

# 2\_Investigate\_A\_Dataset

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## 1 Project: Investigate A Dataset – Movies

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### 1.1 Introduction

I selected TMDb movie data (cleaned from original data on Kaggle). This data set contains information about 10,000 movies collected from The Movie Database (TMDb), including user ratings and revenue.

- Certain columns, like cast and genres, contain multiple values separated by pipe (|) characters.
- There are some odd characters in the cast column. Don't worry about cleaning them. You can leave them as is.
- The final two columns ending with \_adj show the budget and revenue of the associated movie in terms of 2010 dollars, accounting for inflation over time.

#### 1.1.1 Questions

Here are the questions I set out to answer:

- Which movies were most and least profitable?
- What was the most profitable movie each year?
- Have movie budgets increased over time?
- Are blockbuster movies longer than non-blockbusters?
- What is the most profitable genre?

### 1.2 Imports and settings

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import stats

%matplotlib inline
%config InlineBackend.figure_format = 'retina'
```

```
In [2]: # PyPlot style sheets
plt.style.use('fivethirtyeight')
plt.style.use('seaborn-poster')

# Format floats to show commas and two decimals
pd.options.display.float_format = "{0:,.2f}".format
```

## 1.3 Data wrangling

### 1.3.1 General properties

```
In [3]: # Load your data and print out a few lines.
df = pd.read_csv('data/tmdb-movies.csv')
df.head()
```

```
Out[3]:
```

	id	imdb_id	popularity	budget	revenue	\
0	135397	tt0369610	32.99	150000000	1513528810	
1	76341	tt1392190	28.42	150000000	378436354	
2	262500	tt2908446	13.11	110000000	295238201	
3	140607	tt2488496	11.17	200000000	2068178225	
4	168259	tt2820852	9.34	190000000	1506249360	

	original_title	\
0	Jurassic World	
1	Mad Max: Fury Road	
2	Insurgent	
3	Star Wars: The Force Awakens	
4	Furious 7	

	cast	\
0	Chris Pratt Bryce Dallas Howard Irrfan Khan Vi...	
1	Tom Hardy Charlize Theron Hugh Keays-Byrne Nic...	
2	Shailene Woodley Theo James Kate Winslet Ansel...	
3	Harrison Ford Mark Hamill Carrie Fisher Adam D...	
4	Vin Diesel Paul Walker Jason Statham Michelle ...	

	homepage	director	\
0	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>	Colin Trevorrow	
1	<a href="http://www.madmaxmovie.com/">http://www.madmaxmovie.com/</a>	George Miller	
2	<a href="http://www.thedivergentseries.movie/#insurgent">http://www.thedivergentseries.movie/#insurgent</a>	Robert Schwentke	
3	<a href="http://www.starwars.com/films/star-wars-episod...">http://www.starwars.com/films/star-wars-episod...</a>	J.J. Abrams	
4	<a href="http://www.furious7.com/">http://www.furious7.com/</a>	James Wan	

	tagline	...	\
0	The park is open.	...	
1	What a Lovely Day.	...	
2	One Choice Can Destroy You	...	
3	Every generation has a story.	...	
4	Vengeance Hits Home	...	

```

                                overview runtime \
0  Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...      124
1  An apocalyptic story set in the furthest reach...      120
2  Beatrice Prior must confront her inner demons ...      119
3  Thirty years after defeating the Galactic Empi...      136
4  Deckard Shaw seeks revenge against Dominic Tor...      137

                                genres \
0  Action|Adventure|Science Fiction|Thriller
1  Action|Adventure|Science Fiction|Thriller
2  Adventure|Science Fiction|Thriller
3  Action|Adventure|Science Fiction|Fantasy
4  Action|Crime|Thriller

                                production_companies release_date vote_count \
0  Universal Studios|Amblin Entertainment|Legenda...      6/9/15      5562
1  Village Roadshow Pictures|Kennedy Miller Produ...      5/13/15      6185
2  Summit Entertainment|Mandeville Films|Red Wago...      3/18/15      2480
3  Lucasfilm|Truenorth Productions|Bad Robot      12/15/15      5292
4  Universal Pictures|Original Film|Media Rights ...      4/1/15      2947

    vote_average  release_year    budget_adj    revenue_adj
0           6.50         2015 137,999,939.28  1,392,445,892.52
1           7.10         2015 137,999,939.28   348,161,292.49
2           6.30         2015 101,199,955.47   271,619,025.41
3           7.50         2015 183,999,919.04  1,902,723,129.80
4           7.30         2015 174,799,923.09  1,385,748,801.47

```

[5 rows x 21 columns]

Perform operations to inspect data types and look for instances of missing or possibly errant data.

In [4]: df.dtypes

```

Out[4]: id                int64
        imdb_id           object
        popularity        float64
        budget           int64
        revenue          int64
        original_title    object
        cast             object
        homepage          object
        director          object
        tagline           object
        keywords          object
        overview          object

```

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runtime                int64
genres                 object
production_companies   object
release_date           object
vote_count             int64
vote_average           float64
release_year           int64
budget_adj             float64
revenue_adj            float64
dtype: object

```

In [5]: df.shape

Out[5]: (10866, 21)

In [6]: df.describe()

```

Out[6]:

```

	id	popularity	budget	revenue	runtime	\
count	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00	
mean	66,064.18	0.65	14,625,701.09	39,823,319.79	102.07	
std	92,130.14	1.00	30,913,213.83	117,003,486.58	31.38	
min	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
25%	10,596.25	0.21	0.00	0.00	90.00	
50%	20,669.00	0.38	0.00	0.00	99.00	
75%	75,610.00	0.71	15,000,000.00	24,000,000.00	111.00	
max	417,859.00	32.99	425,000,000.00	2,781,505,847.00	900.00	

	vote_count	vote_average	release_year	budget_adj	revenue_adj
count	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00	10,866.00
mean	217.39	5.97	2,001.32	17,551,039.82	51,364,363.25
std	575.62	0.94	12.81	34,306,155.72	144,632,485.04
min	10.00	1.50	1,960.00	0.00	0.00
25%	17.00	5.40	1,995.00	0.00	0.00
50%	38.00	6.00	2,006.00	0.00	0.00
75%	145.75	6.60	2,011.00	20,853,251.08	33,697,095.72
max	9,767.00	9.20	2,015.00	425,000,000.00	2,827,123,750.41

In [7]: df.info()

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 10866 entries, 0 to 10865
Data columns (total 21 columns):
id                10866 non-null int64
imdb_id           10856 non-null object
popularity        10866 non-null float64
budget            10866 non-null int64
revenue           10866 non-null int64
original_title    10866 non-null object
cast              10790 non-null object

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homepage          2936 non-null object
director          10822 non-null object
tagline           8042 non-null object
keywords          9373 non-null object
overview          10862 non-null object
runtime           10866 non-null int64
genres            10843 non-null object
production_companies 9836 non-null object
release_date      10866 non-null object
vote_count        10866 non-null int64
vote_average      10866 non-null float64
release_year      10866 non-null int64
budget_adj        10866 non-null float64
revenue_adj       10866 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(4), int64(6), object(11)
memory usage: 1.7+ MB

```

```
In [8]: df.nunique()
```

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Out[8]: id          10865
        imdb_id     10855
        popularity  10814
        budget       557
        revenue      4702
        original_title 10571
        cast         10719
        homepage     2896
        director     5067
        tagline      7997
        keywords     8804
        overview     10847
        runtime       247
        genres       2039
        production_companies 7445
        release_date  5909
        vote_count    1289
        vote_average   72
        release_year   56
        budget_adj    2614
        revenue_adj    4840
        dtype: int64

```

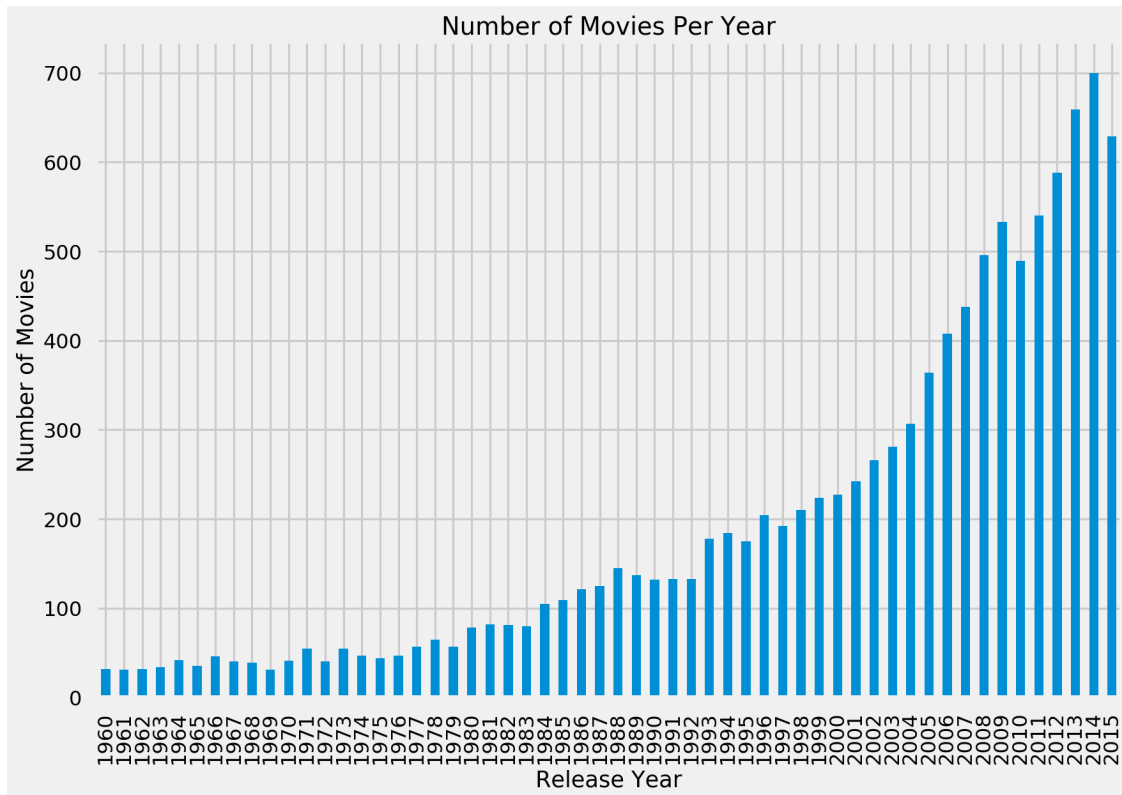
How are the movies distributed by release year?

```

In [63]: df.groupby('release_year')['id'].count().plot.bar()
         plt.xlabel('Release Year')
         plt.ylabel('Number of Movies')

```

```
plt.title('Number of Movies Per Year')
plt.show()
```



## 1.4 Data cleaning

### 1.4.1 Eliminate duplicates

I noticed that there is at least one duplicate row (there are 10866 entries but only 10865 unique ids).

```
In [11]: # Get rid of any duplicate rows
df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
```

### 1.4.2 Fix datatypes

The release\_date column is an object, but it should be a datetime.

```
In [12]: df.release_date.head()
```

```
Out[12]: 0      6/9/15
1      5/13/15
2      3/18/15
3     12/15/15
4      4/1/15
Name: release_date, dtype: object
```

```
In [13]: # Convert to a datetime
         df['release_date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['release_date'])

In [14]: df.release_date.head()

Out[14]: 0    2015-06-09
         1    2015-05-13
         2    2015-03-18
         3    2015-12-15
         4    2015-04-01
         Name: release_date, dtype: datetime64[ns]
```

### 1.4.3 Add derived columns

I intend to look at profitability, so I'm going to add a net\_income column.

```
In [15]: df['revenue_adj'].describe()

Out[15]: count          10,865.00
         mean          51,369,001.76
         std          144,638,333.13
         min              0.00
         25%              0.00
         50%              0.00
         75%          33,701,729.01
         max          2,827,123,750.41
         Name: revenue_adj, dtype: float64
```

```
In [16]: df['budget_adj'].describe()

Out[16]: count          10,865.00
         mean          17,549,894.04
         std           34,307,526.66
         min              0.00
         25%              0.00
         50%              0.00
         75%          20,853,251.08
         max          425,000,000.00
         Name: budget_adj, dtype: float64
```

There are a lot of zeros and I don't want to include them in any income calculations. Here's a quick function to calculate net income *only* if both budget and revenue are greater than zero. I'll return NaN if not so I can easily drop those rows later.

Since I'm going to be comparing profits over time, I want to make sure to use the inflation-adjusted revenue and budget numbers. I'll be using the \_adj columns.

```
In [17]: # Calculate net income only if both budget_adj and revenue_adj are > 0
         def income(row):
             if row['budget_adj'] > 0 and row['revenue_adj'] > 0:
```

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        val = row['revenue_adj'] - row['budget_adj']
    else:
        val = float('NaN')
    return val

```

```

In [18]: # Now run the function on every row to create a new column called net_income
df['net_income'] = df.apply(income, axis=1)

```

```

In [19]: df.net_income.describe()

```

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Out[19]: count          3,854.00
         mean       92,824,697.22
         std      194,071,459.74
         min     -413,912,431.00
         25%      -1,504,994.63
         50%       27,370,641.16
         75%      107,454,751.41
         max       2,750,136,650.92
         Name: net_income, dtype: float64

```

#### 1.4.4 Normalize overloaded columns

The cast and genres columns are pipe-delimited strings. I'm going to extract them into new dataframes and create lookup dataframes to handle the relationships.

```

In [20]: # I found this function for flattening columns that contain
# multiple delimited values. It does exactly what I need.
# Found here: https://gist.github.com/jlln/338b4b0b55bd6984f883
def splitDataFrameList(df, target_column, separator):
    ''' df = dataframe to split,
        target_column = the column containing the values to split
        separator = the symbol used to perform the split
        returns: a dataframe with each entry for the target column
        separated, with each element moved into a new row.
        The values in the other columns are duplicated across
        the newly divided rows.
    '''
    row_accumulator = []

    def splitListToRows(row, separator):
        split_row = row[target_column].split(separator)
        for s in split_row:
            new_row = row.to_dict()
            new_row[target_column] = s
            row_accumulator.append(new_row)

    df.apply(splitListToRows, axis=1, args=(separator, ))
    new_df = pd.DataFrame(row_accumulator)
    return new_df

```



```
In [21]: # Split and flatten the cast and genres categories
df_flat = splitDataFrameList(df.dropna(), 'cast', '|')
df_flat = splitDataFrameList(df_flat.dropna(), 'genres', '|')
df_flat = splitDataFrameList(df_flat.dropna(), 'keywords', '|')
```

```
In [22]: df_flat.describe()
```

```
Out [22]:
```

	budget	budget_adj	id	net_income	popularity \
count	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00
mean	60,724,919.60	63,757,724.78	49,444.64	172,223,733.42	2.03
std	59,801,738.44	59,404,434.38	70,693.56	295,085,244.58	2.46
min	1.00	0.97	11.00	-413,912,431.00	0.01
25%	17,000,000.00	19,387,960.85	4,464.00	5,387,689.10	0.76
50%	40,000,000.00	43,622,911.92	17,979.00	60,073,390.00	1.32
75%	85,000,000.00	91,941,878.45	60,308.00	210,161,353.21	2.49
max	425,000,000.00	425,000,000.00	333,348.00	2,750,136,650.92	32.99

	release_year	revenue	revenue_adj	runtime	vote_average \
count	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00	79,400.00
mean	2,006.67	208,570,350.20	235,981,458.19	111.02	6.30
std	8.49	281,825,273.88	326,061,177.81	19.43	0.80
min	1,961.00	43.00	43.00	63.00	2.20
25%	2,005.00	31,670,620.00	34,084,779.31	97.00	5.80
50%	2,009.00	101,371,017.00	110,662,825.91	108.00	6.30
75%	2,011.00	284,600,000.00	320,834,306.77	122.00	6.90
max	2,015.00	2,781,505,847.00	2,827,123,750.41	201.00	8.30

	vote_count
count	79,400.00
mean	1,110.75
std	1,377.22
min	10.00
25%	228.00
50%	560.00
75%	1,527.00
max	9,767.00

To keep things clean, I'm going to make separate dataframes:

- df\_film will contain only columns I won't be summing or averaging (such as genre and cast)
- df\_vals will contain the remaining columns

```
In [23]: df_film = df_flat.drop(columns=[
        'budget', 'budget_adj', 'net_income', 'revenue', 'revenue_adj',
        'vote_average', 'vote_count'
    ])
df_film.head()
```

```
Out [23]:
```

	cast	director	genres	homepage \
0	Chris Pratt	Colin Trevorrow	Action	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>
1	Chris Pratt	Colin Trevorrow	Action	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>
2	Chris Pratt	Colin Trevorrow	Action	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>
3	Chris Pratt	Colin Trevorrow	Action	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>
4	Chris Pratt	Colin Trevorrow	Action	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>

	id	imdb_id	keywords	original_title \
0	135397	tt0369610	monster	Jurassic World
1	135397	tt0369610	dna	Jurassic World
2	135397	tt0369610	tyrannosaurus rex	Jurassic World
3	135397	tt0369610	velociraptor	Jurassic World
4	135397	tt0369610	island	Jurassic World

	overview	popularity \
0	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99
1	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99
2	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99
3	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99
4	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99

	production_companies	release_date \
0	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09
1	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09
2	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09
3	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09
4	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09

	release_year	runtime	tagline
0	2015	124	The park is open.
1	2015	124	The park is open.
2	2015	124	The park is open.
3	2015	124	The park is open.
4	2015	124	The park is open.

```
In [24]: df_vals = df_flat.drop(columns=['genres', 'cast', 'keywords'])
df_vals.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
df_vals.head()
```

```
Out [24]:
```

	budget	budget_adj	director \
0	150000000	137,999,939.28	Colin Trevorrow
100	150000000	137,999,939.28	George Miller
200	110000000	101,199,955.47	Robert Schwentke
275	200000000	183,999,919.04	J.J. Abrams
375	190000000	174,799,923.09	James Wan

	homepage	id	imdb_id \
0	<a href="http://www.jurassicworld.com/">http://www.jurassicworld.com/</a>	135397	tt0369610

100	http://www.madmaxmovie.com/	76341	tt1392190
200	http://www.thedivergentseries.movie/#insurgent	262500	tt2908446
275	http://www.starwars.com/films/star-wars-episod...	140607	tt2488496
375	http://www.furious7.com/	168259	tt2820852

	net_income	original_title \
0	1,254,445,953.24	Jurassic World
100	210,161,353.21	Mad Max: Fury Road
200	170,419,069.94	Insurgent
275	1,718,723,210.76	Star Wars: The Force Awakens
375	1,210,948,878.38	Furious 7

	overview	popularity \
0	Twenty-two years after the events of Jurassic ...	32.99
100	An apocalyptic story set in the furthest reach...	28.42
200	Beatrice Prior must confront her inner demons ...	13.11
275	Thirty years after defeating the Galactic Empi...	11.17
375	Deckard Shaw seeks revenge against Dominic Tor...	9.34

	production_companies	release_date \
0	Universal Studios Amblin Entertainment Legenda...	2015-06-09
100	Village Roadshow Pictures Kennedy Miller Produ...	2015-05-13
200	Summit Entertainment Mandeville Films Red Wago...	2015-03-18
275	Lucasfilm Truenorth Productions Bad Robot	2015-12-15
375	Universal Pictures Original Film Media Rights ...	2015-04-01

	release_year	revenue	revenue_adj	runtime \
0	2015	1513528810	1,392,445,892.52	124
100	2015	378436354	348,161,292.49	120
200	2015	295238201	271,619,025.41	119
275	2015	2068178225	1,902,723,129.80	136
375	2015	1506249360	1,385,748,801.47	137

	tagline	vote_average	vote_count
0	The park is open.	6.50	5562
100	What a Lovely Day.	7.10	6185
200	One Choice Can Destroy You	6.30	2480
275	Every generation has a story.	7.50	5292
375	Vengeance Hits Home	7.30	2947

## 1.5 Exploratory data analysis

### 1.5.1 Research Question: Which movies were most and least profitable?

What are the most profitable movies?

```
In [25]: df_vals.sort_values(['net_income'], ascending=False)[[
        'id', 'original_title', 'budget_adj', 'revenue_adj', 'net_income'
    ]].head()
```

```
Out [25]:
```

	id	original_title	budget_adj	revenue_adj	net_income	
	9910	11	Star Wars	39,575,591.36	2,789,712,242.28	2,750,136,650.92
	10060	19995	Avatar	240,886,902.89	2,827,123,750.41	2,586,236,847.52
	49789	597	Titanic	271,692,064.21	2,506,405,735.42	2,234,713,671.21
	79025	9552	The Exorcist	39,289,276.63	2,167,324,901.20	2,128,035,624.57
	77245	578	Jaws	28,362,748.20	1,907,005,841.92	1,878,643,093.71

What are the *least* profitable movies?

```
In [26]: df_vals.sort_values(['net_income'], ascending=True)[[
    'id', 'original_title', 'budget_adj', 'revenue_adj', 'net_income'
]].head()
```

```
Out [26]:
```

	id	original_title	budget_adj	revenue_adj	net_income	
	23771	46528	The Warrior's Way	425,000,000.00	11,087,569.00	-413,912,431.00
	52909	57201	The Lone Ranger	238,688,504.95	83,578,333.82	-155,110,171.13
	37094	50321	Mars Needs Moms	145,409,706.39	37,799,503.28	-107,610,203.11
	59184	11619	Flushed Away	161,168,704.59	69,723,654.08	-91,445,050.50
	76025	10153	Sphere	100,327,160.18	17,523,810.64	-82,803,349.54

According to this, *The Warrior's Way* (2010) was the least profitable movie of all time, with a \ \$425M budget and only \ \$11M in revenue. Hold on, though, that seems suspiciously bad. According to [the film's Wikipedia page](#), the movie had a budget of \ \$42M, not \ \$425M! The data is off by an order of magnitude. Still a turkey, but not a nine-figure turkey.

Finding inaccuracies in the dataset makes me question its quality. I'll proceed with caution when it comes to budget and revenue. Since this one is such an outlier, I'll manually correct it by just dropping the row and moving on.

```
In [27]: # Drop The Warrior's Way (id=46528)
df_vals = df_vals[df_vals.id != 46528]
```

```
In [28]: df_vals.sort_values(['net_income'], ascending=True)[[
    'id', 'original_title', 'budget_adj', 'revenue_adj', 'net_income'
]].head()
```

```
Out [28]:
```

	id	original_title	budget_adj	revenue_adj	net_income	
	52909	57201	The Lone Ranger	238,688,504.95	83,578,333.82	-155,110,171.13
	37094	50321	Mars Needs Moms	145,409,706.39	37,799,503.28	-107,610,203.11
	59184	11619	Flushed Away	161,168,704.59	69,723,654.08	-91,445,050.50
	76025	10153	Sphere	100,327,160.18	17,523,810.64	-82,803,349.54
	56894	10077	A Sound of Thunder	89,325,063.17	6,687,812.14	-82,637,251.03

### 1.5.2 Research Question: What was the most profitable movie each year?

To see what the most profitable movie was for each year in the dataset, I want to use groupby and then select the max, adding the index of each row to idx.

```
In [29]: idx = df.groupby(['release_year'
    ])['net_income'].transform(max) == df['net_income']
df[idx].sort_values(['release_year'], ascending=True)[[
    'id', 'original_title', 'release_year', 'budget_adj', 'net_income'
]]
```

Out [29] :	id	original_title	release_year	\
10143	967	Spartacus	1960	
10110	12230	One Hundred and One Dalmatians	1961	
9849	646	Dr. No	1962	
10438	657	From Russia With Love	1963	
9881	658	Goldfinger	1964	
10690	15121	The Sound of Music	1965	
10822	396	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?	1966	
10398	9325	The Jungle Book	1967	
9719	62	2001: A Space Odyssey	1968	
10725	642	Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid	1969	
10654	9062	Love Story	1970	
9925	681	Diamonds Are Forever	1971	
7269	238	The Godfather	1972	
10594	9552	The Exorcist	1973	
9767	11072	Blazing Saddles	1974	
9806	578	Jaws	1975	
10208	19610	A Star Is Born	1976	
1329	11	Star Wars	1977	
10758	1924	Superman	1978	
7833	1367	Rocky II	1979	
7309	1891	The Empire Strikes Back	1980	
8375	85	Raiders of the Lost Ark	1981	
8889	601	E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial	1982	
7987	1892	Return of the Jedi	1983	
7883	87	Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom	1984	
6081	105	Back to the Future	1985	
10475	744	Top Gun	1986	
9613	10998	Fatal Attraction	1987	
9454	380	Rain Man	1988	
9180	89	Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade	1989	
9986	251	Ghost	1990	
9317	280	Terminator 2: Judgment Day	1991	
8243	812	Aladdin	1992	
10223	329	Jurassic Park	1993	
4180	8587	The Lion King	1994	
8094	1642	The Net	1995	
8457	602	Independence Day	1996	
5231	597	Titanic	1997	
8970	95	Armageddon	1998	
2412	1893	Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace	1999	
8666	955	Mission: Impossible II	2000	
2634	671	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone	2001	
3911	121	The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers	2002	
4949	122	The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	2003	
6977	809	Shrek 2	2004	
6190	674	Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire	2005	
6555	58	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest	2006	

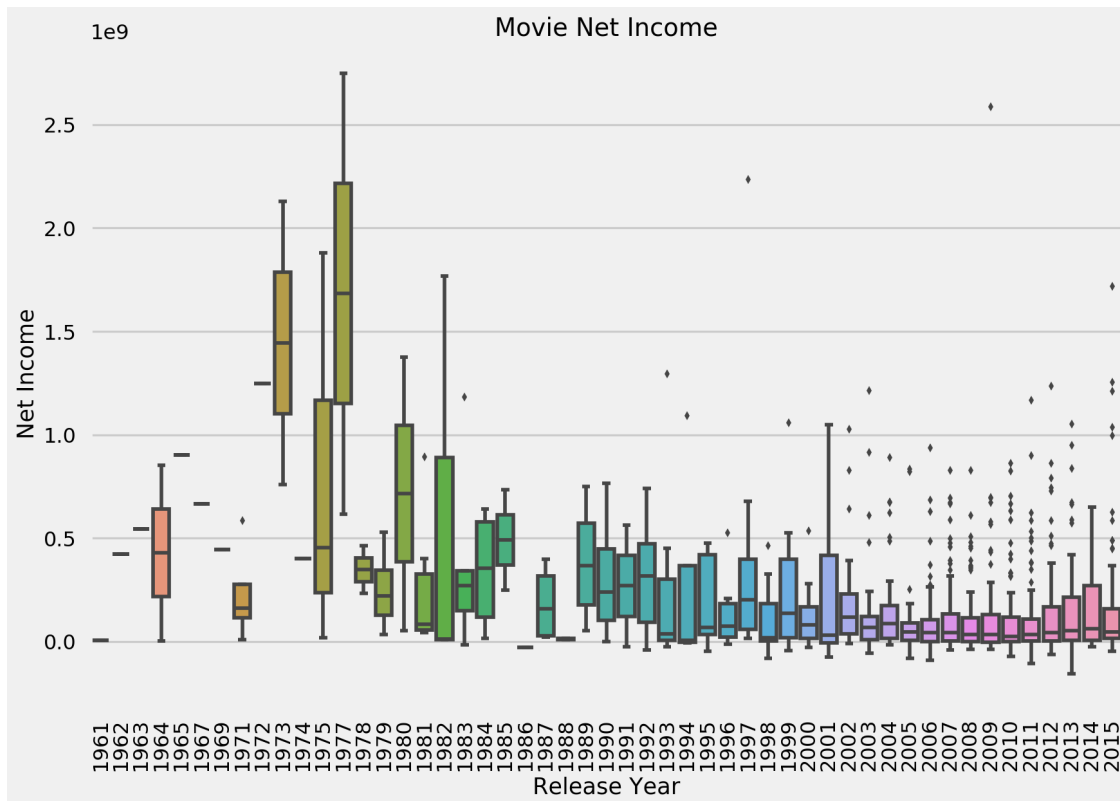
7388	675	Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix	2007
2875	155	The Dark Knight	2008
1386	19995	Avatar	2009
1930	10193	Toy Story 3	2010
3374	12445	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2	2011
4361	24428	The Avengers	2012
5422	109445	Frozen	2013
634	122917	The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies	2014
3	140607	Star Wars: The Force Awakens	2015

	budget_adj	net_income
10143	88,475,609.49	353,902,437.95
10110	29,179,444.83	1,545,635,294.87
9849	7,929,293.77	421,694,259.41
10438	17,800,448.43	543,972,910.57
9881	24,605,935.94	853,474,463.61
10690	56,748,622.29	1,072,786,239.70
10822	50,385,110.19	176,258,462.18
10398	26,147,054.96	1,319,404,004.03
9719	75,227,563.38	280,319,033.83
10725	35,665,585.21	572,485,481.13
10654	12,356,010.36	753,716,631.75
9925	38,773,403.38	585,909,206.69
7269	31,287,365.59	1,246,626,366.80
10594	39,289,276.63	2,128,035,624.57
9767	11,497,938.11	516,964,986.57
9806	28,362,748.20	1,878,643,093.71
10208	22,990,188.17	593,913,194.41
1329	39,575,591.36	2,750,136,650.92
10758	183,848,538.22	819,690,439.17
7833	21,031,878.02	580,426,232.04
7309	47,628,661.55	1,376,997,526.22
8375	43,167,434.49	891,949,443.74
8889	23,726,245.23	1,767,968,064.02
7987	70,824,243.13	1,182,994,737.99
7883	58,773,177.10	640,207,821.95
6081	38,516,154.99	734,056,616.72
10475	29,841,096.16	680,039,989.06
9613	26,867,126.13	587,518,210.63
9454	46,097,275.58	608,162,158.78
9180	84,431,277.07	749,629,788.20
9986	36,715,767.89	806,077,994.97
9317	160,109,284.19	672,458,993.61
8243	43,512,679.13	739,793,586.73
10223	95,096,607.59	1,293,766,704.17
4180	66,200,020.27	1,093,391,569.74
8094	31,481,271.08	1,551,568,265.28
8457	104,266,255.42	1,031,498,096.17

5231	271,692,064.21	2,234,713,671.21
8970	187,277,365.67	553,537,804.54
2412	150,541,077.36	1,059,439,453.10
8666	158,286,514.29	533,600,434.44
2634	153,936,014.59	1,048,582,021.48
3911	95,768,650.10	1,027,133,804.32
4949	111,423,148.61	1,214,854,861.87
6977	173,166,809.97	888,736,812.77
6190	167,484,493.45	832,868,045.78
6555	216,333,831.66	936,357,520.21
7388	157,750,287.39	828,938,572.98
2875	187,365,527.25	827,367,505.23
1386	240,886,902.89	2,586,236,847.52
1930	200,000,000.00	863,171,911.00
3374	121,174,755.32	1,166,009,242.24
4361	208,943,741.90	1,234,247,693.31
5422	140,405,002.91	1,052,306,488.21
634	230,272,762.69	649,479,526.45
3	183,999,919.04	1,718,723,210.76

What's the distribution of net income by year?

```
In [62]: ax = sns.boxplot(x='release_year',
                        y='net_income',
                        data=df_vals)
ax.set_xticklabels(ax.get_xticklabels(), rotation=90)
plt.xlabel('Release Year')
plt.ylabel('Net Income')
plt.title('Movie Net Income')
plt.show()
```



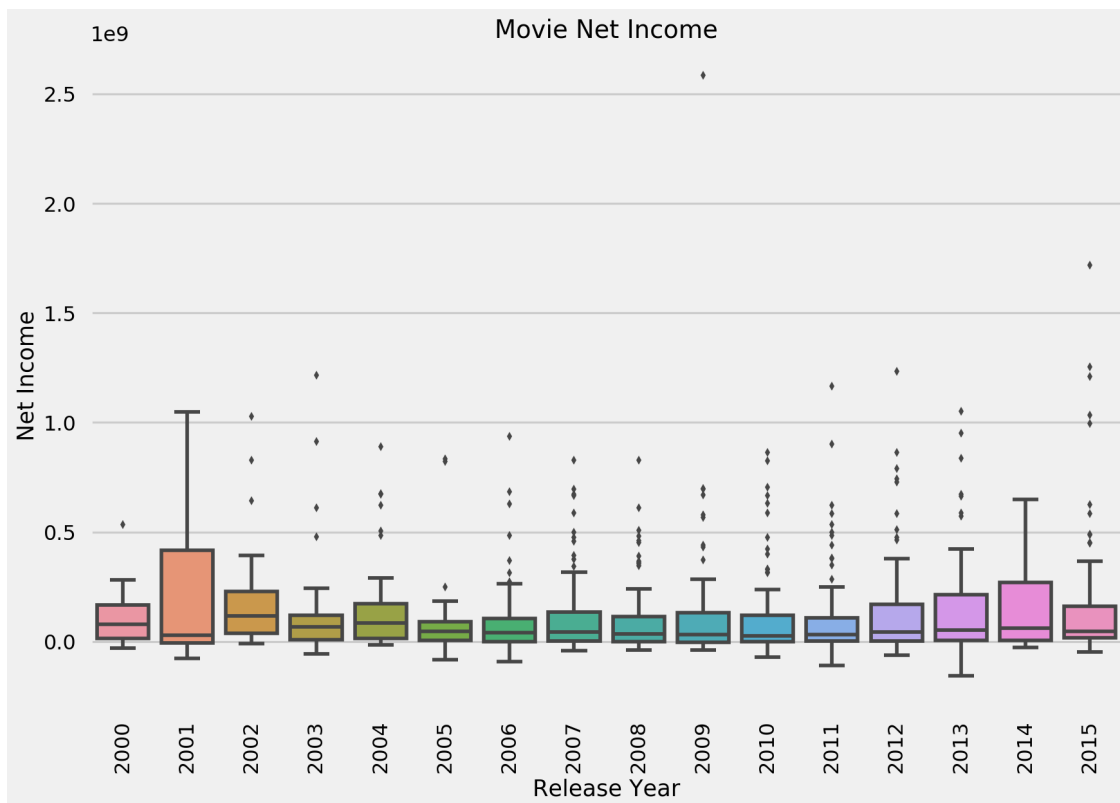
What's going on in the 1960s and 1970s? Well, for one thing there aren't many datapoints. In my bar chart above we can see there are fewer than 50 movies in the set for many of those years. And there are some big, profitable outliers, such as Jaws, The Exorcist, and Star Wars – 3 of the 5 most profitable movies in history!

This illustrates a limitation of boxplots: if your sample size is small, boxplots aren't as useful and can inflate underlying distributions.

So let's switch our boxplot to only show more recent years where we have plenty of data.

```
In [61]: ax = sns.boxplot(x='release_year',
                        y='net_income',
                        data=df_vals[df_vals['release_year'] >= 2000])
ax.set_xticklabels(ax.get_xticklabels(), rotation=90)
plt.xlabel('Release Year')
plt.ylabel('Net Income')
plt.title('Movie Net Income')
plt.show()
```





Which films in history have netted a billion dollars or more (in 2010 dollars)?

```
In [32]: df_vals[df_vals['net_income'] >= 1e9][[
    'id', 'original_title', 'release_year', 'net_income'
]]
```

```
Out[32]:
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	id	original_title	release_year	\
0	135397	Jurassic World	2015	
275	140607	Star Wars: The Force Awakens	2015	
375	168259	Furious 7	2015	
1200	99861	Avengers: Age of Ultron	2015	
9910	11	Star Wars	1977	
10060	19995	Avatar	2009	
24361	1893	Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace	1999	
25571	671	Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone	2001	
31424	12445	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2	2011	
40734	121	The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers	2002	
42334	8587	The Lion King	1994	
42599	24428	The Avengers	2012	
48084	122	The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	2003	
49789	597	Titanic	1997	
50324	109445	Frozen	2013	
65054	238	The Godfather	1972	

65104	1891	The Empire Strikes Back	1980
71875	1892	Return of the Jedi	1983
75525	601	E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial	1982
77245	578	Jaws	1975
78470	329	Jurassic Park	1993
79025	9552	The Exorcist	1973

	net_income
0	1,254,445,953.24
275	1,718,723,210.76
375	1,210,948,878.38
1200	1,035,032,450.23
9910	2,750,136,650.92
10060	2,586,236,847.52
24361	1,059,439,453.10
25571	1,048,582,021.48
31424	1,166,009,242.24
40734	1,027,133,804.32
42334	1,093,391,569.74
42599	1,234,247,693.31
48084	1,214,854,861.87
49789	2,234,713,671.21
50324	1,052,306,488.21
65054	1,246,626,366.80
65104	1,376,997,526.22
71875	1,182,994,737.99
75525	1,767,968,064.02
77245	1,878,643,093.71
78470	1,293,766,704.17
79025	2,128,035,624.57

```
In [33]: # Is there any correlation between movie runtime and net income?
df_vals['runtime'].corr(df_vals['net_income'])
```

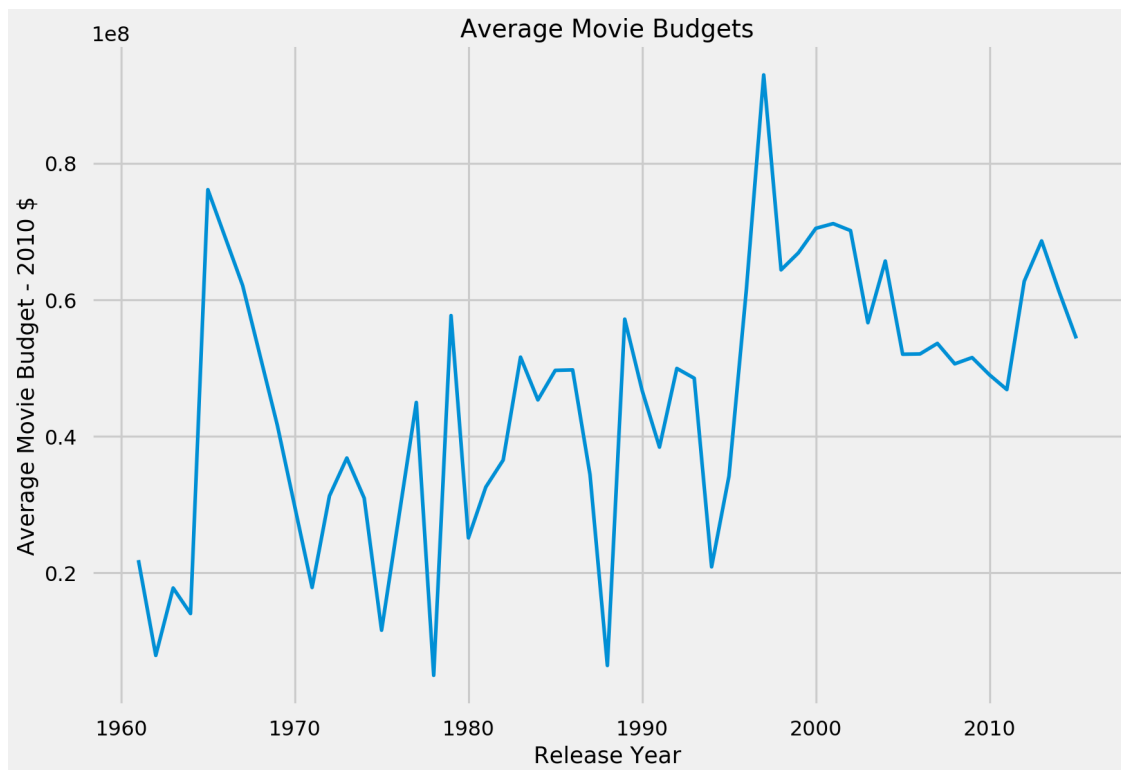
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Out[33]: 0.33892777804141205
```

Conclusion: there is a weak positive correlation.

### 1.5.3 Research Question: Have movie budgets increased over time?

What is the *average* budget (in 2010 dollars) of the movies released each year?

```
In [60]: # Drop movies with 0 budget
plt.plot(df_vals[df_vals['budget_adj'] > 0].groupby(
    'release_year').budget_adj.mean())
plt.xlabel('Release Year')
plt.ylabel('Average Movie Budget - 2010 $')
plt.title('Average Movie Budgets')
plt.show()
```



What were the biggest movie budgets of all time (in 2010 dollars)?

```
In [36]: df_vals.sort_values(['budget_adj'], ascending=False)[[
        'id', 'original_title', 'release_year', 'budget_adj', 'net_income'
    ]].head(10)
```

```
Out[36]:
```

	id	original_title	release_year	\
	31499	1865	Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	2011
	65204	285	Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End	2007
	49789	597	Titanic	1997
	65804	559	Spider-Man 3	2007
	17590	38757	Tangled	2010
	1200	99861	Avengers: Age of Ultron	2015
	10260	767	Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince	2009
	17140	12444	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1	2010
	45094	49529	John Carter	2012
	10060	19995	Avatar	2009

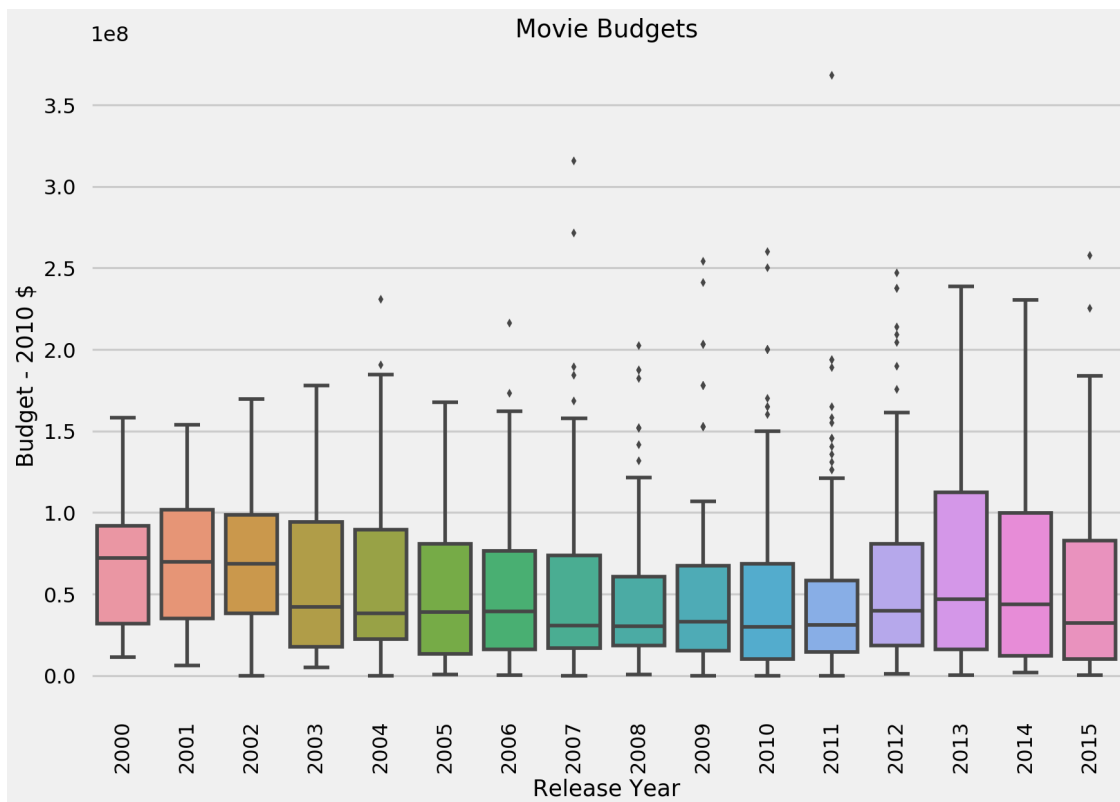
  

	budget_adj	net_income
31499	368,371,256.18	622,046,244.16
65204	315,500,574.79	695,152,933.12
49789	271,692,064.21	2,234,713,671.21
65804	271,330,494.32	665,571,205.90
17590	260,000,000.00	331,794,936.00

1200	257,599,886.66	1,035,032,450.23
10260	254,100,108.53	695,176,424.75
17140	250,000,000.00	704,305,868.00
45094	246,933,513.15	22,925,972.18
10060	240,886,902.89	2,586,236,847.52

Let's look at boxplots so we can understand the distribution of budgets.

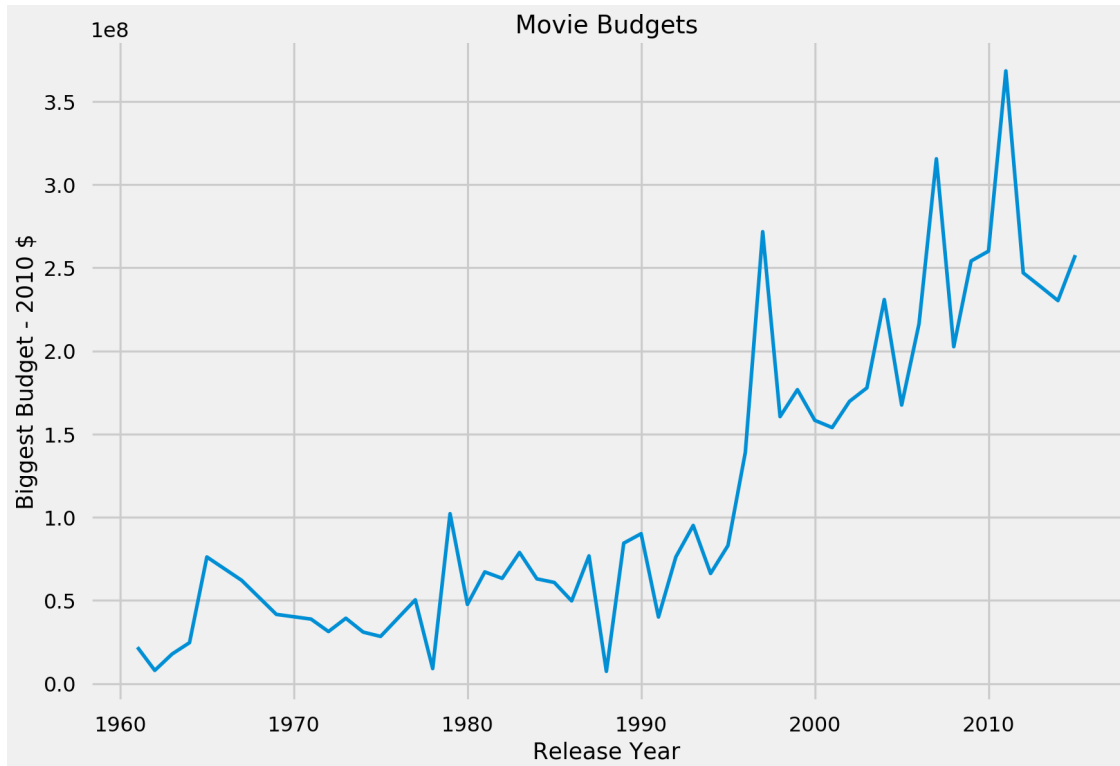
```
In [59]: # Drop movies with >0 budget, only year 2000+
df_vals2000 = df_vals.query('budget_adj > 0 & release_year >= 2000')
ax = sns.boxplot(x='release_year',
                 y='budget_adj',
                 data=df_vals2000)
ax.set_xticklabels(ax.get_xticklabels(), rotation=90)
plt.xlabel('Release Year')
plt.ylabel('Budget - 2010 $')
plt.title('Movie Budgets')
plt.show()
```



Conclusion: the median movie budget has declined since 2000 with more outliers. There's an increasing inequality between the biggest budget movie and the average movie. Unless it's a blockbuster, your movie's budget has probably declined. So I would say movie budgets on average have not increased over time, but the budgets of the big blockbusters have increased.

What was the most expensive movie released each year?

```
In [58]: # Drop movies with 0 budget
plt.plot(df_vals[df_vals['budget_adj'] > 0].groupby(
    'release_year').budget_adj.max())
plt.xlabel('Release Year')
plt.ylabel('Biggest Budget - 2010 $')
plt.title('Movie Budgets')
plt.show()
```



### 1.5.4 Research Question: Are blockbuster movies longer than non-blockbusters?

I define a blockbuster as a movie that has a net income of at least one hundred million dollars. Here I plot a histogram of blockbusters compared to non-blockbusters by runtime, grouped into 30 minute bins. We can see that movies that are 2+ hours long are more likely to be blockbusters than not.

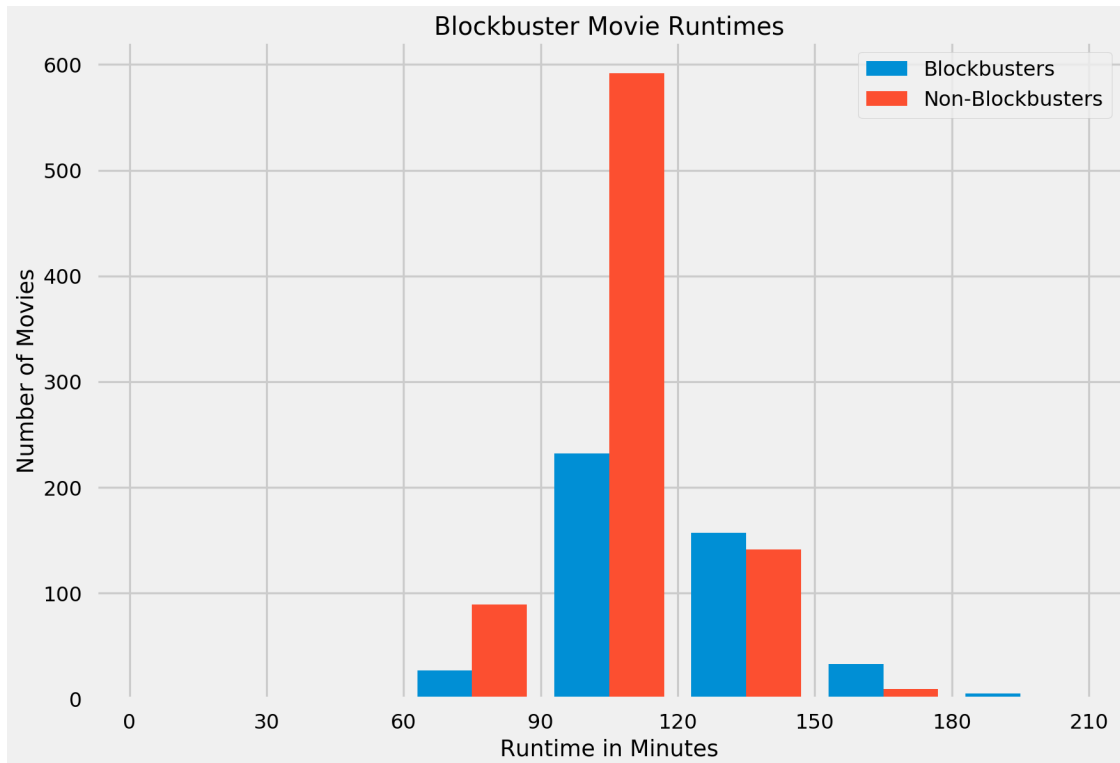
```
In [56]: blockbusters = df_vals.query('net_income >= 1e8')
alltherest = df_vals.query('net_income < 1e8')

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
bins = [0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180, 210]
ax.set_xticks(bins)
ax.hist([blockbusters['runtime'], alltherest['runtime']],
        bins=bins,
```

```

label=['Blockbusters', 'Non-Blockbusters'])
plt.xlabel('Runtime in Minutes')
plt.ylabel('Number of Movies')
plt.title('Blockbuster Movie Runtimes')
ax.legend(loc='upper right')
plt.show()

```



```

In [41]: print("Blockbusters:", blockbusters.runtime.describe())
         print("Non-Blockbusters:", alltherest.runtime.describe())

```

```

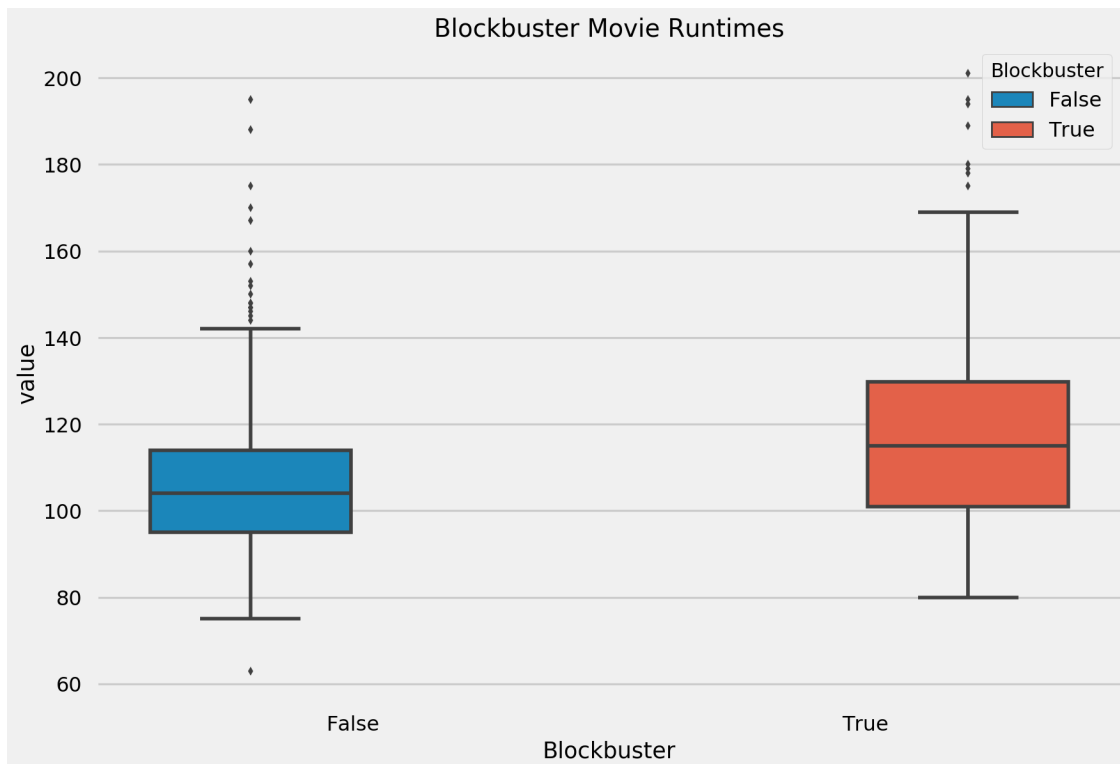
Blockbusters: count    454.00
mean         117.39
std           21.53
min           80.00
25%          101.00
50%          115.00
75%          129.75
max           201.00
Name: runtime, dtype: float64
Non-Blockbusters: count    832.00
mean          106.40
std            15.88
min            63.00

```

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25%      95.00
50%     104.00
75%     115.00
max      188.00
Name: runtime, dtype: float64
```

```
In [55]: data1 = pd.DataFrame(blockbusters,
                               columns=['runtime']).assign(Blockbuster=True)
data2 = pd.DataFrame(alltherest, columns=['runtime']).assign(Blockbuster=False)

cdf = pd.concat([data1, data2])
mdf = pd.melt(cdf, id_vars=['Blockbuster'])
plt.ylabel('Number of Movies')
plt.title('Blockbuster Movie Runtimes')
ax = sns.boxplot(x="Blockbuster", y="value", hue="Blockbuster", data=mdf)
plt.show()
```



```
In [40]: stats.ttest_ind(blockbusters['runtime'], alltherest['runtime'])
```

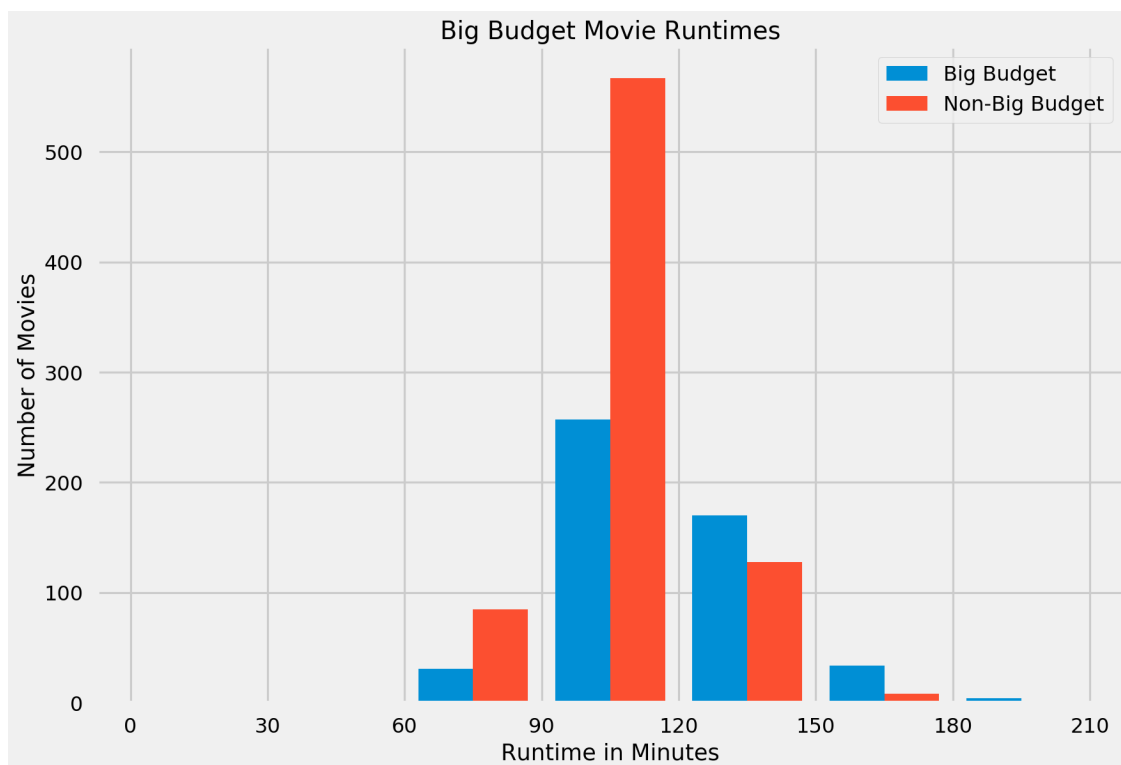
```
Out[40]: Ttest_indResult(statistic=10.42111754706735, pvalue=1.8194114863425537e-24)
```

We can see from the t-test that although the median blockbuster is longer than the median non-blockbuster, there is no statistical significance to the difference.

When we look at budgets, we see a similar effect. If you're making a movie of over 2 hours, it's more likely you'll have a budget of more than fifty million dollars. We don't know cause-and-effect here though: if you have a bigger budget do you make a longer movie, or is the case that if you make a longer movie you require a bigger budget?

```
In [57]: bigbudget = df_vals.query('budget_adj >= 50000000')
         alltherest = df_vals.query('budget_adj < 50000000')

         fig, ax = plt.subplots()
         bins = [0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180, 210]
         ax.set_xticks(bins)
         ax.hist([bigbudget['runtime'], alltherest['runtime']],
                 bins=bins,
                 label=['Big Budget', 'Non-Big Budget'])
         ax.legend(loc='upper right')
         plt.xlabel('Runtime in Minutes')
         plt.ylabel('Number of Movies')
         plt.title('Big Budget Movie Runtimes')
         plt.show()
```



### 1.5.5 Research Question: What is the most profitable genre?

To look at net income by genre, we're going to need to create a new dataframe that joins `df_film` (to get genres) and `df_vals` (to get net income).



```

In [44]: # Join the two dfs on the id key
result = pd.merge(df_film, df_vals, on='id', how='inner')

In [45]: # We only care about a few columns, easier to just grab them then
# to drop the ones we don't want later
result = result[[
    'id', 'original_title_x', 'genres', 'revenue_adj', 'budget_adj',
    'net_income'
]]

# We ended up with original_title columns from both dfs, let's rename
# it back to original_title
result.rename(columns={'original_title_x': 'original_title'}, inplace=True)

# We have a bunch of duplicates from the expanded set, remove them
result.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
result.head()

```

```

Out[45]:
      id  original_title  genres  revenue_adj \
0   135397  Jurassic World    Action  1,392,445,892.52
5   135397  Jurassic World  Adventure  1,392,445,892.52
10  135397  Jurassic World  Science Fiction  1,392,445,892.52
15  135397  Jurassic World    Thriller  1,392,445,892.52
100  76341  Mad Max: Fury Road    Action    348,161,292.49

      budget_adj  net_income
0   137,999,939.28  1,254,445,953.24
5   137,999,939.28  1,254,445,953.24
10  137,999,939.28  1,254,445,953.24
15  137,999,939.28  1,254,445,953.24
100 137,999,939.28   210,161,353.21

```

```

In [46]: result.groupby('genres').net_income.sum().sort_values(ascending=False)

```

```

Out[46]: genres
Adventure    98,456,298,773.66
Action       88,288,139,536.53
Thriller     51,317,872,536.73
Science Fiction  49,058,392,574.84
Fantasy      46,129,163,396.99
Comedy       45,795,267,298.12
Drama        43,013,208,139.53
Family       42,587,558,778.80
Animation    28,823,610,050.17
Romance      18,211,014,055.05
Crime        16,132,383,057.04
Horror       13,179,400,828.52
Mystery      10,054,564,194.13
Music        3,881,078,931.43

```

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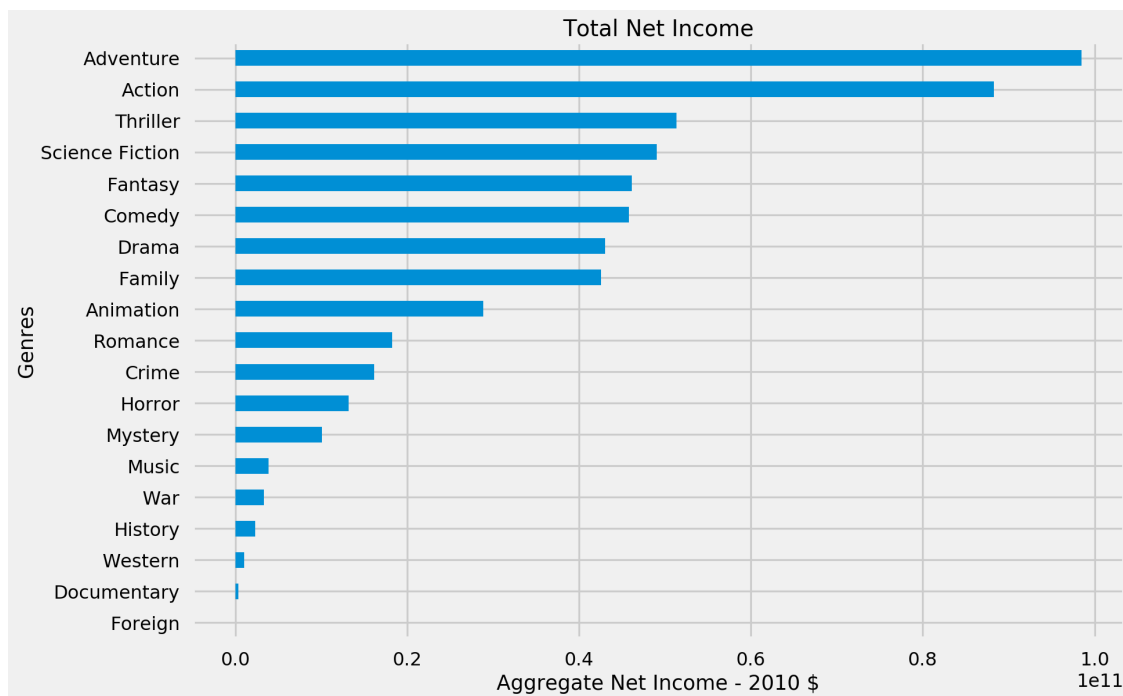
War                3,342,155,586.45
History            2,288,072,621.76
Western            987,440,385.54
Documentary        309,092,494.58
Foreign            -1,312,284.00
Name: net_income, dtype: float64

```

```

In [50]: result.groupby('genres')['net_income'].sum().sort_values(
          ascending=True).plot.barh(title="Total Net Income")
plt.xlabel('Aggregate Net Income - 2010 $')
plt.ylabel('Genres')
plt.show()

```



We can see that the “Adventure” and “Action” genres are the most profitable in terms of total earnings. But let’s look at median earnings too because some categories have many more movies than others.

```

In [46]: result.groupby('genres').net_income.median().sort_values(ascending=False)

```

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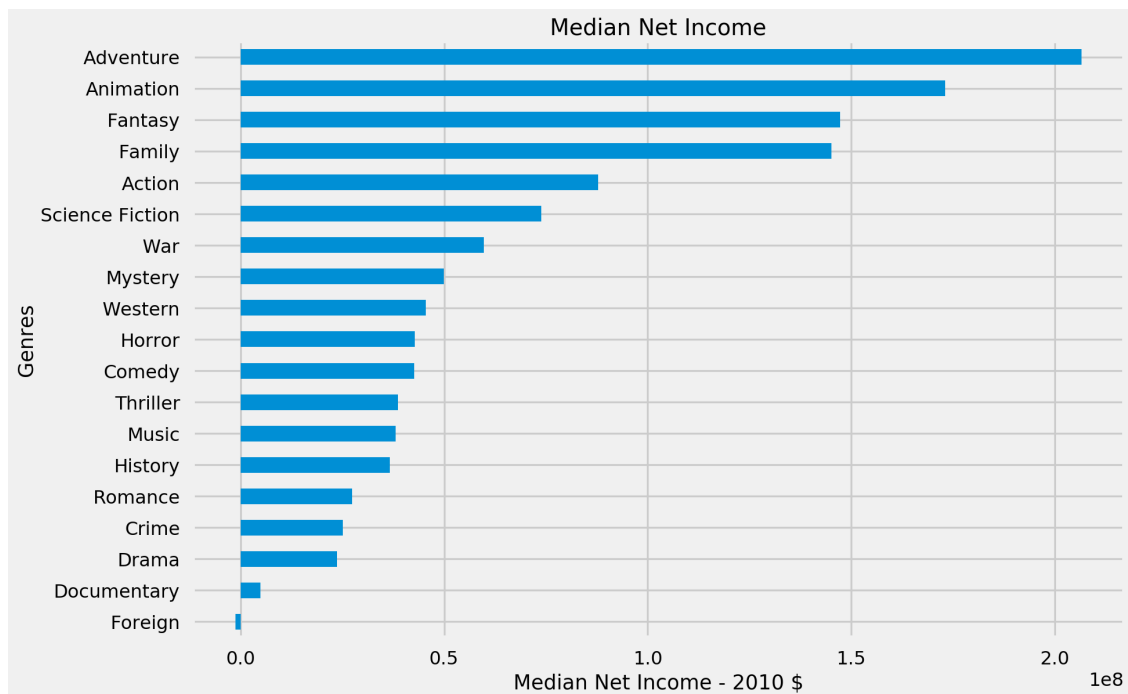
Out[46]: genres
Adventure    206,548,546.11
Animation    173,046,127.20
Fantasy      147,255,456.74
Family       145,160,115.59
Action       87,844,176.72
Science Fiction 73,775,255.80

```

War	59,760,706.04
Mystery	49,842,431.91
Western	45,524,262.55
Horror	42,824,791.60
Comedy	42,682,397.09
Thriller	38,595,818.80
Music	38,125,266.45
History	36,597,934.24
Romance	27,402,303.09
Crime	25,051,586.39
Drama	23,666,130.70
Documentary	4,789,857.13
Foreign	-1,312,284.00

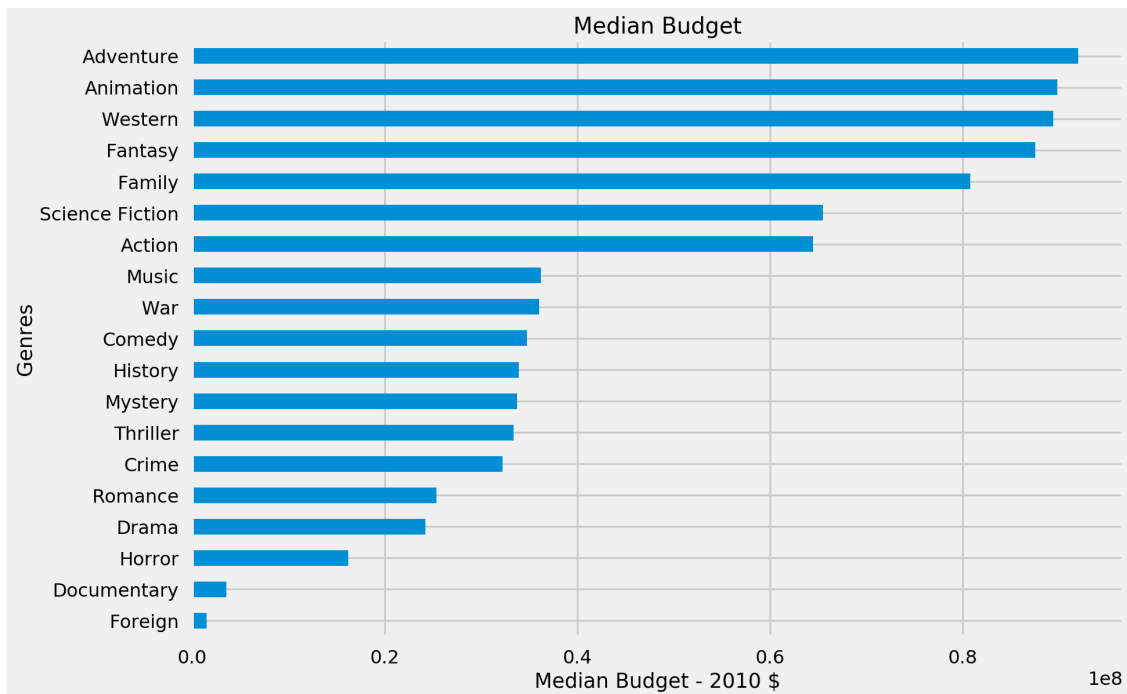
Name: net\_income, dtype: float64

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In [51]: result.groupby('genres')['net_income'].median().sort_values(
        ascending=True).plot.barh(title="Median Net Income")
plt.xlabel('Median Net Income - 2010 $')
plt.ylabel('Genres')
plt.show()
```



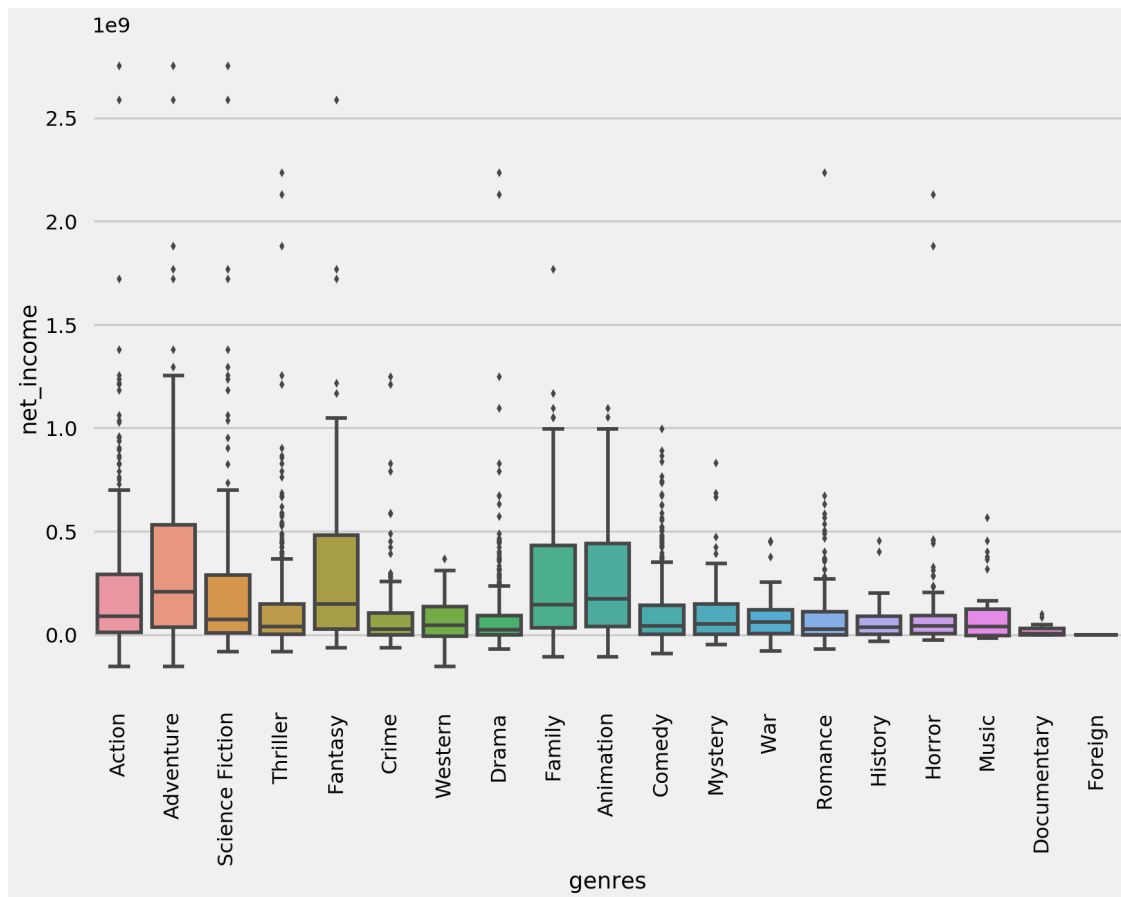
Here we can see that in median net income, Adventure is still number one. But Animation has jumped up to the second spot! The median net income on an animated film is \ \$173M. Wow. We missed that when we looked at total earnings, presumably because there are far fewer animated movies in our data set than action.

```
In [52]: result.groupby('genres')['budget_adj'].median().sort_values(
        ascending=True).plot.barh(title="Median Budget")
plt.xlabel('Median Budget - 2010 $')
plt.ylabel('Genres')
plt.show()
```



Animation movies are profitable, but they also have huge budgets. The median Animation budget is almost as big as the median Adventure budget. So it's good that they're also profitable!

```
In [53]: ax = sns.boxplot(x='genres', y='net_income', data=result)
ax.set_xticklabels(ax.get_xticklabels(), rotation=90)
plt.show()
```



## 1.6 Conclusions

### 1.6.1 Which movies were most and least profitable?

The five most profitable movies in history (using inflation-adjusted 2010 dollars) are: (1) *Star Wars* (2) *Avatar* (3) *Titanic* (4) *The Exorcist* (5) *Jaws*. The least profitable movies are (1) *The Lone Ranger* (2) *Mars Needs Moms* (3) *Flushed Away* (4) *Sphere* (5) *A Sound of Thunder*.

**Limitations:** Several movies had 0 for budget and/or revenue. There might be more or less profitable movies where the data was missing. Also, my original analysis uncovered an error where the budget for *The Warrior's Way* was off by an order of magnitude. There may be other similar errors in the data.

### 1.6.2 What was the most profitable movie each year?

Above I list the most profitable movies for every year from 1960 to 2015, in inflation-adjusted 2010 dollars. They ranged from *Spartacus* (1960) to *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* (2015). It was interesting to note that three of the most five most profitable movies of all time were released in the 1970s. Only 22 movies in history have made over one billion dollars and four of them were released in the 1970s (the three just listed as well as *The Godfather*).

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### 1.6.3 Have movie budgets increased over time?

There's an interesting answer to this question: sort of. The median movie budget has actually declined since 2000. But the budgets for the biggest budget movies have increased significantly, increasing by 60% since 2000. This exhibits an increasing inequality between the average movie and the few blockbusters produced.

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### 1.6.4 Are blockbuster movies longer than non-blockbusters?

A longer movie (2+ hours) is more likely to be a blockbuster, and a shorter movie (<1.5hrs) is more likely to not be a blockbuster, but there is no statistically significant difference in runtimes for blockbusters and non-blockbusters.

**Limitations:** The sample of blockbuster movies is small. Also, runtimes tend to have a normal distribution. Some differences might be statistically significant if we were to compare categories of runtime as opposed to total length in minutes. (For example, we might see a difference if we compared movies of 2+ hrs to movies of <2 hrs.) With some more sophisticated statistics skills I might be able to identify these relationships.

### 1.6.5 What is the most profitable genre?

The most profitable genres – measured by total profits across the entire category – are Adventure, Action, and Thrillers. Looking at median profitability, the categories are Adventure, Animation, and Fantasy. These two lists are different because median controls for the number of movies released. Although Animation and Fantasy are profitable categories, fewer of those movies are produced. I saw similar effects when I looked at budgets.

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