

## **Using Analytics To Increase Customer Engagement and Revenue**

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### Agenda

#### Framework for Benefits of Analytics

Illustrate Use of Analytics via Project Management Institute Case Study



## **Learning Objectives**

- Describe analytical techniques that can be used to collaborate with operations and information technology.
- 2. Recognize how a successful organization developed and deployed an analytics strategy to achieve worldwide benefits.
- Identify analytics tips that can be implemented in the workplace, regardless of size or technical sophistication.

## The Story Starts With The CMA Exam

- Johnson & Johnson.
- Imperial Chemical Industries (ICI)
- IT consulting / Business Intelligence.
- Villanova University.
- Managerial Accounting in MBA program.
- Special Interest Group in Analytics.

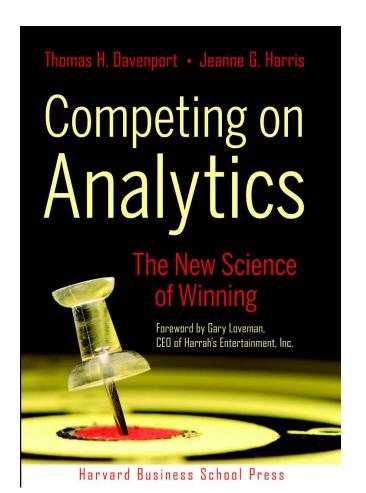
## What is Analytics?

"The extensive use of data, statistical and quantitative analysis, explanatory and predictive models, and fact-based management to drive decisions and actions".

Thomas Davenport and Jeanne Harris "Competing on Analytics"



## **Analytics Is A Journey**



## "Competing on Analytics"

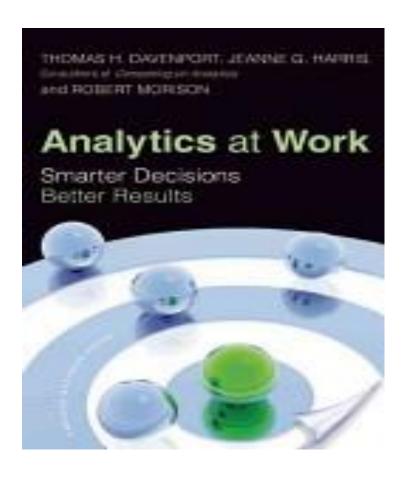
By Davenport and Harris

- 1. Impaired
- 2. Localized
- 3. Aspirations
- 4. Company
- 5. Competitor



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## **Getting Started With Analytics**



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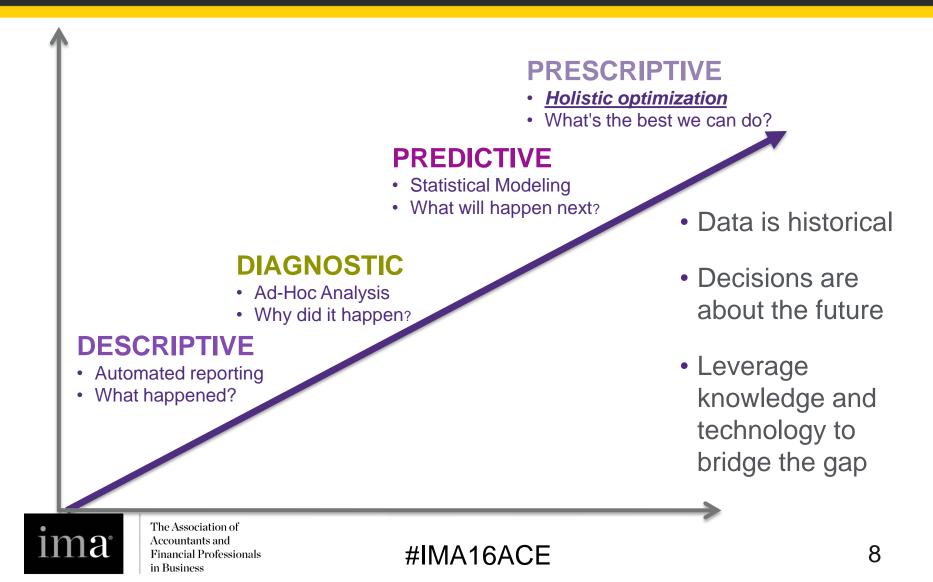
#### "Analytics at Work"

By Davenport, Harris and Morrison

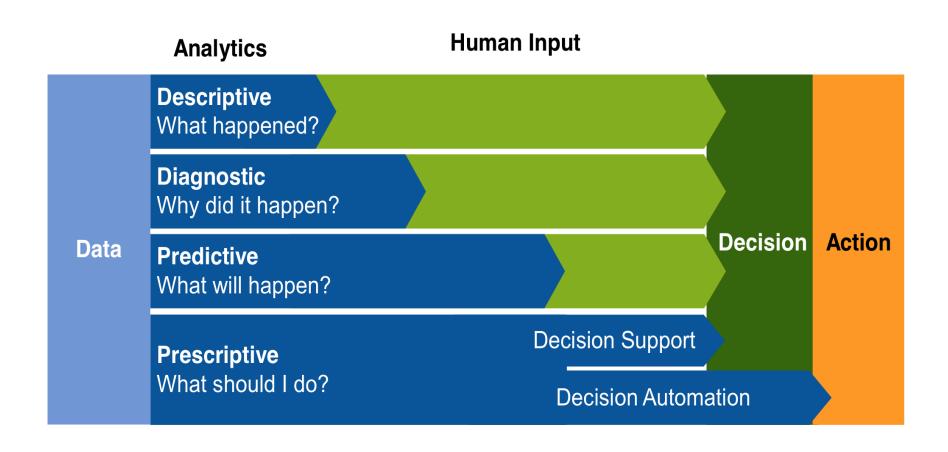
#### **DELTA MODEL**

- Data
- Enterprise
- Leadership
- Targets
- Analysts

## Stages of Analytics



### What, Why, What, What?





#### Where To Start?

#### **Balanced Scorecard Perspectives**

- 1. Customer
- 2. Internal Processes
- 3. Learning and Innovation
- 4. Financial

## 2016 Top Issues for CFO's

"The Digital Finance Imperative", Oracle sponsored research study conducted by the AICPA and CIMA.

- The survey asked respondents to rank the most important determinants of value.
- The top 3 are:
  - 1. Customer satisfaction (76%).
  - 2. Quality of business processes (64%).
  - 3. Customer relationships (63%).



## Importance of Intangible Assets

Intangible assets comprised 84% of the S&P 500 corporate valuations in Jan 2015, up from 20% in 1975.

 2015 study by Ocean Tomo, Mgt. Advisory Firm

**Uber** – Worlds largest car service; owns no cars.

**Apple** – Outsources almost its entire value chain; yet has over \$175 billion of capital.

iCloud is run on outsourced hardware.

# Villanova Center for Business Analytics

## Center for BUSINESS ANALYTICS



The mission of the Center for Business Analytics is to spearhead the development of the analytical capabilities of business students, conduct applied research, and disseminate best practices to improve organizational performance.



## **Strategic Pillars**

## Center for BUSINESS ANALYTICS



Provide focus for the development, execution and tracking of strategic objectives.

- 1. Curriculum
- 2. Research
- 3. Practice



#### **About PMI**

- World's leading not-for-profit professional membership association for the management of:
  - Projects
  - Programs
  - Portfolios
- Over 2 million project management professionals in nearly every country

#### **IMA** and **PMI** Similarities

- 1. International.
- 2. Members pay annual dues.
- 3. Certifications.
- 4. Continuing education (CPE and PDU).
- 5. Local chapters.
- 6. Thought leadership.
- 7. Annual meetings.

### PMI Member Engagement



Globally Recognized
Standards



**Publications** 



Certifications



Academic Research



Tools



Professional Development



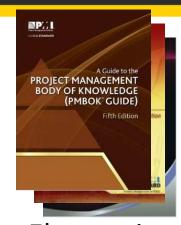
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Networking Opportunities

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## **Keeping Track of Members**



Electronic Downloads





Certifications



#### Chapters

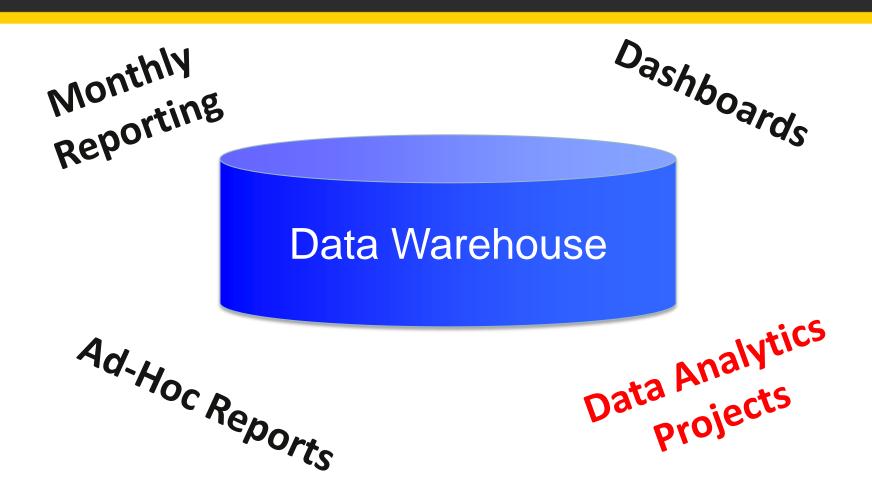


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## **Understanding Members**





### Origin of PMI/Villanova Collaboration

- PMI internal resources constrained
- Interns/Co-ops
  - 6 month duration
- Villanova Center for Business Analytics Consulting
  - Phased project approach
  - Scope of work with deliverables
  - Timeline with milestones and fixed price

#### **How You Start Is How You Finish**

#### 1. Start with end in mind

Scope, deliverables and timeline clearly defined

#### 2. Integrated project team

Client: Sponsor, managers, subject matter experts

Center for Business Analytics: Student consultants,
technical advisors, project manager/mentor

#### 3. Communications are key

Internal team, PMI/Villanova weekly calls; on-site checkpoint reviews



#### **Need Data To Prove "Beliefs"**

#### PMI "Believed"

- 1. There was a drop-off in member renewals after the initial membership year.
- 2. After members renew the first time (renew for their second year) they were likely keep renewing in subsequent years.

#### First Two Deliverables

#1. Determine if there are differentiating factors between:

Members who renewed their memberships versus
Members who do not renew their memberships.

#2. Based on the findings of #1, **develop a model** to predict the likelihood of member renewal.



#### **Some Technical Details**

#### **Cloud Development Environment**

- Fully secure.
- View of PMI data warehouse.
- No member personal identity.
   information; member # and country.
- Over 100 tables, updated monthly.
- Access via remote desktop connection.

## Scope of Member Data Analyzed

**PMI members who j**oined between 01/01/2003 and 01/01/2013.

- Exclude members who joined after 1/1/2011
- Retention for three years after joining PMI.
- Includes approximately 850,000 members.

#### "Join Year"

People who joined in the same calendar year.



## **Key Attributes**

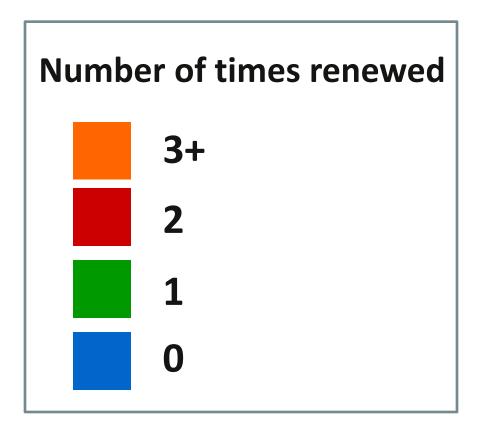
- Person ID (identity is anonymized)
- Join date
- Region
- Certified (PMP, others)
- Chapter member
- Electronic downloads

### Early Finding: Need for Visualization

- Number of members who join each year is increasing
  - Increasing from 2006-Present
- Overall retention rates are decreasing
  - Decreasing from 2005-Present



## Start By Visualizing the Data

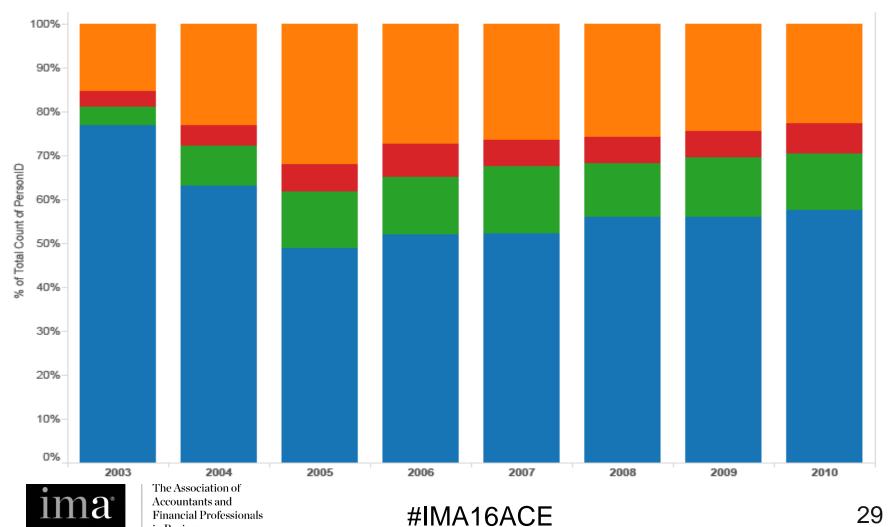


#### Retention

# of times a member renewed their membership

## **Retention By Join Year**

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### **Present Insight, Not Data**

For insights to be actionable, you need to:

- Develop an understanding of what levers are available to the business.
- Conceptualize how those recommendations can impact the business.

## Impact of Certification on Renewals

#### Certification increases membership length

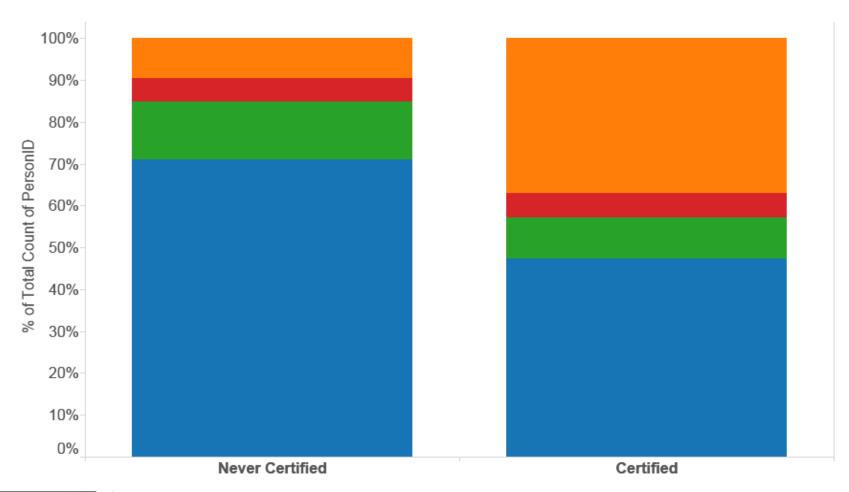
- 55% of members are certified
- Nearly twice as likely to renew 1<sup>st</sup> year if certified

## Four times as likely to remain a member for 4 years or greater

• 37% of certified members were members for over 4 years.



## Impact of Certification on Renewals





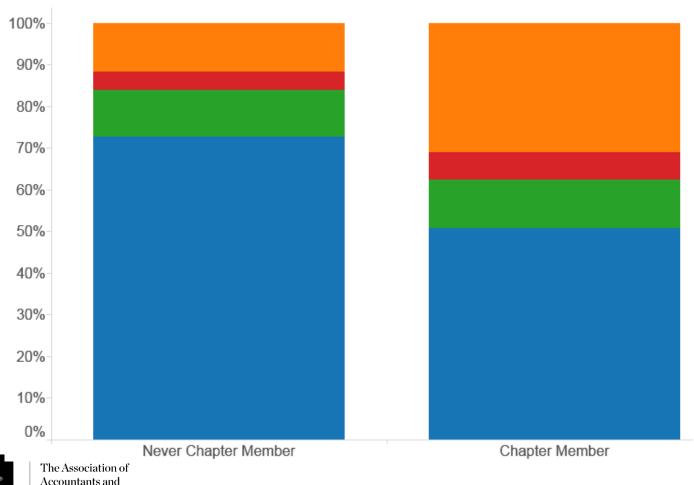
## Impact of Joining a Chapter

## Joining a chapter increases membership length

Twice as likely to renew 1<sup>st</sup> year if in a chapter

Over three times as likely to remain a member for 4 years or greater

## Impact of Joining a Chapter



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## **Developing a Prediction Model**

- Data in the data warehouse
  - In-depth profile of all members.
  - Data about who did or did not renew.
- Data became knowledge
  - Which attributes contribute most to member renewal.
  - Predict whether a specific member will renew or not.

## **Best Practice in Developing Models**



#### Building the model

- Choose rules to best predict the training set
- Adjust rules based on how they perform for a validation set

#### Testing the model

 Measure the accuracy by how well rules perform on a hold out testing set



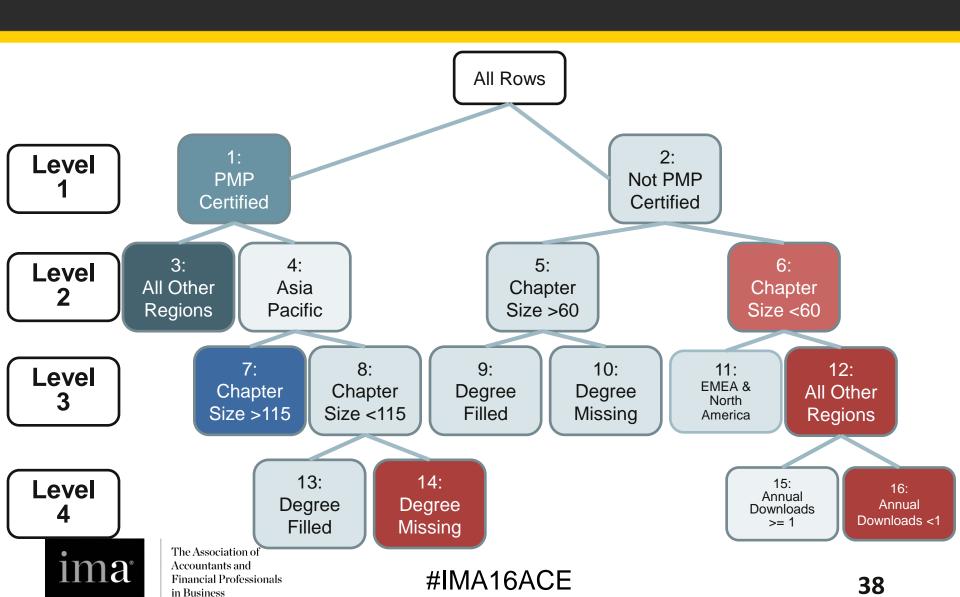
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# **Decision Tree Analysis**

- Determine most important predictors of 1<sup>st</sup> year membership renewal
- Categorize into 2 groups:
  - Members who renewed
  - 2. Member who did not renew
- Establish set of rules to predict whether or not someone will renew

## **Decision Tree**



# Measuring Model Accuracy: "Confusion Matrix"

Predicted Predicted to to Renew NOT Renew **Actually Did False** True Renew **Positive** Positive Actually Did False True **NOT Renew** Negative Negative



# Key Learning: Avoid Being Too Technical

The term "confusion matrix" is widely used in data mining.

- True positive
- False positive
- True negative
- False negative

Labeling the analysis of the accuracy as a "confusion matrix" **confused** most of the attendees at a meeting.

# **Initial Model Accuracy**

	Predicted to Renew	Predicted to Not Renew
Actually did renew	69.8%	30.2%
Actually did not	30.0%	70%
renew		

#### Initial model had 70% prediction accuracy

- Correctly predicts renewal in 69.8% of cases.
- Correctly predicts non-renewal in 70% of cases.



## **About the First Model**

- "Member Lifetime Experience" Model
- Analyzes engagement from date member joins PMI.
- Determined most important lifetime attributes that predict membership renewal. E.g.
  - "Was member ever certified?"
  - "Was member ever a chapter member?

# Phased Approach

- Start small.
- Deliver.
- Show success.
- Develop credibility.
- Look to extend initial success with another small project.

#### **Phase Two**

- 1. Test existing "Member Lifetime Experience" model.
- Develop new "Member Renewal Decision" model
- 3. Analyze new factors such as chapter size, regional differences and gender.

### **Member Renewal Decision Model**

- Second model developed.
- Analyzes current level of member engagement at the time of renewal decision.
- Determined most important attributes that predict membership renewal. E.g.
  - "Is the member currently certified?"
  - "Is the member **currently** a chapter member?



### Differences in the Models

#### **Critical Moment of Renewal**

 What attributes are pertinent at the time members decide to renew?

## Member Lifetime Experience model

 Members who ever became certified were more likely to renew.

#### **Member Renewal Decision model**

 Members who were certified at the time of renewal are more likely to renew.



# **Answering a Business Question**

**Business Question:** Are there regional differences in the factors that influence renewal and non-renewal?

- Developed regional member renewal decision models:
  - North America
  - EMEA
  - Latin America
  - Asia Pacific (China only and without China)



# Regional Models

Except for Asia-Pacific, the regional models **did not** reveal any major differences from the worldwide "all members "model.

- PMP certified is the first indicator for predicting renewal in all regions except in Asia-Pacific
- Chapter size is the first indicator for predicting renewal in Asia-Pacific.

# Key PMI Takeaways and Learnings

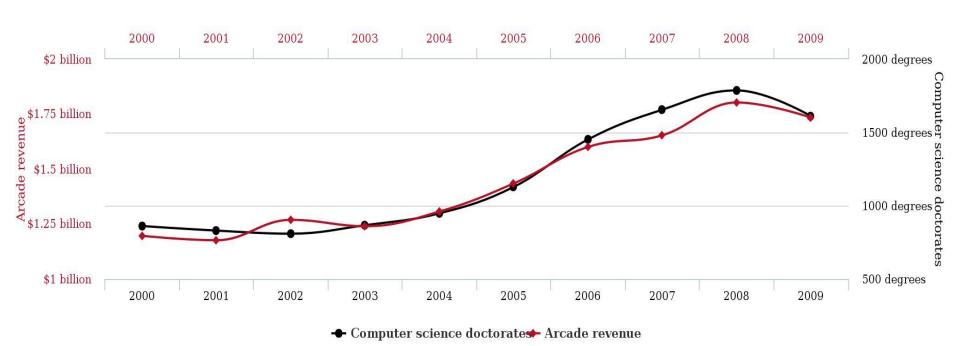
- 1. Organization needs to buy-in.
- 2. Start small.
- 3. Some "anecdotal" beliefs were proved.
- 4. Data "under the microscope" needs to be clean.
- 5. Correlation does not lead to causation.
- 6. Educated the organization on what is possible.

# **Correlation Does Not Lead to** Causation

#### Total revenue generated by arcades

correlates with

#### Computer science doctorates awarded in the US





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