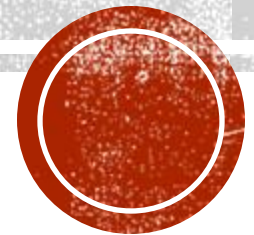


KEY RESUME ATTRIBUTES IMPACTING JOB CALLBACKS

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INTRO

Problem to Solve

- **Objective:** Attributes influential in determining *job application callback rates*.
- **Key Question:** Can we predict factors increase the likelihood of receiving callback?

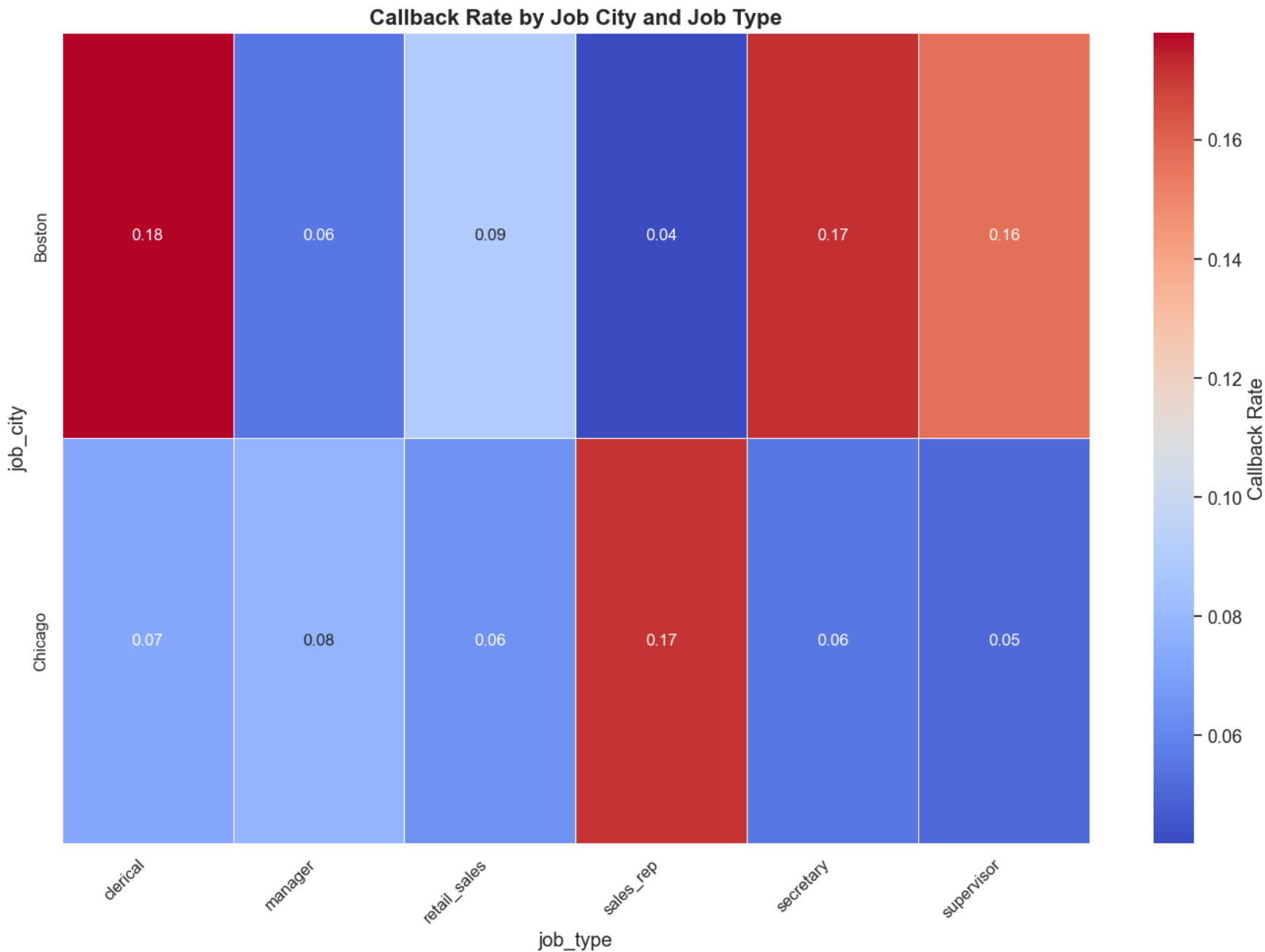
Why This is Important

- **Importance:** Beneficial to help addressing bias in hiring practices.
- **Impact**
 - Improving fairness and transparency in hiring processes
 - Guiding applicants in optimizing their resumes

Type of Problem

- **Problem Type**
 - This is a *binary classification* problem
 - Target variable (received callback) is either **1** (callback received) or **0** (no callback received)



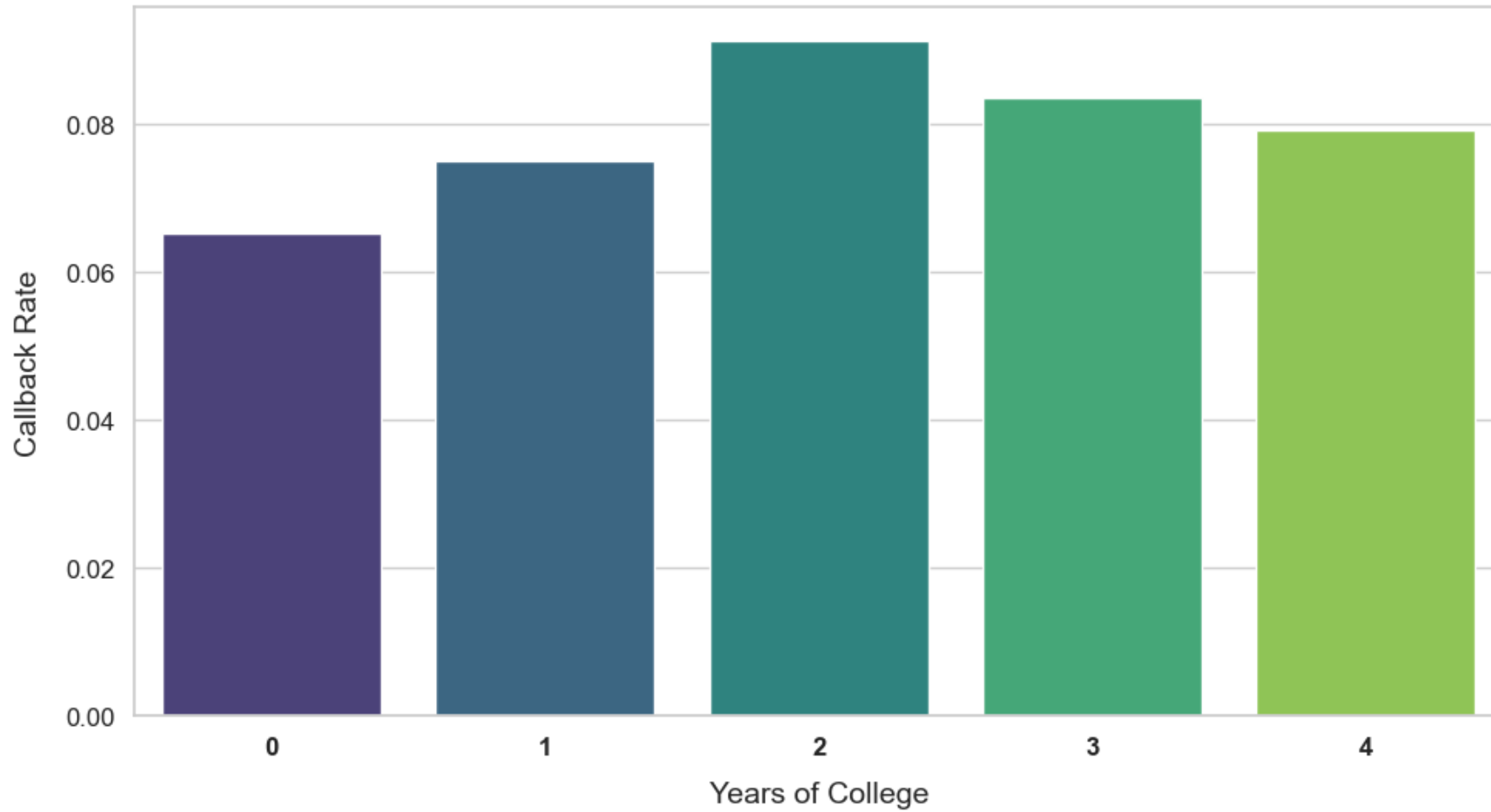


VISUALIZATION 1 (HEATMAP)

- Boston shows significantly higher callback rates across most job
- Chicago outcompete Boston in Sales_rep



Received Callback Rate by Years of College

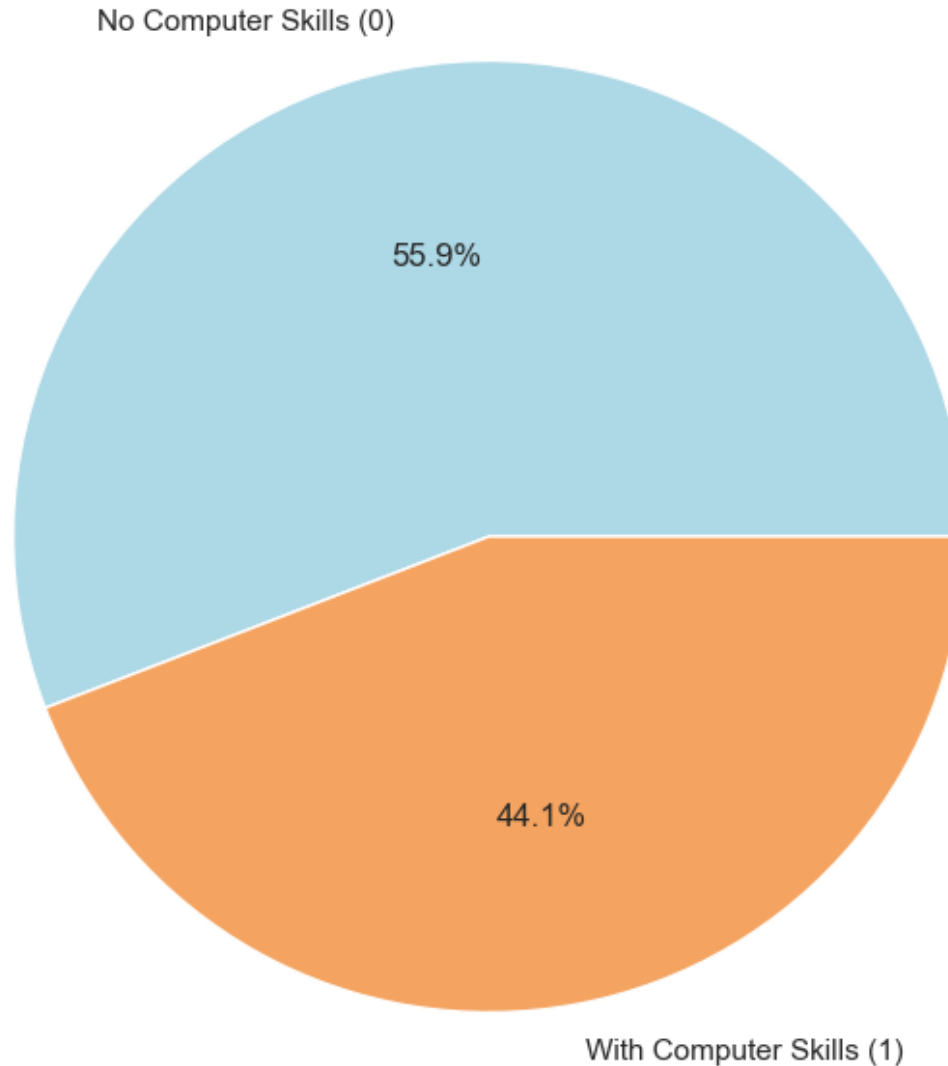


VISUALIZATION 2 (HISTOGRAM)

- Candidates with 2 years of college experience have the highest callback rate
- Surprisingly, those with 4 years show lower callback rates.



Callback Rate Distribution for Computer Skills



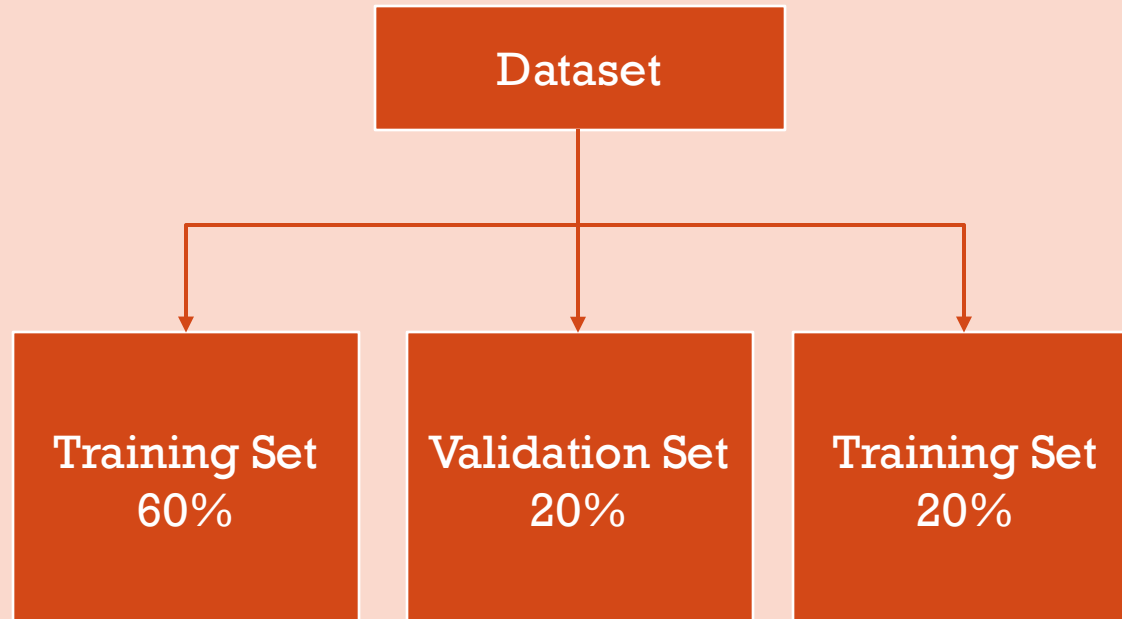
0 means no computer skill, 1 means with computer skill

VISUALIZATION 3 (PIE CHART)

- A surprising 55.9% of callbacks are for applicants without listed computer skills
- While 44.1% of callbacks are for those with computer skills.



SPLITTING



Features excluded:

firstname

*not relevant for predicting callbacks

job_ad_id

*not relevant for predicting callbacks



PREPROCESSING

Handling Missing Data

- Missing values in 3 categorical columns 'UNK', 'Unknown', and NaN were standardized to "unknown" to maintain consistency

Feature Name	Missing Values	
job_fed_contractor	1768	NA
job_ownership	1992	Unknown
job_req_min_experience	2746	NaN



Renamed Values	
1768	unknown
1992	unknown
2746	unknown



FEATURE ENCODING

Ordinal Encoding

- Applied to features with a natural order
- Example: years_college:
 - 0 ▪ 1 ▪ 2 ▪ 3 ▪ 4

One-Hot Encoding

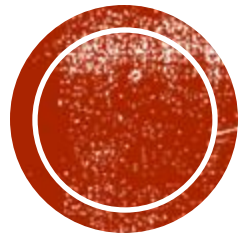
- Used for categorical features with no inherent order
- Example: job_ownership
 - unknown
 - nonprofit
 - private
 - public



FEATURE ENCODING

- **Before Preprocessing**
 - 27 features
- **After Preprocessing**
 - 60 features (one-hot encoding expansion)
- **Final Dataset**
 - Contains 2922 data points with 60 features





Q&A

