IMDb Movies Analysis Report

This report provides a structured analysis of IMDb's Top Rated Movies dataset, covering dataset description, operations performed, key insights, and actionable recommendations.

1. Dataset Description

1.1 Source: IMDb Top-Rated Movies dataset (user-rated, CSV file).

1.2 Columns:

- Title Movie title
- Director Director of the movie
- Stars Main actors/actresses
- Tags Genres/keywords (comma-separated)
- IMDb Rating Viewer rating (0–10 scale)
- Meta Score Critic rating (0–100 scale)
- Votes Audience vote count

1.3 Data Quality:

- No major missing values.
- Votes contained shorthand (K/M) → cleaned and converted to numeric.
- Ratings and scores cast to numeric for proper analysis.

2. Operations Performed

2.1 Data Cleaning & Preparation

- Normalized Votes (e.g., $5K \rightarrow 5000$, $2M \rightarrow 2000000$).
- Casted IMDb Rating and Meta Score to double type.
- Split Tags and Stars into individual values for frequency analysis.

2.2 Descriptive Analytics

- Summary statistics for ratings and scores.
- Top/bottom movies by IMDb and Meta Score.
- Distinct directors, stars, and tag counts.

2.3 Relationship & Comparative Analysis

- Correlation between IMDb Rating and Meta Score.
- Score gap analysis (IMDb vs Meta Score).
- Directors with consistently high/low ratings.
- Popularity by tags and stars.

2.4 Visualization

- Histograms (IMDb Ratings).
- Scatter plots (IMDb vs Meta Score).
- Word clouds (tags, title words).
- Bar charts (top movies, directors, stars, tags).
- Donut and polar charts (rating distributions, categories).

3. Key Insights

3.1 Ratings & Scores

- IMDb Ratings mostly fall between 7.5–9.0.
- High correlation with Meta Score, but notable gaps exist for some movies.
- Consistently high-performing directors have minimum ratings ≥ 8.

3.2 Director & Star Insights

- Certain directors (e.g., Christopher Nolan, Steven Spielberg) dominate top ratings.
- Stars with frequent appearances often align with higher-rated films.
- Directors with 3+ movies show a wide spread in consistency (std dev analysis).

3.3 Tag/Genre Trends

- Drama and Action tags are most common.
- Tags like Biography and History often carry higher IMDb averages.
- Combined tags (Action + Drama) appear in many top movies.

3.4 Audience & Critics Alignment

- Correlation indicates alignment, but large score gaps highlight cases where audiences and critics disagree.
- Some highly rated IMDb movies received lower Meta Scores and vice versa.

4. Recommendations

4.1 For Filmmakers

- Focus on consistently high-performing genres (Drama, Action, Biography).
- Collaborating with high-reputation directors/stars increases likelihood of top ratings.

4.2 For Platforms (e.g., streaming services)

- Highlight directors with strong consistency (all films rated ≥ 8).
- Promote movies where both audience and critics align highly.

4.3 For Analysts

- Explore predictive models to estimate rating success of upcoming releases.
- Build clustering models using Tags, Ratings, and Votes to profile audience preferences.
- Study critic—audience divergence for deeper insights into perception gaps.