



The Battle of Neighboords

Choosing accommodation in Melbourne

Applied Data Science – Capstone Project

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Introduction



110,000+ WHV
every year



19,000+ choose
Melbourne

- 🦘 Australia is a popular destination for travellers around the world.
- 🦘 A good way to get the *'full Aussie experience'* is by living in the country. In that regard, a very common choice is the **Working Holiday Visa**, which allows you to travel and work in Australia for a year, with an optional extension of an additional year.
- 🦘 According to the Department of Home Affairs, the number of Working Holiday Visas in 2018 was **113,417**.
- 🦘 As the Australian Bureau of Statistics indicates, 17% of those Working Holiday Makers chooses **Melbourne**, reporting **19,281** people.
- 🦘 One of the biggest concerns when moving abroad is to find accommodation. ***The aim of this study*** is to help Visa Working Holiday Makers (or anyone interested) in ***choosing a room in Melbourne providing information about rental prices and venues*** in the main suburbs around CBD.

Data

In this study, we will be using data from different sources, as indicated below:

1. Melbourne

- List of Melbourne suburbs and postal codes
- Source: Costlessquotes
- URL: https://www.costlessquotes.com.au/postcode_tool/postcode_list_VIC.php

2. Rent prices in Melbourne

- Average rental prices in Melbourne per room in 2019
- Source: Department of Health and Human Services Victoria
- URL: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/publications/rental-report>

3. Location

- Coordinates of Melbourne's suburbs
- Source: GeoPy

4. Foursquare

- List of venues
- Source: Foursquare API