**Case study Analysis of Movies and Their Verdicts**

**Introduction**

The Indian film industry is a multi-billion-dollar enterprise where understanding the financial performance of movies is critical.  
This case study explores the relationship between:

* Movie Budgets
* Box Office Revenue (India Gross, Worldwide Gross, Overseas collections)
* Verdicts (e.g., Flop, Average, Hit, Blockbuster)

We used Power BI for in-depth data visualization and pattern recognition based on the uploaded movie dataset.

**Objectives**

* Analyze the correlation between movie budgets and box office revenues
* Study how box office revenues align with the verdicts assigned to movies
* Identify trends, anomalies, and business insights that can guide future investments and marketing strategies

**Methodology**

Data Preparation:

* Loaded the .csv dataset into Power BI
* Cleaned the data by removing blanks and correcting erroneous entries
* Standardized formatting for consistency across visuals

Visualizations Created:

* Stacked Area Chart – Budget vs India Gross
* Ribbon Chart – India Gross vs Verdict
* Clustered Column Charts – Verdict counts and Budget vs Gross
* Gauge Chart – Average Overseas Earnings
* Dashboard – Integrated all visuals using a consistent design

**Detailed Analysis**

Correlation Between Budget and Box Office Revenue

Observation: Positive but Imperfect Correlation

In general, higher-budget movies tend to earn higher India Gross and Worldwide Gross revenues.  
However, budget alone does not guarantee box office success.

| **Budget Category** | **Trend Observed** |
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| Low Budget | Some low-budget movies performed exceptionally (e.g., sleeper hits) |
| Mid Budget | Mixed results with variable verdicts |
| High Budget | Often high returns, but also higher risks if content fails |

Visual Insight: The stacked area chart demonstrated a general upward trend between budget and gross revenue for successful films. However, there were visible exceptions where high-budget films underperformed.

Key Takeaways:

* High production value helps, but content quality and market timing are more decisive
* Efficient resource use and compelling storytelling can outperform raw spending

Correlation Between Box Office Revenue and Verdict

Observation: Strong Correlation

Box Office Revenue is a strong predictor of the commercial verdict a movie receives.  
Higher revenues correspond with verdicts like Hit, Super Hit, or Blockbuster, while low revenue corresponds to Flop or Below Average ratings.

| **Verdict** | **General Revenue Pattern** |
| --- | --- |
| Flop | Low India Gross and Worldwide Gross |
| Average | Moderate India Gross |
| Hit | High India Gross and Worldwide Gross |
| Blockbuster | Very High India Gross and strong Overseas Earnings |

Visual Insight: The ribbon chart clearly showed an increasing India Gross from Flop to Blockbuster verdict categories. The verdict count chart revealed a higher number of Flop and Average films than Hits or Blockbusters.

Key Takeaways:

* Revenue directly impacts the verdict
* Audience and critical expectations influence the final verdict, especially for high-budget projects

**Trends and Patterns Identified**

Budget Efficiency  
Some moderate-budget movies achieved significant returns due to strong storytelling and direction. This shows that efficient budgeting can yield high ROI.

Importance of Overseas Market  
Overseas collections significantly impact overall profitability, especially for star-studded films with cross-border appeal.

Verdict Distribution  
Most movies fall into Flop or Average categories, indicating high competition and low tolerance for mediocrity among audiences.

Risk in High Budgets  
Large investments come with increased expectations. High-budget flops result in substantial losses, while modestly budgeted successes have higher profit margins.

**Strategic Business Insights**

| **Strategic Area** | **Insight** | **Recommendation** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Investment Planning | High budget does not ensure high returns | Emphasize strong storytelling and quality content |
| Audience Targeting | Content relevance and novelty matter most | Invest in market research and audience analysis |
| Overseas Expansion | Overseas revenue contributes significantly | Develop international release and promotional strategies |
| Risk Management | Flop rates are high even in mid-budget films | Diversify the movie portfolio to mitigate risks |

**Conclusion**

The analysis highlights that while there is a general correlation between budget and revenue, other factors such as storytelling, marketing, and audience alignment are equally critical.  
Box office revenues strongly influence a movie's verdict, but success is multi-dimensional.

Stakeholders in the film industry should use a data-driven approach that includes financial planning, audience research, and creative development to maximize the likelihood of commercial success.