

Exploring Netflix Movies Dataset with TidyVerse

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Introduction

The purpose of this vignette is to demonstrate how to use **TidyVerse** packages - mainly **dplyr**, **ggplot2**, and **tidyverse** - for data cleaning, manipulation, and visualization using a real-world dataset.

We will explore the **Netflix Movies and TV Shows dataset** from Kaggle, which includes details such as title, type, country, release year, and genre.

Dataset link: [Netflix Titles \(Kaggle\)](#)

Load and Inspect the Dataset

```
# Load dataset (make sure netflix_titles.csv is saved in your working directory)
netflix <- read_csv("netflix_titles.csv")

## Rows: 8807 Columns: 12
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (11): show_id, type, title, director, cast, country, date_added, rating, ...
## dbl (1): release_year
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.

# View structure and sample data
glimpse(netflix)

## Rows: 8,807
## Columns: 12
## $ show_id      <chr> "s1", "s2", "s3", "s4", "s5", "s6", "s7", "s8", "s9", "s1~
## $ type        <chr> "Movie", "TV Show", "TV Show", "TV Show", "TV ~
## $ title       <chr> "Dick Johnson Is Dead", "Blood & Water", "Ganglands", "Ja~
## $ director    <chr> "Kirsten Johnson", NA, "Julien Leclercq", NA, NA, "Mike F~
## $ cast         <chr> NA, "Ama Qamata, Khosi Ngema, Gail Mabalane, Thabang Mola~
## $ country     <chr> "United States", "South Africa", NA, NA, "India", NA, NA,~
## $ date_added  <chr> "September 25, 2021", "September 24, 2021", "September 24~
## $ release_year <dbl> 2020, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 1993, 2021, 202~
## $ rating       <chr> "PG-13", "TV-MA", "TV-MA", "TV-MA", "TV-MA", "TV-MA", "PG~
## $ duration     <chr> "90 min", "2 Seasons", "1 Season", "1 Season", "2 Seasons~
## $ listed_in    <chr> "Documentaries", "International TV Shows, TV Dramas, TV M~
## $ description   <chr> "As her father nears the end of his life, filmmaker Kirst~

head(netflix)

## # A tibble: 6 x 12
##   show_id type      title    director cast    country date_added release_year rating
##   <chr>   <chr>     <chr>    <chr>   <chr>   <chr>      <dbl> <chr>
## 1 s1      Movie     Dick Jo~ Kirsten~ <NA>     United~ September~ 2020 PG-13
## 2 s2      TV Show   Blood &~ <NA>     Ama ~ South ~ September~ 2021 TV-MA
## 3 s3      TV Show   Ganglan~ Julien ~ Sami~ <NA>     September~ 2021 TV-MA
## 4 s4      TV Show   Jailbir~ <NA>     <NA>     <NA>     September~ 2021 TV-MA
## 5 s5      TV Show   Kota Fa~ <NA>     Mayu~ India   September~ 2021 TV-MA
## 6 s6      TV Show   Midnight~ Mike Fl~ Kate~ <NA>     September~ 2021 TV-MA
## # i 3 more variables: duration <chr>, listed_in <chr>, description <chr>
```

Clean and Prepare the Data

We'll filter only **Movies** and remove records with missing values in important columns like `release_year` and `country`.

```
netflix_clean <- netflix %>%
  filter(type == "Movie") %>%
  drop_na(release_year, country)

# Quick check of the cleaned data
summary(netflix_clean)
```

```
##      show_id          type         title        director
## Length:5691    Length:5691    Length:5691    Length:5691
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Mode  :character   Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character
##
##      cast            country     date_added release_year
## Length:5691    Length:5691    Length:5691    Min.   :1942
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  1st Qu.:2012
## Mode  :character   Mode :character   Mode :character  Median :2016
##                                         Mean   :2013
##                                         3rd Qu.:2018
##                                         Max.   :2021
##      rating          duration   listed_in       description
## Length:5691    Length:5691    Length:5691    Length:5691
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Mode  :character   Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character
##
```

Top Movie-Producing Countries

Let's find the **top 10 countries** that have produced the most Netflix movies using `dplyr::count()`.

```
top_countries <- netflix_clean %>%
  count(country, sort = TRUE) %>%
  head(10)
```

top countries

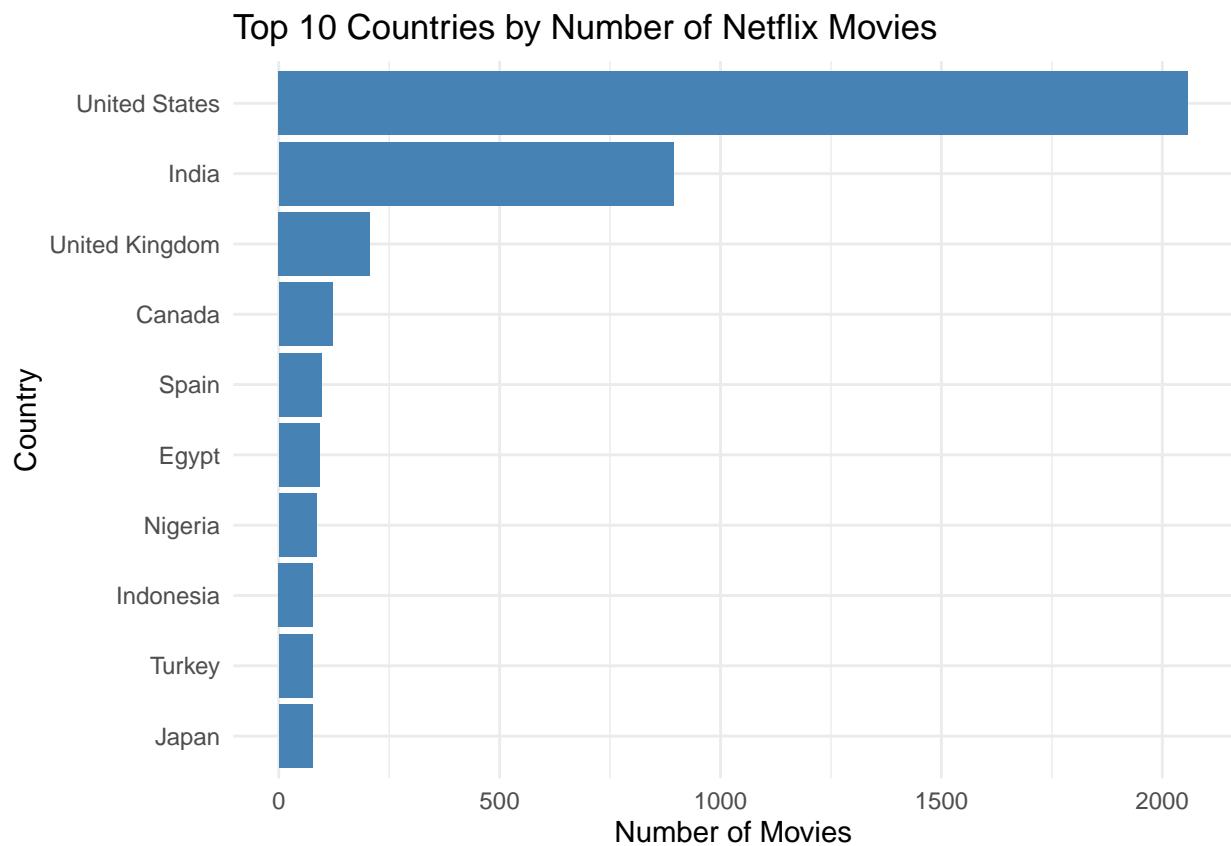
```
## # A tibble: 10 x 2
##   country     n
##   <chr>     <int>
## 1 United States 2058
## 2 India          893
## 3 United Kingdom 206
## 4 Canada         122
## 5 Spain           97
## 6 Egypt            92
## 7 Nigeria          86
```

```
## 8 Indonesia      77
## 9 Japan          76
## 10 Turkey         76
```

Visualization - Top 10 Countries by Movie Count

We'll visualize the results using a horizontal bar chart with ggplot2.

```
ggplot(top_countries, aes(x = reorder(country, n), y = n)) +
  geom_col(fill = "steelblue") +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(
    title = "Top 10 Countries by Number of Netflix Movies",
    x = "Country",
    y = "Number of Movies"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()
```



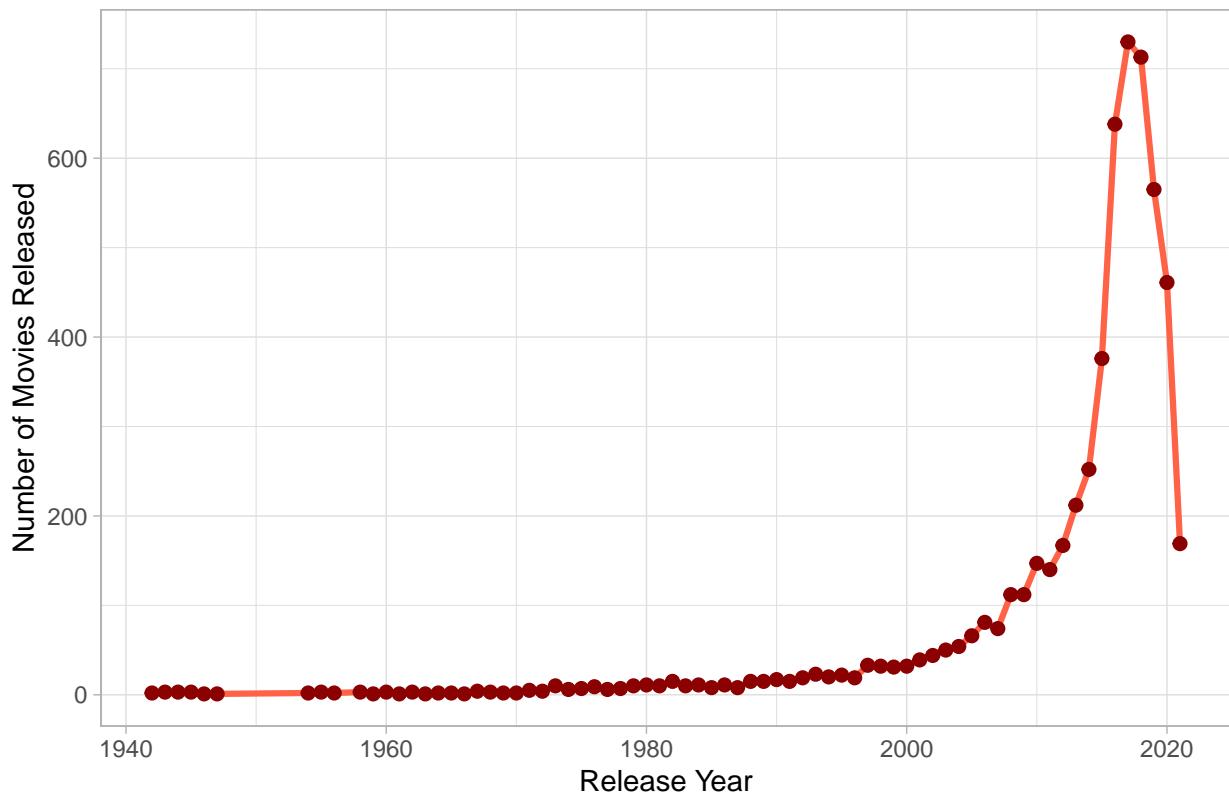
Movie Release Trend Over the Years

Here, we'll analyze how Netflix movie releases have changed over time.

```
movies_by_year <- netflix_clean %>%
  group_by(release_year) %>%
  summarise(total_movies = n())

ggplot(movies_by_year, aes(release_year, total_movies)) +
  geom_line(color = "tomato", linewidth = 1.1) +
  geom_point(color = "darkred", size = 2) +
  labs(
    title = "Netflix Movie Releases Over the Years",
    x = "Release Year",
    y = "Number of Movies Released"
  ) +
  theme_light()
```

Netflix Movie Releases Over the Years



Most Common Genres on Netflix

Each title can have multiple genres separated by commas.

We'll use `tidyverse::separate_rows()` to split them and count the most frequent genres.

```

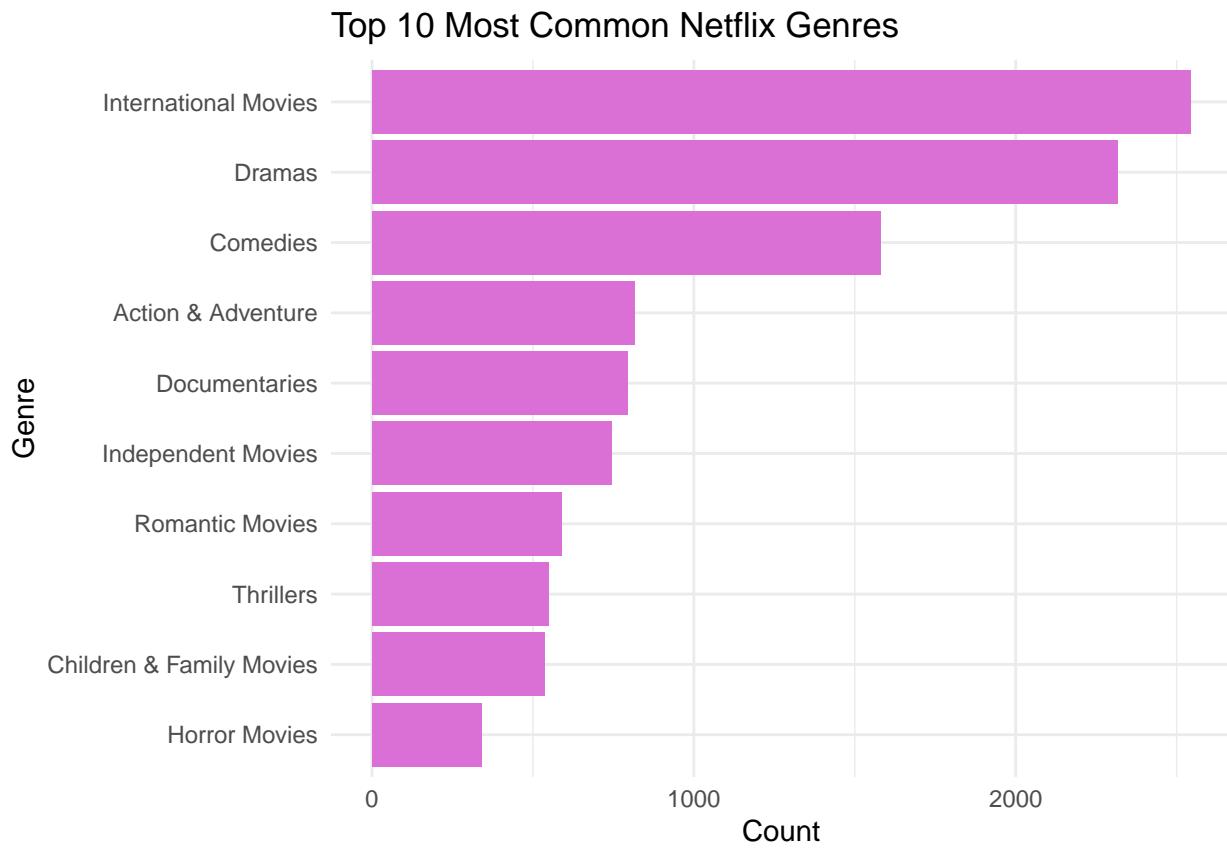
genre_data <- netflix_clean %>%
  separate_rows(listed_in, sep = ", ") %>%
  count(listed_in, sort = TRUE) %>%
  head(10)

genre_data

## # A tibble: 10 x 2
##   listed_in          n
##   <chr>            <int>
## 1 International Movies    2543
## 2 Dramas                2317
## 3 Comedies               1580
## 4 Action & Adventure    817
## 5 Documentaries          794
## 6 Independent Movies     745
## 7 Romantic Movies        588
## 8 Thrillers              549
## 9 Children & Family Movies 535
## 10 Horror Movies          340

ggplot(genre_data, aes(x = reorder(listed_in, n), y = n)) +
  geom_col(fill = "orchid") +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(
    title = "Top 10 Most Common Netflix Genres",
    x = "Genre",
    y = "Count"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()

```



Jacob Shapiro Continuation

Movie Ratings with dplyr

The dplyr package has the select function, which isolates certain columns from a data frame. For example:

```
head(netflix_clean %>% select(rating))

## # A tibble: 6 x 1
##   rating
##   <chr>
## 1 PG-13
## 2 TV-MA
## 3 PG-13
## 4 TV-MA
## 5 TV-14
## 6 PG-13
```

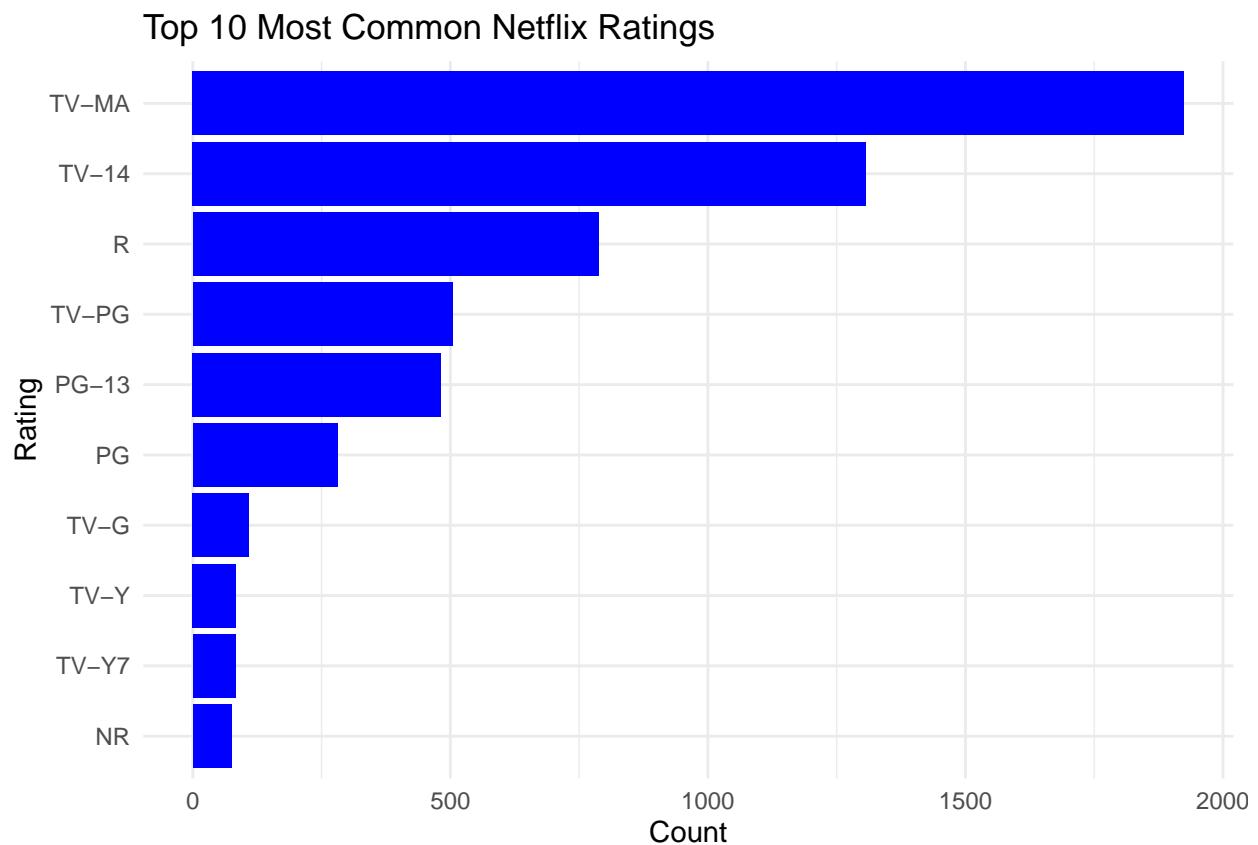
We could look at the top ratings via ggplot

```

rating_data <- netflix_clean %>%
  separate_rows(rating, sep = ", ") %>%
  count(rating, sort = TRUE) %>%
  head(10)

ggplot(rating_data, aes(x = reorder(rating, n), y = n)) +
  geom_col(fill = "blue") +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(
    title = "Top 10 Most Common Netflix Ratings",
    x = "Rating",
    y = "Count"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()

```



All items in netflix_clean are movies. A movie can have a “TV” rating if it’s shown on TV or streaming service.

Top Directors of TV-MA

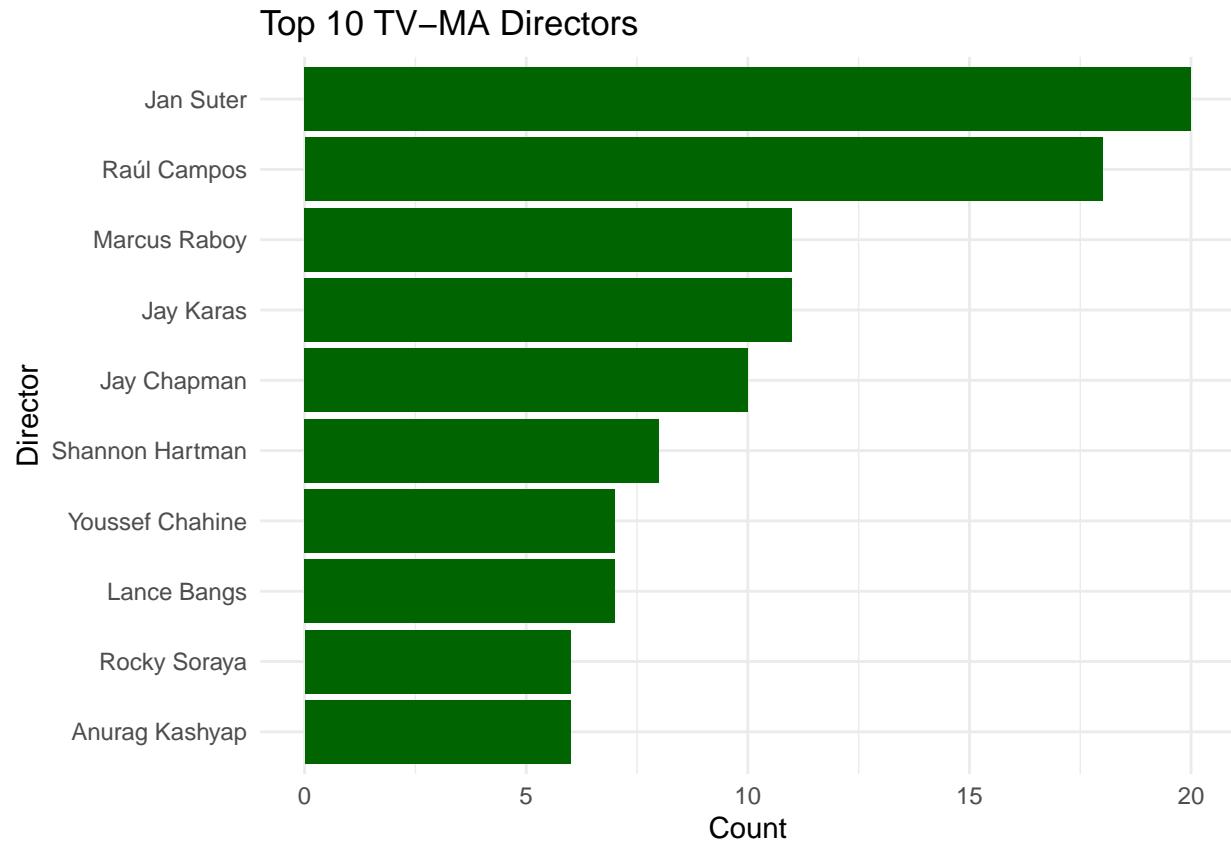
As TV-MA is the most used rating, we can use dplyr to find the director who’s made the most TV-MA movies.

```

tvma <- netflix_clean %>%
  filter(rating == "TV-MA") %>%
  drop_na(director) %>%
  separate_rows(director, sep = ", ") %>%
  select(director, rating) %>%
  count(director, sort = TRUE) %>%
  head(10)

ggplot(tvma, aes(x = reorder(director, n), y = n)) +
  geom_col(fill = "darkgreen") +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(
    title = "Top 10 TV-MA Directors",
    x = "Director",
    y = "Count"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()

```



Summary

This vignette demonstrates how to:

- Use **dplyr** for data manipulation (**filter**, **count**, **group_by**, **summarise**, and **select**).
- Use **tidyverse** to reshape data with **separate_rows**, **drop_na**.
- Use **ggplot2** to

visualize results in bar and line charts.

References

- Kaggle Netflix Dataset: <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/shivamb/netflix-shows>
- TidyVerse Documentation: <https://www.tidyverse.org/packages/>