

## **Bivariate Analysis**

### 1. Demographic Features

- Gender ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 0.48$ ,  $p = 0.486$ ): No significant relationship with churn
- Senior Citizen ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 159.43$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Senior citizens show higher churn rates
- Partner ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 158.73$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Customers with partners show lower churn rates
- Dependents ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 189.13$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Customers with dependents have significantly lower churn rates

**Strategic Insight:** Family-oriented customers are more stable, suggesting family plans or bundled services could improve retention.

### 2.Account Info Features

- Contract Type ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 1,184.60$ ,  $p < 0.001$ )  
Strongest predictor of churn:
  - Month-to-month: Very high churn rate (~43%)
  - One-year: Moderate churn rate (~11%)
  - Two-year: Lowest churn rate (~3%)
- Payment ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 648.14$ ,  $p < 0.001$ )
  - Electronic check: Highest churn risk payment method
  - Automatic payment methods: Lower churn rates
- Paperless billing ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 258.28$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ):  
Customers with paperless billing show higher churn rates

**Strategic Insight:** Contract length is the most powerful predictor of churn. Incentivizing longer contracts could dramatically improve retention.

### 3.Service Features

- Internet Service ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 732.31$ ,  $p < 0.001$ )
  - DSL customers: Lowest churn rate (~20%)
  - Fiber optic customers: Moderate churn rate (~42%)
  - No internet service: Extremely low churn rate (~7%)

**Strategic Insight:** Fiber optic customers represent the highest churn risk segment, requiring targeted retention strategies.

- Online Services Impact
  - OnlineSecurity ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 850.00$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Customers without online security show dramatically higher churn rates
  - Online Backup ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 601.81$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Similar pattern - lack of backup services correlates with higher churn
  - Tech Support ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 828.20$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Absence of tech support strongly predicts churn

**Strategic Insight:** Value-added services act as retention tools. Customers without these services are significantly more likely to churn.

- Entertainment Services
  - Streaming TV ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 374.20$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Moderate impact on churn
  - Streaming Movies ( $\text{Chi}^2 = 375.66$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ): Similar moderate impact

Both services show higher retention for customers who subscribe

### **Correlation Matrix Analysis**

- Tenure and Churn (-0.35) - longer-tenured customers are less likely to churn
- Total Charges and Churn (-0.20) - customers with higher total charges are less likely to churn

**Insights:** Customer retention improves with tenure, suggesting importance of early customer satisfaction. Monthly charges show weak correlation with churn, indicating price sensitivity may not be the primary driver

### **Feature Engineering Success**

custom feature engineering revealed two powerful predictive indicators:

- Services Score (0-4 scale):  $\text{Chi}^2 = 338.97$ 
  - Measures customer engagement with add-on services
  - Distribution: 40% of customers have 0 services, only 7% have all 4 services
  - Business Impact: Higher service adoption correlates with lower churn risk

- Vulnerability Score (0-8 scale):  $\text{Chi}^2 = 1307.20$ ,  
Composite risk metric based on customer demographics and contract type  
Risk Categories:
  - ❖ 0-1: Low vulnerability (married, long-term contracts)
  - ❖ 2-4: Moderate vulnerability
  - ❖ 5-8: High vulnerability (seniors, single, month-to-month contracts)

### **Model Performance & Reliability**

#### Model Comparison Results:

- Random Forest: Robust performance with excellent interpretability
- XGBoost: Superior predictive accuracy with gradient boosting
- CatBoost: Strong performance on categorical features

#### Key Performance Metrics:

- F1 score: Random forest(0.78), XGBoost(0.79), CatBoost(0.80)
- ROC-AUC: 0.85+ indicating strong predictive power
- Feature Importance: Consistent ranking across models validates findings

#### Most Important Predictive Features:

1. Contract type and tenure
2. Monthly charges and total charges
3. Services Score and Vulnerability Score
4. Internet service type
5. Payment method

## **Recommendations**

- Contract migration campaigns for month-to-month customers
- Enhanced onboarding for new customers
- Service bundling optimization
- Senior customer support programs
- Real-time risk scoring implementation