

# Business Summary Report: Predictive Insights for Collections Strategy

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## 1. Summary of Predictive Insights

Key Delinquency Predictors:

- **Missed Payments, Credit Utilization, and Income** were the strongest indicators of customer delinquency.
- Customers with **Credit Utilization > 80%** and **Missed Payments  $\geq 2$**  had the highest risk.
- Even **high-income customers** showed delinquency when **credit scores were low/missing**—highlighting behavioral risk.

High-Risk Segments:

| Key Insight  | Customer Segment                                      | Influencing Variables                       | Potential Impact   |
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| Low-to-moderate income with high utilization and missed payments   | Mid-to-low-income customers with poor payment history | Credit Utilization, Missed Payments, Income | Prioritize for early intervention calls or payment restructuring offers.     |
| Even <b>high-income customers</b> can become delinquent if their <b>credit score is low or missing</b> . | High-income customers with low credit scores          | Income, Credit Score, Loan Balance          | Don't assume low risk based on income alone—monitor these customers closely. |

## 2. Recommendation Framework

**Restated Insight:**

High credit utilization and missed payments signal urgent risk of delinquency.

**Proposed Strategy: “High-Utilization Risk Flag Program”**

- **Specific:** Auto-flag customers with **Utilization > 0.8** and **Missed Payments  $\geq 2$**  for a **pre-delinquency support program**.
- **Measurable:** Target **10% reduction** in delinquency in flagged group within **3 months**.
- **Actionable:** Use model outputs to route flagged customers to **Collections/Customer Care** for personalized outreach.
- **Relevant:** Aligns with Geldium’s goal to **reduce delinquency while maintaining trust**.

- **Time-bound:** Roll out in **2 weeks**; pilot for **3 months** with monthly reviews.

#### Business Rationale:

Proactive support is **more cost-effective** than recovery. This strategy targets quantifiable risk behaviours (missed payments, high usage), promotes **ethical credit management**, and enhances **regulatory compliance and brand trust**.

### 3. Ethical and Responsible AI Considerations

#### Fairness & Bias:

- Income bias risk: Low-income groups flagged more frequently.
- Credit score imputation may misclassify new-to-credit users (e.g., young professionals).

*Example:* A responsible, low-income graduate with limited history might be falsely flagged.

#### Explainability:

- Logistic Regression ensures clear interpretation of risk drivers.
- Coefficients can be explained to non-technical audiences, regulators, and customers.
- For future models (e.g., Random Forest), use SHAP for transparency.

#### Responsible Financial Practices:

- Focus is supportive (counselling, flexible plans), not punitive.
- Encourages financial well-being for customers, aligning with fair treatment.

#### Additional Principles:

- Transparency: Decisions based on explainable, financial data.
- Accountability: Track metrics like delinquency reduction.
- Privacy: Only anonymized data used; no sensitive personal info modelled.

#### Final Reflection

To ensure fairness, Geldium should monitor model performance by demographic segments. This approach combines data-driven insights with empathetic action, maintaining both predictive accuracy and ethical standards.