Microsoft's Movie Studios Analysis

An exploratory data analysis on movie performance parameters to answer strategic business questions.

Business Understanding

What are we trying to answer?

- The market for original video content is constantly growing.
- Our focus is to understand how to navigate the market
- We will build a strategy for our new productions by answering these 3 questions.
 - 1. What genres perform the best in ROI and Net Profit?
 - 2. When is the best time to release our new production?
 - 3. How does production budget size and runtime minutes effect Net Profit?

How will we do this?

Through use of Exploratory Data Analysis:

Seek Patterns



Understand our Investment

Identify Top
Performers

The Data

Where did the information take me?

The Data from the Analysis

- IMDB (runtime minutes and genres)
- The Numbers (world wide gross and production budget)

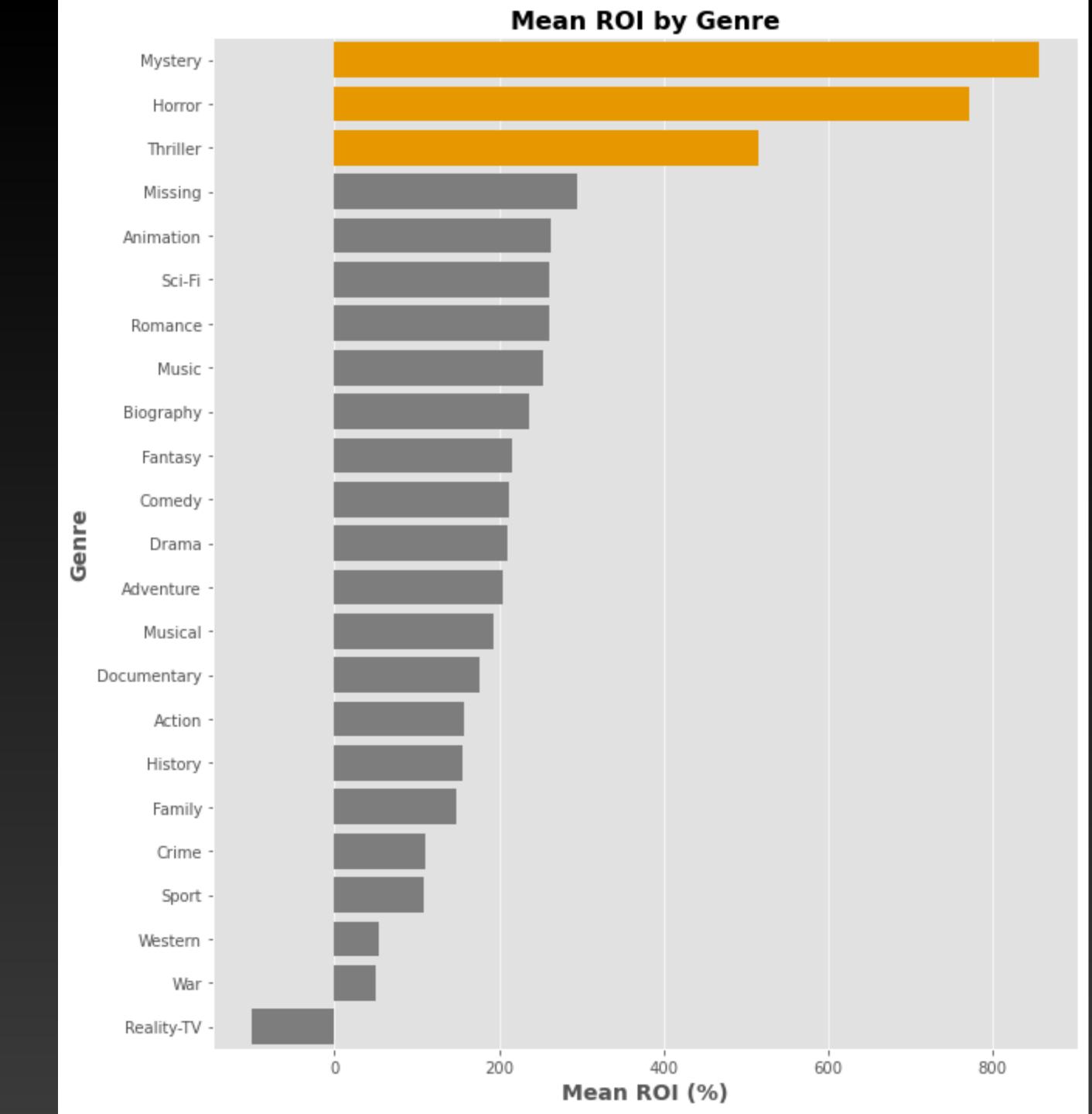
World-wide gross - production budget = Profit.

Genres, Titles, Runtime, Production Costs, Gross Revenue (Foreign/Domestic), and Releaes Dates.

What Genres Performs the Best?

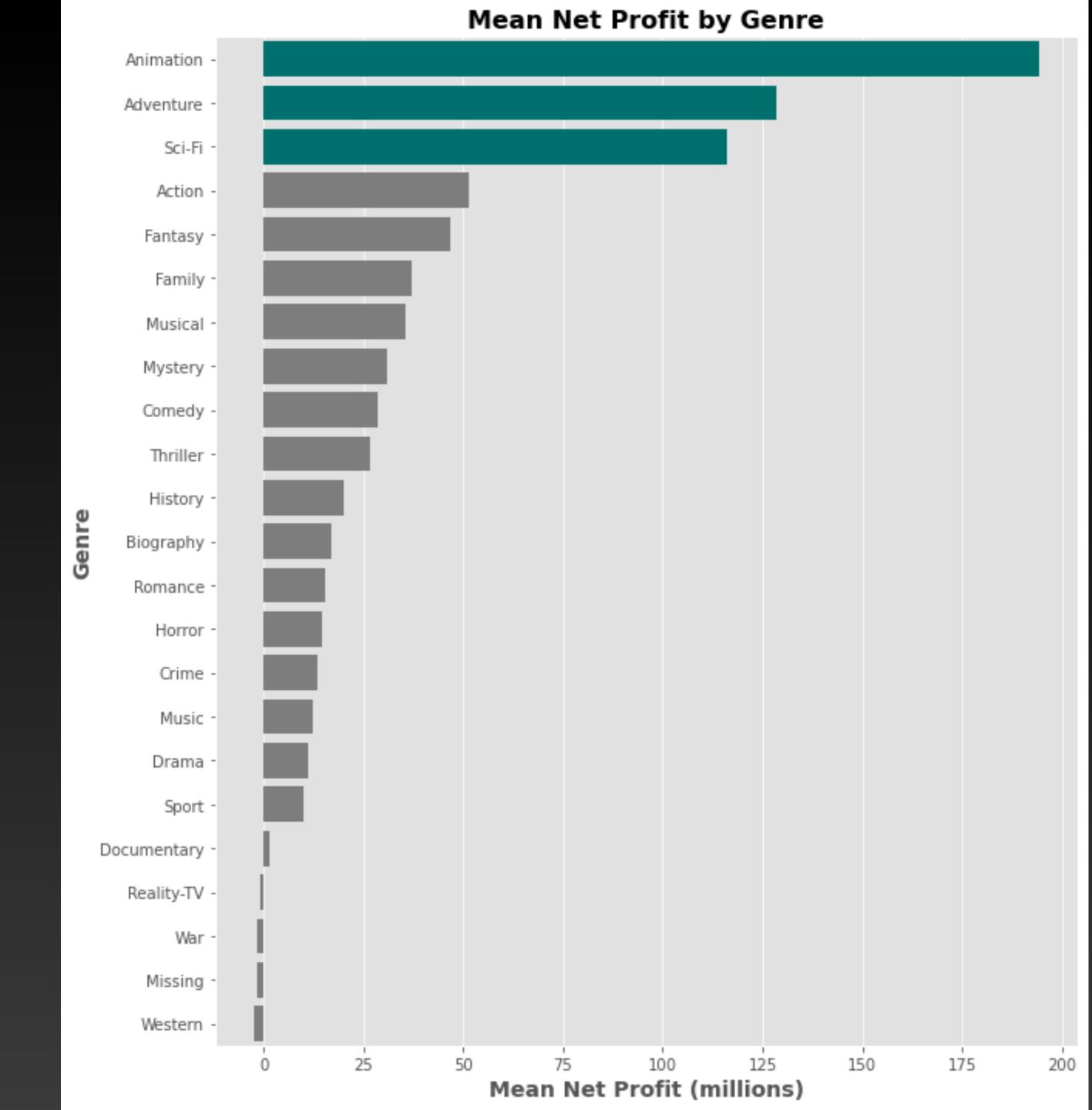
Genre Performance Return on Investment

- Mystery, Horror, and Thriller.
- Generate the most for every dollar invested
- Good to generate cash flow from lower investment.



Genre Performance Net Profit

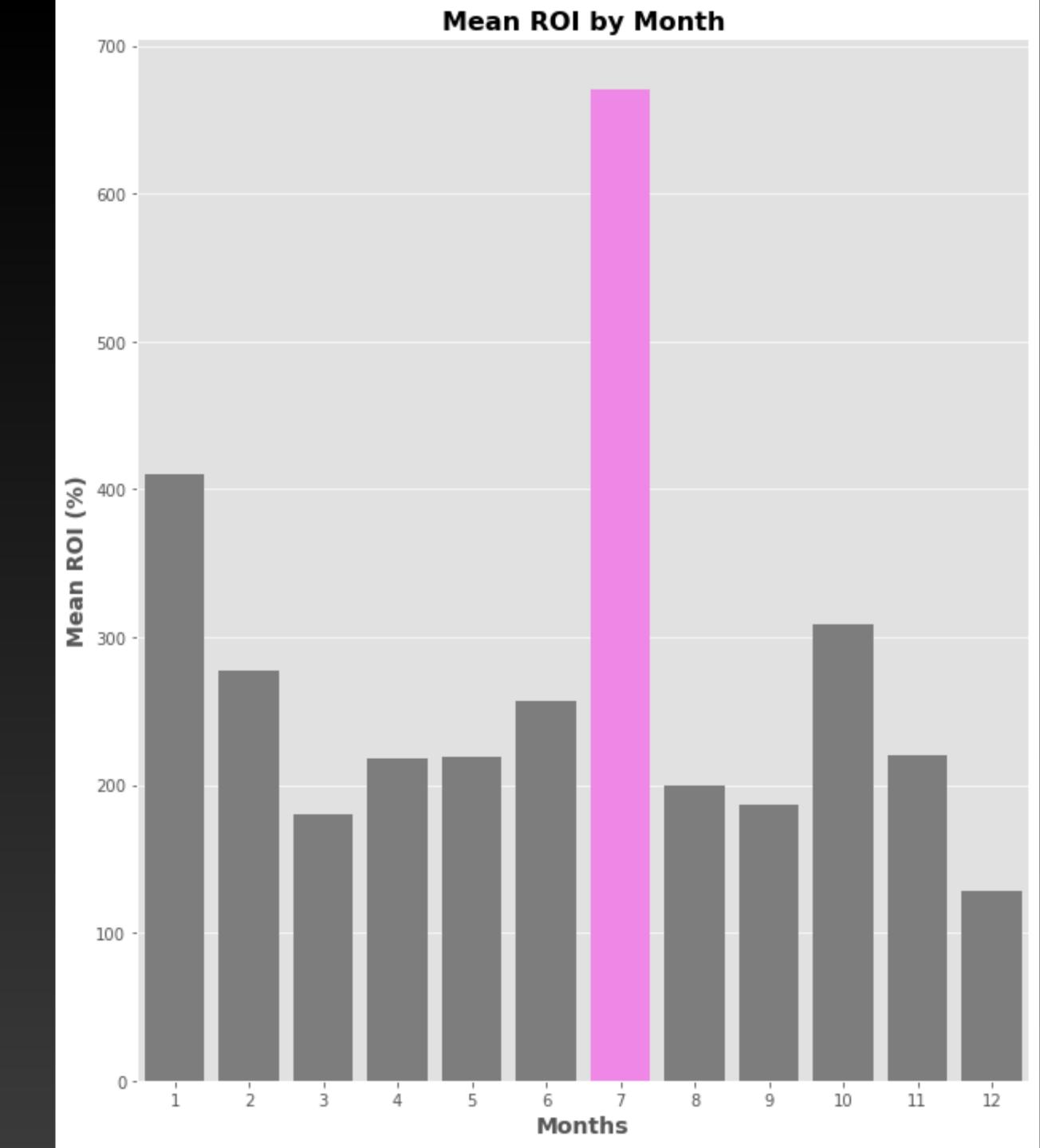
- Animation, Adventure, and Sci-Fi.
- These genres will generate the highest capital but require big budgets and have lower ROI
- Bigger productions with high investment



When Should We Release a Film?

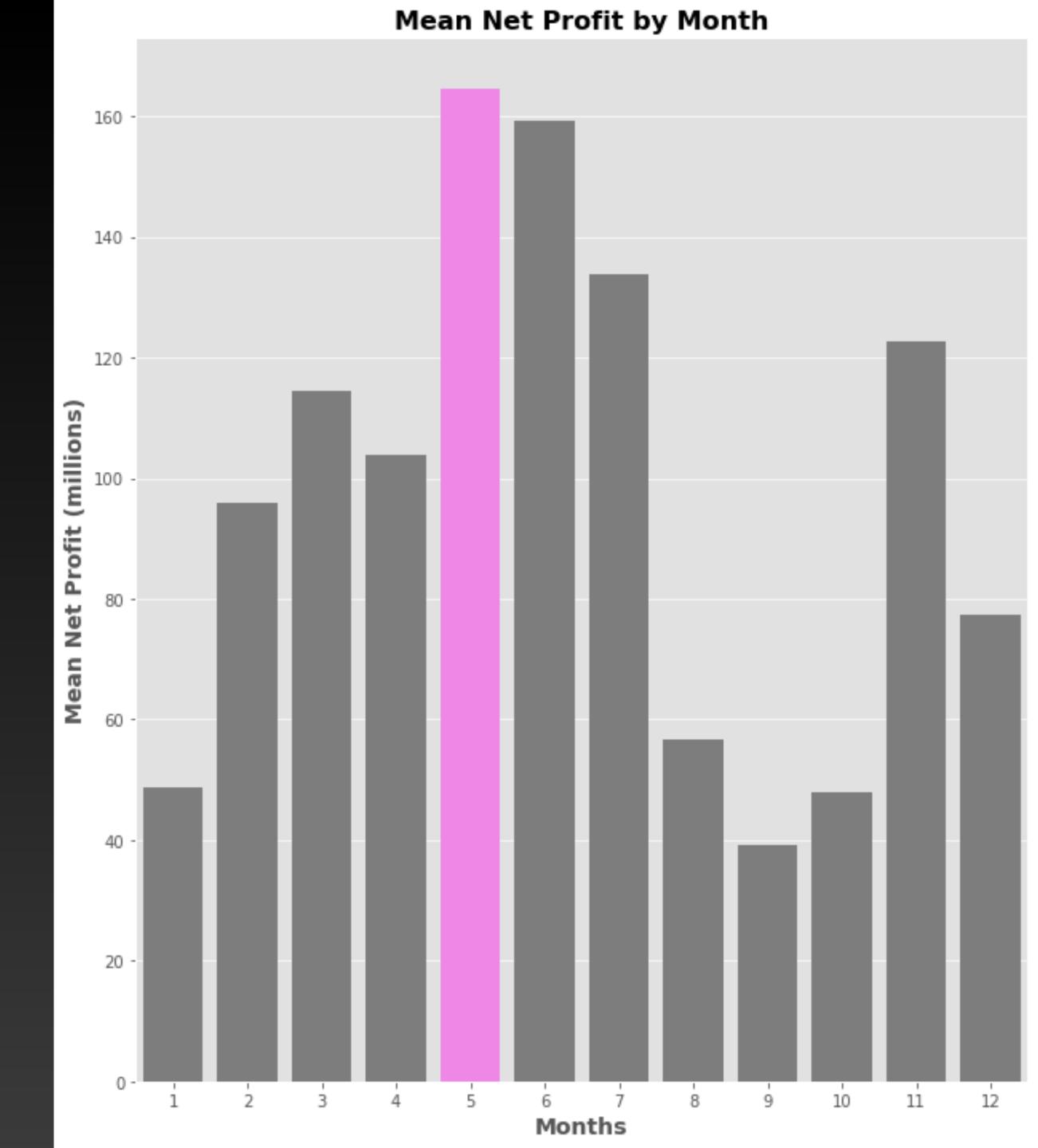
Release Strategy Return on Investment

- Best release in July.
- High ROI films best released in July.
- Mystery, Horror and Thriller
- Prepares for Autumn Season.



Release Strategy Net Profit

- Best release in May.
- Genres with high Net Profit.
- Animation, Adventure, and Sci-Fi.
- Prepares for Summer Season.



What to Invest In Budget and Runtime?

\$175 Million

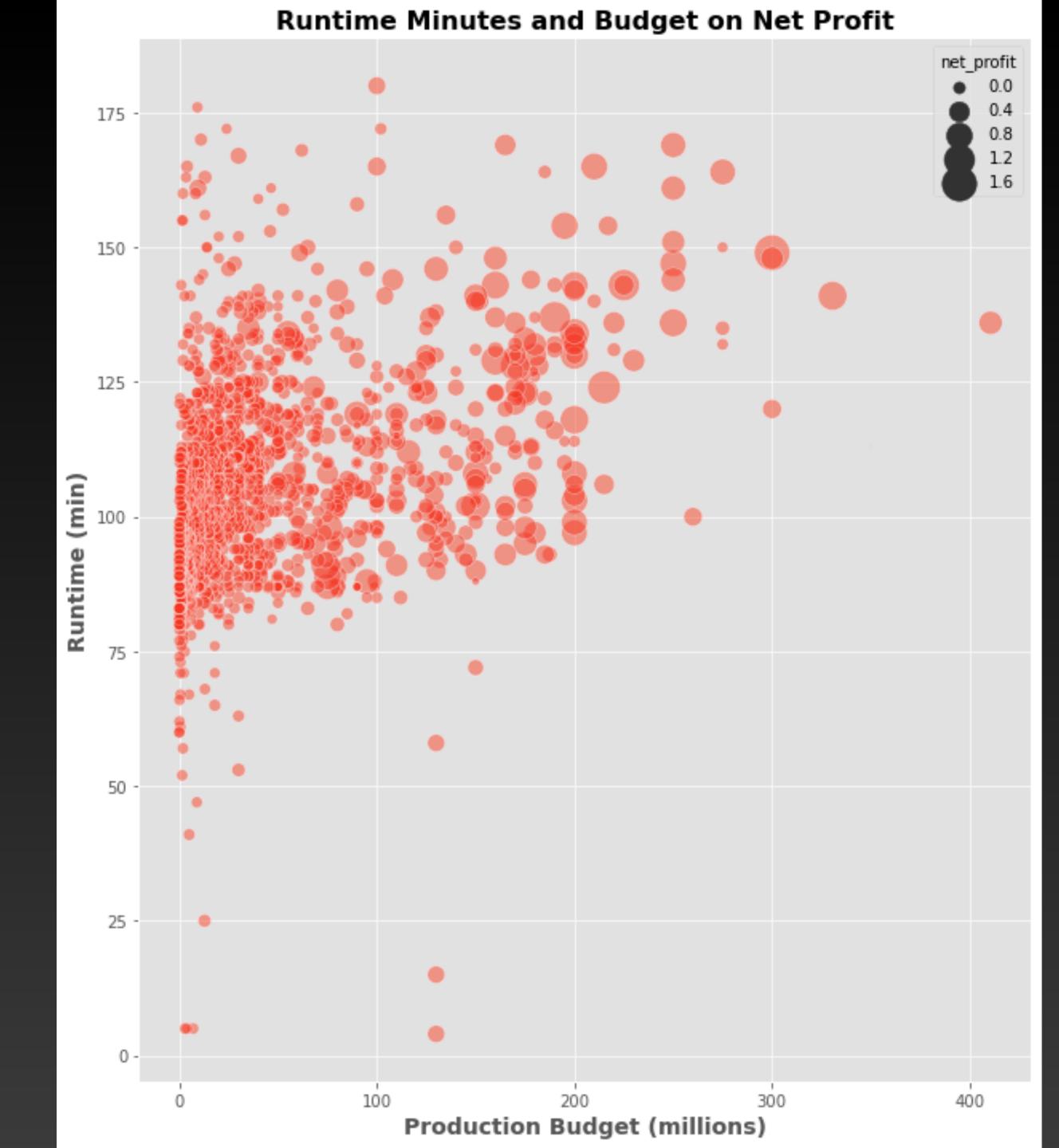
Average Production Budget of Top 50 Movies

125 Minutes

Average Runtime Minutes of Top 50 Movies

Investment Strategy Runtime and Budget

- Positive trend
- High Investment = High Net Profit
- 125 min of runtime
- \$175 million



Business Recommendation

- 1. Combination of lower Budget films with high ROI (Mystery, Horror, Thriller) and high Budget films with high Net Profit (Animation, Adventure, Sci-fi).
- 2. Our high ROI projects will be released in July while our high Net Profit projects will be released in May.
- 3. Invest in at least \$175 million for our Animation, Adventure, Sci-Fi films with runtime minutes of 125 minutes.



"I don't make pictures to make money. I make money to make more pictures."

Credits

- Datasets:
 - 1. The Movie DB
 - 2. The Numbers
- Size of Final Dataset is 1532 rows
- Github Repo https://github.com/kai-cansler/dsc-phase-1-project-v2-4/
- Walt Disney Quote https://www.imdb.com/name/nm0000370/quotes/
- Camera Photo https://www.pexels.com/photo/black-camera-2873486/