CASE STUDY:
Data Enrichment and Preference Categorization
Challenge

Oceanos was tasked to cleanse, enrich, and preference-categorize 100,000 client-contributed contact records. All contacts were missing a job title and a percentage had no activity within the last 24 months. The categorization component of the project entailed mapping and scoring over 30 client-defined interest areas.

Solution

Oceanos first applied a series of hygiene treatments to isolate bad data, including email and social media verification. The surviving contacts were then processed through job title enhancement, which involved searching across social media platforms and millions of third-party contacts to locate the appropriate record. If a match was located, the job title was appended to the client-provided data.

The preference categorization presented the greatest challenge, requiring expertise from both the research and technology groups. The first step involved mapping over 30 preference categories by identifying keywords and phrases that were relevant to each preference. This research included reviewing over 17,000 LinkedIn Groups. With the keywords established, the intelligence was uploaded into a custom application that scanned each contact’s job title and social media footprint for the presence of these key words. The application stored the keywords matches along with their frequency for each contact. The application then crunched the appended intelligence for each preference and assigned a low, medium, or high designation based on the relevance of each contact to the predefined category.
Results

The email verification screen flagged 15% of the email addresses as undeliverable. The social media screen identified an incremental 7% as bad. In total, 23% of the contact universe was sidelined as bad data. The second step enhanced just under 50% of the contacts with a job title. More than 75% of the job titles were gleaned directly from the person’s LinkedIn profile ensuring a high degree of accuracy.

Note: Social media verification effectively identifies incremental bad data. The illustration above highlights the process for both company name and job title verification. Since all client contributed contacts were missing a job title, this step served to cross-validate employment status and job title enhancement.
The final step, preference categorization, grouped approximately 15,000 contacts by segment with a high, medium, or low interest designation. The table below provides a snapshot of the segments and scoring. This intelligence provided the client with an opportunity to prioritize and more effectively message contacts. The custom-built technology that drove the processing of millions of social media calculations is a great example of the customized solutions that Oceanos offers its clients.

**Preference Categorization Table**

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