

# Methodology Document:

## Problem background

- Suppose that you are working as a data analyst at Airbnb. For the past few months, Airbnb has seen a major decline in revenue. Now that the restrictions have started lifting and people have started to travel more, Airbnb wants to make sure that it is fully prepared for this change.

## End Objective

- To prepare for the next best steps that Airbnb needs to take as a business, you have been asked to analyse a dataset consisting of various Airbnb listings in New York. Based on this analysis, you need to give two presentations to the following groups.

## Presentation - I

- Data Analysis Managers: These people manage the data analysts directly for processes and their technical expertise is basic.
- Lead Data Analyst: The lead data analyst looks after the entire team of data and business analysts and is technically sound.

## Presentation - II

- Head of Acquisitions and Operations, NYC: This head looks after all the property and host acquisitions and operations. Acquisition of the best properties, price negotiation, and negotiating the services the properties offer falls under the purview of this role.
- Head of User Experience, NYC: The head of user experience looks after the customer preferences and also handles the properties listed on the website and the Airbnb app. basically, the head of user experience tries to optimise the order of property listing in certain neighbourhoods and cities in order to get every property the optimal amount of traction.

## Methodology

### 1. Loading the Dataset

Imported necessary libraries and loaded the dataset and observed the head and tail.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

```
data = pd.read_csv('AB_NYC_2019.csv')
data.head(2)
```

	id	name	host_id	host_name	neighbourhood_group	neighbourhood	latitude	longitude	room_type	price	minimum_nights	number_of_reviews
0	2539	Clean & quiet apt home by the park	2787	John	Brooklyn	Kensington	40.64749	-73.97237	Private room	149	1	9
1	2595	Skylit Midtown Castle	2845	Jennifer	Manhattan	Midtown	40.75362	-73.98377	Entire home/apt	225	1	45

```
data.tail(2)
```

	id	name	host_id	host_name	neighbourhood_group	neighbourhood	latitude	longitude	room_type	price	minimum_nights	number_o
48893	36485609	43rd St. Time Square-cozy single bed	30985759	Taz	Manhattan	Hell's Kitchen	40.75751	-73.99112	Shared room	55	1	
48894	36487245	Trendy duplex in the very heart of Hell's Kitchen	68119814	Christophe	Manhattan	Hell's Kitchen	40.76404	-73.98933	Private room	90	7	

## 2. Inspecting the Dataset

Observed the shape of the Dataset and datatypes of different columns and changed the datatypes of the columns which are not appropriate. Observed the statistical information of the Numerical columns.

```
data.shape
```

```
(48895, 16)
```

```
data.info()
```

```
# Changing the datatypes of id and Host_id columns
data["id"]=data["id"].astype(object)
data["host_id"]=data["host_id"].astype(object)
```

```
data.last_review = pd.to_datetime(data.last_review)
```

```
data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 48895 entries, 0 to 48894
Data columns (total 16 columns):
#   Column                                     Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   id                                         48895 non-null  object
1   name                                       48879 non-null  object
2   host_id                                   48895 non-null  object
3   host_name                                 48874 non-null  object
4   neighbourhood_group                       48895 non-null  object
5   neighbourhood                             48895 non-null  object
6   latitude                                  48895 non-null  float64
7   longitude                                 48895 non-null  float64
8   room_type                                48895 non-null  object
9   price                                     48895 non-null  int64
10  minimum_nights                           48895 non-null  int64
11  number_of_reviews                         48895 non-null  int64
12  last_review                              38843 non-null  datetime64[ns]
13  reviews_per_month                        38843 non-null  float64
14  calculated_host_listings_count            48895 non-null  int64
15  availability_365                           48895 non-null  int64
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), float64(3), int64(5), object(7)
memory usage: 6.0+ MB
```

```
data.describe()
```

	latitude	longitude	price	minimum_nights	number_of_reviews	reviews_per_month	calculated_host_listings_count	availability_365
count	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	38843.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000
mean	40.728949	-73.952170	152.720687	7.029962	23.274466	1.373221	7.143982	112.781327
std	0.054530	0.046157	240.154170	20.510550	44.550582	1.680442	32.952519	131.622289
min	40.499790	-74.244420	0.000000	1.000000	0.000000	0.010000	1.000000	0.000000
25%	40.690100	-73.983070	69.000000	1.000000	1.000000	0.190000	1.000000	0.000000
50%	40.723070	-73.955680	106.000000	3.000000	5.000000	0.720000	1.000000	45.000000
75%	40.763115	-73.936275	175.000000	5.000000	24.000000	2.020000	2.000000	227.000000
max	40.913060	-73.712990	10000.000000	1250.000000	629.000000	58.500000	327.000000	365.000000

### 3. Data Cleaning

Done missing value Treatment, Removed the unnecessary columns and identified the outliers.

#### 3.1 Missing Values

```
data.isnull().sum()
```

```
8]: id                0
    name              16
    host_id           0
    host_name        21
    neighbourhood_group 0
    neighbourhood     0
    latitude          0
    longitude         0
    room_type         0
    price             0
    minimum_nights    0
    number_of_reviews 0
    last_review      10052
    reviews_per_month 10052
    calculated_host_listings_count 0
    availability_365  0
    dtype: int64
```

```
round((data.isnull().sum()/len(data))*100,2)
```

```
id                0.00
name              0.03
host_id           0.00
host_name        0.04
neighbourhood_group 0.00
neighbourhood     0.00
latitude          0.00
longitude         0.00
room_type         0.00
price             0.00
minimum_nights    0.00
number_of_reviews 0.00
last_review      20.56
reviews_per_month 20.56
calculated_host_listings_count 0.00
availability_365  0.00
dtype: float64
```

- We have 20.56% of missing values in the columns last\_review and reviews\_per\_month and 0.03% of missing values in column name and 0.04% of missing values in host\_name.
- It can be observed that both the columns last\_review and reviews\_per\_month has same number of missing values because of a reason.

```
#Analysing number_of_reviews column
data[data['number_of_reviews']==0]
```

	id	name	host_id	host_name	neighbourhood_group	neighbourhood	latitude	longitude	room_type	price	minimum_nights
2	3647	THE VILLAGE OF HARLEM...NEW YORK!	4632	Elisabeth	Manhattan	Harlem	40.80902	-73.94190	Private room	150	3
19	7750	Huge 2 BR Upper East Cental Park	17985	Sing	Manhattan	East Harlem	40.79685	-73.94872	Entire home/apt	190	7

```
len(data[data['number_of_reviews']==0])
```

10052

- So, when number\_of\_reviews is 0 then the value in the columns last\_review and reviews\_per\_month is NaT and NaN which means if reviews are not given atleast once how can they calculate last\_review and reviews\_per\_month.

```
data['reviews_per_month'] = data['reviews_per_month'].fillna(value=0)
data['name'] = data['name'].fillna(value='None')
data['host_name'] = data['host_name'].fillna(value='None')
```

```
data.isnull().sum()
```

```
id                0
name              0
host_id           0
host_name         0
neighbourhood_group  0
neighbourhood     0
latitude          0
longitude         0
room_type        0
price            0
minimum_nights   0
number_of_reviews 0
last_review      10052
reviews_per_month 0
calculated_host_listings_count 0
availability_365  0
dtype: int64
```

## Removing Unnecessary Columns ¶

can remove last\_review column as it will be of no use

```
data.drop('last_review',axis=1,inplace=True)
```

```
data.isnull().sum()
```

```
id          0
name        0
host_id     0
host_name   0
neighbourhood_group  0
neighbourhood  0
latitude    0
longitude   0
room_type   0
price       0
minimum_nights  0
number_of_reviews  0
reviews_per_month  0
calculated_host_listings_count  0
availability_365   0
dtype: int64
```

```
data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 48895 entries, 0 to 48894
Data columns (total 15 columns):
#   Column                                     Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   id                                         48895 non-null  object
1   name                                       48895 non-null  object
2   host_id                                   48895 non-null  object
3   host_name                                 48895 non-null  object
4   neighbourhood_group                       48895 non-null  object
5   neighbourhood                             48895 non-null  object
6   latitude                                  48895 non-null  float64
7   longitude                                 48895 non-null  float64
8   room_type                                48895 non-null  object
9   price                                     48895 non-null  int64
10  minimum_nights                           48895 non-null  int64
11  number_of_reviews                         48895 non-null  int64
12  reviews_per_month                        48895 non-null  float64
13  calculated_host_listings_count            48895 non-null  int64
14  availability_365                          48895 non-null  int64
dtypes: float64(3), int64(5), object(7)
memory usage: 5.6+ MB
```

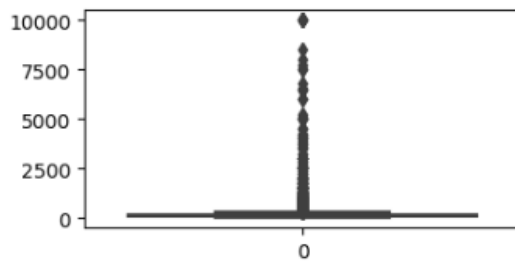
### 3.3 Identifying Outliers

Given

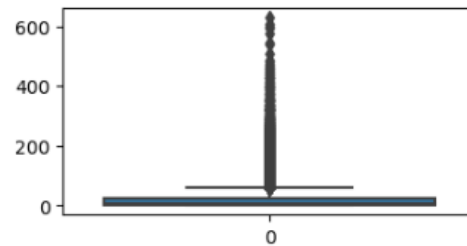
- room\_type, neighbourhood\_group, neighbourhood are categorical variables
- price, minimum\_nights, number\_of\_reviews, reviews\_per\_month, calculated\_host\_listings\_count, availability\_365 are continuous variables (numerical)

```
for i in con_cols:
    plt.figure(figsize=(4,2))
    print("Boxplot of", i)
    sns.boxplot(data[i])
    plt.show()
```

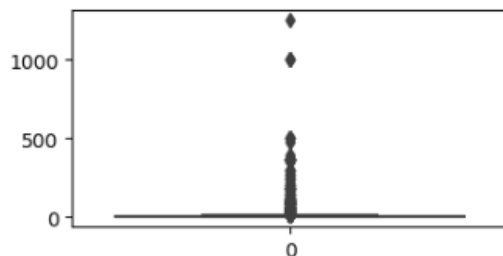
Boxplot of price



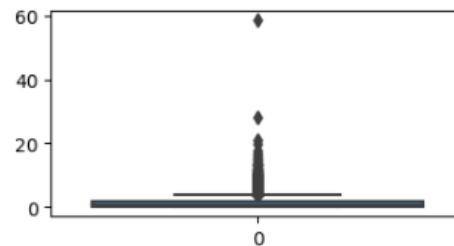
Boxplot of number\_of\_reviews



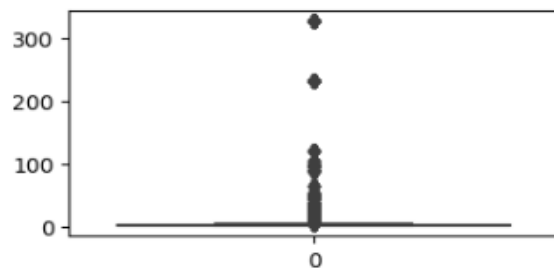
Boxplot of minimum\_nights



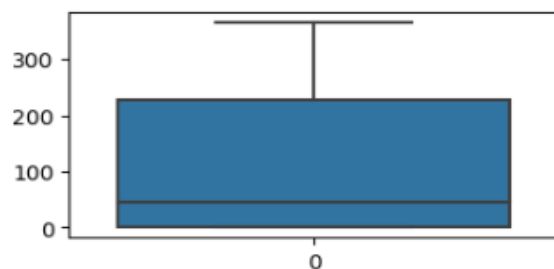
Boxplot of reviews\_per\_month



Boxplot of calculated\_host\_listings\_count



Boxplot of availability\_365



- Price of some listings can be high because of their popularity and number\_of\_reviews.
- Reviews of some listings can be high because of their ambiance and hospitality.
- If reviews are higher then there is a way that reviews\_per\_month of that listing can be high
- A single person can have many listings
- So, we cannot consider above columns have outliers as they are in a natural way

## 4. Identifying and Binning Continuous Variables

```
con_cols = data[['price', 'minimum_nights', 'number_of_reviews', 'reviews_per_month', 'calculated_host_listings_count', 'availability_365']]
```

Continuous variables can be binned into groups

```
con_cols.describe(percentiles = [0.25,0.5,0.75,0.9,0.95,1])
```

2]:

	price	minimum_nights	number_of_reviews	reviews_per_month	calculated_host_listings_count	availability_365
count	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000	48895.000000
mean	152.720687	7.029962	23.274466	1.090910	7.143982	112.781327
std	240.154170	20.510550	44.550582	1.597283	32.952519	131.622289
min	0.000000	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	1.000000	0.000000
25%	69.000000	1.000000	1.000000	0.040000	1.000000	0.000000
50%	106.000000	3.000000	5.000000	0.370000	1.000000	45.000000
75%	175.000000	5.000000	24.000000	1.580000	2.000000	227.000000
90%	269.000000	28.000000	70.000000	3.250000	5.000000	337.000000
95%	355.000000	30.000000	114.000000	4.310000	15.000000	359.000000
100%	10000.000000	1250.000000	629.000000	58.500000	327.000000	365.000000
max	10000.000000	1250.000000	629.000000	58.500000	327.000000	365.000000

- Price is ranging from 0 to 10000 dollars
- Highest number of reviews are 629
- A single person is holding 327 listings

Bucketed some continuous columns

### 1. Bucketing price column

```
con_vars['price'].describe(percentiles = [0.25,0.5,0.75,0.9])
```

```
count    48895.000000
mean      152.720687
std       240.154170
min        0.000000
25%        69.000000
50%       106.000000
75%       175.000000
90%       269.000000
max      10000.000000
Name: price, dtype: float64
```

```
def price_categories_function(row):
    if 0<=row<=69:
        return '0-69'
    elif 70<=row<=106:
        return '70-106'
    elif 107<=row<=175:
        return '107-175'
    elif 176<=row<=269:
        return '176-269'
    else:
        return '269-10000'
```

```
data['price_categories'] = data.price.map(price_categories_function)
data['price_categories']
```

## 2. Categorizing number\_of\_reviews column

```
con_vars['number_of_reviews'].describe(percentiles = [0.25,0.5,0.75,0.9,0.99,1])
```

```
5]: count    48895.000000
   mean      23.274466
   std       44.550582
   min       0.000000
   25%       1.000000
   50%       5.000000
   75%      24.000000
   90%      70.000000
   99%     214.000000
  100%    629.000000
   max     629.000000
   Name: number_of_reviews, dtype: float64
```

```
def number_of_reviews_categories_function(row):
    if 0<=row<=10:
        return '0-10'
    elif 11<=row<=25:
        return '11-25'
    elif 26<=row<=70 :
        return '26-70'
    elif 70<=row<=214:
        return '70-214'
    else:
        return '215-629'
```

```
data['number_of_reviews_categories'] = data.number_of_reviews.map(number_of_reviews_categories_function)
data['number_of_reviews_categories']
```

## 3. Categorizing calculated\_host\_listings\_count column

```
con_vars['calculated_host_listings_count'].describe(percentiles = [0.25,0.5,0.75,0.9,0.95,0.96,0.97,0.98,0.99])
```

```
5]: count    48895.000000
   mean      7.143982
   std      32.952519
   min      1.000000
   25%      1.000000
   50%      1.000000
   75%      2.000000
   90%      5.000000
   95%     15.000000
   96%     28.240000
   97%     49.000000
   98%     91.000000
   99%    232.000000
   max     327.000000
   Name: calculated_host_listings_count, dtype: float64
```

```
def calculated_host_listings_count_categories_function(row):
    if 1<=row<=30:
        return '1-30'
    elif 31<=row<=50:
        return '31-50'
    elif 51<=row<=100:
        return '51-100'
    elif 101<=row<=235:
        return '101-235'
    else:
        return '236-327'
```

```
data['calculated_host_listings_count_categories'] = data.calculated_host_listings_count.map(calculated_host_listings_count_categories_function)
data['calculated_host_listings_count_categories']
```



#### 4. Categorizing availability\_365 column

```
In [ ]: con_vars['availability_365'].describe(percentiles = [0.25,0.5,0.75,0.9,0.95,1])

Out[ ]: count      48895.000000
      mean         112.781327
      std          131.622289
      min           0.000000
      25%           0.000000
      50%           45.000000
      75%          227.000000
      90%          337.000000
      95%          359.000000
      100%         365.000000
      max          365.000000
      Name: availability_365, dtype: float64

In [ ]: def availability_365_categories_function(row):
      if 0<=row<=50:
          return '0-50'
      elif 51<=row<=150:
          return '51-150'
      elif 151<=row<=230 :
          return '151-230'
      elif 231<=row<=300:
          return '231-300'
      else:
          return '301-365'

In [ ]: data['availability_365_categories'] = data.availability_365.map(availability_365_categories_function)
      data['availability_365_categories']
```

Finally converted the Cleaned file into a CSV file and performed some analysis in Jupyter Notebook as well as in visualization tool Tableau.

```
data.to_csv('airbnb_data.csv',index=None)

data.head(2)
```

	id	name	host_id	host_name	neighbourhood_group	neighbourhood	latitude	longitude	room_type	price	minimum_nights	number_of_reviews
0	2539	Clean & quiet apt home by the park	2787	John	Brooklyn	Kensington	40.64749	-73.97237	Private room	149	1	9
1	2595	Skylit Midtown Castle	2845	Jennifer	Manhattan	Midtown	40.75362	-73.98377	Entire home/apt	225	1	45

```
data.shape

(48895, 19)
```

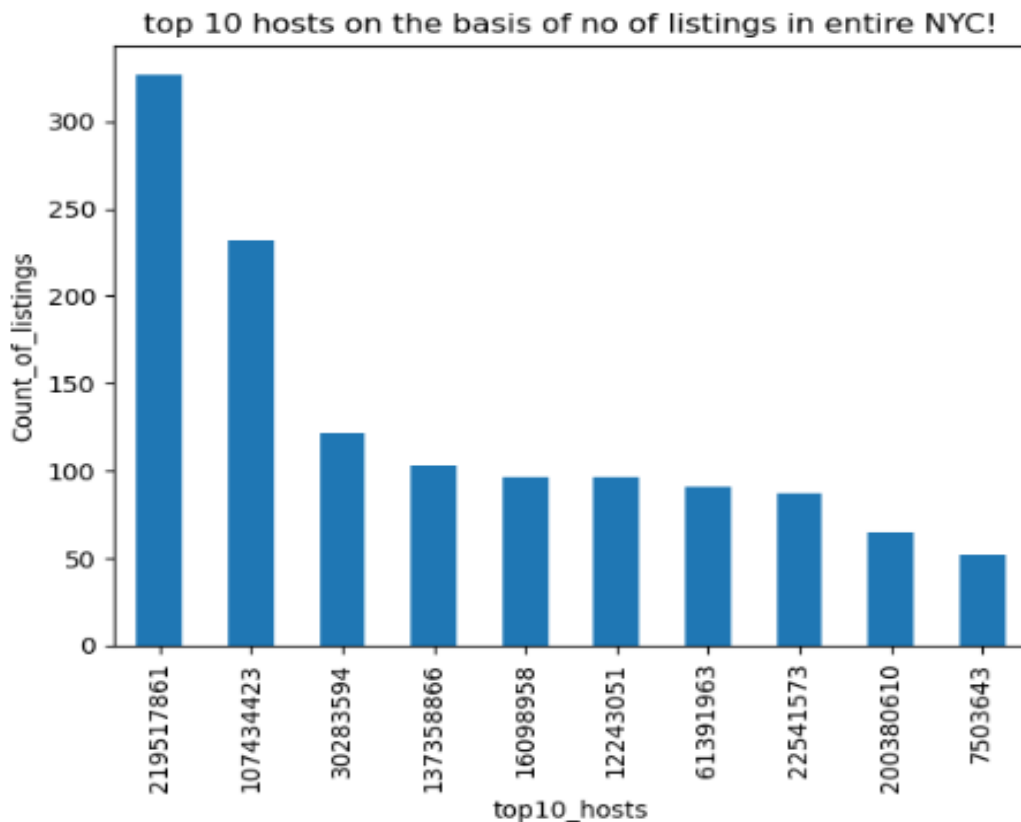
So finally we have 48895 rows and 19 columns.

## 5. EDA (Exploratory Data Analysis)

### Top 10 Hosts

```
top_10_hosts = data['host_id'].value_counts()[:10]
```

```
top_10_hosts.plot(kind='bar')  
plt.xlabel('top10_hosts')  
plt.ylabel('Count_of_listings')  
plt.title('top 10 hosts on the basis of no of listings in entire NYC!')  
plt.show()
```

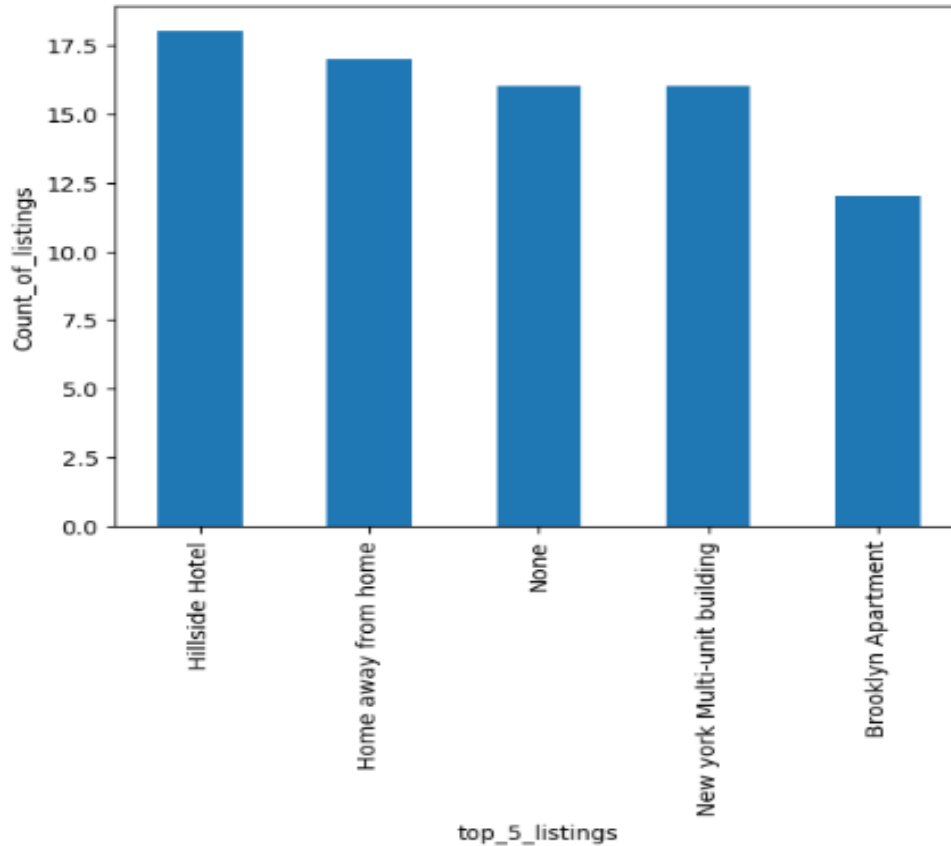


Hosts with above host\_id numbers are the top\_10\_hosts with a max listings of 327

### Highest Listing Names

```
top_5_listing_names = data['name'].value_counts()[:5]
```

```
top_5_listing_names.plot(kind='bar')  
plt.xlabel('top_5_listings')  
plt.ylabel('Count_of_listings')  
plt.show()
```



- Hillside Hotel is found to have listed more listings in entire NYC, followed by Home away from Home.

### Neighbourhood\_group needed to targeted?

```
data['neighbourhood_group'].value_counts()
```

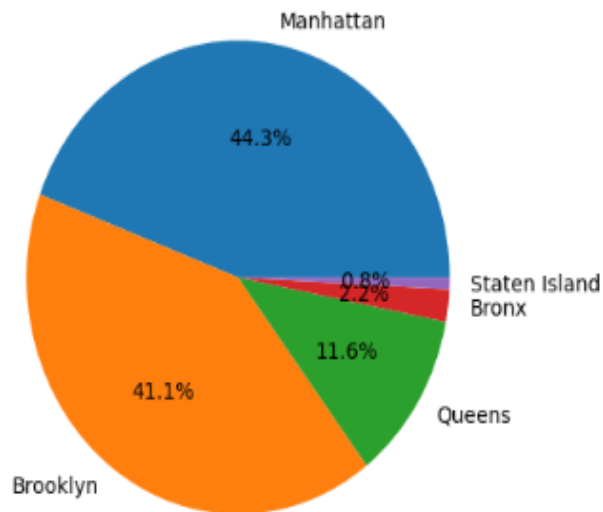
```
i4]: Manhattan      21661
     Brooklyn      20104
     Queens         5666
     Bronx          1091
     Staten Island    373
     Name: neighbourhood_group, dtype: int64
```

```
round(data.neighbourhood_group.value_counts(normalize=True) * 100,1)
```

```
i5]: Manhattan      44.3
     Brooklyn      41.1
     Queens        11.6
     Bronx          2.2
     Staten Island   0.8
     Name: neighbourhood_group, dtype: float64
```

```
dt = [44.3,41.1,11.6,2.2,0.8]
keys = ['Manhattan','Brooklyn','Queens','Bronx','Staten Island']
```

```
plt.pie(dt,labels=keys, autopct='%1.1f%%')
plt.show()
```

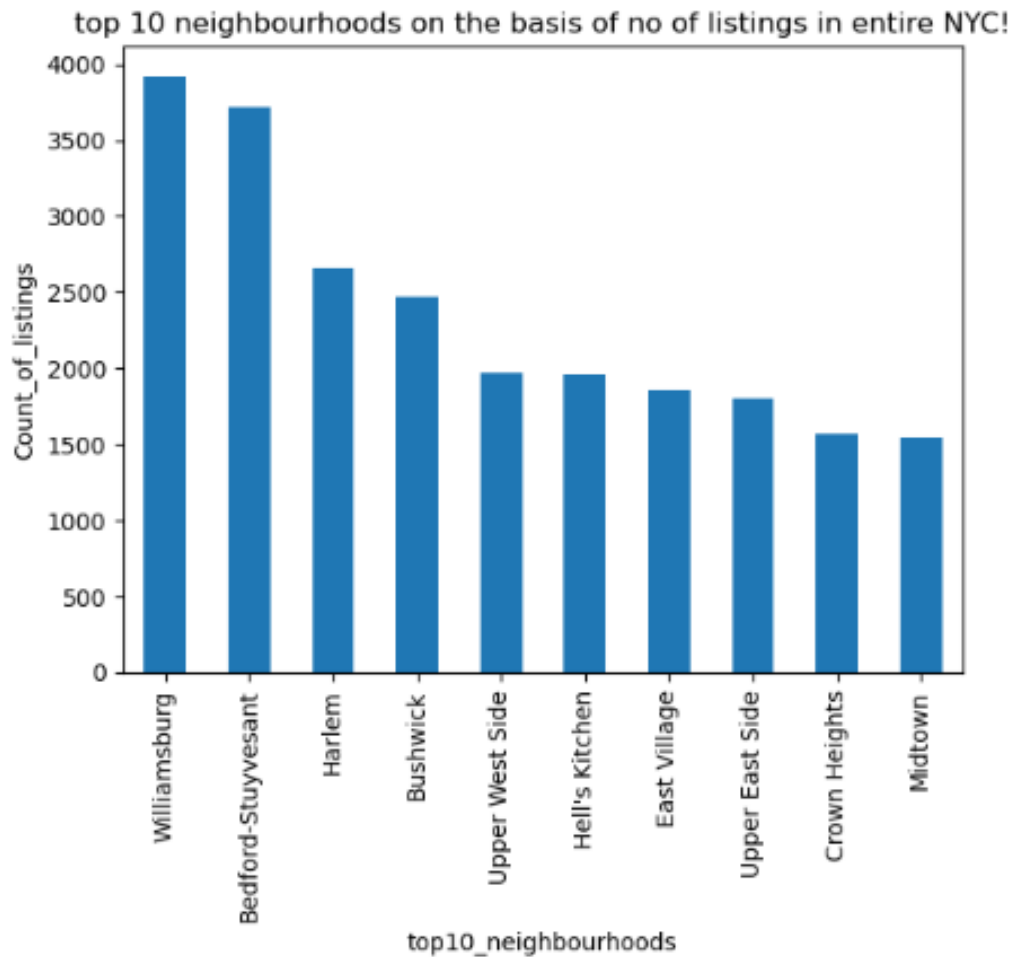


- 
- The properties listed at Manhattan is 44.3% and Brooklyn is 41.1% which contributes about approx 85.4% of Newyork properties
  - While other three neighbourhood\_groups Staten Island,Queens,Bronx contributes only 14.6% of Newyork properties
  - We must target Staten Island,Queens,Bronx for acquisition of more properties.

## Neighbourhoods to be Targeted

```
top_10_neighbourhoods = data['neighbourhood'].value_counts()[:10]
```

```
top_10_neighbourhoods.plot(kind='bar')
plt.xlabel('top10_neighbourhoods')
plt.ylabel('Count_of_listings')
plt.title('top 10 neighbourhoods on the basis of no of listings in entire NYC!')
plt.show()
```



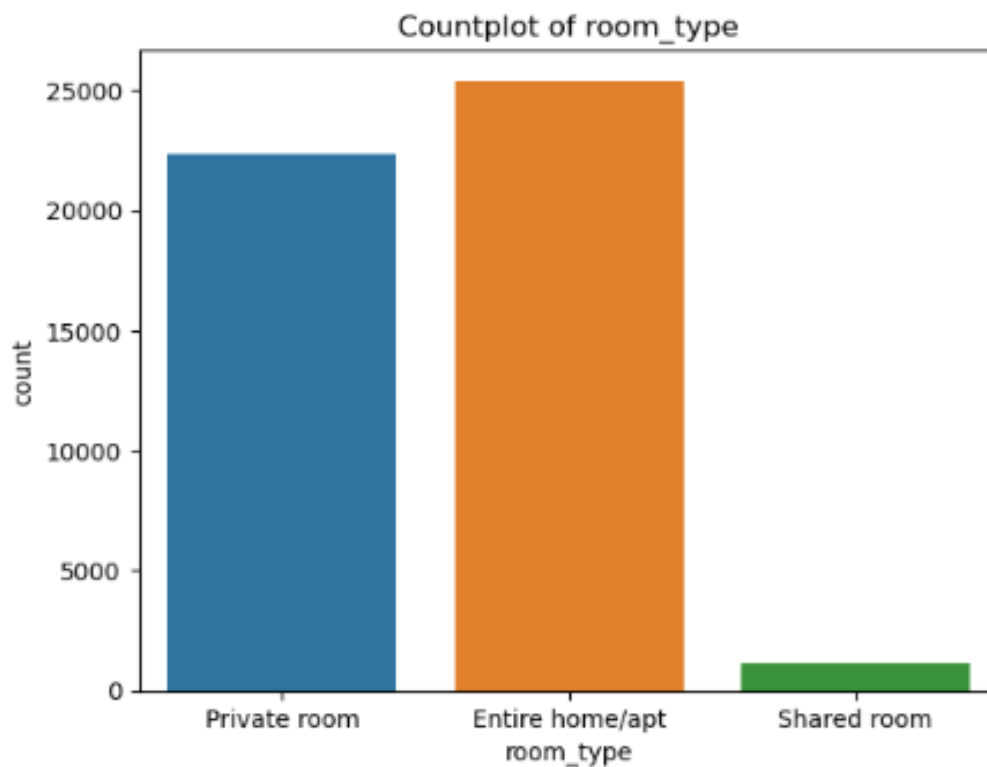
- Williamsburg ranks the top area to have more listings followed by BEDford-Stuyvesant
- So they can target on areas from where lower listings are found

## Room Type

```
data['room_type'].value_counts()
```

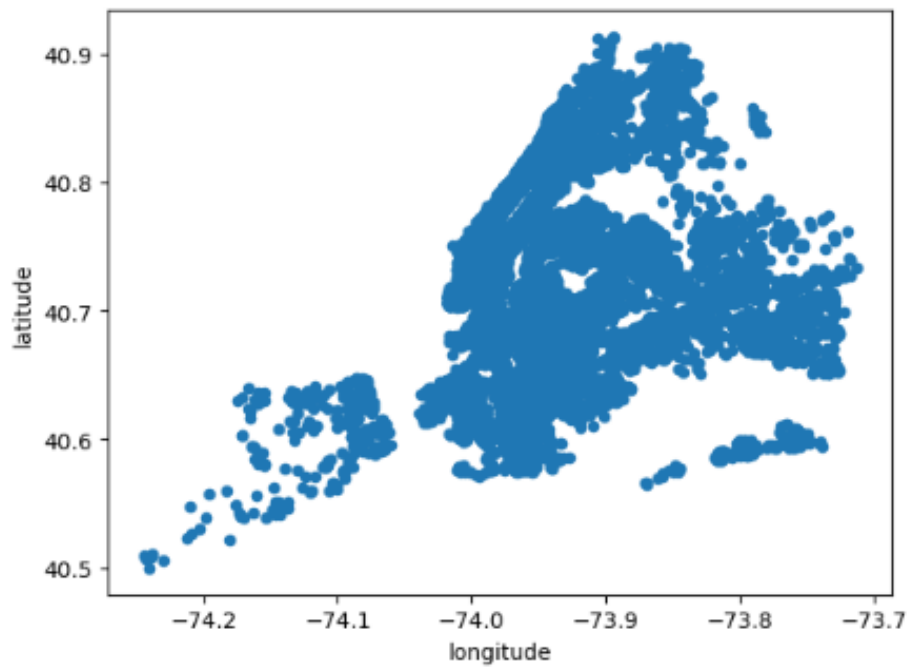
```
0]: Entire home/apt    25409  
Private room         22326  
Shared room          1160  
Name: room_type, dtype: int64
```

```
plt.title('Countplot of room_type')  
sns.countplot(x = 'room_type', data = data)  
plt.show()
```

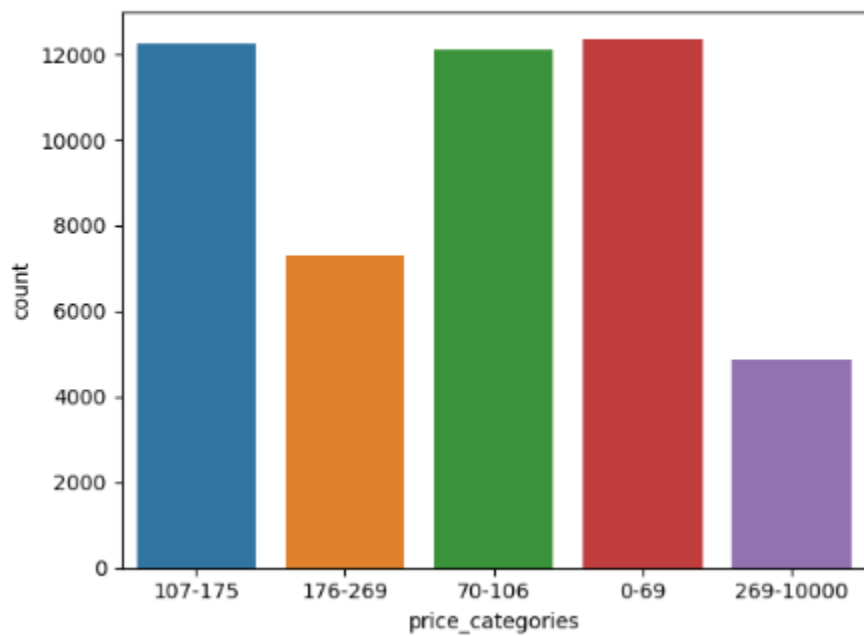


Most of the people are interested in staying in Entire home/apt than in shared and private room

```
data.plot(kind='scatter', x='longitude', y='latitude')  
plt.show()
```



```
sns.countplot(x = 'price_categories', data = data)  
plt.show()
```



## Observed some visualizations in Tableau

