

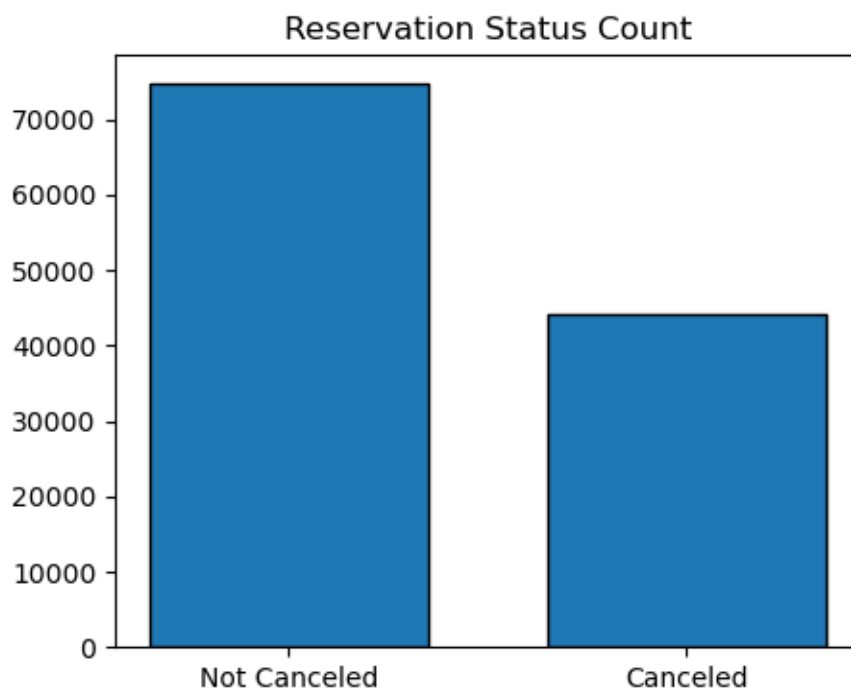
Research Question

1. What are variables that affect hotel reservation cancellations?
2. How can we make hotel reservations cancellations better?
3. How will hotels be assisted in making pricing and promotional decisions?

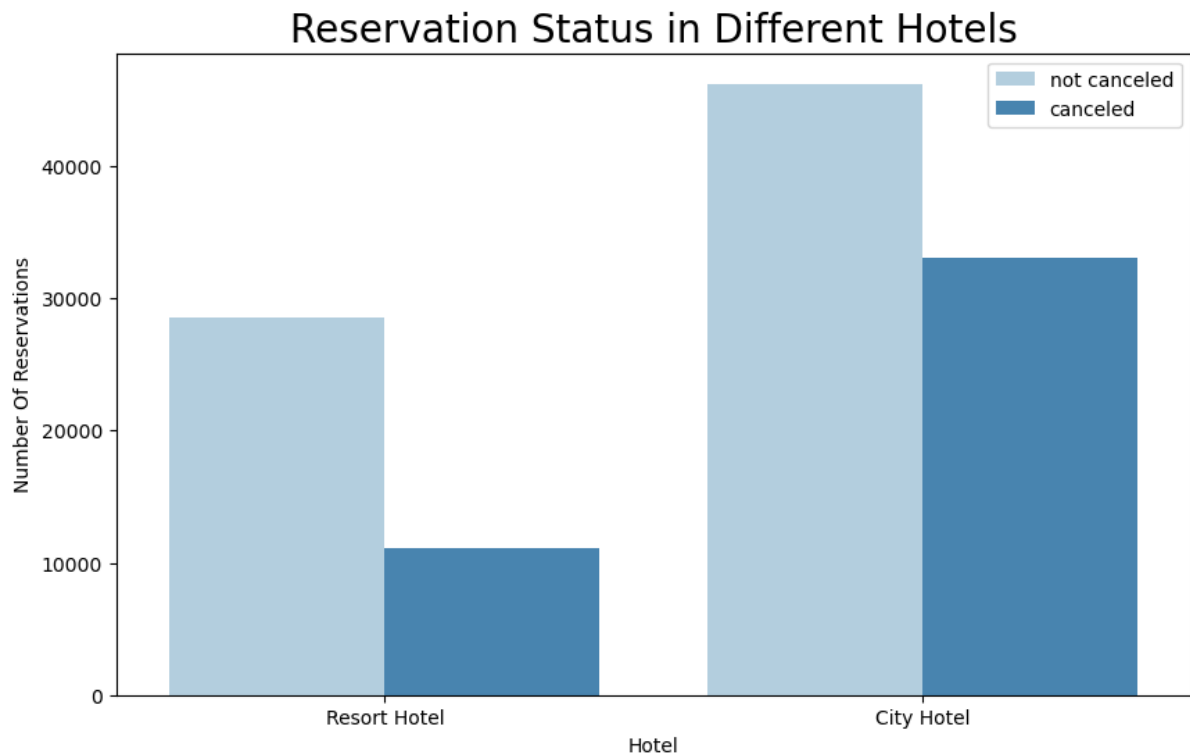
Hypothesis

1. More cancellations occur when prices are higher.
2. When there is a longer waiting list, customer tend to cancel more frequently.
3. The majority of clients are coming from offline travel agents to make their reservations.

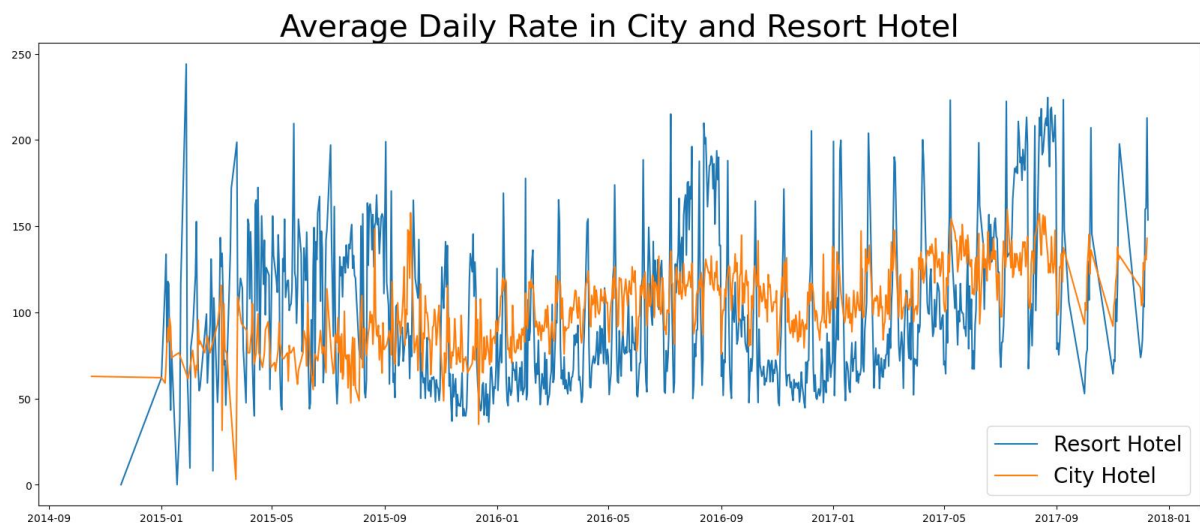
Analysis and Findings



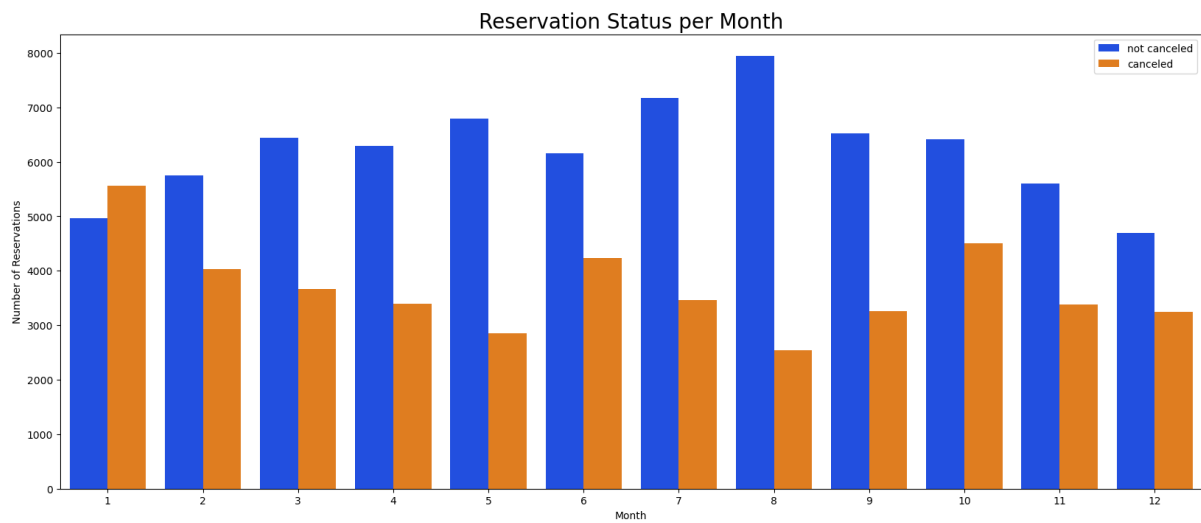
The accompanying bar graph shows the percentage of reservations that are cancelled and those that are not. It is obvious that there are still a significant number of reservations that have not been cancelled, There are still 37% of clients who cancelled their reservation, which has a significant impact on the hotel's earnings.



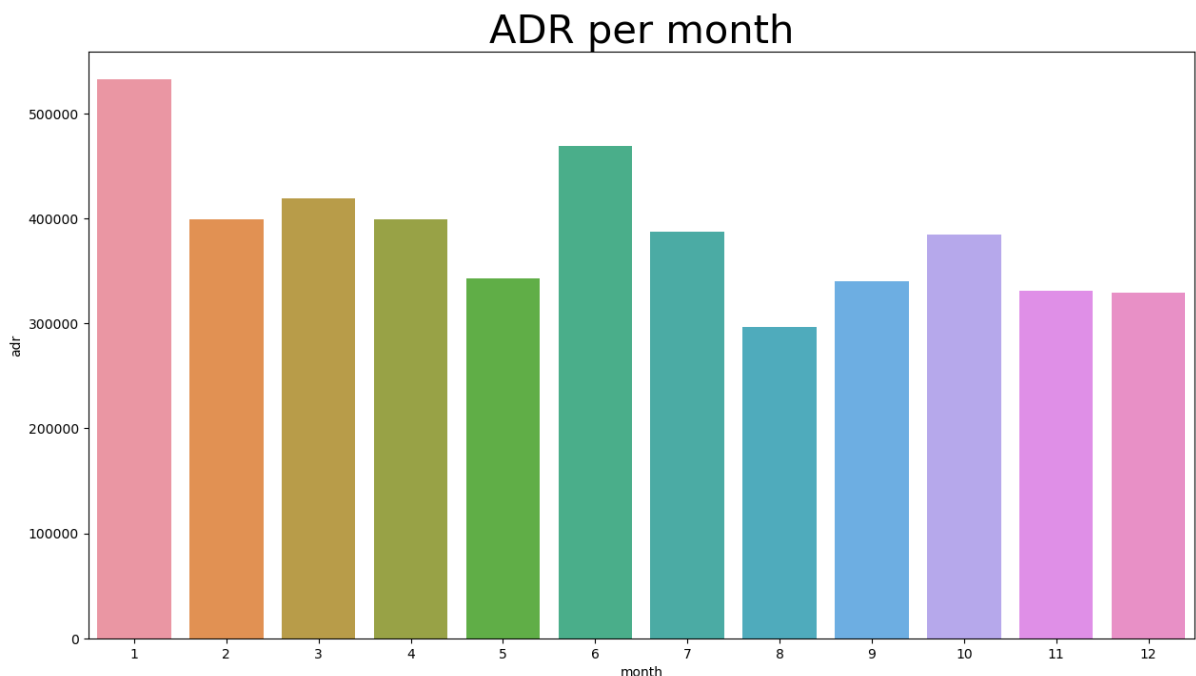
In comparison to resort hotels, city hotels have more bookings. It's possible that resort hotels are more expensive than those in cities.



The line graph above shows that, on certain days, the average daily rate for a city hotel is less than that of a resort hotel, and on other days, it is even less. It goes without saying that weekend and holidays may see a rise in resort hotel rates.



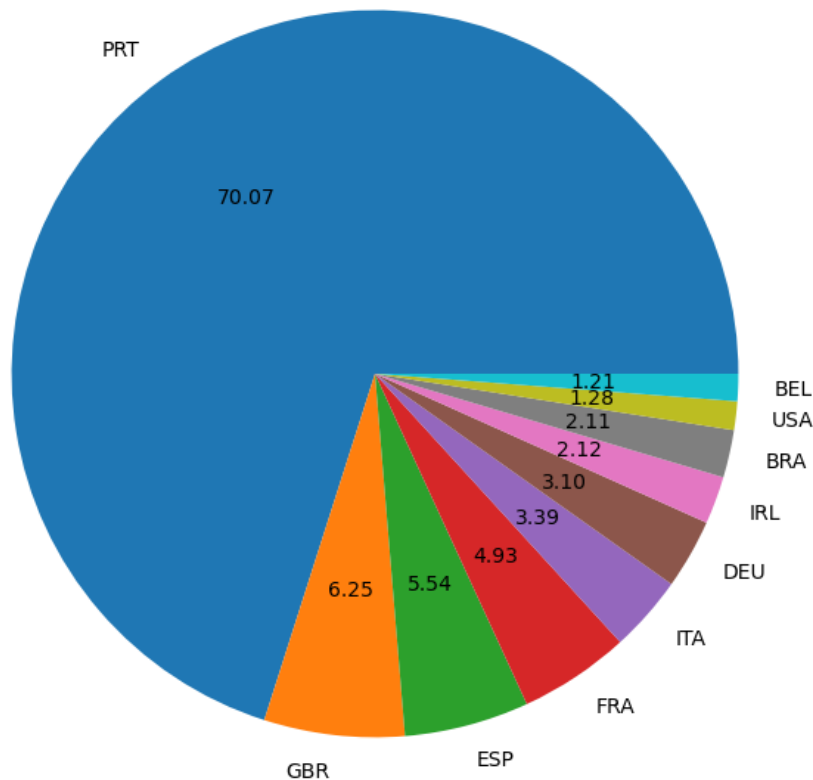
We have developed the grouped bar graph to analyse the months with the highest and lowest reservation levels according to reservation status. As can be seen, both the number of confirmed reservations and the number of reservations and the number of cancelled reservations are largest in the month of August. Whereas January is the month with the most cancelled reservations.



This bar graph shows that cancellations are most common when prices are greatest and are least common when they are lowest. Therefore, the cost of the accommodation is solely responsible for the cancellation.

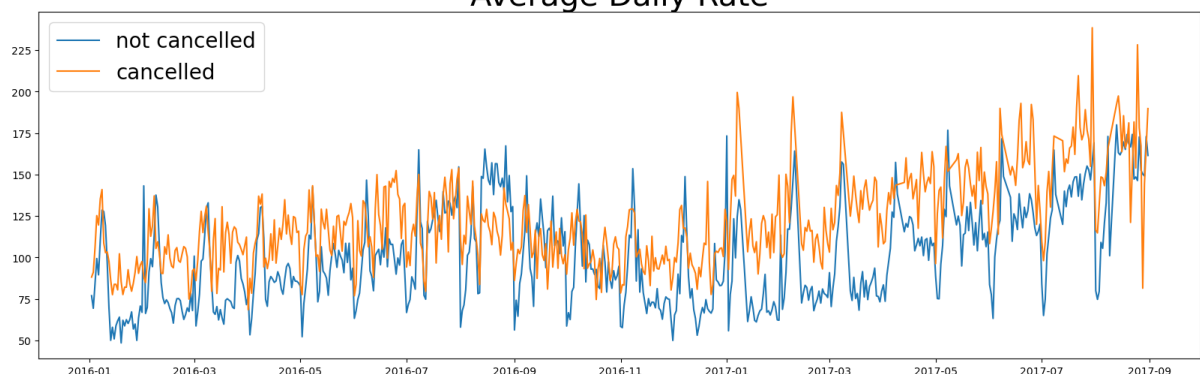
Now, let's see which country has the highest reservation cancelled. The top country is Portugal with the highest number of cancellations.

Top 10 Countries with reservation canceled



Let's check the area from where guests are visiting the hotels and making reservations. Is it coming from Direct or Groups, online or Offline Travel Agents? Around 46% of the clients come from online travel agencies, whereas 27% come from groups. Only 4% of the clients book hotels directly by visiting them and making reservations.

Average Daily Rate



As seen in the graph, reservations are cancelled when the average daily rate is higher than when it is not cancelled. It clearly proves all the above analysis, that the higher price leads to higher cancellations.

Suggestions

1. Cancellation rates rise as the price does. In order to prevent cancellations of the reservations, hotels could work on their pricing strategies and try to lower the rates for some specific hotels based on locations. They can also provide some discounts to the consumers.
2. As the ration of the cancellations and non-cancellations of the resort is higher in the resort hotel than the city hotels. So the hotels should provide a reasonable discount on the room price on weekdays or on holidays.
3. In the month of January, hotels can start campaigns or marketing with a reasonable amount to increase their revenue as the cancellation is highest in this month.
4. They can also increase the quality of their hotels and their services mainly in Portugal to reduce the cancellation rate.