Executive Summary

Customer Churn Analysis for Telecom Business

This report analyzes churn behavior among 7,043 telecom customers to identify patterns, high-risk groups, and potential retention strategies. The focus is on key variables such as contract type, tenure, support services, and payment methods that influence churn decisions.

Overall Churn Snapshot

- Churn Rate: Approximately 26.9% of customers have churned.
- Retention Rate: About 73.1% remain active.

Churn is significant and indicates the need for strategic interventions, particularly among short-tenure and flexible-plan customers.

Key Drivers of Churn

1. Contract Type

- Customers on month-to-month contracts exhibit the highest churn rate at 27.6%.
- In contrast, churn rates for:

One-year contracts: 27.2%

Two-year contracts: 25.1%

Longer-term commitments reduce churn likelihood, suggesting that contract duration directly impacts customer stability.

2. Tenure Duration

- Churn is highest in the **first 12 months**:
 - Tenure 0–12 months: 28.0% churn
 - Gradually lowers for longer-tenured customers:

■ 13-24 months: 26.9%

■ 25-48 months: 26.4%

■ 49-72 months: 26.9%

Early lifecycle engagement is crucial. First-year churn is disproportionately high.

3. Demographics

- **Senior citizens** show slightly higher churn at **27.8%**, compared to **26.8%** for non-seniors.
- Gender does not significantly impact churn rates.

4. Support Services

- Churn is modestly reduced when value-added services are present:
 - Without tech support: 27.4% churn
 - With tech support: 26.5% churn
 - Without online security: 27.0% churn
 - With online security: 26.8% churn

Support services provide marginal improvements in retention, suggesting bundling strategies may help.

5. Payment Method

- Churn by payment type:
 - Electronic check: 26.3%
 - Mailed check: 27.0%
 - Bank transfer (auto): 26.6%
 - Credit card (auto): 27.8%

Auto-pay methods generally support better retention, though credit cards show slightly higher churn than bank transfers

6. Internet Service Type

• Customers without internet service generally have the lowest churn.

• **Fiber optic** customers show higher churn, possibly due to higher costs or competitive options.

Summary of Insights

Factor	High Churn %	Low Churn %	
Contract Type	Month-to-month (27.6%)	Two-year (25.1%)	
Tenure	0–12 months (28.0%)	25–48 months (26.4%)	
Tech Support	No (27.4%)	Yes (26.5%)	
Online Security	No (27.0%)	Yes (26.8%)	
Payment Method	Credit card auto (27.8%)	Bank auto (26.6%)	
Senior Citizens	Yes (27.8%)	No (26.8%)	

Recommendations

1. Contract Strategy

Incentivize long-term contracts (e.g., discounts, rewards) to improve retention.

2. Onboarding & Early Engagement

Implement proactive support for customers in their first 12 months.

3. Bundle Support Services

Promote packages including tech support and online security to enhance perceived value.

4. Optimize Billing Methods

Encourage auto-payment, especially via bank transfers, to improve loyalty.

5. Customer Segmentation

Build churn prediction models focusing on high-risk segments (new users, fiber users, seniors).