# Frito Lay

**Employee Attrition Analysis for Frito Lay** 

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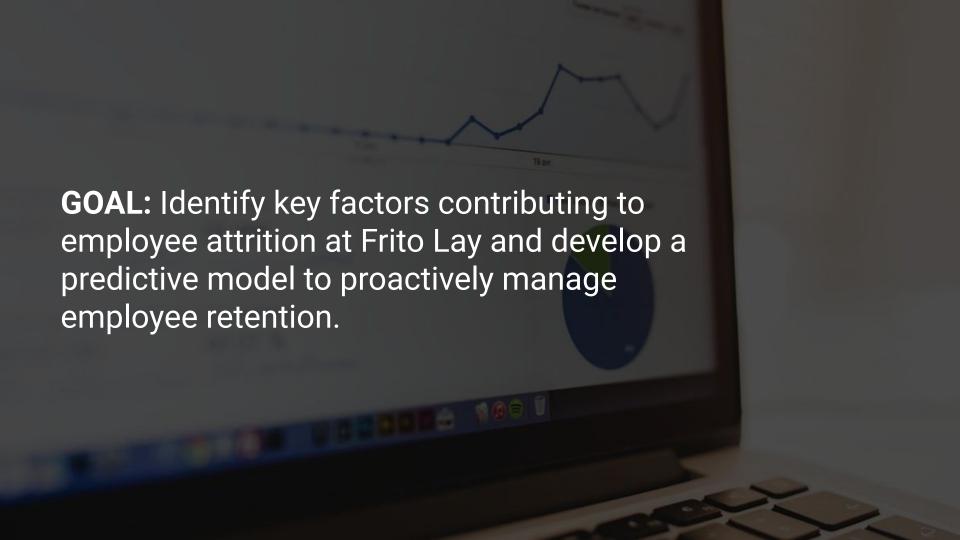
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# Identifying Key Predictors of Attrition: Problem Statement and Hypothesis

### → Motivation:

What is the importance of identifying employees likely to leave?

### → Problem

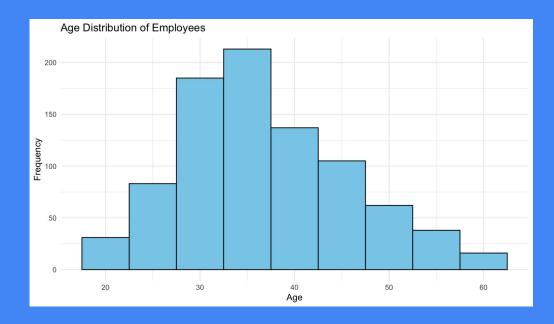
The key question we're addressing is whether employee attrition at Frito Lay can be predicted using factors such as job satisfaction, monthly income, and department.

### → Hypothesis

We hypothesize that factors such as lower job satisfaction and lower income levels are significantly associated with higher employee attrition. Our analysis is based on Frito Lay's employee dataset, containing 870 records with 36 variables. Key metrics include age, job satisfaction, income, job role, work-life balance, and whether the employee left (Attrition status).

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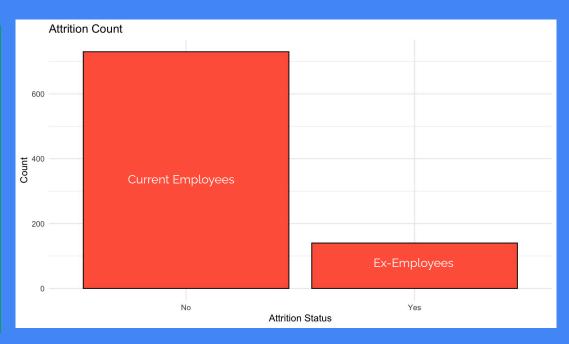


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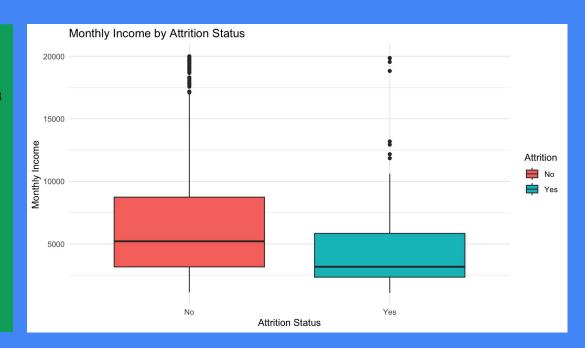
The Distribution of Incomes is Greater Among Employees Who Stayed vs. Those Who Didn't

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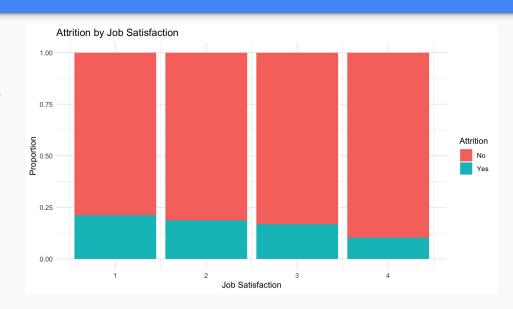
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# Exploratory Data Analysis: Attrition by Key Variables

Overview: Attrition by Job Satisfaction

**Observation**: Employees with lower job satisfaction scores (1 or 2) tend to leave more frequently than those with higher satisfaction scores (3 or 4).

**Key Insight**: Job satisfaction appears to have a clear relationship with attrition. The proportion of employees who leave decreases as job satisfaction increases, indicating that improving job satisfaction could help reduce attrition.



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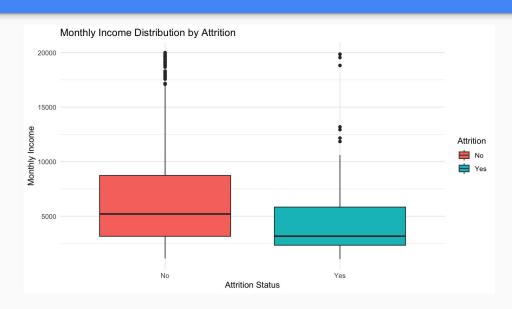
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**Overview:** Monthly Income Distribution by Attrition

**Observation**: Employees who stayed (Attrition = "No") generally have higher median monthly incomes compared to those who left (Attrition = "Yes").

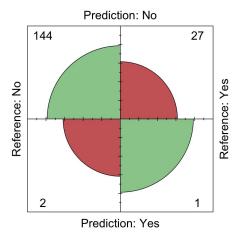
**Key Insight**: The employees with lower monthly income levels tend to leave more frequently. There is a visible difference in the median income, showing that financial compensation may be a significant factor influencing attrition.

**Outliers**: Both groups have outliers, but those who stayed have a wider range of high incomes.



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#### Confusion Matrix for KNN Model



## Results & Cost Analysis of the KNN Model

- Objective: Use KNN to classify employee attrition based on key factors like JobSatisfaction and MonthlyIncome.
- Data Preparation:
  - Split data into 80% training and 20% testing sets.
  - Ensured consistent factor levels for Attrition in both datasets.
- Model Configuration:
  - Set k = 11 for KNN.
- **Initial Accuracy**: Achieved 83.3% overall accuracy.
- Limitations:
  - The model's sensitivity is low (3.57%), meaning it struggles to accurately detect employees likely to leave (attrition cases).

**GBM** is the preferred model due to its ability to detect attrition cases effectively (sensitivity of 60.71% vs. 3.57% in KNN)

METRIC	KNN	GBM
Overall Accuracy	83.3%	Not specified in final, typically high
Sensitivity	3.57%	60.71%
Strengths	Simplicity, Interpretability	High sensitivity, can capture complex relationships
Limitations	Poor sensitivity to attrition cases, struggles with imbalance	Longer training time, more complex to interpret



### Comparison of the Models

 Objective: Classify employee attrition with emphasis on accurately identifying employees likely to leave.

#### KNN:

- Selected Features: Key factors like JobSatisfaction and MonthlyIncome.
- Performance Metrics:
  - Accuracy: Achieved an overall accuracy of 83.3%.
  - Sensitivity: The model's sensitivity was
     3.57%—extremely low. This indicates that while the
     KNN model performed well in overall accuracy, it
     struggled significantly with detecting employees
     likely to leave (true positive rate for attrition).

#### GBM:

- Selected Features: Expanded to include
   JobSatisfaction, MonthlyIncome, YearsAtCompany,
   OverTime, and EnvironmentSatisfaction.
- Performance Metrics:
  - Achieved Sensitivity: 60.71%, which is a substantial improvement over KNN.



### **Results Interpretation**

Based on the comparison between the KNN and Gradient Boosting Machine (GBM) models, here is an updated analysis and conclusion for the attrition prediction task:

#### **KNN**

- True Positives: 1 instance of correctly predicted attrition.
- False Positives: 2 instances where non-attrition was predicted as attrition.
- **True Negatives**: 144 instances of correctly predicted non-attrition.
- False Negatives: 27 instances where attrition was incorrectly classified as non-attrition.

#### **GBM**

- True Positives: 17 instances of correctly predicted attrition.
- False Positives: 14 instances where non-attrition was predicted as attrition.
- True Negatives: 132 instances of correctly predicted non-attrition.
- False Negatives: 11 instances where attrition was incorrectly classified as non-attrition.



### → Conclusion

 The gradient boosting model is a more effective tool for predicting employee attrition due to its superior sensitivity. Implementing this model could enable Frito Lay to proactively address factors contributing to employee turnover, fostering a more stable workforce and reducing replacement costs

### → Recommendations

- Enhance Work-Life Balance and Career Development: Provide flexible scheduling and remote work options to help employees balance work and personal responsibilities, especially in demanding roles.
- Develop Data-Driven Retention Strategies: Focus on competitive compensation reviews and performance-based incentives for Sales and low-income employees to address specific retention needs.
- Implement Targeted Support for High-Risk Departments: Introduce skill-building workshops to empower employees in high-stress departments, fostering both confidence and career advancement.

# Thank You