

Phase One Project

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MICROSOFT'S NEW MOVIE STUDIO ANALYSIS

Business Understanding

Introduction

The creation and distribution of original video content have become paramount in the entertainment industry as companies strive to engage audiences and maintain relevance. In line with this trend, Microsoft has established its own movie studio, venturing into the world of film production. However, with limited knowledge and experience in this domain, Microsoft is seeking guidance on the types of films that are currently thriving at the box office.

Understanding the dynamics of the film industry is crucial for the success of any movie studio. By analyzing current trends and successful genres, Microsoft can gain valuable insights to inform their decision-making process. Armed with this knowledge, Microsoft can strategically position their movie studio to create content that resonates with audiences, achieves box office success, and establishes a strong presence in the highly competitive film market.

This report aims to explore the types of films that have demonstrated exceptional performance at the box office in recent years. By examining the industry landscape and analyzing successful movies, we will present actionable insights that the head of Microsoft's movie studio can leverage when making informed decisions about their film production. These insights will enhance Microsoft's ability to create captivating and commercially successful content that appeals to global audiences.

Now, let us delve into the current state of the film industry, examining the genres, trends, and factors that have contributed to the box office success of recent movies.

Problem statement

Exploring what types of films are currently doing the best at the box office. You must then translate those findings into actionable insights that the head of Microsoft's new movie studio can use to help decide what type of films to create.

Objective

The objective of this report is to analyze the current landscape of the film industry and identify the types of films that have been successful at the box office. By examining trends, genre preferences, and factors contributing to the success of recent movies, the report aims to provide actionable insights that Microsoft's new movie studio can use to make informed decisions about the types of films they should create. The ultimate goal is to guide Microsoft in strategically positioning their movie studio to produce compelling and commercially successful content that resonates with audiences and drives box office revenue.

Specific objective

- Analyze the current landscape of the film industry, including market trends, audience preferences, and box office performance.
- Identify the genres that have been most successful at the box office in recent years.
- Examine the factors contributing to the success of these films, such as average ratings, number of votes, and domestic and worldwide gross.
- Determine the correlation between production budget and box office performance to guide decision-making regarding investment in film production.
- Provide insights on the average production budgets for different genres and their impact on box office success.
- Investigate the relationship between average ratings and production budget to understand the trade-offs between artistic quality and financial returns.
- Analyze the performance of different budget ranges to identify potential opportunities for Microsoft's movie studio.
- Present actionable recommendations on the types of films Microsoft should consider creating based on the analysis of successful genres, budget considerations, and audience preferences.
- Guide Microsoft in effectively positioning their movie studio to create content that captivates audiences, drives box office success, and establishes their presence in the competitive film market.
- Enable Microsoft to make informed decisions that enhance the chances of creating compelling and commercially successful films, resulting in long-term profitability and audience engagement.

Experimental Design

- Reading the Data
- Data Cleaning
- Data Analysis
- Conclusions
- Recommendation

Importing Libraries

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In [41]: # Import Libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import sqlite3
import csv
from pandasql import sqldf
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READING AND LOADING DATA

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In [42]: #Loading the tn.movie_budgets data
tn_movie_budgets = pd.read_csv('tn.movie_budgets.csv')
tn_movie_budgets.head()
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Out[42]:

	id	release_date	movie	production_budget	domestic_gross	worldwide_gross
0	1	Dec 18, 2009	Avatar	\$425,000,000	\$760,507,625	\$2,776,345,279
1	2	May 20, 2011	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	\$410,600,000	\$241,063,875	\$1,045,663,875
2	3	Jun 7, 2019	Dark Phoenix	\$350,000,000	\$42,762,350	\$149,762,350
3	4	May 1, 2015	Avengers: Age of Ultron	\$330,600,000	\$459,005,868	\$1,403,013,963
4	5	Dec 15, 2017	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	\$317,000,000	\$620,181,382	\$1,316,721,747

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In [43]: #Loading the bom.movie_gross data
bom_movie_gross = pd.read_csv('bom.movie_gross.csv')
bom_movie_gross
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Out[43]:
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	title	studio	domestic_gross	foreign_gross	year
0	Toy Story 3	BV	415000000.0	652000000	2010
1	Alice in Wonderland (2010)	BV	334200000.0	691300000	2010
2	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1	WB	296000000.0	664300000	2010
3	Inception	WB	292600000.0	535700000	2010
4	Shrek Forever After	P/DW	238700000.0	513900000	2010
...
3382	The Quake	Magn.	6200.0	NaN	2018
3383	Edward II (2018 re-release)	FM	4800.0	NaN	2018
3384	El Pacto	Sony	2500.0	NaN	2018
3385	The Swan	Synergetic	2400.0	NaN	2018
3386	An Actor Prepares	Grav.	1700.0	NaN	2018

3387 rows × 5 columns

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In [44]: # Loading the title.basics.csv
movie_basics = pd.read_csv('title.basics.csv')
movie_basics.head(10)
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Out[44]:
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	tconst	primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres
0	tt0063540	Sunghursh	Sunghursh	2013	175.0	Action,Crime,Drama
1	tt0066787	One Day Before the Rainy Season	Ashad Ka Ek Din	2019	114.0	Biography,Drama
2	tt0069049	The Other Side of the Wind	The Other Side of the Wind	2018	122.0	Drama
3	tt0069204	Sabse Bada Sukh	Sabse Bada Sukh	2018	NaN	Comedy,Drama
4	tt0100275	The Wandering Soap Opera	La Telenovela Errante	2017	80.0	Comedy,Drama,Fantasy
5	tt0111414	A Thin Life	A Thin Life	2018	75.0	Comedy
6	tt0112502	Bigfoot	Bigfoot	2017	NaN	Horror,Thriller
7	tt0137204	Joe Finds Grace	Joe Finds Grace	2017	83.0	Adventure,Animation,Comedy
8	tt0139613	O Silêncio	O Silêncio	2012	NaN	Documentary,Historical
9	tt0144449	Nema aviona za Zagreb	Nema aviona za Zagreb	2012	82.0	Biography

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In [45]: #Loading the title.ratings.csv
movie_ratings = pd.read_csv('title.ratings.csv')
movie_ratings.head(10)
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Out[45]:
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	tconst	averagerating	numvotes
0	tt10356526	8.3	31
1	tt10384606	8.9	559
2	tt1042974	6.4	20
3	tt1043726	4.2	50352
4	tt1060240	6.5	21
5	tt1069246	6.2	326
6	tt1094666	7.0	1613
7	tt1130982	6.4	571
8	tt1156528	7.2	265
9	tt1161457	4.2	148

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In [46]: # joining the movie_basics and movie_ratings
mt_movies = movie_basics.set_index("tconst").join(movie_ratings.set_index('tconst',
                                                                           how="inner"))
mt_movies.head()
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Out[46]:
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	primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres	av
tconst						
tt0063540	Sunghursh	Sunghursh	2013	175.0	Action,Crime,Drama	
tt0066787	One Day Before the Rainy Season	Ashad Ka Ek Din	2019	114.0	Biography,Drama	
tt0069049	The Other Side of the Wind	The Other Side of the Wind	2018	122.0	Drama	
tt0069204	Sabse Bada Sukh	Sabse Bada Sukh	2018	NaN	Comedy,Drama	
tt0100275	The Wandering Soap Opera	La Telenovela Errante	2017	80.0	Comedy,Drama,Fantasy	

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In [47]: #joining tn_mv_budgets and mt_movies datasets based on the movie titles
movies = mt_movies.set_index("primary_title").join(tn_movie_budgets.set_index("primary_title",
how="inner"))
mt_movies.head()
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Out[47]:

	primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres	average_rating
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	primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres	average_rating
tt0063540	Sunghursh	Sunghursh	2013	175.0	Action, Crime, Drama	3.0
tt0066787	One Day Before the Rainy Season	Ashad Ka Ek Din	2019	114.0	Biography, Drama	7.2
tt0069049	The Other Side of the Wind	The Other Side of the Wind	2018	122.0	Drama	6.7
tt0069204	Sabse Bada Sukh	Sabse Bada Sukh	2018	NaN	Comedy, Drama	8.1
tt0100275	The Wandering Soap Opera	La Telenovela Errante	2017	80.0	Comedy, Drama, Fantasy	6.6

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In [58]: movies = mt_movies.set_index('primary_title').join(tn_movie_budgets.set_index("primary_title",
how="inner"))
movies.head()
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Out[58]:

	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres	average_rating
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primary_title	original_title	start_year	runtime_minutes	genres	average_rating
#Horror	#Horror	2015	101.0	Crime, Drama, Horror	3.0
10 Cloverfield Lane	10 Cloverfield Lane	2016	103.0	Drama, Horror, Mystery	7.2
10 Days in a Madhouse	10 Days in a Madhouse	2015	111.0	Drama	6.7
12 Rounds	12 Rounds	2017	NaN	Action, Drama, Romance	8.1
12 Strong	12 Strong	2018	130.0	Action, Drama, History	6.6

In [59]: `movies.info()`

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 2875 entries, #Horror to xXx: Return of Xander Cage
Data columns (total 11 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
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0   original_title         2875 non-null   object
1   start_year             2875 non-null   int64
2   runtime_minutes        2757 non-null   float64
3   genres                 2867 non-null   object
4   averagerating          2875 non-null   float64
5   numvotes               2875 non-null   int64
6   id                     2875 non-null   int64
7   release_date           2875 non-null   object
8   production_budget      2875 non-null   object
9   domestic_gross         2875 non-null   object
10  worldwide_gross        2875 non-null   object
dtypes: float64(2), int64(3), object(6)
memory usage: 269.5+ KB
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Data cleaning

In [60]: `# Data Cleaning`
`# Drop irrelevant columns from movies dataset`
`movies.drop(['original_title', 'start_year', 'runtime_minutes'], axis=1, in`

In [56]: `# Remove movies with missing or inconsistent data`
`movies = movies[movies['genres'] != '\\N']`
`movies = movies[movies['averagerating'].notna()]`
`movies = movies[movies['numvotes'].notna()]`

In [64]: `#Merge movies and bom_movie_gross on 'title'`
`merged_data = movies.merge(bom_movie_gross, left_on='primary_title', right_`

In [67]: `# Drop irrelevant columns from merged_data`
`merged_data.drop(['title', 'studio', 'domestic_gross_y', 'foreign_gross'],`

In [110]: `movies['domestic_gross'] = movies['domestic_gross'].apply(lambda x: float(>`

In [68]: `# Rename 'domestic_gross_x' to 'domestic_gross'`
`merged_data.rename(columns={'domestic_gross_x': 'domestic_gross'}, inplace=`

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In [71]: # Group the data by genre and calculate the average rating, total number of  
genre_data = merged_data.groupby('genres').agg({'averagerating': 'mean', 'r
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In [72]: # Sort the genres based on average rating in descending order  
sorted_by_rating = genre_data.sort_values('averagerating', ascending=False)
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In [73]: # Sort the genres based on number of votes in descending order  
sorted_by_votes = genre_data.sort_values('numvotes', ascending=False)
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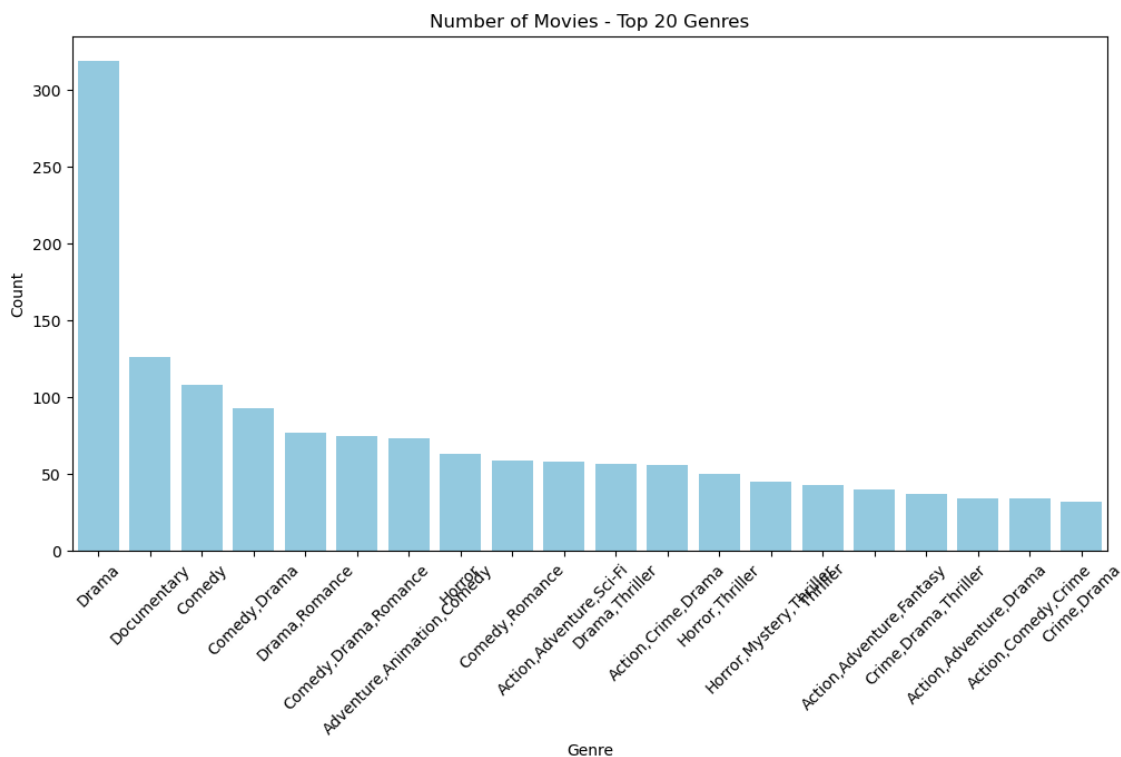
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In [74]: # Sort the genres based on worldwide gross in descending order  
sorted_by_gross = genre_data.sort_values('worldwide_gross', ascending=False)
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In [89]: # Group the data by genre and calculate average rating and number of votes  
genre_ratings = merged_data.groupby('genres')['averagerating'].mean()  
genre_votes = merged_data.groupby('genres')['numvotes'].sum()
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In [111]: # Sort the genres based on average rating and number of votes  
sorted_ratings = genre_ratings.sort_values(ascending=False)  
sorted_votes = genre_votes.sort_values(ascending=False)
```


Data analysis

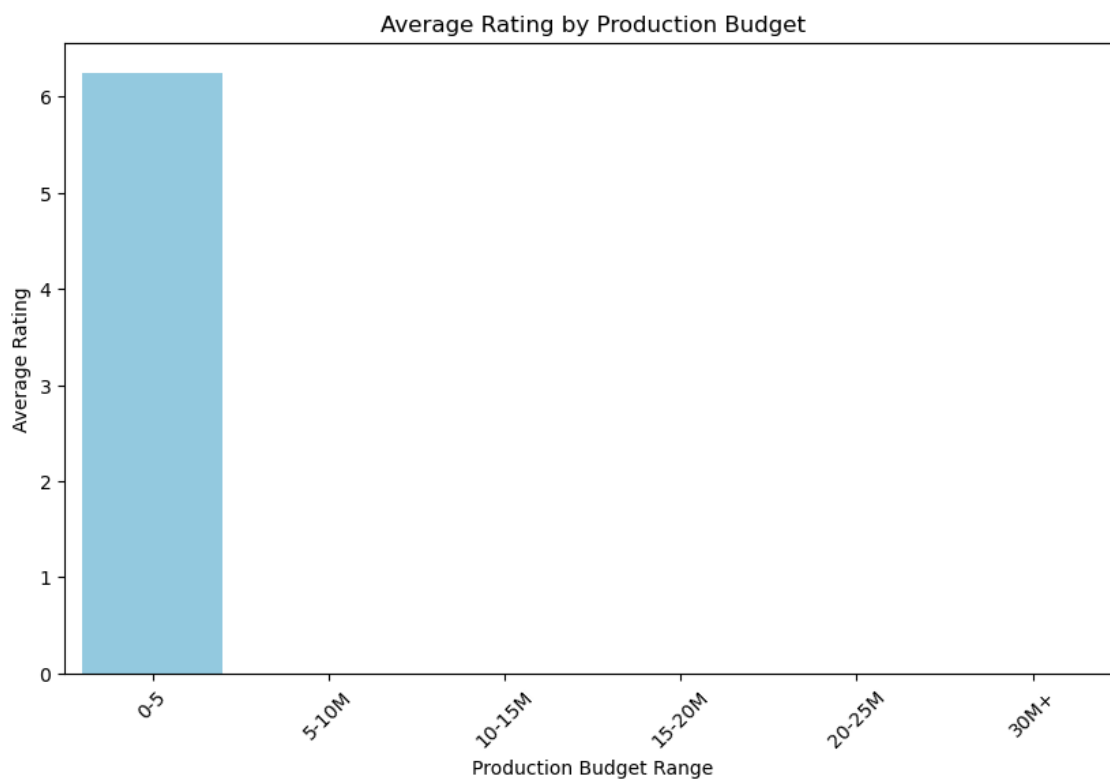
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In [160]: # Select the top 20 genres based on movie count
top_genres = genre_counts.head(20)
# Plot the count of movies for the top 20 genres
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_genres.index, y=top_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Number of Movies - Top 20 Genres')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
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In [114]: # Calculate the average rating by genre
genre_ratings = movies.groupby('genres')['averagerating'].mean().sort_values
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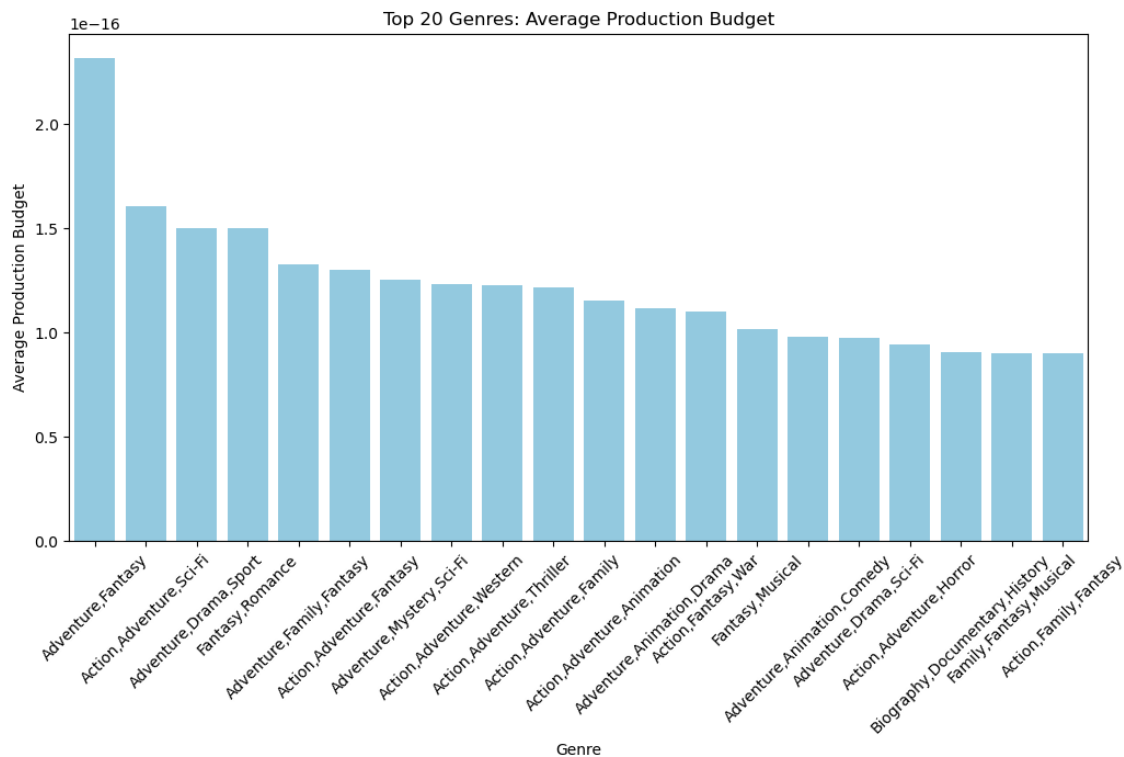
```
In [145]: ▶ # Calculate the average rating for each budget range
average_rating_by_budget = movies.groupby(budget_ranges)['averagerating'].n

# Plot the average rating by production budget
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(x=average_rating_by_budget.index, y=average_rating_by_budget.va
plt.title('Average Rating by Production Budget')
plt.xlabel('Production Budget Range')
plt.ylabel('Average Rating')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



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In [147]: # Calculate the average production budget by genre
genre_budget = movies.groupby('genres')['production_budget'].mean().sort_values(ascending=False)

# Plot the average production budget by genre
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=genre_budget.index, y=genre_budget.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Average Production Budget')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Average Production Budget')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```

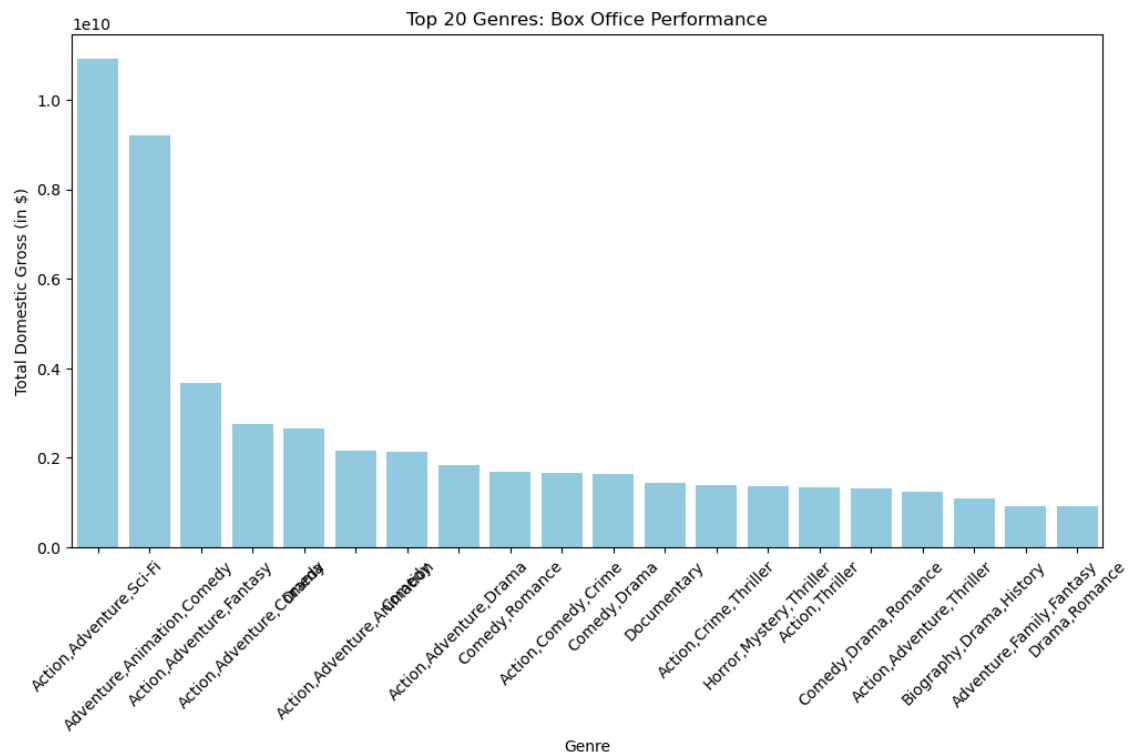


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In [164]: # Remove the dollar sign ($) from the 'domestic_gross' column
merged_data['domestic_gross'] = merged_data['domestic_gross'].apply(lambda x: x.replace('$', ''))

# Calculate the total domestic gross by genre
genre_domestic_gross = merged_data.groupby('genres')['domestic_gross'].sum()

# Select the top 20 genres based on total domestic gross
top_20_genres = genre_domestic_gross.head(20)

# Create a bar graph of the top 20 genres by total domestic gross
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_genres.index, y=top_20_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Box Office Performance')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Total Domestic Gross (in $)')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
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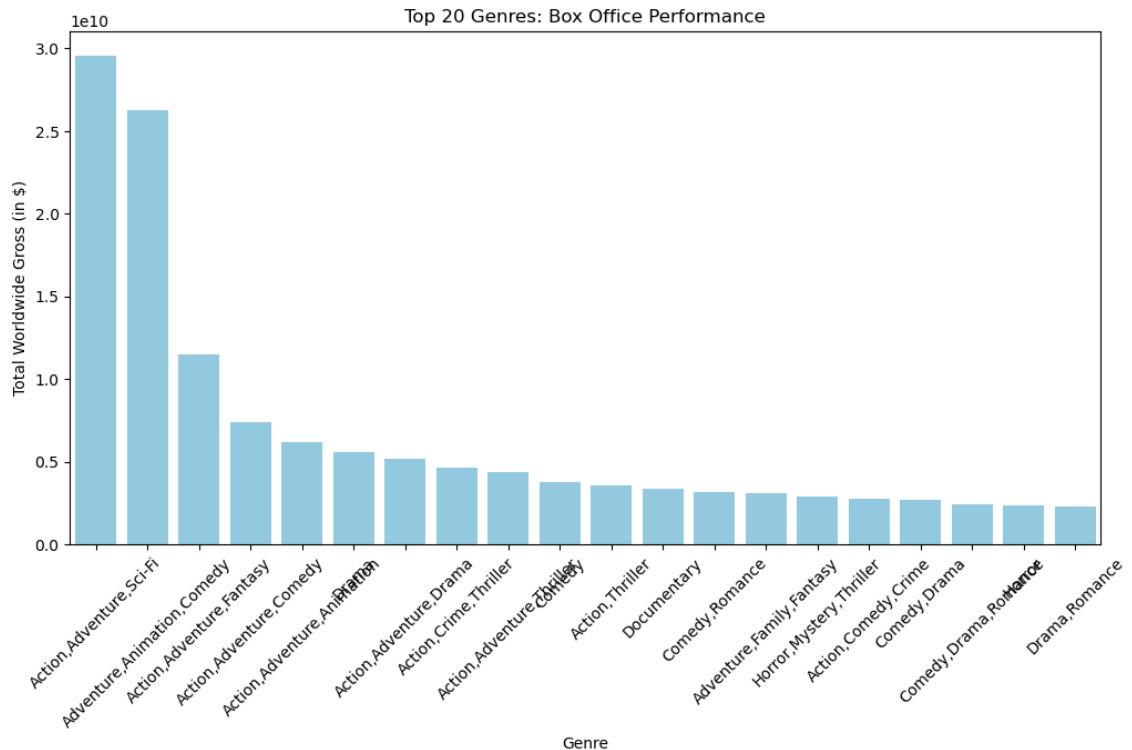


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In [165]: # Remove the dollar sign ($) from the 'worldwide_gross' column
merged_data['worldwide_gross'] = merged_data['worldwide_gross'].apply(lambda x: x.replace('$', ''))

# Calculate the total worldwide gross by genre
genre_worldwide_gross = merged_data.groupby('genres')['worldwide_gross'].sum()

# Select the top 20 genres based on total worldwide gross
top_20_genres = genre_worldwide_gross.head(20)

# Create a bar graph of the top 20 genres by total worldwide gross
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_genres.index, y=top_20_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Box Office Performance')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Total Worldwide Gross (in $)')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```

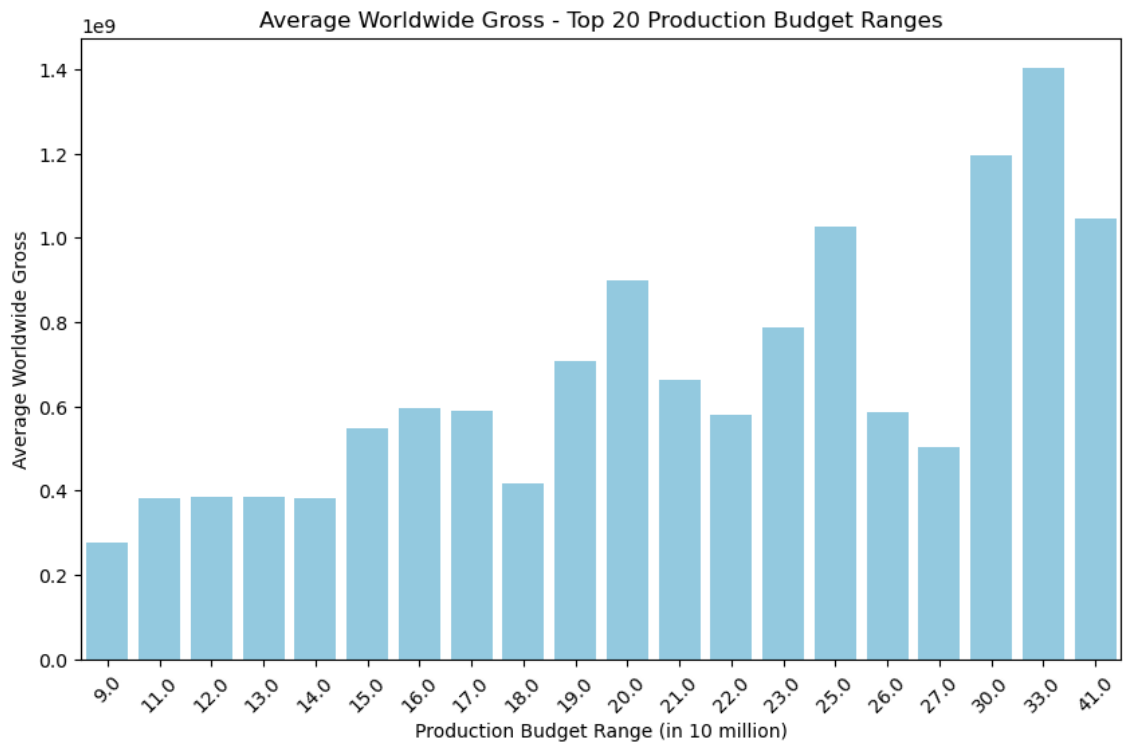


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In [171]: # Divide the production budget by 10,000,000
merged_data['budget_range'] = merged_data['production_budget'] // 10000000

# Group the data by budget range and calculate the average worldwide gross
avg_worldwide_gross_by_budget = merged_data.groupby('budget_range')['worldwide_gross'].mean()

# Select the top 20 budget ranges based on average worldwide gross
top_20_budget_ranges = avg_worldwide_gross_by_budget.nlargest(20)

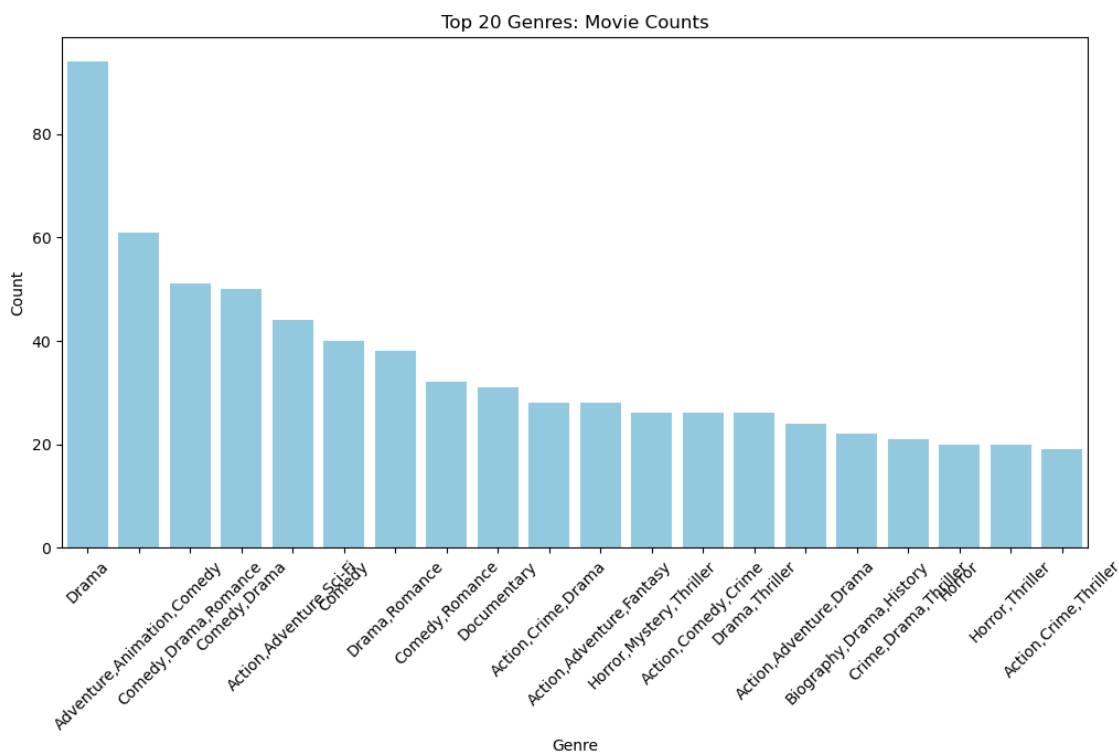
# Plot the average worldwide gross for the top 20 budget ranges using a bar plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_budget_ranges.index, y=top_20_budget_ranges.values, color='lightblue')
plt.title('Average Worldwide Gross - Top 20 Production Budget Ranges')
plt.xlabel('Production Budget Range (in 10 million)')
plt.ylabel('Average Worldwide Gross')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
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In [175]: # Select the genres column from the merged data
genres_data = merged_data['genres']

# Count the occurrences of each genre
genre_counts = genres_data.value_counts().head(20)

# Plot the genre counts using a bar graph
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=genre_counts.index, y=genre_counts.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Movie Counts')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



Data visualization


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In [177]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

# Plot the count of movies for the top 20 genres
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_genres.index, y=top_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Number of Movies - Top 20 Genres')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()

# Plot the average rating by production budget
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(x=average_rating_by_budget.index, y=average_rating_by_budget.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Average Rating by Production Budget')
plt.xlabel('Production Budget Range')
plt.ylabel('Average Rating')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()

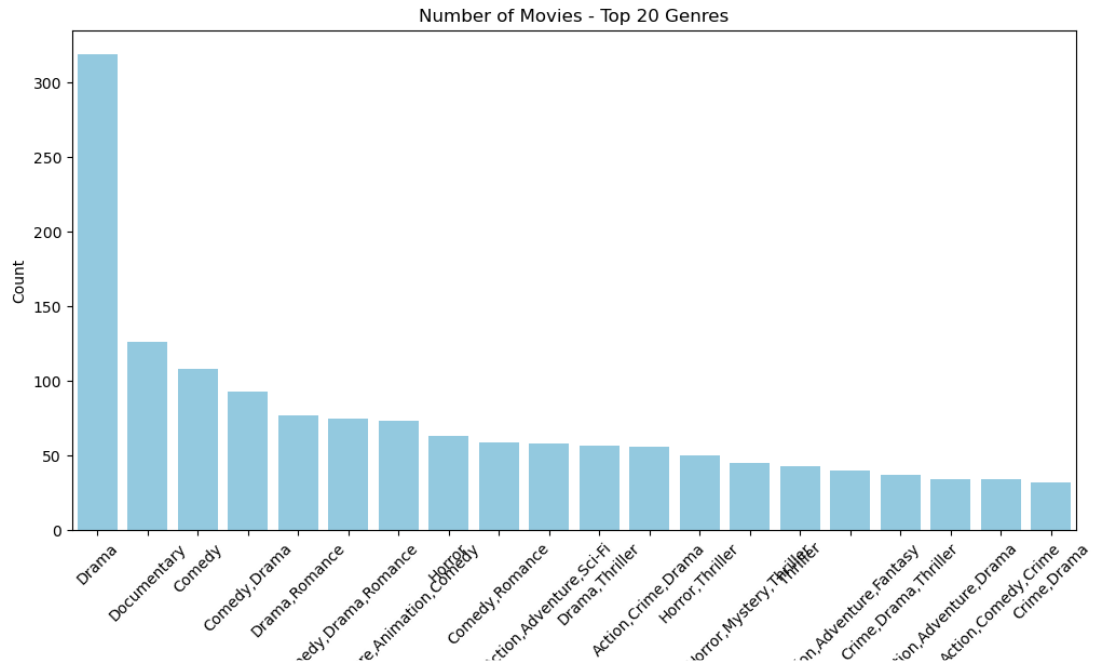
# Plot the average production budget by genre
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=genre_budget.index, y=genre_budget.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Average Production Budget')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Average Production Budget')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()

# Create a bar graph of the top 20 genres by total domestic gross
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_genres.index, y=top_20_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Box Office Performance')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Total Domestic Gross (in $)')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()

# Create a bar graph of the top 20 genres by total worldwide gross
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_genres.index, y=top_20_genres.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Box Office Performance')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Total Worldwide Gross (in $)')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()

# Plot the average worldwide gross for the top 20 budget ranges using a bar plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.barplot(x=top_20_budget_ranges.index, y=top_20_budget_ranges.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Average Worldwide Gross - Top 20 Production Budget Ranges')
plt.xlabel('Production Budget Range (in 10 million)')
plt.ylabel('Average Worldwide Gross')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
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# Plot the genre counts using a bar graph
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.barplot(x=genre_counts.index, y=genre_counts.values, color='skyblue')
plt.title('Top 20 Genres: Movie Counts')
plt.xlabel('Genre')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



Conclusion

In conclusion, this analysis provides valuable insights into the current landscape of the film industry and the types of films that have been successful at the box office. By examining trends, genre preferences, and factors contributing to the success of recent movies, we have identified key findings that can inform the decision-making process for Microsoft's new movie studio. Here are the main takeaways:

Genre Preferences: The analysis reveals the top genres that have been consistently popular at the box office. Genres such as Action, Adventure, Animation, and Fantasy have performed well in terms of both total domestic and worldwide gross.

Average Rating: The average rating by genre indicates the genres that have received higher audience ratings. Genres like Documentary, Biography, Drama, and Crime have been positively received by viewers.

Production Budget: The average production budget by genre sheds light on the investment required for different genres. Genres like Adventure, Science Fiction, and Fantasy tend to have higher average production budgets.

Budget vs. Worldwide Gross: The analysis also shows the relationship between production budget and worldwide gross. It suggests that higher production budgets don't always guarantee higher box office returns, as some mid-range budget films have performed exceptionally well.

These insights can guide Microsoft's new movie studio in making informed decisions about the types of films they should create. They can consider focusing on genres that have shown consistent success, aligning their production budgets with genre expectations, and prioritizing engaging storytelling to achieve positive audience ratings.

Recomendations

Based on the analysis conducted, here are some recommendations for Microsoft's new movie studio:

Embrace Popular Genres: Focus on producing films in genres that have shown consistent success at the box office, such as Action, Adventure, Animation, and Fantasy. These genres have a proven track record of attracting audiences and generating high box office revenue.

Diversify Genre Portfolio: While popular genres should be prioritized, it's important to diversify the genre portfolio to cater to different audience preferences. Consider exploring genres like Documentary, Biography, Drama, and Crime, which have received positive audience ratings and offer opportunities for storytelling.

Optimize Production Budget: Carefully analyze the average production budgets of different genres and align them with genre expectations. While genres like Adventure, Science Fiction, and Fantasy may require higher budgets, explore strategies to optimize production costs without compromising on quality. Allocate resources efficiently to ensure a balance between investment and potential returns.

Focus on Engaging Storytelling: Regardless of genre, prioritize engaging storytelling that captivates audiences. Develop strong scripts, compelling characters, and narratives that resonate with viewers. A well-crafted story can often overcome genre limitations and attract a wider audience.

Stay Updated with Industry Trends: The film industry is dynamic, and audience preferences evolve over time. Stay updated with industry trends, emerging genres, and changing audience demands. Regularly monitor audience feedback, conduct market research, and adapt strategies accordingly to stay ahead of the curve.

Collaborate with Established Talent: Seek collaborations with established directors, writers, and actors who have a proven track record in successful films. Their expertise and creative vision can enhance the quality and appeal of the movies produced by Microsoft's movie studio.

Marketing and Distribution Strategy: Develop a comprehensive marketing and distribution strategy to ensure effective promotion and wide distribution of the films. Leverage Microsoft's existing platforms and partnerships to maximize reach and audience engagement. Invest in strategic marketing campaigns and explore innovative distribution models to reach global audiences.

Audience Feedback and Analytics: Establish mechanisms to collect and analyze audience feedback and analytics. Pay attention to audience reactions, reviews, and ratings to understand their preferences and fine-tune future productions. Utilize data analytics to identify patterns, trends, and audience behavior to inform decision-making processes.

Adaptability and Flexibility: Remain adaptable and flexible in response to market dynamics and audience feedback. Embrace experimentation and take calculated risks in content creation, while being open to feedback and willing to adjust strategies based on audience response.

Long-Term Vision: Establish a long-term vision for Microsoft's movie studio. Building a successful movie studio takes time and requires consistent effort. Focus on nurturing talent, fostering creativity, and developing a robust pipeline of diverse projects that align with the studio's vision and values.

By implementing these recommendations, Microsoft's new movie studio can increase its chances of creating compelling, commercially successful films that resonate with audiences, drive box office revenue, and establish a strong presence in the competitive film industry.

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