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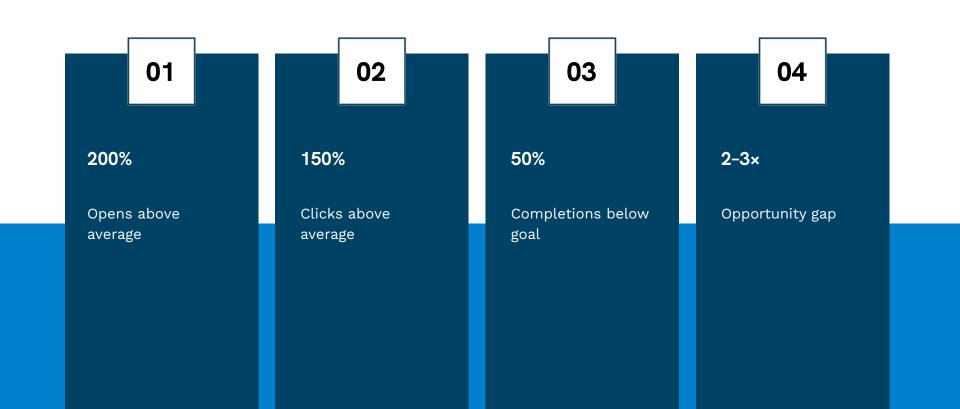
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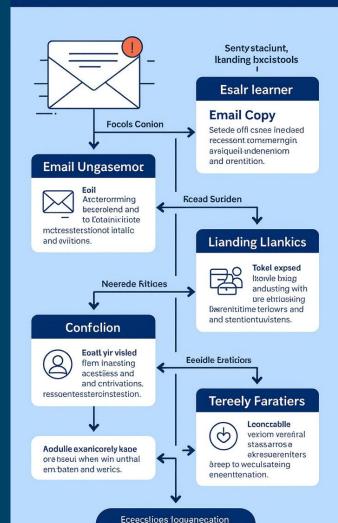
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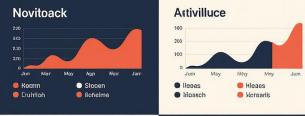
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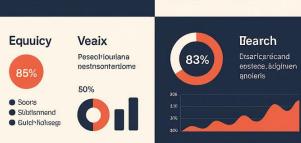


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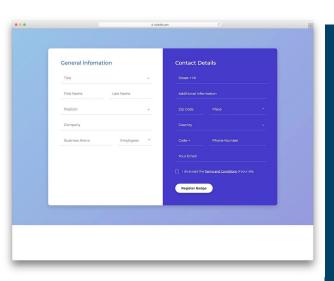
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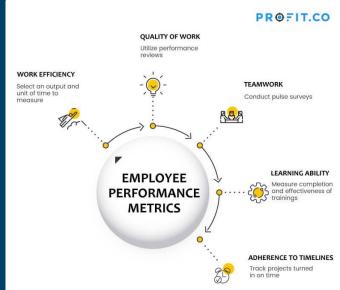
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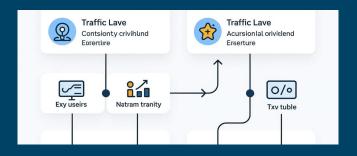
Success Metrics

Primary:

- signup completion ≥6%
- Secondary:
 - o maintain 60% opens
 - o 10% CTR
- Track field abandonment, device split
- Weekly dashboard, monthly deep dive
- Focus prevents metric overload



Risk Mitigation



Feature Flags and Traffic Splits

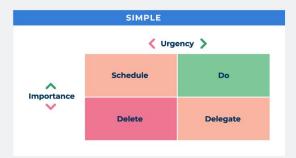
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Monitoring and Rollback

Having a quick rollback plan, along with support monitoring and a post-launch QA checklist, ensures that any issues can be swiftly addressed, keeping the downside minimal.

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| Double or triple | 300 | \$180,000 | Improved CAC/LTV |
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| Expected increase in completion rate | Expected registrations per month | Expected extra annual revenue | Expected improvement in customer acquisition cost to lifetime value ratio |

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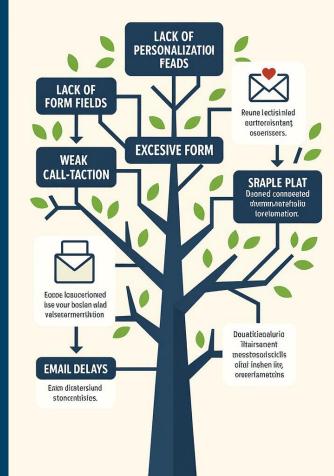
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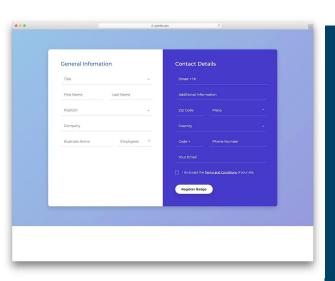
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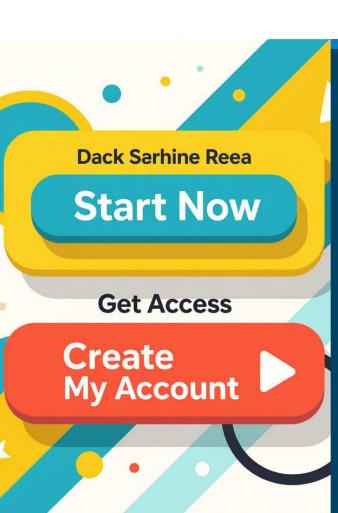
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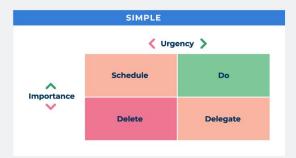
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