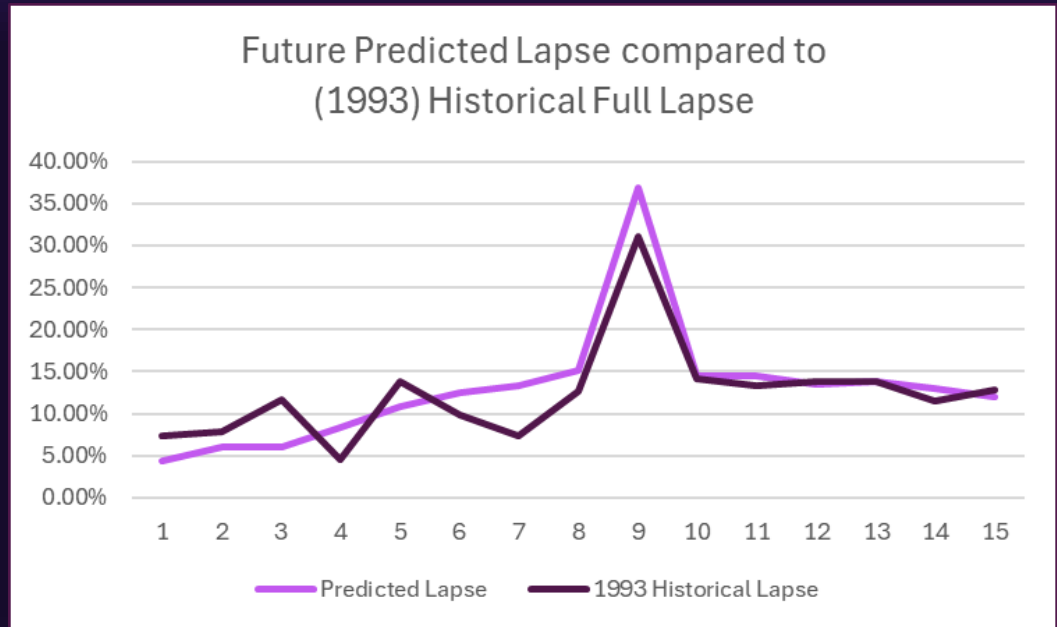
Policy Year	MVA	Crediting Rate	10-Yr Treasury rate	Surrender charge	Predicted Lapse
1	0.10%	4.50%	5.87%	12.00%	4.37%
2	0.20%	4.50%	6.00%	10.00%	5.97%
3	-0.45%	4.50%	5.80%	10.00%	6.05%
4	-2.35%	4.70%	5.00%	7.00%	8.30%
5	-3.04%	4.80%	6.35%	5.00%	10.82%
6	-7.96%	4.80%	5.26%	4.00%	12.46%
7	-8.15%	5.00%	5.65%	3.00%	13.35%
8	-10.63%	5.00%	6.03%	2.00%	15.14%
9	-9.98%	5.00%	5.02%	0.00%	36.87%
10	-7.08%	5.20%	4.61%	0.00%	14.53%
11	-8.03%	5.20%	4.01%	0.00%	14.45%
12	-5.39%	5.50%	4.27%	0.00%	13.51%
13	-6.34%	5.50%	4.29%	0.00%	13.82%
14	-2.47%	5.50%	4.80%	0.00%	12.93%
15	0.30%	5.50%	4.63%	0.00%	11.96%



# Trends in the Data

## Three Trends observed in Lapse Rates

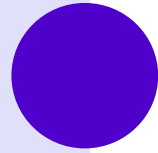
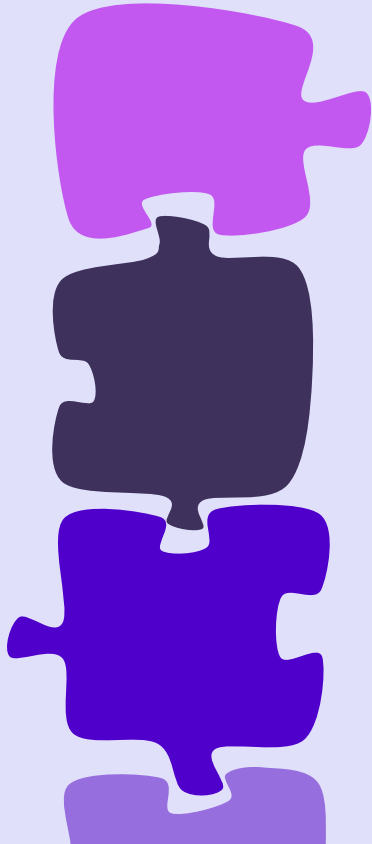
- 1. SLOW INCREASE (1-8yrs)
- 1. SPIKE IN LAPSE (9yr)
- 1. SLIGHT DECREASE LAPSE (>9yr)





# Formula Enhancement for GLB

# Considering an Additional Factor



The Additional Factor:

## Age of Policyholder



Effect on Lapsing

Increase in age seems to correlate to lower full lapse rates

- Health Concerns
- Outliving Savings

Guaranteed Living **INCOME** Benefit

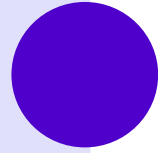
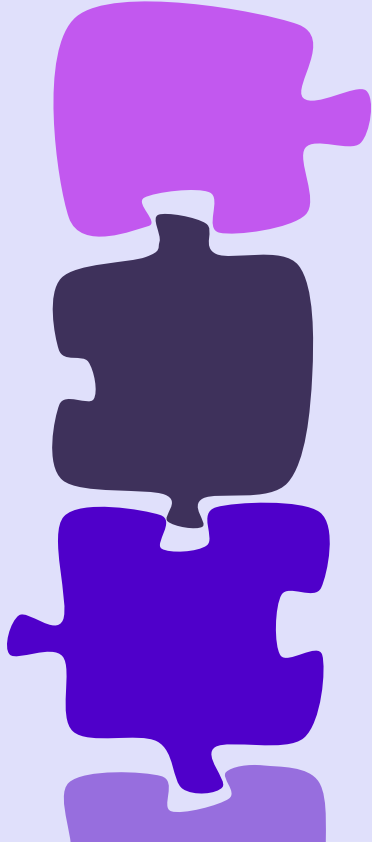


Example

21 Year Old vs 55 Year Old

- Who benefits most from GLB?
- Who is more likely to Lapse?

# Considering an Additional Factor



The Additional Factor:

## Income Level of Policyholder



Effect on Lapsing

Higher income policyholders are less inclined to liquidate assets, such as an annuity, for emergency funds.

Annuities may offer a taxed-deferred growth:

- Attractive to high income policyholders
- Leading to **Lower** lapse rates.



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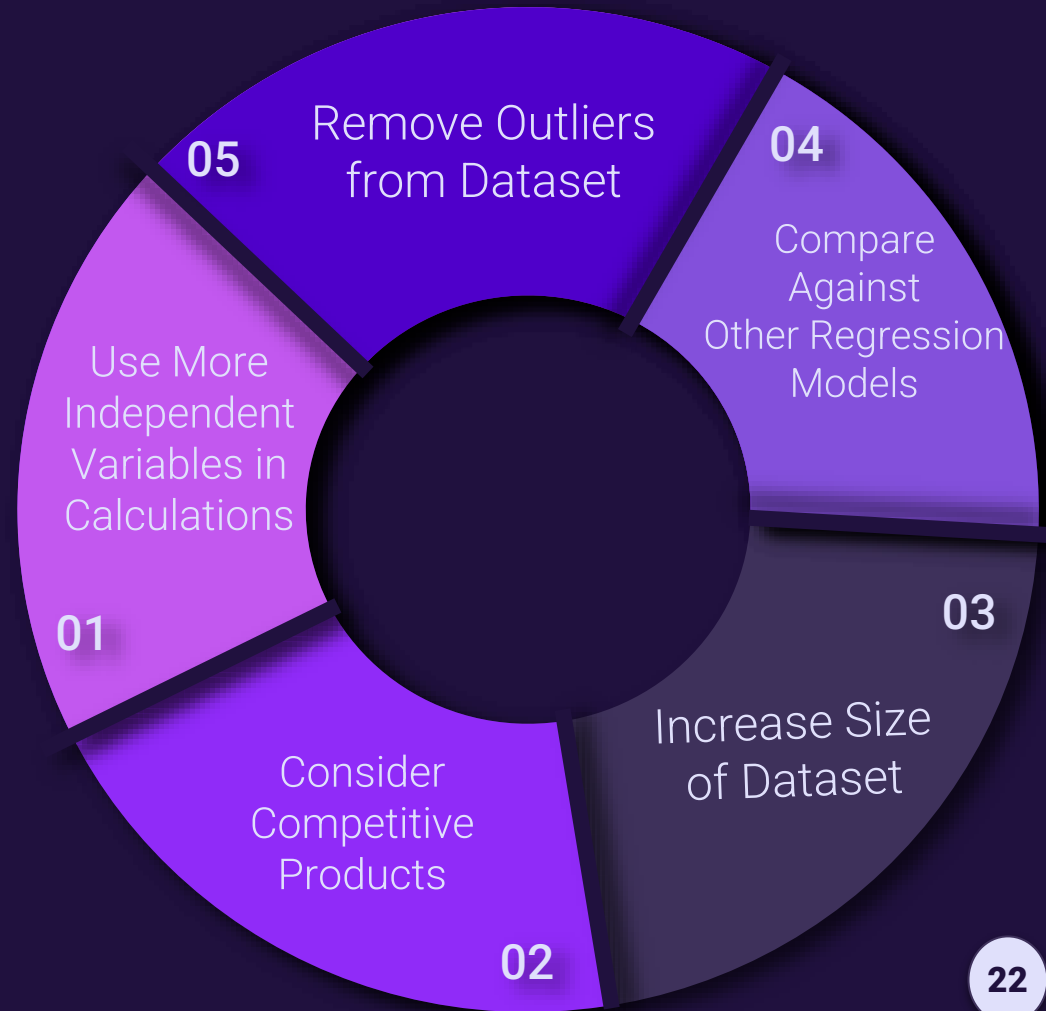
Wealthy CEO vs Retail Employee

- Who benefits most from GLB?
- Who is more likely to Lapse?



# Implications / Recommendations

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# Q&A