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The bank possesses a robust data warehouse which is updated daily. The bank embedded bureau information into the existing in-house scorecard to improve asset selection. This had the benefit of improving early delinquency performance.

The bank’s risk capability improved its credit cards loss rate

The bank’s risk capability enables the bank to book high quality assets and provide lending products that would generally be considered un-profitable. The bank’s credit card loss rate has decreased from as high as 3.12% in 2016 to as low as 0.66% in 2017.

The bank innovated its collection activities

The bank assigns its collection efforts on the basis of likelihood to repay or default to increase collection efficiency. Accounts which were more likely to default had maximal collection efforts, which improved portfolio probability of default by 4% and loss given default by 6%.

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