



## RETENTION IS A MAJOR DRIVER OF VALUATION





SaaS Metrics: Benchmarking Your Churn Rates

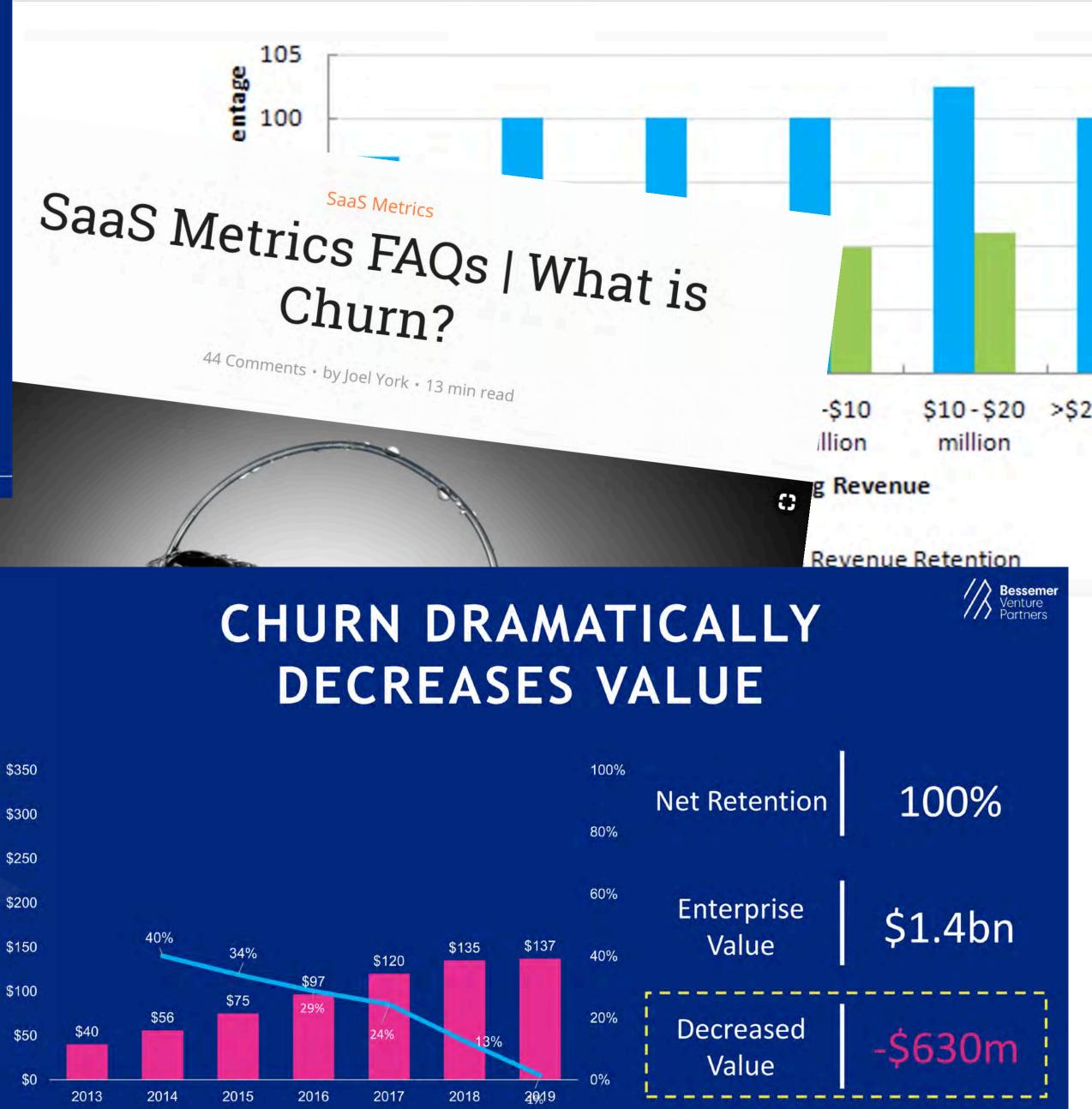
Analysing the churn rates of 1500+ SaaS companies



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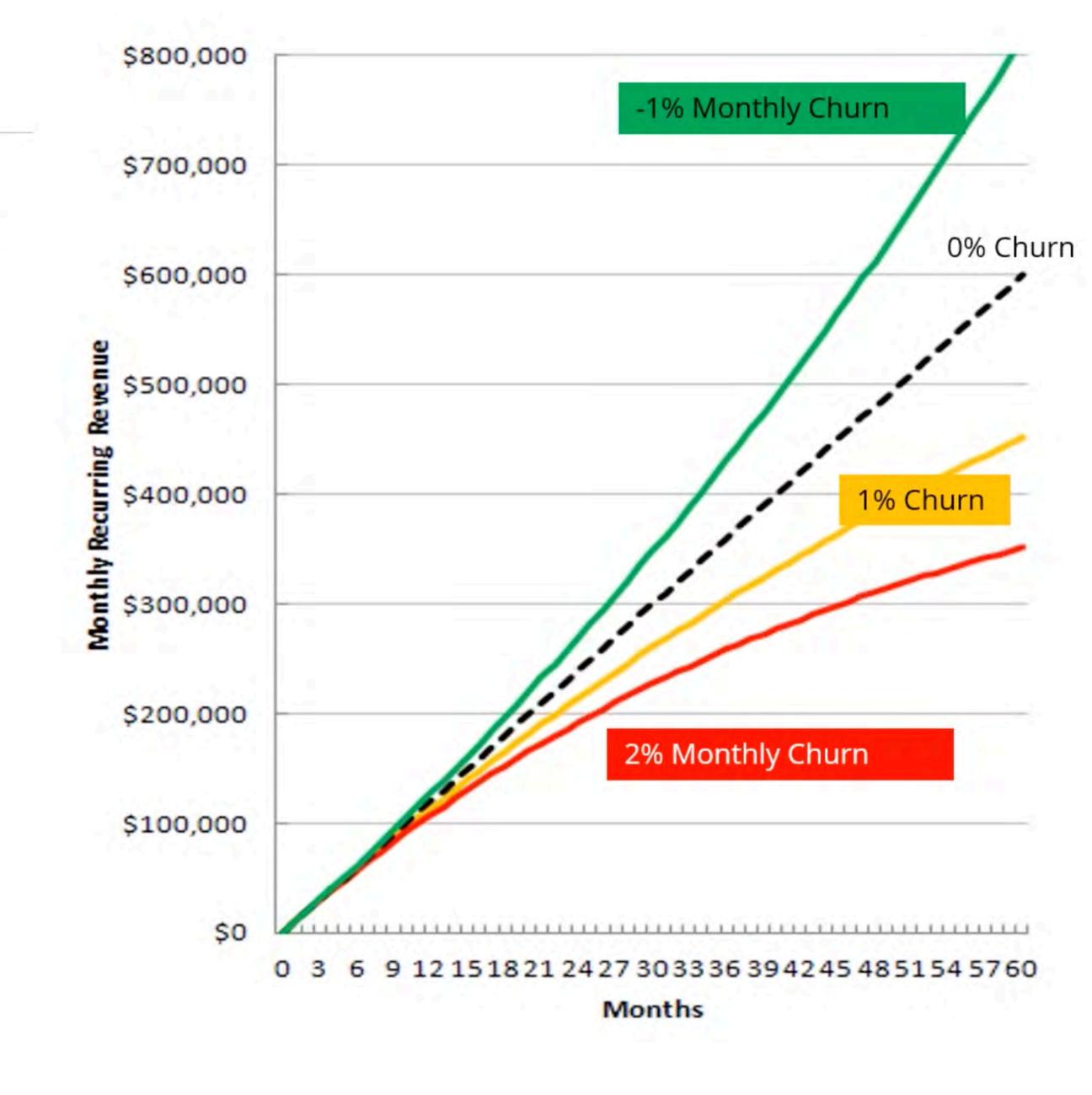
#### MEDIAN NET AND GROSS RETENTION BY ARR



#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

# Assuming steady new bookings, see the impact of churn on:

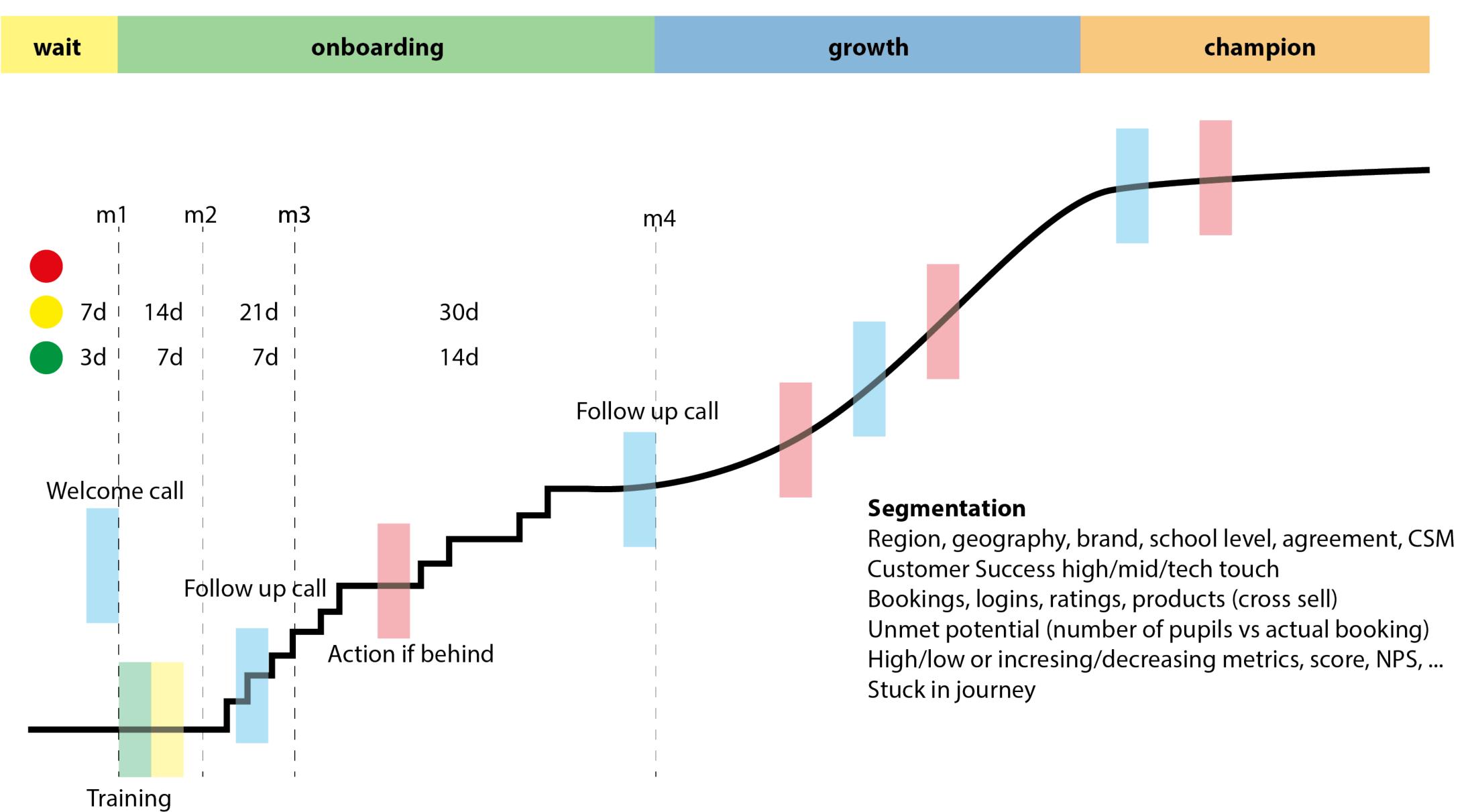
- 1. Revenue Level
- 2. Growth Rate
- 3. TAM



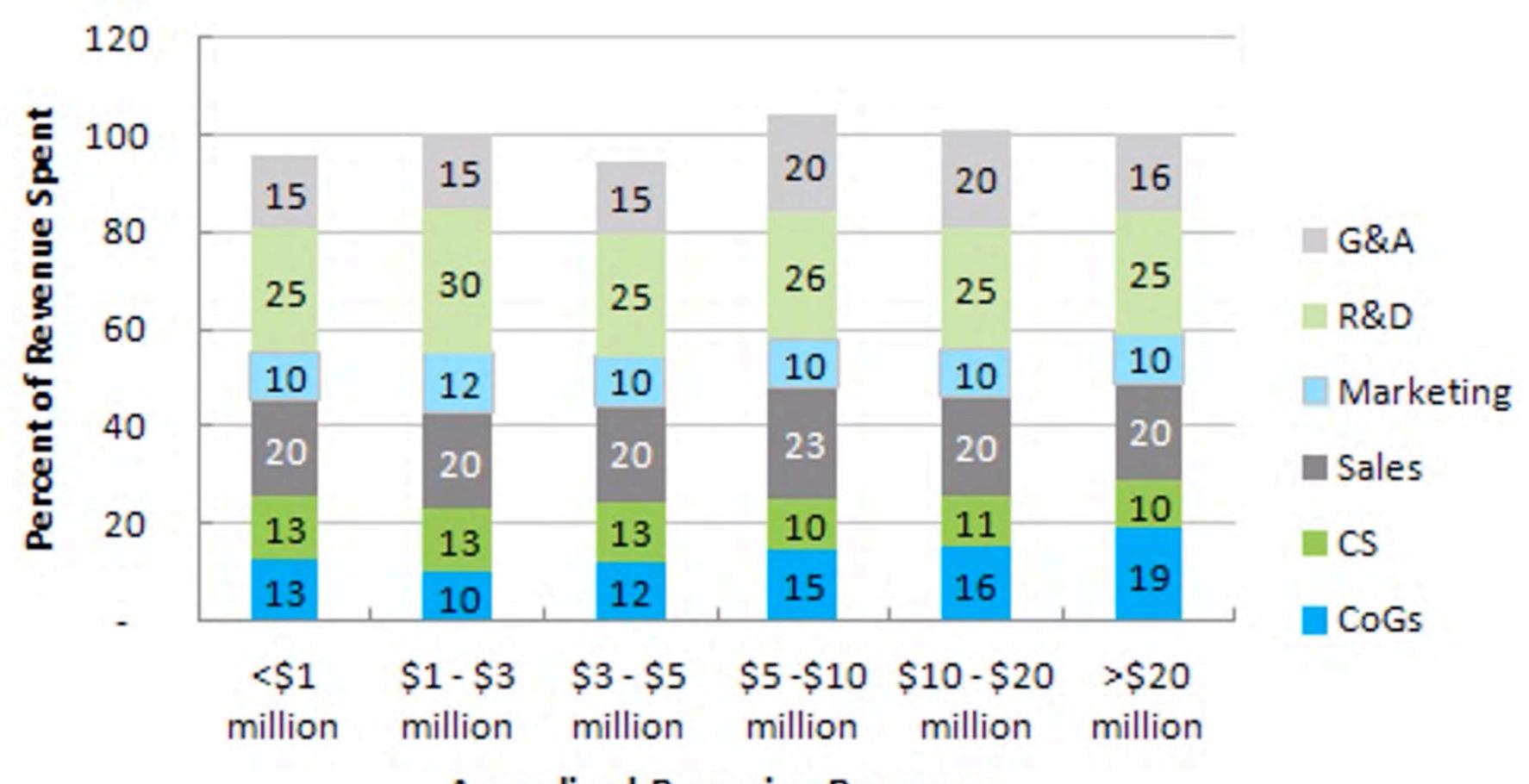


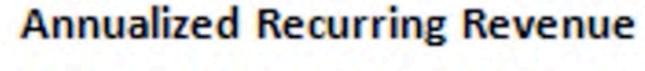
# does it?

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#### DEPARTMENT LEVEL SPENDING BY STAGE OF COMPANY







## and now...

#### **HOW TO STRUCTURE AN ACCOUNT TEAM?**

3+ PEOPLE

HIGH TOUCH LONG ONBOARDING ENTERPRISE ACV

MEDIUM TOUCH MID-MARKET ACV

TEAM SIZE PER ACCOUNT

> ONE PERSON DOES IT ALL

HIGH TOUCH SEMI-TECHNICAL MID-MARKET ACV

AUTOMATION SMB ACV

DOZENS

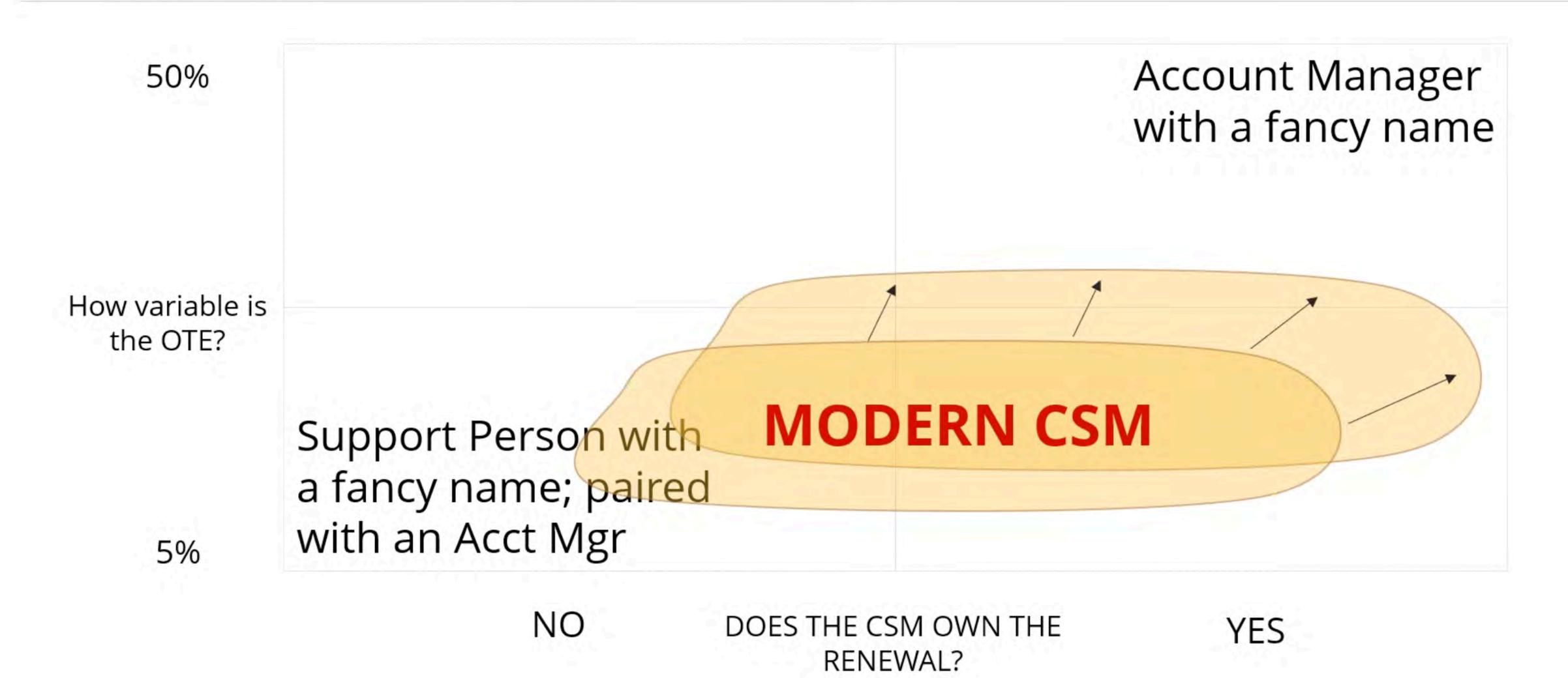
100-250

ACCOUNTS PER CSM





### HOW SHOULD I COMPENSATE CUSTOMER SUCCESS MANAGERS (CSM)?





#### DATA TO CONSIDER

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Usage Engagement with high-value features Path thru journeys Support tickets Open bugs

Customer communication: quality / consistency State of champions and decision makers Status of the company, industry, economy

#### INTERNAL

EXTERNAL

Results of Periodic Business Reviews Evaluations of CSMs NPS, CSAT scores
Product / Service Reviews



SUBJECTIVE

#### **CS BLINDNESS**

For Growing Companies, I see two major blindness with Customer Success Leaders.



They build a team of heroes, not contributors

They can be ill-informed of corporate margin goals





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