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Introduction

The lending industry is rapidly evolving; lenders are increasingly investing in technology to optimize operational efficiencies, leverage cognitive tools, and deploy digital solutions for an enhanced user experience, and cost reduction. Rising delinquencies, driven by slower wage growth, compared to expenses, emphasize the need for lenders to adopt user-friendly online tools for flexible payments. Incorporating advanced cognitive tools such as Al and predictive analytics is increasingly common to enhance automated approval rates and gain customer insights for improved marketing and sales strategies

Lenders are leveraging cloud computing and alternate data to revolutionize underwriting and data management, while also introducing green mortgages and embedded lending options such as buy now, pay later (BNPL) to meet modern consumer demands, all within a framework of consolidating products for greater efficiency. Application programming interface (API)-driven lending ecosystems enable real-time connections with third parties, providing flexible customer experiences without costly in-house functionalities. This trend spans sectors, with mortgage lending focusing on technology spending and alternative products, and the auto financing sector moving toward subscription and shared ownership models. Industry-specific trends indicate a move toward streamlined online financing experiences and platform modernization, particularly in commercial and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) lending

Providers are investing in partnerships with leading lending technology providers as well as emerging FinTechs, building solutions/accelerators to support lending clients in their transformation journeys, investing in Centers of Excellence (CoEs) / innovation labs to keep pace with emerging themes such as generative AI use cases in lending and leveraging alternative data for underwriting

In this research, we present an assessment of 28 providers featured on the lending IT services PEAK Matrix[®]. Each provider has been assessed on various parameters such as its service focus, key solutions, domain investments, practice growth, partnerships, client feedback, and case studies. The assessment is based on Everest Group's annual RFI process for the calendar year 2023, interactions with leading IT Providers, client reference checks, and an ongoing analysis of the lending IT services market.

This report includes the assessment of the following 28 leading Providers featured on the lending IT services PEAK Matrix®:

- Leaders: Accenture, Capgemini, Cognizant, HCLTech, Infosys, LTIMindtree, TCS, and Wipro
- Major Contenders: Apexon, Birlasoft, CGI, Coforge, Kyndryl, Maveric Systems, Mphasis, NTT DATA, Pennant Technologies, Persistent Systems, SoftServe, Sonata Software, Sopra Banking, Tech Mahindra, and Virtusa
- Aspirants: Cigniti, CloudKaptan, GAVS Technologies, Happiest Minds, and Incedo

Scope of this report









Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

This report examines the global lending IT service provider landscape. This report uses Everest Group's proprietary PEAK Matrix® framework to evaluate lending IT service providers capabilities across two key dimensions – market impact and vision & capability. It also provides a competitive view on multiple dimensions, market size and growth, and analyst point of view on the key strengths and limitations of assessed providers in delivering lending IT services.

Some of the findings in this report, among others, are:

Changing market dynamics

- Lending services are experiencing a paradigm shift, primarily driven by the adoption of advanced technologies such as generative AI, predictive analytics, microservices, alternative data in underwriting, and cloud computing. These innovations enable lenders not only to enhance their operational efficiency and user experience but also to swiftly adapt to the evolving needs of consumers.
- The trend towards API-driven lending ecosystems is revolutionizing how lenders interact with third-party services, providing more flexible and real-time customer experiences. This evolution spans various sectors, including mortgage and auto financing, and indicates a broader industry move towards streamlined online financing experiences and platform modernization, particularly in commercial and SME lending

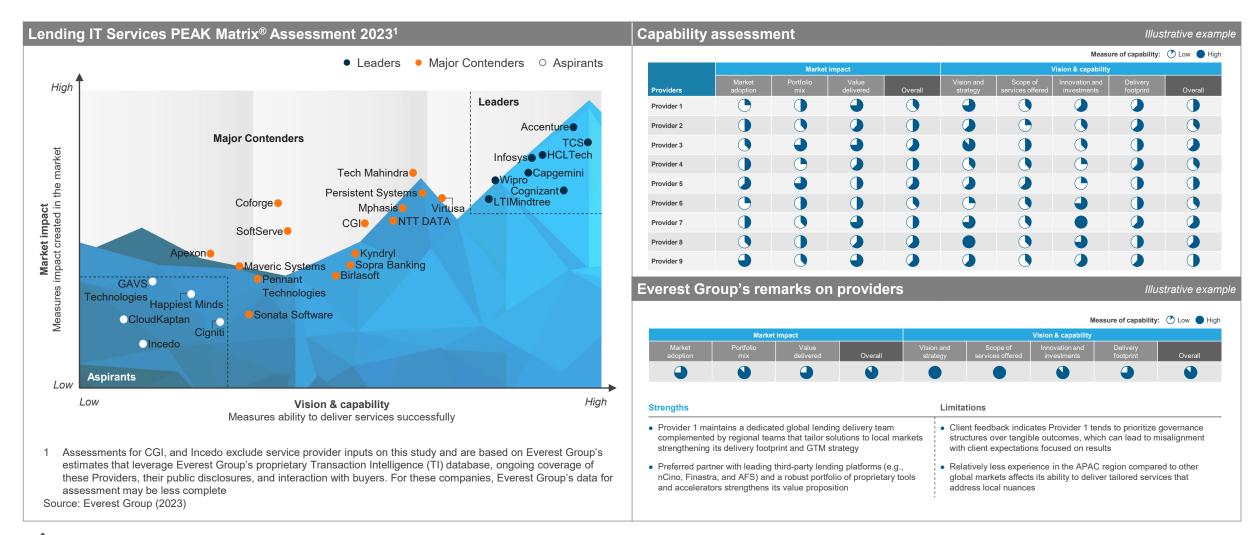
Strong market growth

- The lending industry is also witnessing a strong market growth with the significant transformation in product offerings and customer engagement strategies
- The introduction of green mortgages and Buy Now, Pay Later (BNPL) services is a direct response to the changing consumer preferences, reflecting a shift towards more sustainable and convenient financing solutions

Service provider landscape

- Lending IT service providers can be categorized into leaders, major contenders, and aspirants on a vision & capability market impact matrix
- Leaders have played the role of partners in business value creation and support lending modernization and cost take-out initiatives. They have an extensive partnership ecosystem with FinTechs as well as technology providers
- Major Contenders have built proprietary solutions, accelerators, and frameworks around AI/ML, predictive analytics, and blockchain to improve efficiency in processes across the lending value chain
- Aspirants, with their limited scale, have built niche capabilities to offer specific services in key geographies

This study offers three distinct chapters providing a deep dive into key aspects of lending IT services market; below are three charts to illustrate the depth of the report



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