

Hotel bookings cancellation

Business Problem

In recent years, City Hotel and Resort Hotel have seen high cancellation rates. Each hotel is now dealing with a number of issues as a result, including fewer revenues and less than ideal hotel room use. Consequently, lowering cancellation rates is both hotels' primary goal in order to increase their efficiency in generating revenue, and for us to offer thorough business advice to address this problem.

The analysis of hotel booking cancellations as well as other factors that have no bearing on their business and yearly revenue generation are the main topics of this report.

Assumptions

1. No unusual occurrences between 2015 and 2017 will have a substantial impact on the data used.
2. The information is still current and can be used to analyze a hotel's possible plans in an efficient manner.
3. There are no unanticipated negatives to the hotel employing any advised technique.
4. The hotels are not currently using any of the suggested solutions.
5. The biggest factor affecting the effectiveness of earning income is booking cancellations.
6. Cancellations result in vacant rooms for the booked length of time.
7. Clients make hotel reservations the same year they make cancellations.

Research Question

1. What are the 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, customers tend to cancel more frequently.
3. The majority of clients are coming from offline travel agents to make their reservations.

import libraries

In [1]:

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 import seaborn as sns
5 import warnings
6 warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

import data set

In [2]:

```
1 data= pd.read_csv(r'Downloads/archive/hotel_booking.csv')
```

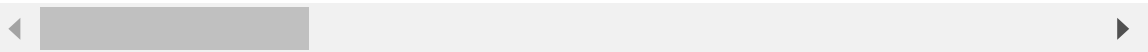
In [3]:

```
1 data.head()
```

Out[3]:

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_week_nu
0	Resort Hotel	0	342	2015	July	
1	Resort Hotel	0	737	2015	July	
2	Resort Hotel	0	7	2015	July	
3	Resort Hotel	0	13	2015	July	
4	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	

5 rows × 36 columns



In [4]:

```
1 data.tail()
```

Out[4]:

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_week
119385	City Hotel	0	23	2017	August	
119386	City Hotel	0	102	2017	August	
119387	City Hotel	0	34	2017	August	
119388	City Hotel	0	109	2017	August	
119389	City Hotel	0	205	2017	August	

5 rows × 36 columns



analysis and cleaning

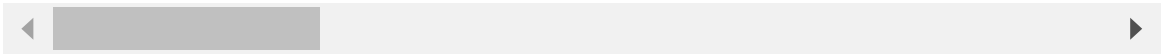
In [5]:

```
1 data.head(10)
```

Out[5]:

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_week_ni
0	Resort Hotel	0	342	2015	July	
1	Resort Hotel	0	737	2015	July	
2	Resort Hotel	0	7	2015	July	
3	Resort Hotel	0	13	2015	July	
4	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	
5	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	
6	Resort Hotel	0	0	2015	July	
7	Resort Hotel	0	9	2015	July	
8	Resort Hotel	1	85	2015	July	
9	Resort Hotel	1	75	2015	July	

10 rows × 36 columns



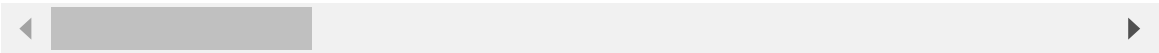
In [6]:

```
1 data.tail(10)
```

Out[6]:

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_week
119380	City Hotel	0	44	2017	August	
119381	City Hotel	0	188	2017	August	
119382	City Hotel	0	135	2017	August	
119383	City Hotel	0	164	2017	August	
119384	City Hotel	0	21	2017	August	
119385	City Hotel	0	23	2017	August	
119386	City Hotel	0	102	2017	August	
119387	City Hotel	0	34	2017	August	
119388	City Hotel	0	109	2017	August	
119389	City Hotel	0	205	2017	August	

10 rows × 36 columns



In [7]:

```
1 data.shape
```

Out[7]:

(119390, 36)

clean data / removing

In [8]:

```
1 # removing personal information in data
2 data.drop(['name','email','phone-number','credit_card'],axis = 1 ,inplace = True )
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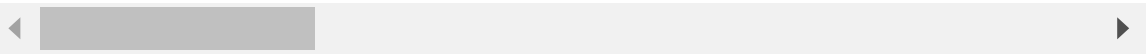
In [9]:

```
1 data.head()
```

Out[9]:

	hotel	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_month	arrival_date_week_nu
0	Resort Hotel	0	342	2015	July	
1	Resort Hotel	0	737	2015	July	
2	Resort Hotel	0	7	2015	July	
3	Resort Hotel	0	13	2015	July	
4	Resort Hotel	0	14	2015	July	

5 rows × 32 columns



In [10]:

```
1 data.shape
```

Out[10]:

(119390, 32)

In [11]:

```
1 data.columns
```

Out[11]:

```
Index(['hotel', 'is_canceled', 'lead_time', 'arrival_date_year',
      'arrival_date_month', 'arrival_date_week_number',
      'arrival_date_day_of_month', 'stays_in_weekend_nights',
      'stays_in_week_nights', 'adults', 'children', 'babies', 'meal',
      'country', 'market_segment', 'distribution_channel',
      'is_repeated_guest', 'previous_cancellations',
      'previous_bookings_not_canceled', 'reserved_room_type',
      'assigned_room_type', 'booking_changes', 'deposit_type', 'agent',
      'company', 'days_in_waiting_list', 'customer_type', 'adr',
      'required_car_parking_spaces', 'total_of_special_requests',
      'reservation_status', 'reservation_status_date'],
      dtype='object')
```

In [12]:

```
1 data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 119390 entries, 0 to 119389
Data columns (total 32 columns):
#   Column                                     Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   hotel                                     119390 non-null  object
1   is_canceled                             119390 non-null  int64
2   lead_time                               119390 non-null  int64
3   arrival_date_year                       119390 non-null  int64
4   arrival_date_month                     119390 non-null  object
5   arrival_date_week_number               119390 non-null  int64
6   arrival_date_day_of_month              119390 non-null  int64
7   stays_in_weekend_nights                 119390 non-null  int64
8   stays_in_week_nights                   119390 non-null  int64
9   adults                                  119390 non-null  int64
10  children                                119386 non-null  float64
11  babies                                  119390 non-null  int64
12  meal                                    119390 non-null  object
13  country                                 118902 non-null  object
14  market_segment                         119390 non-null  object
15  distribution_channel                   119390 non-null  object
16  is_repeated_guest                      119390 non-null  int64
17  previous_cancellations                  119390 non-null  int64
18  previous_bookings_not_canceled          119390 non-null  int64
19  reserved_room_type                     119390 non-null  object
20  assigned_room_type                     119390 non-null  object
21  booking_changes                         119390 non-null  int64
22  deposit_type                           119390 non-null  object
23  agent                                   103050 non-null  float64
24  company                                 6797 non-null   float64
25  days_in_waiting_list                   119390 non-null  int64
26  customer_type                           119390 non-null  object
27  adr                                     119390 non-null  float64
28  required_car_parking_spaces            119390 non-null  int64
29  total_of_special_requests               119390 non-null  int64
30  reservation_status                     119390 non-null  object
31  reservation_status_date                 119390 non-null  object
dtypes: float64(4), int64(16), object(12)
memory usage: 29.1+ MB
```

In [13]:

```
1 data['reservation_status_date'] = pd.to_datetime(data['reservation_status_date'])
```

In [14]:

```
1 data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 119390 entries, 0 to 119389
Data columns (total 32 columns):
#   Column                                          Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
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1   is_canceled                                   119390 non-null  int64
2   lead_time                                     119390 non-null  int64
3   arrival_date_year                             119390 non-null  int64
4   arrival_date_month                           119390 non-null  object
5   arrival_date_week_number                     119390 non-null  int64
6   arrival_date_day_of_month                     119390 non-null  int64
7   stays_in_weekend_nights                       119390 non-null  int64
8   stays_in_week_nights                         119390 non-null  int64
9   adults                                         119390 non-null  int64
10  children                                       119386 non-null  float64
11  babies                                         119390 non-null  int64
12  meal                                           119390 non-null  object
13  country                                        118902 non-null  object
14  market_segment                               119390 non-null  object
15  distribution_channel                         119390 non-null  object
16  is_repeated_guest                           119390 non-null  int64
17  previous_cancellations                       119390 non-null  int64
18  previous_bookings_not_canceled               119390 non-null  int64
19  reserved_room_type                           119390 non-null  object
20  assigned_room_type                           119390 non-null  object
21  booking_changes                              119390 non-null  int64
22  deposit_type                                 119390 non-null  object
23  agent                                          103050 non-null  float64
24  company                                        6797 non-null   float64
25  days_in_waiting_list                         119390 non-null  int64
26  customer_type                                119390 non-null  object
27  adr                                            119390 non-null  float64
28  required_car_parking_spaces                  119390 non-null  int64
29  total_of_special_requests                    119390 non-null  int64
30  reservation_status                           119390 non-null  object
31  reservation_status_date                      119390 non-null  datetime64[ns]
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), float64(4), int64(16), object(11)
memory usage: 29.1+ MB
```


In [15]:

```
1 data.describe(include= 'object')
```

Out[15]:

	hotel	arrival_date_month	meal	country	market_segment	distribution_channel
count	119390	119390	119390	118902	119390	119390
unique	2	12	5	177	8	5
top	City Hotel	August	BB	PRT	Online TA	TA/TO
freq	79330	13877	92310	48590	56477	97870



In [16]:

```
1 for col in data.describe(include= 'object').columns:
2     print(col)
3     print(data[col].unique())
4     print('-'*50)
```

hotel

['Resort Hotel' 'City Hotel']

arrival_date_month

['July' 'August' 'September' 'October' 'November' 'December' 'January'
'February' 'March' 'April' 'May' 'June']

meal

['BB' 'FB' 'HB' 'SC' 'Undefined']

country

['PRT' 'GBR' 'USA' 'ESP' 'IRL' 'FRA' nan 'ROU' 'NOR' 'OMN' 'ARG' 'POL'
'DEU' 'BEL' 'CHE' 'CN' 'GRC' 'ITA' 'NLD' 'DNK' 'RUS' 'SWE' 'AUS' 'EST'
'CZE' 'BRA' 'FIN' 'MOZ' 'BWA' 'LUX' 'SVN' 'ALB' 'IND' 'CHN' 'MEX' 'MAR'
'UKR' 'SMR' 'LVA' 'PRI' 'SRB' 'CHL' 'AUT' 'BLR' 'LTU' 'TUR' 'ZAF' 'AGO'
'ISR' 'CYM' 'ZMB' 'CPV' 'ZWE' 'DZA' 'KOR' 'CRI' 'HUN' 'ARE' 'TUN' 'JAM'
'HRV' 'HKG' 'IRN' 'GEO' 'AND' 'GIB' 'URY' 'JEY' 'CAF' 'CYP' 'COL' 'GGY'
'KWT' 'NGA' 'MDV' 'VEN' 'SVK' 'FJI' 'KAZ' 'PAK' 'IDN' 'LBN' 'PHL' 'SEN'
'SYC' 'AZE' 'BHR' 'NZL' 'THA' 'DOM' 'MKD' 'MYS' 'ARM' 'JPN' 'LKA' 'CUB'
'CMR' 'BIH' 'MUS' 'COM' 'SUR' 'UGA' 'BGR' 'CIV' 'JOR' 'SYR' 'SGP' 'BDI'
'SAU' 'VNM' 'PLW' 'QAT' 'EGY' 'PER' 'MLT' 'MWI' 'ECU' 'MDG' 'ISL' 'UZB'
'NPL' 'BHS' 'MAC' 'TGO' 'TWN' 'DJI' 'STP' 'KNA' 'ETH' 'IRQ' 'HND' 'RWA'
'KHM' 'MCO' 'BGD' 'IMN' 'TJK' 'NIC' 'BEN' 'VGB' 'TZA' 'GAB' 'GHA' 'TMP'
'GLP' 'KEN' 'LIE' 'GNB' 'MNE' 'UMI' 'MYT' 'FRO' 'MMR' 'PAN' 'BFA' 'LBY'
'MLI' 'NAM' 'BOL' 'PRY' 'BRB' 'ABW' 'AIA' 'SLV' 'DMA' 'PYF' 'GUY' 'LCA'
'ATA' 'GTM' 'ASM' 'MRT' 'NCL' 'KIR' 'SDN' 'ATF' 'SLE' 'LAO']

market_segment

['Direct' 'Corporate' 'Online TA' 'Offline TA/TO' 'Complementary' 'Group
s'
'Undefined' 'Aviation']

distribution_channel

['Direct' 'Corporate' 'TA/TO' 'Undefined' 'GDS']

reserved_room_type

['C' 'A' 'D' 'E' 'G' 'F' 'H' 'L' 'P' 'B']

assigned_room_type

['C' 'A' 'D' 'E' 'G' 'F' 'I' 'B' 'H' 'P' 'L' 'K']

deposit_type

['No Deposit' 'Refundable' 'Non Refund']

customer_type

['Transient' 'Contract' 'Transient-Party' 'Group']

reservation_status

['Check-Out' 'Canceled' 'No-Show']

In [17]:

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

Out[17]:

```
hotel                0
is_canceled          0
lead_time            0
arrival_date_year     0
arrival_date_month    0
arrival_date_week_number 0
arrival_date_day_of_month 0
stays_in_weekend_nights 0
stays_in_week_nights  0
adults               0
children             4
babies               0
meal                 0
country              488
market_segment        0
distribution_channel  0
is_repeated_guest     0
previous_cancellations 0
previous_bookings_not_canceled 0
reserved_room_type    0
assigned_room_type     0
booking_changes       0
deposit_type          0
agent                16340
company              112593
days_in_waiting_list  0
customer_type         0
adr                  0
required_car_parking_spaces 0
total_of_special_requests 0
reservation_status    0
reservation_status_date 0
dtype: int64
```

In [18]:

```
1 data.drop(['company','agent'],axis = 1 ,inplace = True )
2 data.dropna(inplace = True)
```

In [19]:

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

Out[19]:

```
hotel          0
is_canceled    0
lead_time      0
arrival_date_year  0
arrival_date_month  0
arrival_date_week_number  0
arrival_date_day_of_month  0
stays_in_weekend_nights  0
stays_in_week_nights  0
adults         0
children       0
babies         0
meal           0
country        0
market_segment  0
distribution_channel  0
is_repeated_guest  0
previous_cancellations  0
previous_bookings_not_canceled  0
reserved_room_type  0
assigned_room_type  0
booking_changes  0
deposit_type   0
days_in_waiting_list  0
customer_type  0
adr            0
required_car_parking_spaces  0
total_of_special_requests  0
reservation_status  0
reservation_status_date  0
dtype: int64
```

In [20]:

```
1 data.describe()
```

Out[20]:

	is_canceled	lead_time	arrival_date_year	arrival_date_week_number	arrival_da
count	118898.000000	118898.000000	118898.000000	118898.000000	
mean	0.371352	104.311435	2016.157656	27.166555	
std	0.483168	106.903309	0.707459	13.589971	
min	0.000000	0.000000	2015.000000	1.000000	
25%	0.000000	18.000000	2016.000000	16.000000	
50%	0.000000	69.000000	2016.000000	28.000000	
75%	1.000000	161.000000	2017.000000	38.000000	
max	1.000000	737.000000	2017.000000	53.000000	

In [21]:

```
1 data= data[data['adr']<5000]
```

data analysis and visualization

In [22]:

```
1 cancelled_perc = data['is_canceled'].value_counts(normalize = True)
```

In [23]:

```
1 cancelled_perc
```

Out[23]:

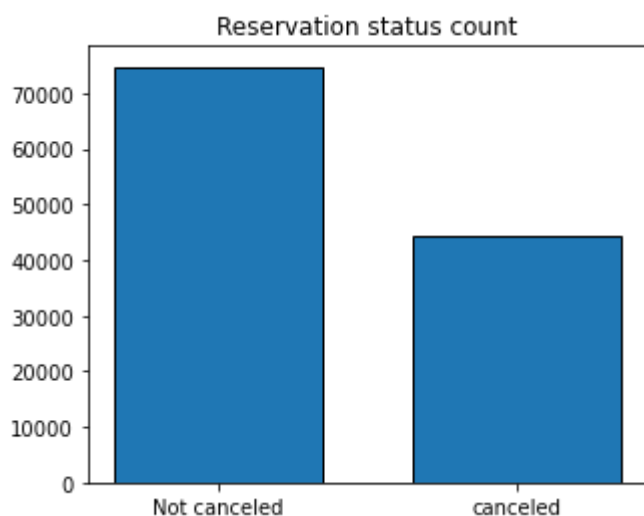
```
0    0.628653
1    0.371347
Name: is_canceled, dtype: float64
```

Analysis and Findings

In [24]:

```
1 cancelled_perc = data['is_canceled'].value_counts(normalize = True)
2 print(cancelled_perc)
3
4 plt.figure(figsize=(5,4))
5 plt.title('Reservation status count')
6 plt.bar(['Not canceled', 'canceled'],data['is_canceled'].value_counts(), edgecolor
7 plt.show()
```

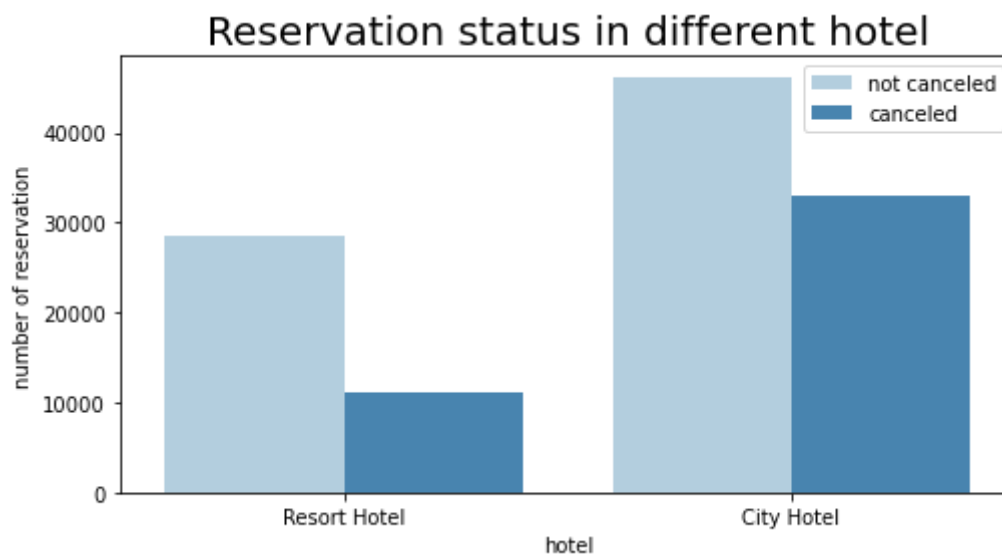
```
0    0.628653
1    0.371347
Name: is_canceled, dtype: float64
```



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

In [25]:

```
1 plt.figure(figsize= (8,4))
2 ax1 = sns.countplot(x = 'hotel', hue = 'is_canceled',data = data, palette = 'Blues'
3 legend_labels,_= ax1. get_legend_handles_labels()
4 ax1.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1,1))
5 plt.title('Reservation status in different hotel',size = 20)
6 plt.xlabel('hotel')
7 plt.ylabel('number of reservation')
8 plt.legend(['not canceled','canceled'])
9 plt.show()
```



In [26]:

```
1 resort_hotel = data[data['hotel'] == 'Resort Hotel']
2 resort_hotel['is_canceled'].value_counts(normalize = True)
```

Out[26]:

```
0    0.72025
1    0.27975
Name: is_canceled, dtype: float64
```

In [27]:

```
1 city_hotel = data[data['hotel'] == 'City Hotel']
2 city_hotel['is_canceled'].value_counts(normalize = True)
```

Out[27]:

```
0    0.582918
1    0.417082
Name: is_canceled, dtype: float64
```

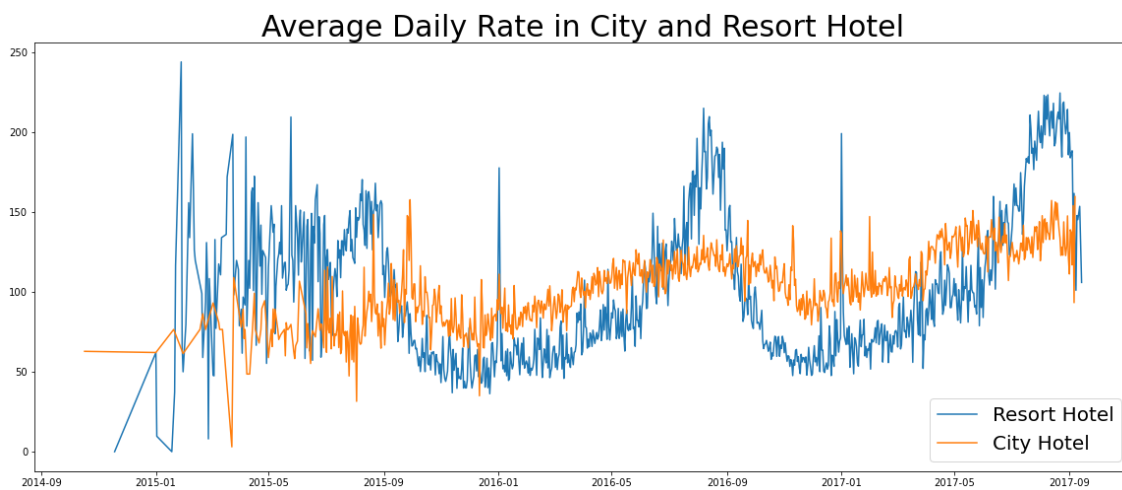
In [28]:

```
1 resort_hotel = resort_hotel.groupby('reservation_status_date')[['adr']].mean()  
2 city_hotel = city_hotel.groupby('reservation_status_date')[['adr']].mean()
```

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

In [29]:

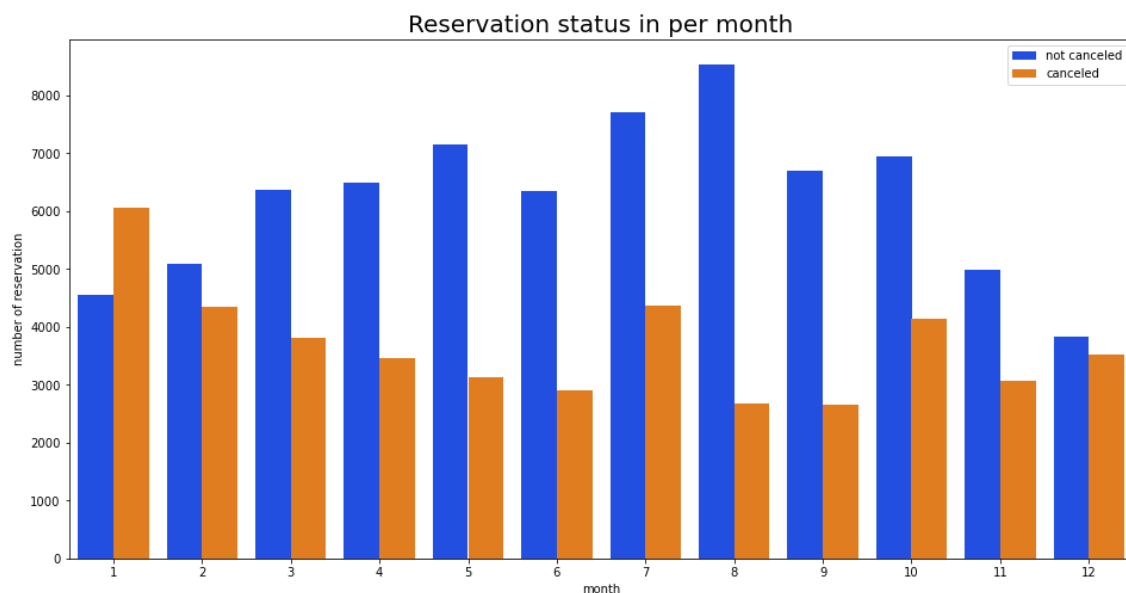
```
1 plt.figure(figsize= (20,8))  
2 plt.title('Average Daily Rate in City and Resort Hotel',fontsize = 30)  
3 plt.plot(resort_hotel.index, resort_hotel['adr'], label = 'Resort Hotel')  
4 plt.plot(city_hotel.index, city_hotel['adr'], label = 'City Hotel')  
5 plt.legend(fontsize = 20)  
6 plt.show()
```



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 weekends and holidays may see a rise in resort hotel rates.

In [30]:

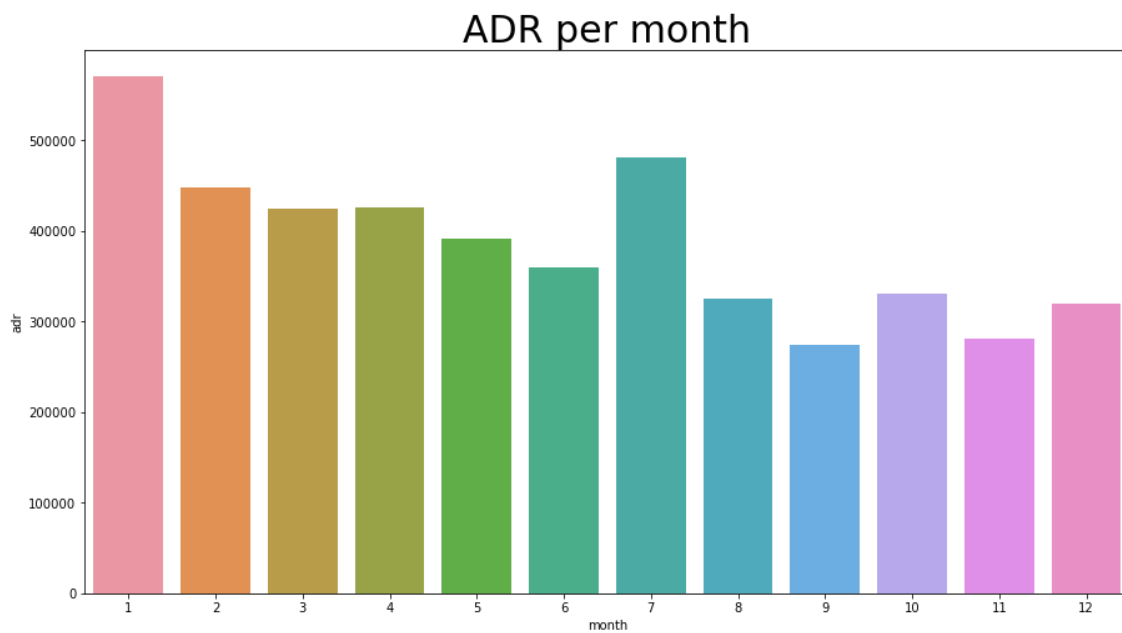
```
1 data['month'] = data['reservation_status_date'].dt.month
2 plt.figure(figsize= (16,8))
3 ax1 = sns.countplot(x = 'month', hue = 'is_canceled', data = data, palette = 'brigh
4 legend_labels,_ = ax1. get_legend_handles_labels()
5 ax1.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1,1))
6 plt.title('Reservation status in per month',size = 20)
7 plt.xlabel('month')
8 plt.ylabel('number of reservation')
9 plt.legend(['not canceled','canceled'])
10 plt.show()
```



We have developed the grouped bar graph to analyze 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 canceled reservations are largest in the month of August. whereas January is the month with the most canceled reservations.

In [31]:

```
1 plt.figure(figsize=(15,8))
2 plt.title('ADR per month',fontsize = 30)
3 sns.barplot('month','adr', data =data[data['is_canceled']==1].groupby('month')[['ad
4 plt.show()
```

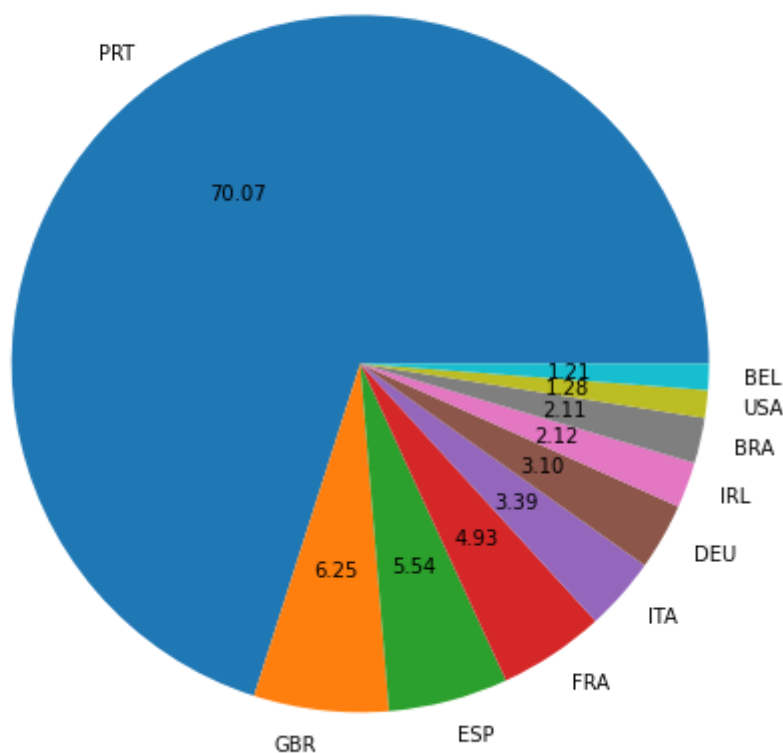


This bar graph demonstrates that cancellations are most common when prices are greatest and are least common when they are lowest. Therefore, the cost of the 'accommodation is solely responsible for the cancellation.

In [32]:

```
1 cancelled_data = data[data['is_canceled']== 1]
2 top_10_country = cancelled_data['country'].value_counts()[:10]
3 plt.figure(figsize = (10, 8))
4 plt.title('Top 10 country with reservation canceled ')
5 plt.pie(top_10_country, autopct = '%.2f' , labels = top_10_country.index)
6 plt.show()
7
```

Top 10 country with reservation canceled



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

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 clients book hotels directly by visiting them and making reservations.

In [35]:

```
1 data['market_segment'].value_counts()
```

Out[35]:

```
Online TA          56402
Offline TA/TO      24159
Groups             19806
Direct             12448
Corporate           5111
Complementary       734
Aviation            237
Name: market_segment, dtype: int64
```

In [36]:

```
1 data['market_segment'].value_counts(normalize= True)
```

Out[36]:

```
Online TA          0.474377
Offline TA/TO      0.203193
Groups             0.166581
Direct             0.104696
Corporate           0.042987
Complementary       0.006173
Aviation            0.001993
Name: market_segment, dtype: float64
```

In [37]:

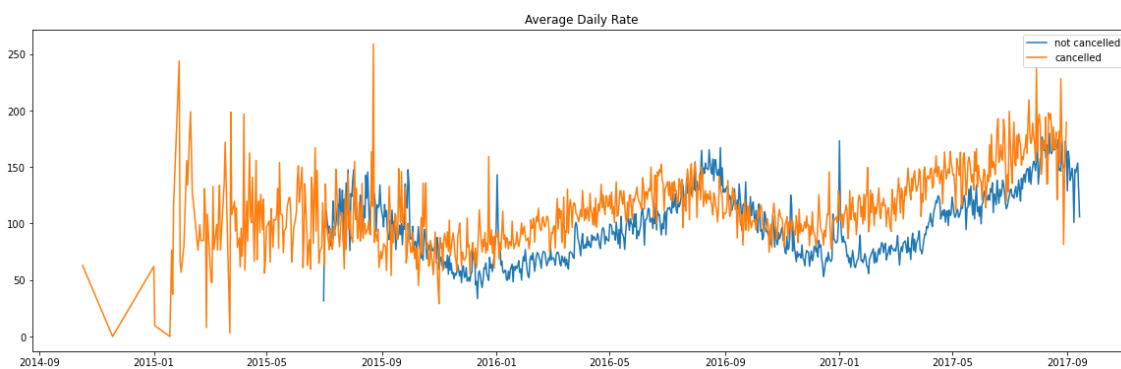
```
1 cancelled_data['market_segment'].value_counts(normalize= True)
```

Out[37]:

```
Online TA          0.469696
Groups             0.273985
Offline TA/TO      0.187466
Direct             0.043486
Corporate           0.022151
Complementary       0.002038
Aviation            0.001178
Name: market_segment, dtype: float64
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In [52]:

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1 cancelled_data_adr = cancelled_data.groupby('reservation_status_date')[['adr']].mean()
2 cancelled_data_adr.reset_index(inplace = True )
3 cancelled_data_adr.sort_values('reservation_status_date',inplace = True )
4
5 not_cancelled_data = data[data['is_cancelled']==0]
6 not_cancelled_data_adr = not_cancelled_data.groupby('reservation_status_date')[['adr']].mean()
7 not_cancelled_data_adr.reset_index(inplace = True )
8 not_cancelled_data_adr.sort_values('reservation_status_date',inplace = True)
9
10 plt.figure(figsize=(20,6))
11 plt.title('Average Daily Rate')
12 plt.plot(not_cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'],not_cancelled_data_adr['adr'],label='not cancelled')
13 plt.plot(cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'],cancelled_data_adr['adr'],label='cancelled')
14 plt.legend()
15 plt.show()
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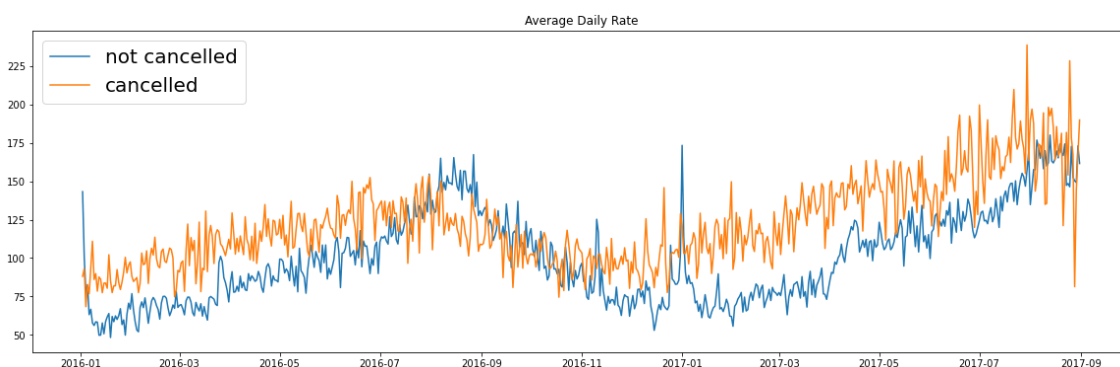


In [53]:

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1 cancelled_data_adr = cancelled_data_adr[(cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'] > '2016-01-01')]
2 not_cancelled_data_adr = not_cancelled_data_adr[(not_cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'] > '2016-01-01')]
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In [55]:

```
1 plt.figure(figsize=(20,6))
2 plt.title('Average Daily Rate')
3 plt.plot(not_cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'],not_cancelled_data_adr['adr'],label='not cancelled')
4 plt.plot(cancelled_data_adr['reservation_status_date'],cancelled_data_adr['adr'],label='cancelled')
5 plt.legend(fontsize = 20)
6 plt.show()
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As seen in the graph, reservations are canceled when the average daily rate is higher than when it is not canceled. It clearly proves all the above analysis, that the higher price leads to higher cancellation.

Suggestions

1. Cancellation rates rise as the price does. In order to prevent cancellations of reservations, hotels could work on their pricing strategies and try to lower the rates for specific hotels based on locations. They can also provide some discounts the consumers.
2. As the ratio of the cancellation and not cancellation of the resort hotel is higher in the resort hotel than the city hotels. So the hotels should provide a reasonable discount on the room prices on weekends 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 the 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.
5. They can charge minimum amount of booking cancellation
6. Also hotels can provide a coupons for previous customer to discount on next visit

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