



A Data-Driven Evaluation of Vanguard's Digital Process Redesign

Beyond **THE CLICK**

How Digital Experiment Revealed Hidden Client Behaviors

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Introduction



- Vanguard ran an A/B test to test a redesigned UI
- Does the new UI increase completion of an online process?
- Purpose: Increase completion rates and reduce friction in the digital journey.

Data Overview

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|--|---|---|--|--|
| LOADED | CREATED | CLEANED | SCOPE | EXPORTED |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Three datasets combined• Standardized columns | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• age_group,• client_tenure_days | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handling missing values• Standardizing timestamps• Merged | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ~317k rows• visit-level KPIs and client-level demographic table• Control vs Test• Step orders | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Export to Single-Sheet Excel File• Complete dataset ready for EDA, hypothesis tests, and Tableau. |



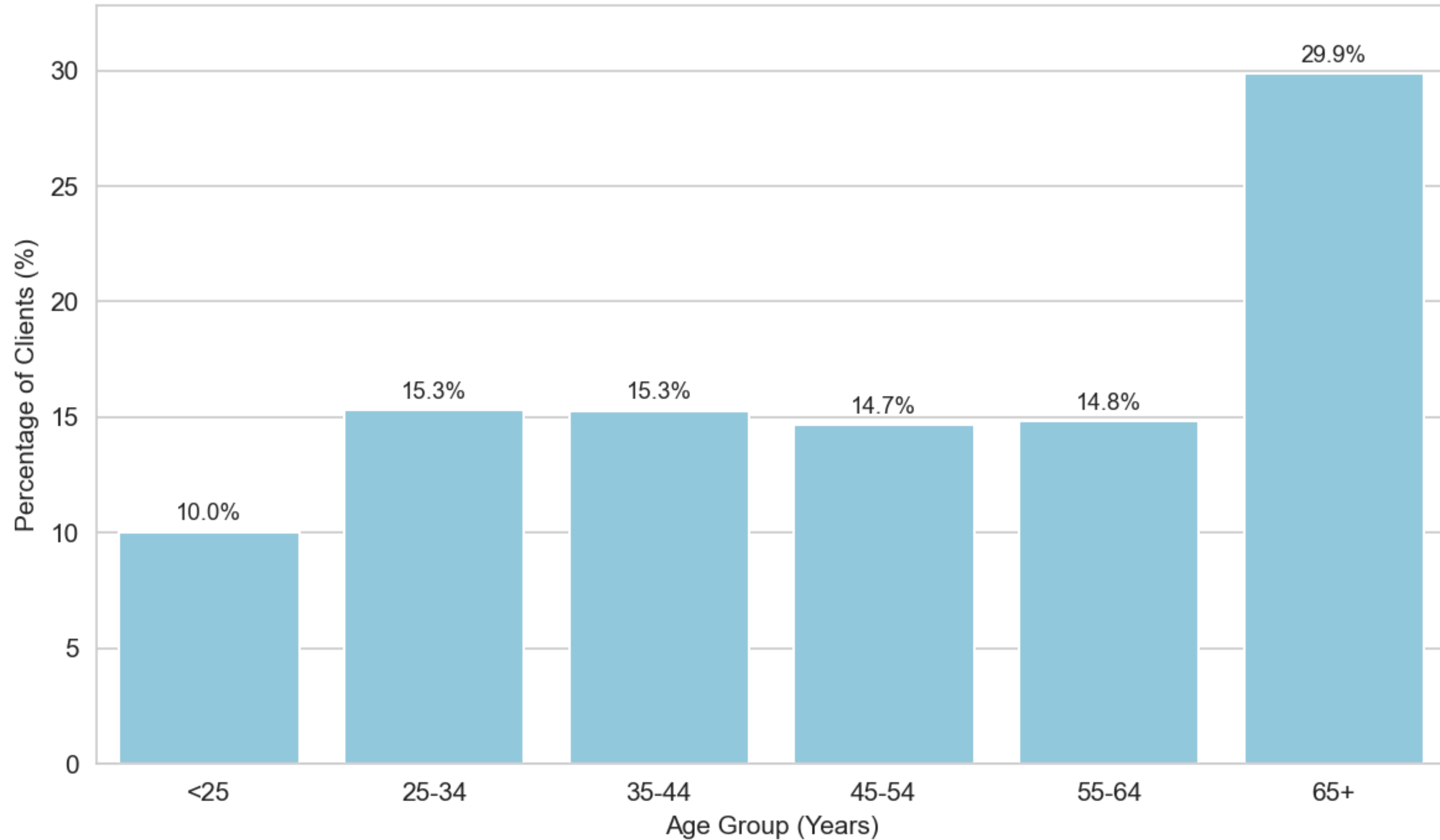
EDA

Who uses the process?

- Largest user: 65+ clients
- Majority are long-standing clients
- This context helps explain behavioral differences observed in the experiment

| | logons_6_mnth | calls_6_mnth |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| client_type | | |
| New (≤ 6 months) | 5.00 | 2.56 |
| Long-standing (> 6 months) | 5.04 | 3.50 |

1. Client Age Group Distribution for Online Process Users





PERFORMANCE Metrics



- Completion Rate: +13.6 percentage points improvement
- Total Step Time: Slight increase in later steps
- Error Rate: Slightly higher in Test
- Overall: The new design produced a meaningful uplift

| process_step | | |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| start | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| step_1 | 76.18 | 85.31 |
| step_2 | 65.14 | 73.90 |
| step_3 | 59.19 | 66.92 |
| confirm | 51.90 | 65.55 |

HYPOTHESIS Testing

Hypothesis 1

Is the average age of clients engaging with the new process same as those engaging with the old process?

Hypothesis 2

Is considered significant the difference between the completion rate of group Test and Control ?

Hypothesis 3

Is this new UI design version profitable?

EXPERIMENT


Evaluation

- Success: New design significantly boosted completion rates.
- profitability promise: completion rate \neq +5%
- ~3 months — adequate for stable results given sample size
- Potential biases: repeat visitors, device differences
- Opportunity: Optimize steps 3 and confirmation to reduce time/errors.
- Strategic Insight: Design for older, long-standing clients.



TABLEAU

Dashboard

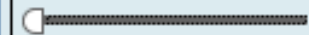
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- Showcase the Tableau dashboard and visualizations created.
 - Demonstrate how viewers can interact with the data based on demographics and time.

VANGUARD A/B TEST ANALISYS

FILTERS

Weeks of experim..

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Number of clients

50 487

Group Test/Control

Variation

Control

23 526

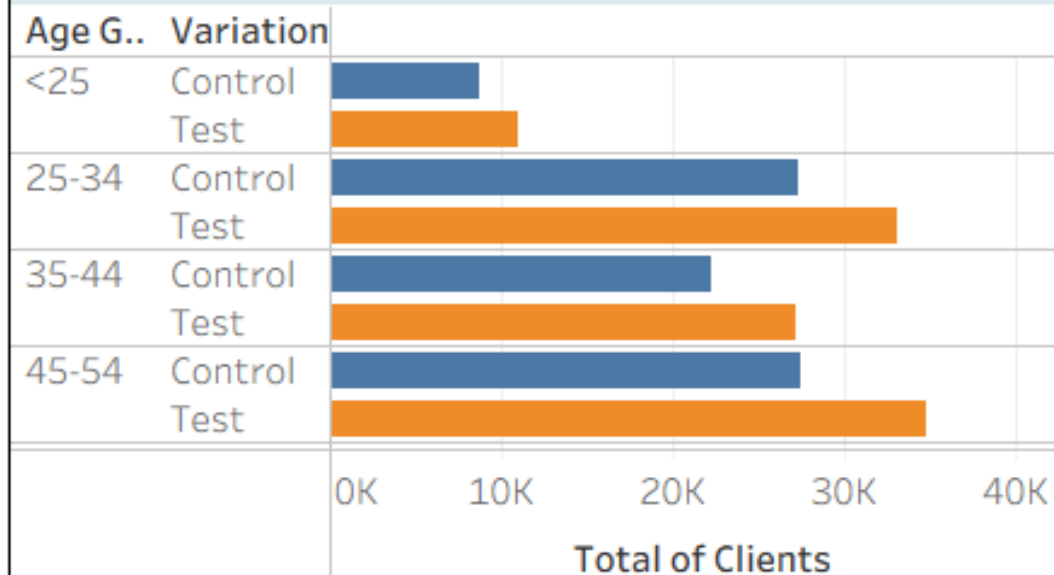
Test

26 961

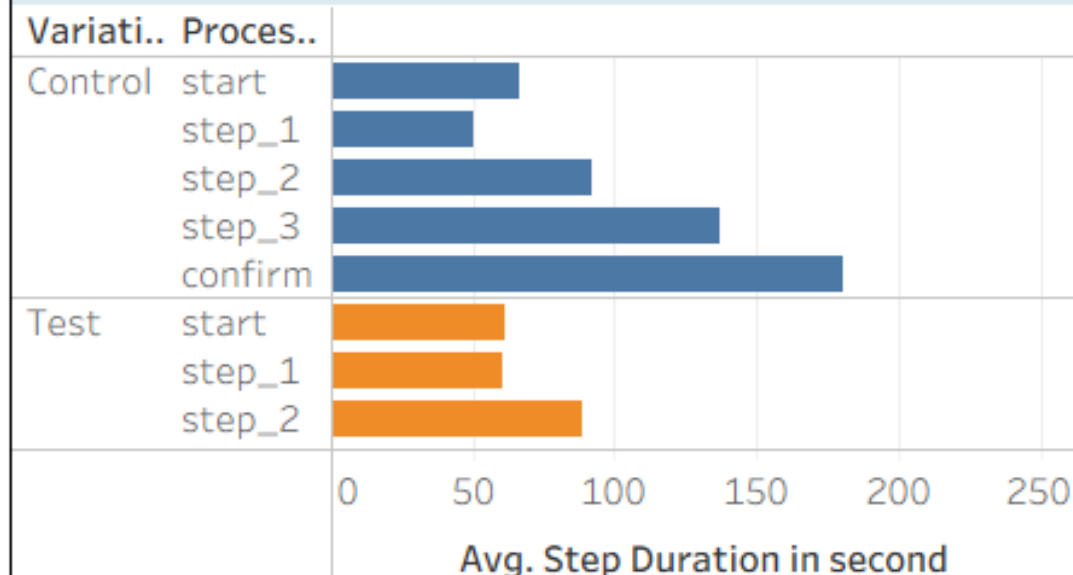
Number of visits

317 123

Client Distribution by Age Category



AVG Duration by step

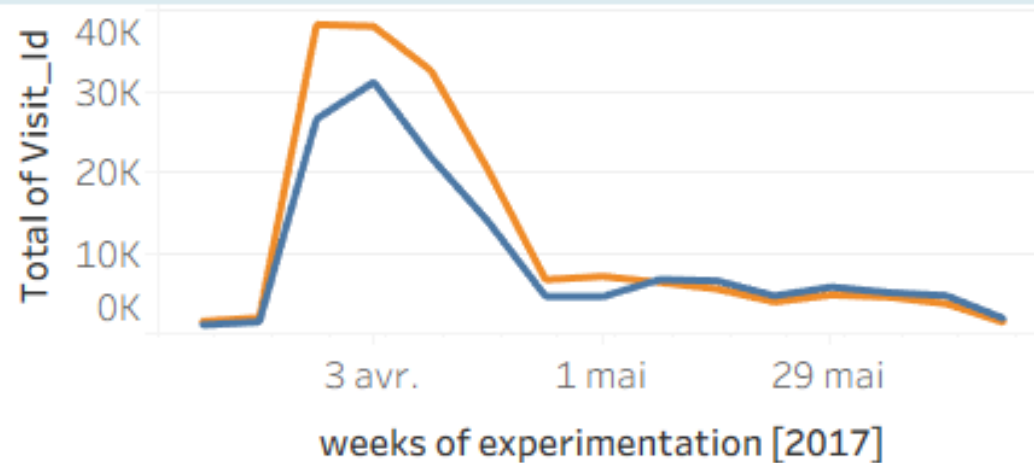


Error rate

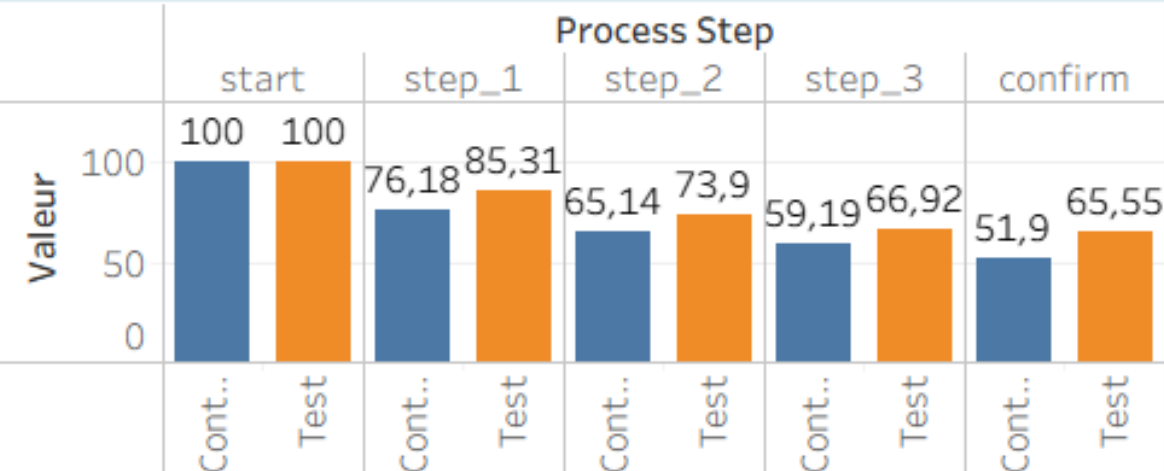
Control
3,79%

Test
6,56%

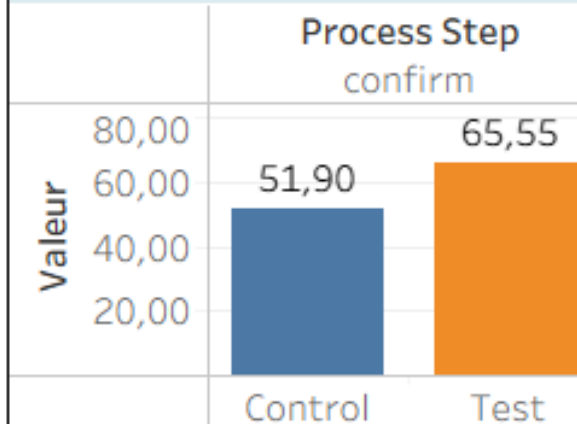
Visits by week



Completion rate graph (%)



Profitable Threshold (+5%)



RECOMMENDATION &

Conclusion

- The new UI significantly boosts completion
- The impact is statistically strong and operationally meaningful
- Behavioral data reveals rich insights about Vanguard clients
- Slight increase in time & error rate — fixable via micro-iterations
- Deploy the redesign, prioritize confirm & mid-step improvements
- The new design can be more profitable



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