

Profitability in the Movie Industry

Statement of Work: Assist Microsoft's new movie studio with an analysis of the movie industry to focusing on taxonomy and profitability

We will share analysis pertaining to **3** questions related to developing a profitable studio with respect to profit and return-on-investment (ROI) as key performance indicators:

- Which genre(s) are the most profitable over the last five years?
- Does a movie's Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) rating affect its financials?
- When are the most profitable films released?

Assumptions and Data Sources

Assumptions

- Consumer trends evolve rapidly and we will only analyze film data since 2015
- Our client will initially focus distribution in the United States
- We did not analyze movies that lost money

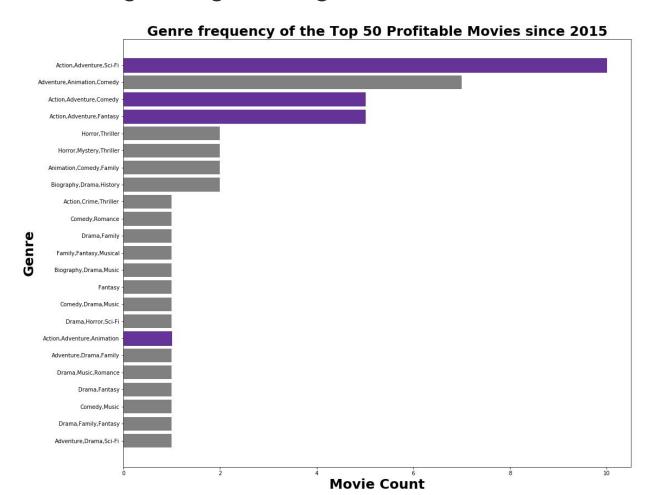
Data Sources

- The-Numbers.com: A website providing financial data for movies
- IMDB: An online movie database providing descriptive data about movies
- OMDB: An application programming interface (API), providing movie data

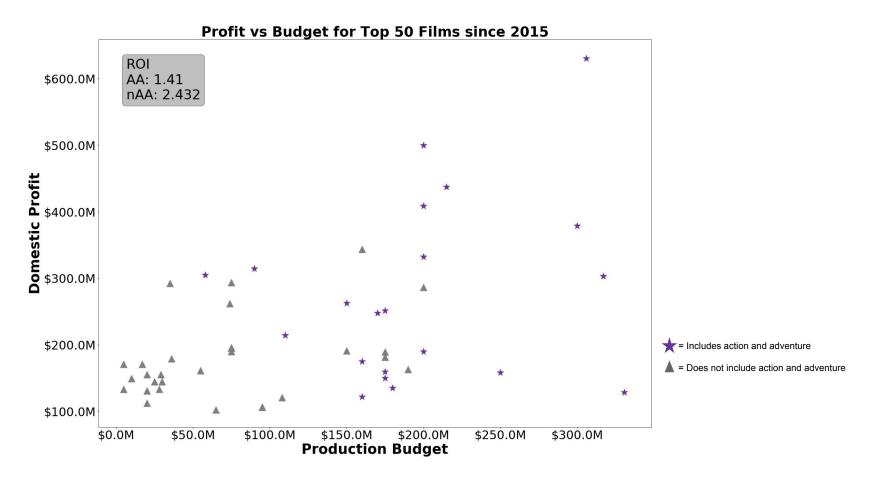
Dataset

- Top 50 films by domestic profit (domestic gross production budget)
- Focus on genre, domestic gross, profit, ROI, MPAA, release month

42% of the highest grossing films are action/adventure

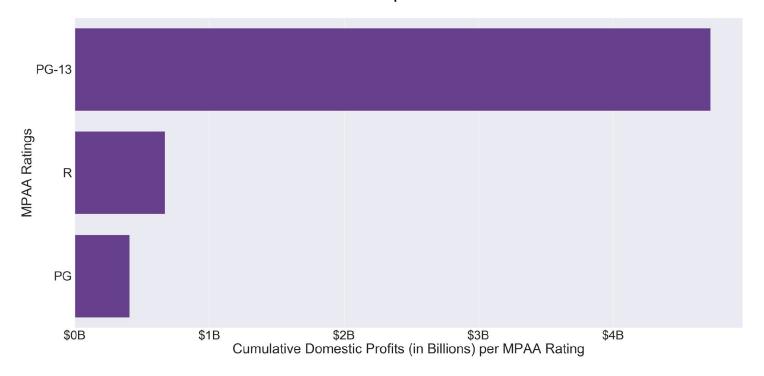


Action/adventure movies yield higher profits and budgets



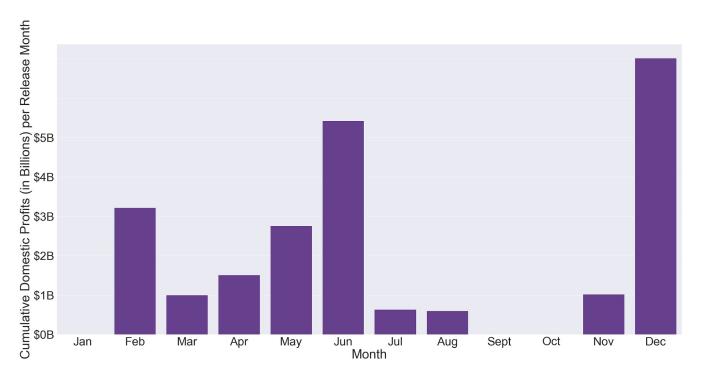
PG-13 content represents a significant share of profits

- PG-13 action/adventure movies (17) are more frequent that R (3) and PG (1)
- These movies account for 81% of action/adventure profits at \$4.7 billion



The most profitable movies release in December or June

 The Oscar Season, the holidays, and summer blockbusters are assumed to drive increased profitability in December and June



Recommendations

Genre: Action/adventure

MPAA Rating: Rated PG-13

Release: Released in either December of June.



Next Steps

Scope: Test hypothesis against broader data set to explore potential statistical correlations

Talent: Expand analysis to movie talents' (directors, writers) impact to profitability

Voice of the Customer: Conduct sentiment analysis to better understand consumers' movie interests



