



Chicago Airbnb Case Study

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OBJECTIVE

Identify key factors that make an airbnb listing in Chicago, Illinois successful (success is measured here by the percentage booked x cost = annual revenue)

This data will be used to help our client decide what type of home to buy to rent out on Airbnb.

THE DATA

I used Inside Airbnb data specifically from Chicago June 2022-March 2023 . To download this data please use this [link](#). This data is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License.



Findings

Neighborhood

Found booking percentage for each neighborhood

```
SELECT
lis.neighbourhood_cleansed,
COUNT(*) AS rental_count,
COUNT(CASE WHEN cal.available = true THEN 1 END) AS true_count,
(COUNT(CASE WHEN cal.available = true THEN 1 END) / COUNT(*)) * 100 AS
true_percentage
FROM `chicagoairbnb-389814.airbnb.lis` AS lis
JOIN `chicagoairbnb-389814.airbnb.cal` AS cal
ON lis.id = cal.listing_id
GROUP BY lis.neighbourhood_cleansed
ORDER BY true_percentage DESC
```

Booking Percentage By Neighborhood

Neighbourhood C...	
Forest Glen	97.81
West Englewood	95.89
Gage Park	82.74
Ashburn	76.21
Hegewisch	70.41
Belmont Cragin	66.79
Roseland	66.68
Austin	64.20
Dunning	62.16
Near South Side	53.80
Loop	53.70
Woodlawn	53.02
Bridgeport	52.88
Ohare	52.66
Armour Square	52.62
Brighton Park	52.24
South Shore	52.18
Mckinley Park	51.07
Near West Side	50.64
Near North Side	49.43
Kenwood	47.61
Montclare	47.26
Chatham	46.64
Lincoln Park	44.64
West Ridge	44.16

Number of Bedrooms

Found number of listings by bedroom. Most common type was a 1 bedroom

```
SELECT COUNT(*)
```

```
FROM `chicagoairbnb-389814.airbnb.lis`
```

```
GROUP BY bedrooms
```

Number of Listings by Bedroom

Bedrooms	
1	2,746
2	1,558
3	793
4	270
5	80
6	34
7	17
8	7
9	3
10	2
11	1
12	3

Price

```
SELECT  
  latitude, longitude, neighbourhood_cleansed,  
  AVG(price) AS average_price  
FROM `chicagoairbnb-389814.airbnb.lis`  
WHERE bedrooms = 1 OR bedrooms =2  
GROUP BY neighbourhood_cleansed, latitude, longitude  
ORDER BY average_price DESC
```

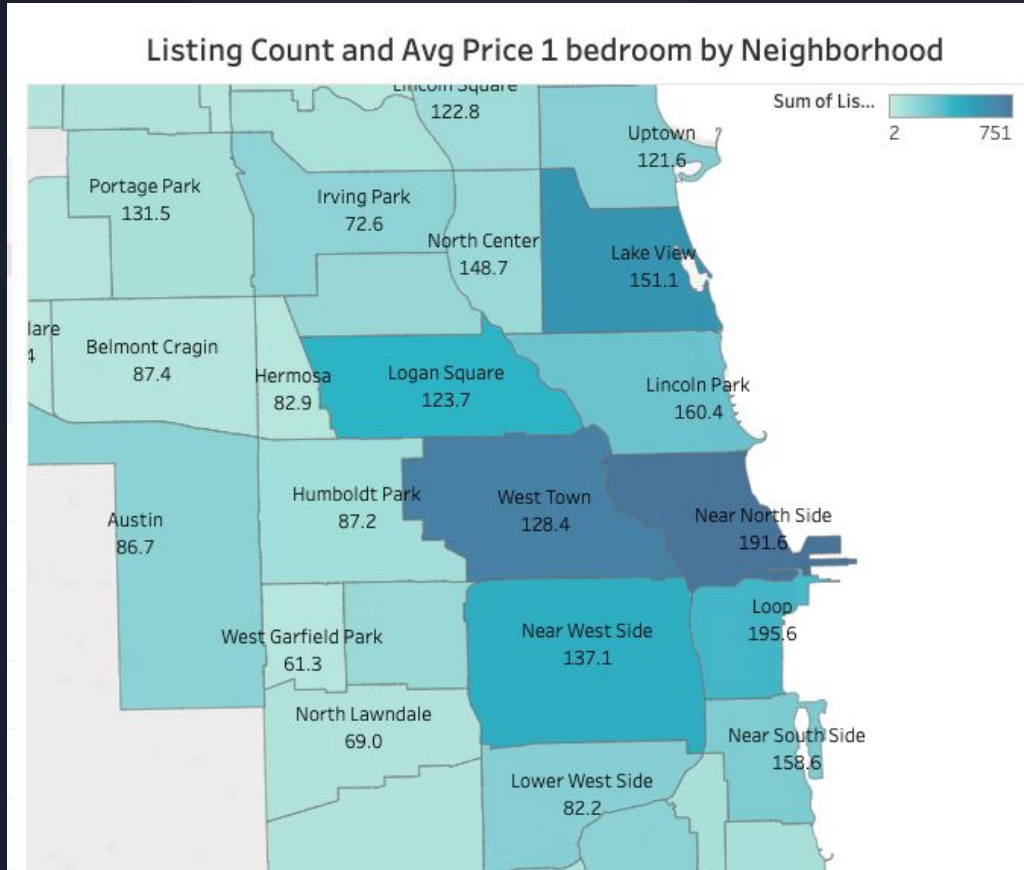
Also found that Avondale, Hyde Park, Near North Side, West Town, and Austin were charging the most for 1 bedrooms



Listing Count

Found which neighborhoods had most listings

```
SELECT  
lis.neighbourhood_cleansed,  
COUNT(*) AS listing_count  
FROM `chicagoairbnb-389814.airbnb.lis` AS lis  
GROUP BY lis.neighbourhood_cleansed  
ORDER BY listing_count DESC
```



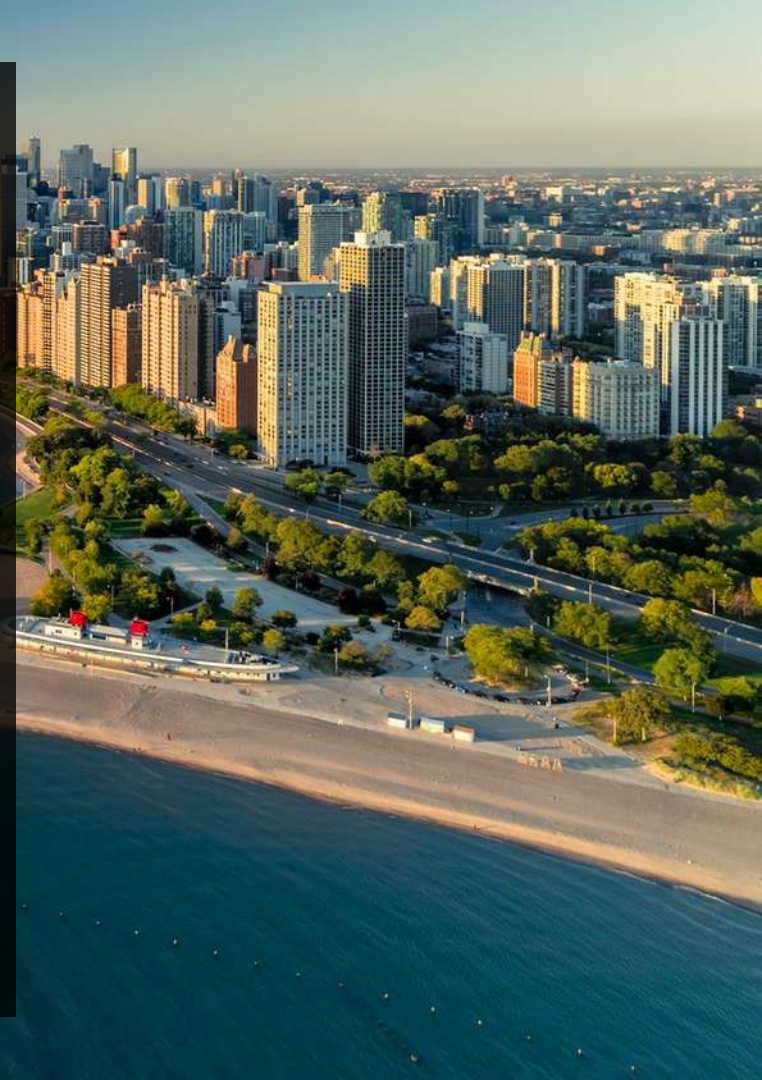
Conclusion

-1 bedrooms are a good investment because there is a high need

-Instead of purchasing an Airbnb in the hot spots like Near North Side and West Town, picking a nearby neighborhood with a higher booking percentage would be a better investment and less competition.

For example, Near North Side is charging \$191.60 on average and is booked 49.43% of the year. That would be \$34,568 revenue annually. Whereas Loop is charging \$195.60 on average and is booked 53.70% of the year. That would be \$38,338 revenue annually.

[Link to Dashboard](#)





Next Steps

To continue this analysis, I would explore:

- Entire place vs. bedroom rental
- Offering extended stays vs. short term stays
- Looking deeper into images and the way hosts present themselves on their profile
- See which amenities users seem to prioritize
- How many units hosts have and if that correlates to them being a higher/lower rated host
- Dataset from precovid that includes entire year scope