



## Privacy Risk & Mitigation Summary

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### Identified Privacy Risks

- **Low k-Anonymity:** Unique Age + Gender + City combination in **22% of records**.
  - **Poor I-Diversity:** Sensitive attribute *Disease* has only one value in **6 groups**.
  - **High t-Closeness:** Income distribution deviates beyond the safe threshold in **4 groups**.
  - **High  $\delta$ -Disclosure Risk:** Re-identification probability exceeds **0.18** for rare occupations.
  - **Background Knowledge Attack:** *Occupation* + *City* cross-reference reveals identities.
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### Applied Mitigation Measures

- **Generalized Age** into **5-year intervals** for broader anonymity.
  - **Clustered Cities** into **regional categories** to hide small populations.
  - **Added Controlled Noise** ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ) to income values for differential privacy.
  - **Pseudonymized Rare Occupations** to eliminate unique identifiers.
  - **Generated Synthetic Data** for groups with elevated disclosure risk.
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### Utility & Compliance

- **Mean Absolute Error (Income):** 0.42% — high analytical accuracy maintained.
- **Legal Alignment:** Fully compliant with **DPDP Act 2023** privacy and utility standards.