



Data to Decisions Qlik Journey through LendingClub Issued Loans Analysis (Qlik)

The "Data to Decisions Qlik Journey through LendingClub Issued Loans Analysis" project aims to utilize the Qlik platform to analyze and derive insights from the issued loan data of LendingClub, a peer-to-peer lending company. This project involves leveraging data visualization and analytics tools provided by Qlik to explore various facets of LendingClub's loan portfolio, facilitating informed decision-making processes.

The Business Problem

The business problem lies in the inadequacy of the current lending strategy, which fails to leverage insights from LendingClub loan data. This results in ineffective risk assessment, challenges in predicting loan defaults, and a lack of adaptability in lending criteria, ultimately exposing the institution to financial losses and reduced competitiveness in the market.

Business Requirements

Business requirements will provide a strong foundation for the projectanalysis, allowing us to explore various aspects of LendingClub's loan data while delivering actionable insights to stakeholders.

- Loan Performance Analysis: Assess the performance of loans issued by LendingClub by analyzing metrics such as repayment rates, default rates, and average loan amounts.
- **Customer Segmentation:** Identify and segment borrowers based on characteristics such as income, credit score, loan purpose, and loan amount.
- Risk Assessment: Analyze historical data to develop risk profiles for borrowers and predict the likelihood of loan defaults using predictive analytics.
- Market Trend Analysis: Explore trends in loan issuance over time, including the types of loans being issued and fluctuations in demand based on economic conditions.
- Interest Rate Analysis: Analyze how different factors (such as borrower credit rating, loan type, or market conditions) affect interest rates offered on loans.
- Fraud Detection: Implement data analytics techniques to detect potentially fraudulent loan applications or behaviors.

Literature Survey

Source-investopedia.com

The overview of LendingClub's personal loan offerings highlights both pros and cons, making it essential for potential borrowers to weigh their options carefully.

Pros:

- 1. **Direct Creditor Payments**: LendingClub allows for direct payments to creditors when consolidating debt, streamlining the process for borrowers.
- 2. **Multiple Loans Allowed**: Qualified borrowers can take out more than one personal loan, with a cumulative maximum of \$50,000.
- 3. **Customer Satisfaction**: LendingClub generally receives positive feedback from customers, which is somewhat atypical for financial service providers.

Cons:

- 1. **Origination Fees**: LendingClub charges origination fees ranging from 3% to 8%, which may deter some borrowers.
- 2. **Unspecified Credit Score Requirement**: The lack of a disclosed minimum credit score can be a barrier for fair-credit borrowers.
- 3. **Shorter Maximum Term**: The maximum loan repayment term is 60 months, which is shorter compared to some competitors.

LendingClub offers unsecured personal loans and auto refinancing loans, covering various uses such as debt consolidation, home improvements, medical expenses, moving costs, and large purchases. However, loans cannot be used for education expenses, investments, cryptocurrency purchases, or illegal activities.

The application process is relatively quick, with approval possible within hours and funding within one day. Borrower requirements include a minimum age of 18, a verifiable bank account, and citizenship or residency status in the U.S.

LendingClub also provides unique features like the option to change payment due dates and work with borrowers facing payment difficulties. Co-applicants may be included in loan applications, sharing equal responsibility for repayment.

However, refinancing an existing LendingClub loan is not possible; borrowers would need to seek loans from other lenders. Customer service is primarily available via phone, with

operating hours from Monday to Saturday, and there are mixed reviews regarding service responsiveness.

In terms of offerings, LendingClub's APR ranges from 8.98% to 35.99%, with amounts available up to \$40,000 and loan terms between 24 to 60 months. Comparatively, LendingClub's APRs are higher than some competitors that may offer lower rates and longer terms.

Despite its shortcomings, LendingClub remains a credible option in the personal loan space, accredited by the Better Business Bureau and holding a respectable rating on Trustpilot. Borrowers with a minimum credit score of 660 may find greater loan opportunities with potentially lower rates.

Overall, LendingClub's personal loan products offer competitive features, but borrowers should consider their specific financial needs and compare multiple lenders for the best options available.

Source - businessmodelzoo.com

Lending Club is an online credit marketplace in the US that functions as a matchmaking platform, connecting investors with individuals and small businesses seeking loans. The company offers diverse financial products, allowing borrowers to apply for personal, business, and medical patient loans. Loan amounts for personal borrowers range from 1,000 to 40,000, while business loans can reach up to 300,000 and patient solution loan scan goup to 50,000.

The unique feature of Lending Club's model is the division of loans into \$25 fragments, termed 'notes', which investors can purchase. These notes have associated risk profiles, categorized by grades from 'A1' (lowest risk) to 'G5' (highest risk), allowing investors to choose between active and passive investment strategies. Active investors select their desired notes while passive investors select based on risk profiles, with Lending Club facilitating purchases on their behalf. However, note holders face the risk of not being repaid in the event of borrower default. The platform also allows for trading these notes, adding liquidity to the investment process.

Founded in 2006, Lending Club initially started as a Facebook application and evolved into a stand-alone peer-to-peer (P2P) lending entity after significant venture capital investment. It became the first P2P lender to go public in 2014 but has faced challenges post-IPO, including a dramatic decline in stock value and management changes. To date, Lending Club has processed over 1.6 million loans, amounting to approximately \$20 billion, with repeat

borrowers constituting 14% of its customer base.

Lending Club serves six main customer segments: individual investors, institutional investors, individual borrowers, small and medium enterprises (SMEs), medical patients, and medical practices, all based in the United States. The platform has gained substantial traction, with estimates indicating over 700,000 users actively engaging with its services.

Downloading the dataset

Link - https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/husainsb/lendingclub-issued-loans

I have used Test data set (Ic_2016_2017.csv) for analysis which contains loans issued from 2016 till 2017.

Understand the data

- The LendingClub dataset includes detailed financial records of loans issued to borrowers.
- It spans the years 2016 and 2017, providing a snapshot of lending practices during that period.
- Dataset contains complete loan data for all loans issued through the time period stated, including -
 - Current loan status (Current, Late, Fully Paid, etc.)
 - Unique member id of the members
 Loan amount taken by members
 Tenure for the loan_amount
 Rate of Interest for the loan_amount
 Grades of the members
 - Funded amount taken by members
 - o States of the members, etc.

Importing the dataset-

Importing data into Qlik Cloud is a straightforward process. Here's how to do it step-by-step:

• Log In to Qlik Cloud:

- Open your web browser and go to the Qlik Cloud login page.
- Enter your credentials to access your Qlik Cloud account.

• Create or Open an App:

 Once logged in, you can either create a new app by clicking on "Create new app" or select an existing app from your library.

Add Data:

- Inside your app, locate the "Add data" button. This can typically be found on the top right corner of the app interface.
- Click the "Add data" button.

Select a Data Source:

- You will see several options for data sources, including:
 - Files: Upload files such as Excel, CSV, or text files.
 - Databases: Connect to various databases (e.g., SQL Server, MySQL).
 - Web Files: Import data from online sources.
 - **REST Connector**: For accessing data from RESTful APIs.
 - Other integrations: Various cloud services and tools.

• Upload Files (if applicable):

- If you select a file to upload, click on "Choose files" to browse your computer and select the desired file.
- After selecting the file, click "Next."

Data Preview and Transformation:

- Qlik Cloud will display a preview of your data. You can make adjustments here if needed (renaming fields, changing data types, etc.).
- o If you need to further refine the data, use the built-in tools for transformation.

Load Data:

- After making any necessary adjustments, click "Load data" to import the dataset into your app.
- o You will receive a confirmation once the data is successfully loaded.

• Explore Your Data:

 After loading, your data will be available in your app, and you can begin creating visualizations and insights using the imported dataset.

• Save Your App:

 Ensure you save your app after importing and making changes, to keep all your data and visualizations secure.

Prepare the Data for Visualization

To prepare data for Qlik analysis, follow these steps:

- Clean the Data: Remove any irrelevant or missing information to ensure the dataset is accurate and reliable.
- Transform the Data: Convert the data into a format that works well with Qlik, making sure it's structured properly for analysis.
- **Explore the Data**: Look for patterns and trends to better understand the dataset and its characteristics.
- **Filter the Data**: Narrow down to specific subsets that are most relevant to your analysis goals.
- **Prepare for Qlik**: Ensure the data is formatted correctly for seamless integration with Qlik's tools.
- Validate the Data: Double-check that the data is complete and accurate before

proceeding with analysis.

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Data Visualization

Data visualization is the graphical representation of information and data. It uses visual elements like charts, graphs, infographics, and maps to communicate data insights clearly and effectively.

Bar Chart:

- Go to the "Sheets" section and click "Create New Sheet" or open an existing one.
- Click on "Edit" to enter the sheet editing mode.
- From the chart options on the left, drag and drop the "Bar Chart" onto the sheet.
- Dimensions: Select the field you want to use as the x-axis (e.g., Categories).
- Measures: Choose the metric for the y-axis (e.g., Sales Amount).
- Customize: Adjust the chart's appearance and settings as needed.

Pie Chart:

- Open the sheet where you want to add the pie chart or create a new one.
- Click "Edit" to enter the sheet editing mode.
- Drag and drop the "Pie Chart" from the chart options onto the sheet.
- Dimensions: Select the field to represent the slices of the pie (e.g., Product Categories).
- Measures: Choose the value for each slice (e.g., Total Sales).
- Customize: Modify colors, labels, and other settings to enhance the chart.

KPI Object:

- In the edit mode of the sheet, look for the visualization panel on the left side.Drag the KPI object into the sheet.
- Measure: This is the numeric value you want to display (e.g., sum of sales, average revenue, etc.). Click on the '+' sign under "Measures" to add a new measure.

- Label: Enter a label for your KPI to describe what the KPI represents (e.g., "Total Sales").
- Format: Optionally, format the number (e.g., currency, percentage, etc.) based on your requirements.
- Add Additional KPIs (Optional) If you want to add more KPIs to your sheet, repeat
 the previous steps to add more KPI objects. You can display multiple KPIs in a single
 sheet for better insights.

Tree Map Visualization:

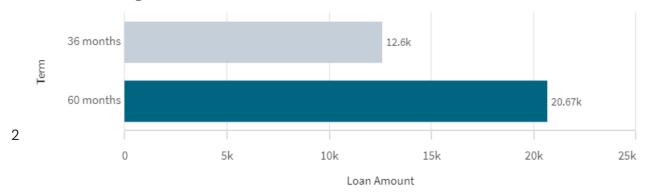
- Select Tree Map: In the visualization panel on the left, find the Tree Map option.
- Drag and Drop: Drag the Tree Map visualization onto your sheet.
- Add Dimensions: In the properties panel on the right, add a dimension that categorizes your data (e.g., categories or labels).
- Add Measures: Add a measure that represents the values you want to visualize (e.g., the numeric values you provided).
- If your values are in billions, ensure they are treated as numeric values.

Donut Chart Visualization

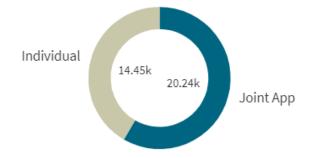
- Select Donut Chart: In the visualization panel on the left, find the Donut Chart option.
- Drag and Drop: Drag the Donut Chart visualization onto your sheet.
- Add Dimensions: In the properties panel on the right, add a dimension that categorizes your data (e.g., categories or labels).
- Add Measures: Add a measure that represents the values you want to visualize (e.g., the numeric values you provided).
- Ensure the values are treated as numeric for accurate representation.

1) Loan Amount Analysis -

Termwise average loan



Average loan by account type



3) Total Loan Amount -

Total Loan Amount 11,168,172,650

4) Total Number of Loan Account -

Total no. of Accounts 759.3k

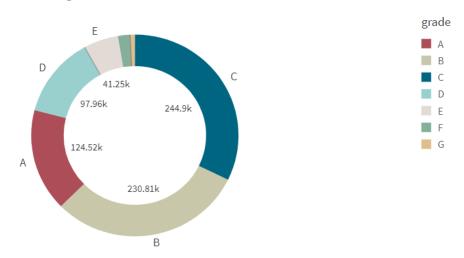
5) Average Loan Amount - State Wise

Average loan amount by state

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VA 15.97k	MA 15.3k	WA 15.08k	CO 14.63k	NM 14.4k	KS 14.33k	NV 14.19k					
DC	TX	CT	NH	WV	DE	ME	KY	OH		SD	RI
15.89k	15.29k	15.04k	14.61k	14.39k	14.32k	14.16k	13.95k	13.		13.83k	13.77k
HI	WY	GA	NY	NC	MS	IN	MI	AR		MT	VT
15.72k	15.29k	14.98k	14.6k	14.38k	14.25k	14.15k	13.87k	13.		13.3	8k 13.34k
MD 15.69k	IL 15.18k	UT 14.85k	OK 14.59k	PA 14.37k	MN 14.25k	TN 14.12k	OR 13.86k	NE 13.	45k		
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6) Grade wise - Count of Members -

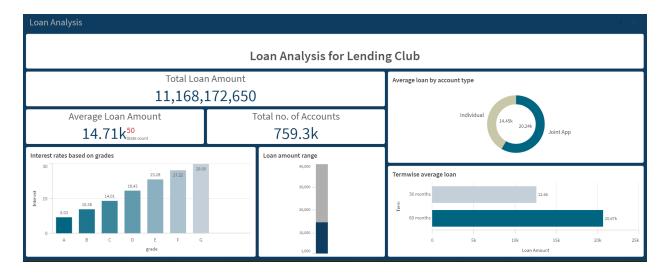
Customer distribution on the basis of grades



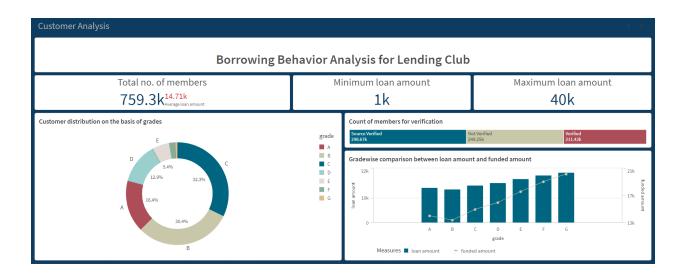
7) Verification Status -

Design of Dashboards

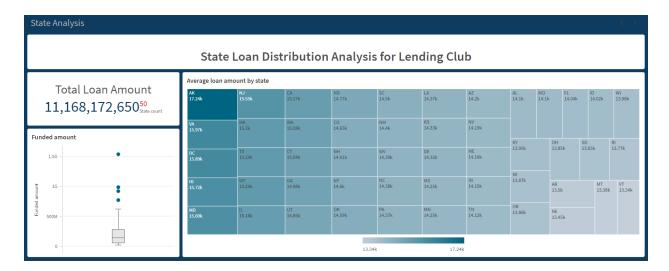
1) Loan Analysis Dashboard:



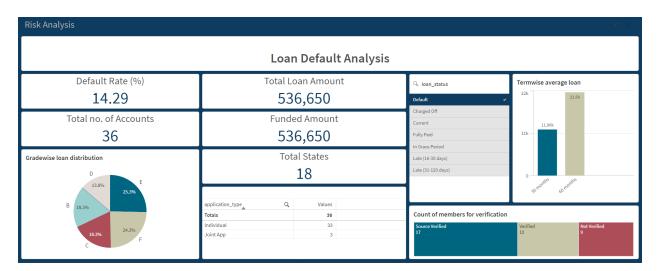
2) Customer Analysis Dashboard:



3) State Analysis Dashboard:



4) Risk Analysis Dashboard:



Design of Story

Storytelling in Qlik Cloud is an effective way to present data insights and narratives in a visual format. With Qlik Cloud's storytelling tools, you can create dynamic presentations that guide your audience through important findings, visualizations, and data-driven decision making.

Create a New Story:

- In your Qlik Cloud app, navigate to the "Stories" option typically found in the sidebar or menu.
- Click on "Create New Story" to start a new storytelling project.

Customize Your Story:

- Utilize formatting options to customize the appearance of your story.
- Change backgrounds, layouts, and designs to make the story visually appealing.

Add Interactivity:

- Consider adding interactive elements, like filters, so that viewers can engage with the data in real time.
- Use story navigation options to allow viewers to move freely between points or sections of the story.

Save Your Story:

- Once you are satisfied with your story layout and content, save your work.
- You may also want to give your story a meaningful name for easier identification later.

Share Your Story:

- Qlik Cloud allows you to share your story with other users. You can set permissions for who can view or edit.
- Share the link or invite others to view your story directly within Qlik Cloud.

Present Your Story:

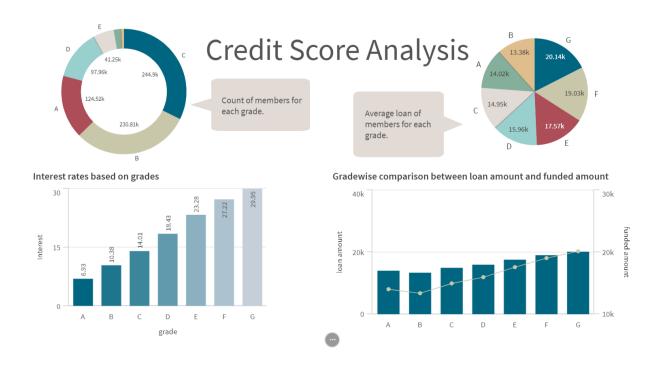
• You can present your story directly from Qlik Cloud, using the built-in presentation features to navigate through the story points.

1) Loan Analysis

Loan Analysis

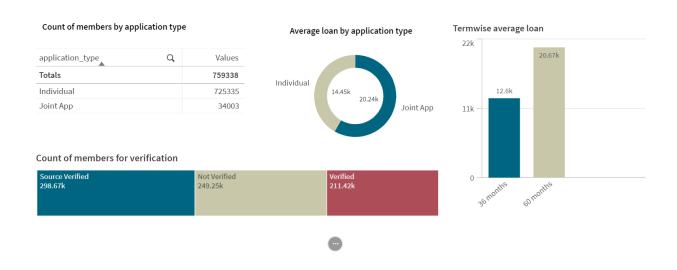


2) Credit Score Analysis



3) Other Analysis

Application, Verification Status and Term Analysis



Amount of Data Loaded

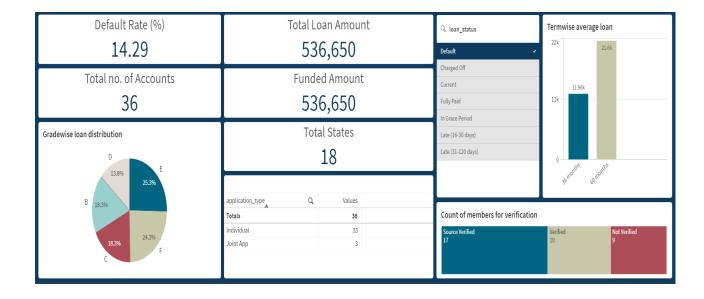
It represents the total number of columns of the dataset.

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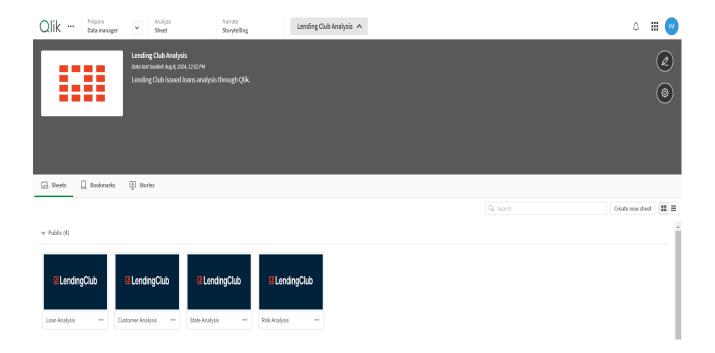
Utilization of Filters

The filter used here is loan status.



No of Visualizations/ Graphs

- 1. Loan Analysis dashboard -
 - 1. Total Loan Amount (KPI)
 - 2. Average Loan Amount with State Count (Dual KPI)
 - 3. Total no. of Accounts (KPI)
 - 4. Interest rates based on grades (Bar Graph)
 - 5. Loan amount range (Gauge)
 - 6. Average loan by account type (Donut Chart)
 - 7. Termwise average loan (Bar Graph)
- 2. Customer Analysis Dashboard -
 - 1. Total no. of members (KPI)
 - 2. Minimum loan amount (KPI)
 - 3. Maximum loan amount (KPI)
 - 4. Customer distribution on the basis of grades (Donut Chart)
 - 5. Count of members for verification (Tree Map)
 - 6. Gradewise comparison between loan amount and funded amount (Combo Chart)
- 3. State Analysis Dashboard -
 - 1. Total Loan Amount with State Count (Dual KPI)
 - 2. Average loan amount by state (Tree Map)
 - 3. Funded amount (Boxplot)
- 4. Risk Analysis Dashboard -
 - 1. Default Rate (%) (KPI)
 - 2. Total Loan Amount (KPI)
 - 3. Total no. of Accounts (KPI)
 - 4. Funded amount (KPI)
 - 5. Total States (KPI)
 - 6. Gradewise loan distribution (Pie Chart)
 - 7. loan_status (Filter Pane)
 - 8. Termwise average loan (Bar Graph)
 - 9. application_type (Table)
 - 10. Count of members for verification (Tree Map)



Conclusion

LendingClub is a peer-to-peer lending platform that connects borrowers and investors. Here are the key points of a loan analysis on LendingClub:

- Loan Types: LendingClub primarily offers personal loans, which can be used for debt consolidation, medical expenses, home improvement, and other personal needs.
 Business loans and auto refinance loans are also available.
- Borrower Criteria: Borrowers typically undergo a credit check and are assessed based on credit score, income, employment history, and debt-to-income ratio. This determines their eligibility and interest rates.
- Loan Amounts and Terms: Loans are available in various amounts, generally ranging from 1,000 to 40,000, with repayment terms typically between 36 to 60 months.
- Interest Rates: Rates vary based on the borrower's creditworthiness. As of the latest data, interest rates can range from 6% to 36%.
- Investor Returns: Investors earn returns based on the interest paid by borrowers. The
 platform offers a diversified investing approach, allowing investors to fund fractions of

multiple loans.

- **Risk Assessment**: The platform employs risk grading to evaluate loans from A (lowest risk) to G (highest risk), helping investors make informed decisions.
- **Default Rates**: The analysis includes tracking historical default rates and delinquencies to project future performance and risk for investors.

This research project thoroughly leveraged data analytics and visualization tools, specifically Qlik Sense, to analyze lending patterns and borrower behaviors within Lending Club. The findings from this analysis provide valuable insights into credit risk assessment, loan performance, and default trends. By identifying key factors that influence borrower repayment and the overall lending landscape, these insights can inform strategic decision—making and policy development, ultimately enhancing lending practices and risk management approaches. The outcomes of this study have the potential to drive improvements in financial inclusion and foster responsible lending within the peer-to-peer lending ecosystem.



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