Big Mountain Resort

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Summary

Present the business problem.

State the proposed solution.

Discuss the model analysis.

Conclude with project findings.

Problem Statement

 Business problem: How can Big Mountain Resort increase revenue by \$1.54 million in one year to pay for a new ski lift?

 Context: A new lift was constructed, adding an additional \$1,540,000 in costs. Big Mountain Resort tends to charge higher ticket prices than other resorts to handle costs.

Options:

- Can a higher ticket price be justified by the facilities at Big Mountain?
- Are there areas where costs could be cut?

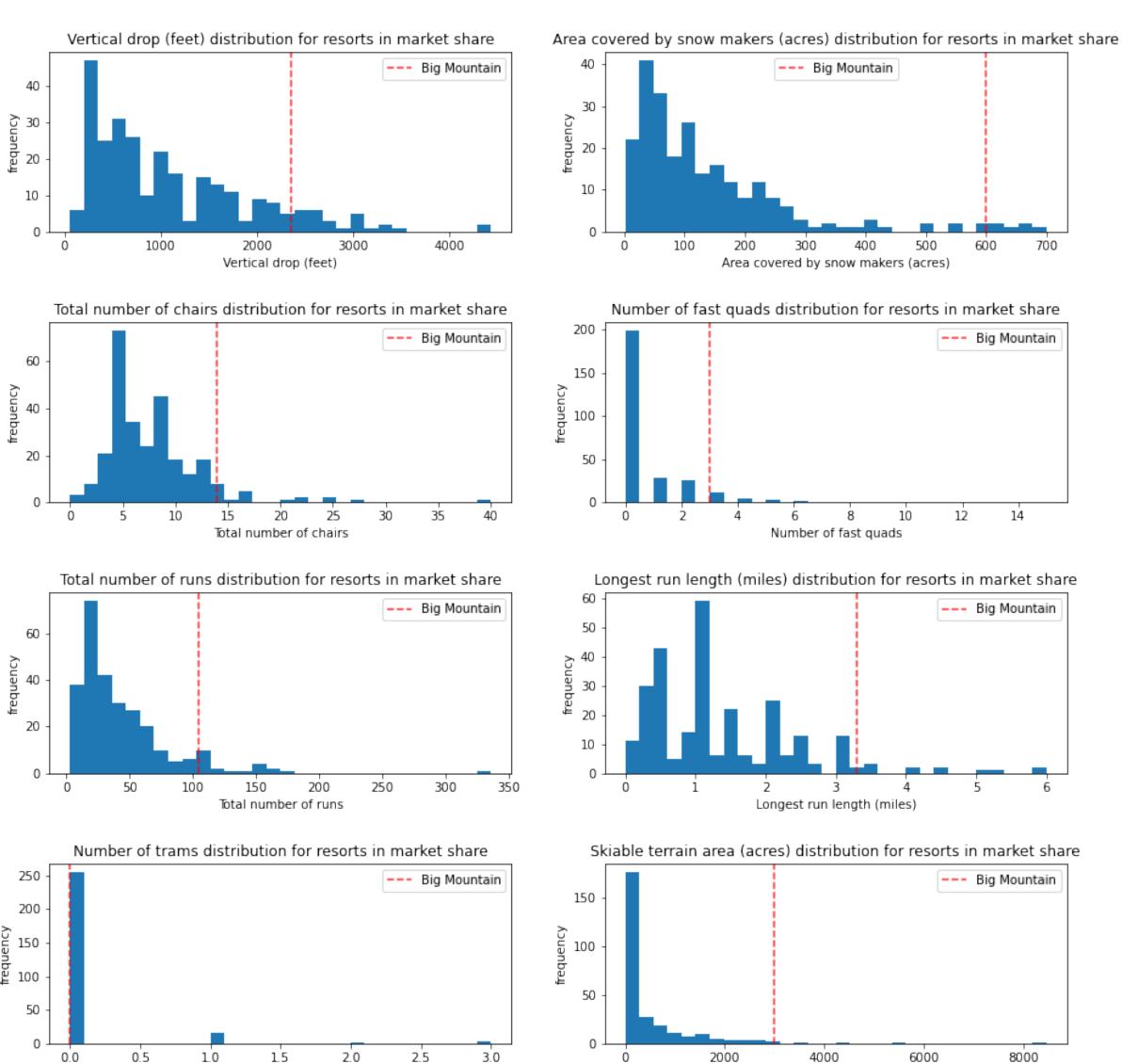
Recommendation and Key Findings

- Current ticket price: \$81.00
- Big Mountain's facilities and place in the US market supports a ticket price of \$95.87!
 - Added revenue: \$25,917,500.00.
 - Facilities considered: vertical drop, snow making area, number of chairs, number of runs, longest run, and fast quads.
- Recommendations:
 - Increase vertical drop by adding run 150 below resort. Install chairlift to bring skiers back up.
 - Added revenue: \$3,474,638.00.
 - Ticket price increase: \$82.99.
 - Explore closing runs to reduce ticket price.

Modeling Results: Big Mountain in the US Market

• Big Mountain's facilities support increasing ticket prices to \$95.87.

 Notice higher place amongst other facilities in other resorts in the US market. This explains high ticket price from the model prediction.



Skiable terrain area (acres)

Number of trams

Scenario Analysis: Increase Vertical Drop

- Proposal: Increase vertical drop.
 - Add run extending 150 feet below resort.
 - Install additional chairlift to bring skiers back up.

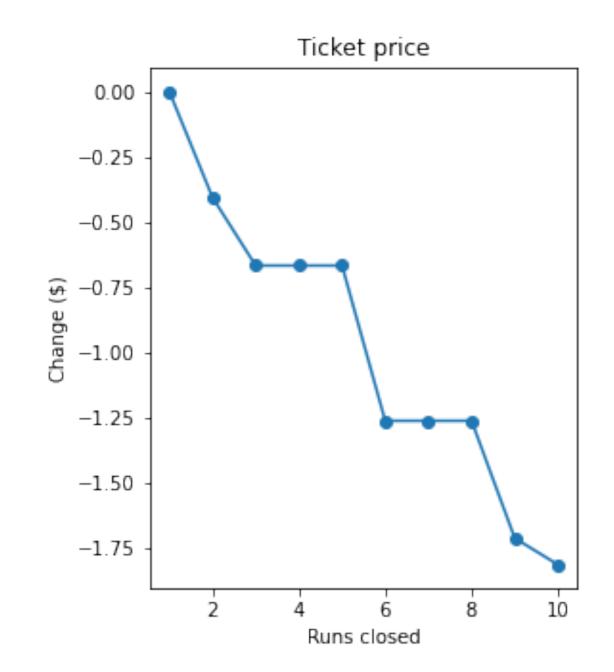
- Added revenue: \$3,474,638.00 annually.
 - Assumes 350,000 skiers skiing for 5 days.

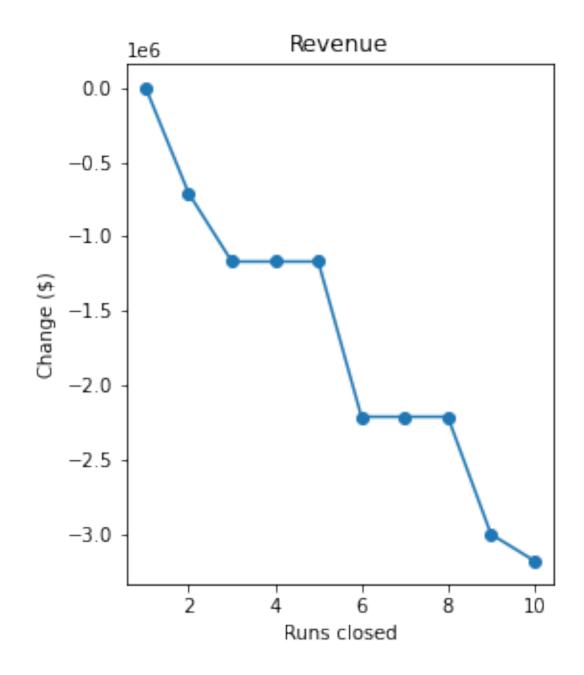
Ticket price increase: \$1.99 to \$82.99 per ticket.

Scenario Analysis: Remove Runs

 Ticket price can be reduced by removing runs.

 Plateaus in ticket price indicate a phased approach in run closures is best.





- Removing up to 10 runs amounts to:
 - Revenue reduction: \$3 million.
 - Ticket price drop: \$1.80.

Conclusions

 Presented model results and recommendations to increase revenue and decrease ticket price.

- Recommendations:
 - Increase vertical drop by building run 150 below resort and install additional chair lift to bring skiers back up.
 - Experiment with run closures to lower ticket prices.