

Echelon Studios Movie Analysis

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Summary

Exploratory analysis of movie datasets from IMDB and The Numbers, attributing factors to a movie's success and failure.

These factors include:

- **Release Year** (e.g. 2010 - 2018)
- **Genre** (e.g. Comedy, Drama, Comedy/Romance, etc.)
- **Director**
- **Money** (gross domestic/worldwide revenue, return on investment, budgeting, etc.)

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Business Problem

Echelon Studios sees its competitors producing successful movies and wants to do the same. But, they need to know the factors that attribute to a movie's success.



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The Data

Data Understanding

- This data does have bias
 - Movies produced in 2010 have had more time to accumulate money than movies produced in 2015
- These figures are only as recent as 2018
- USD values are not adjusted for inflation

Primary Datasets Used:

- Used data from IMDB and The Numbers to avoid redundancy and maximize efficiency.
- IMDB variables of importance: Genre and director information.
- The Numbers variables of importance: Production budget, gross domestic revenue, and gross worldwide revenue.

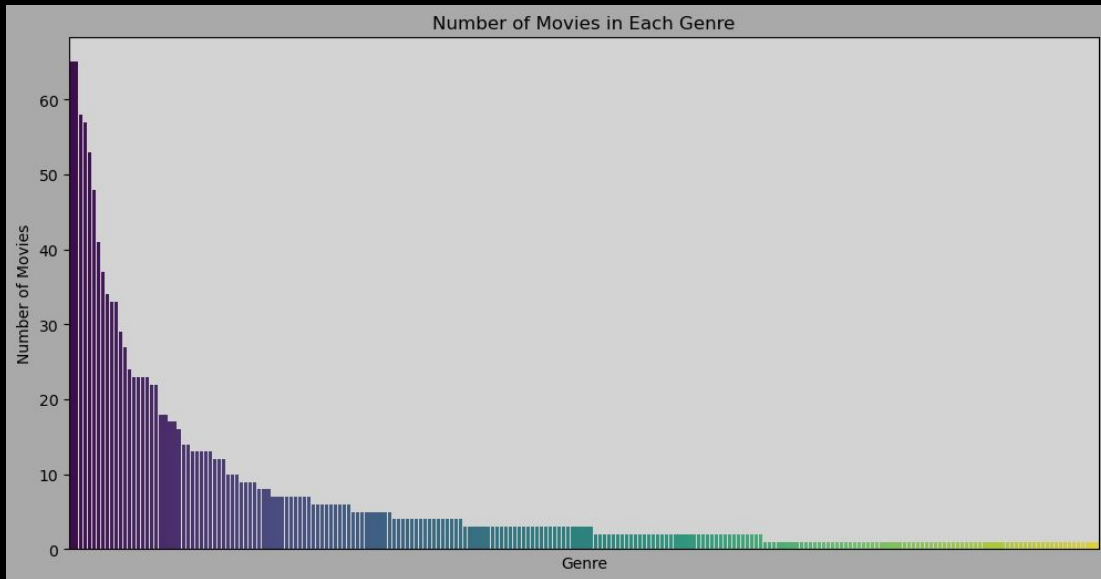
Genres

With about 230 different genres to choose from, I based my search on the most popular in order to filter the data effectively.

- Adventure|Animation|Comedy
- Drama

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# Extract the top 3 most frequent movie genres from genre_counts
top_genres = genre_counts.head(3)
top_genres
```

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genres
Adventure|Animation|Comedy    65
Drama                        65
Comedy|Drama|Romance         58
Name: count, dtype: int64
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Directors + Money

- Most popular directors
- Compared figures to other films in the genre

For Adventure/Animation/Comedy films,

- Mike Mitchell
 - *Shrek Forever After* (2010)
 - *Trolls* (2016)

For Drama films,

- Alex Kendrick
 - *War Room* (2015)
 - *Courageous* (2011)

Mike Mitchell

Figures:

Shrek Forever After (2010)

- **Production Budget:** \$165,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** \$238,746,787 (**45%** ROI)
- **Gross Worldwide:** \$756,244,673 (**358%** ROI)

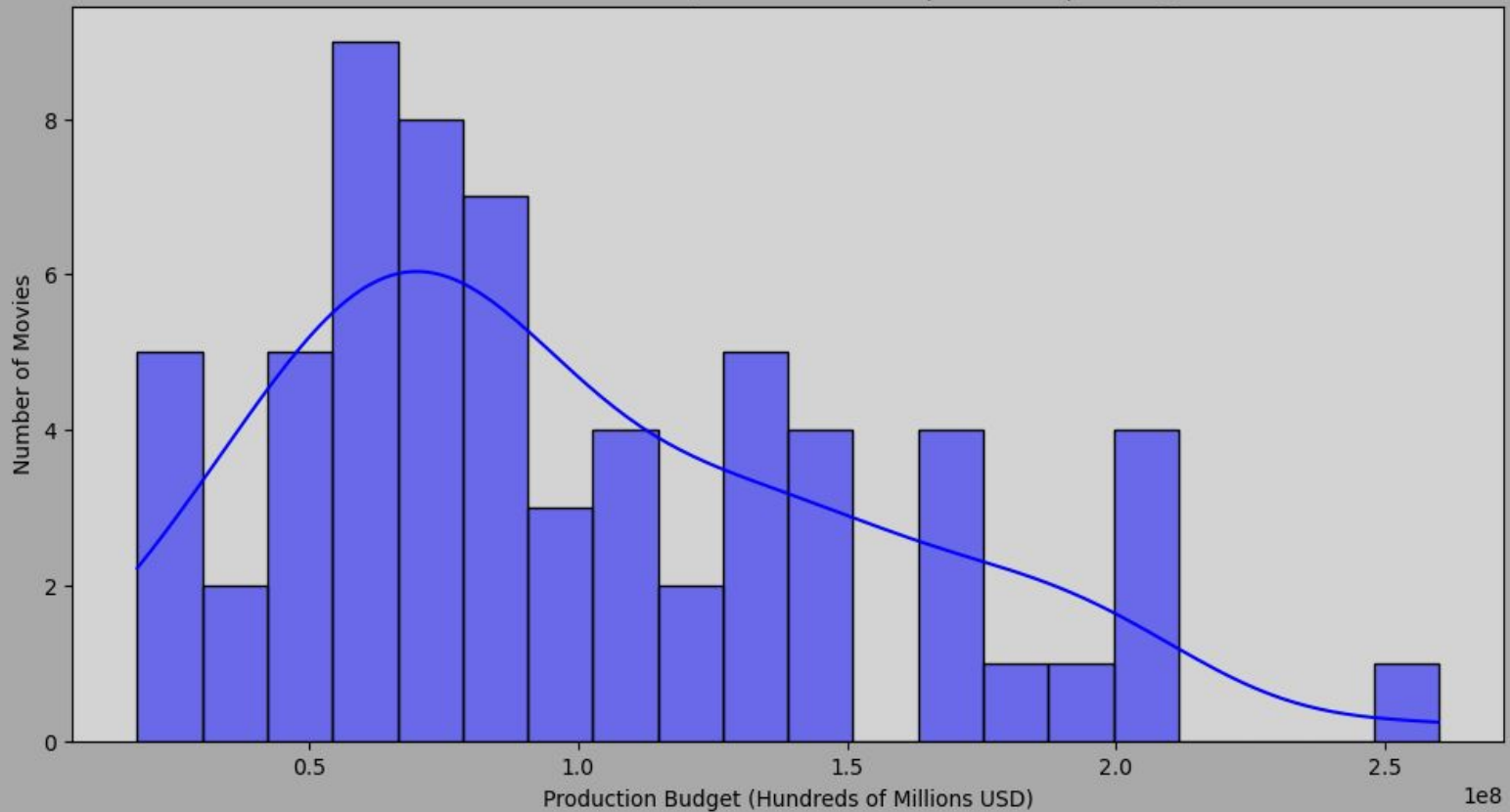
Trolls (2016)

- **Production Budget:** \$125,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** \$153,707,064 (**23%** ROI)
- **Gross Worldwide:** \$344,150,134 (**175%** ROI)

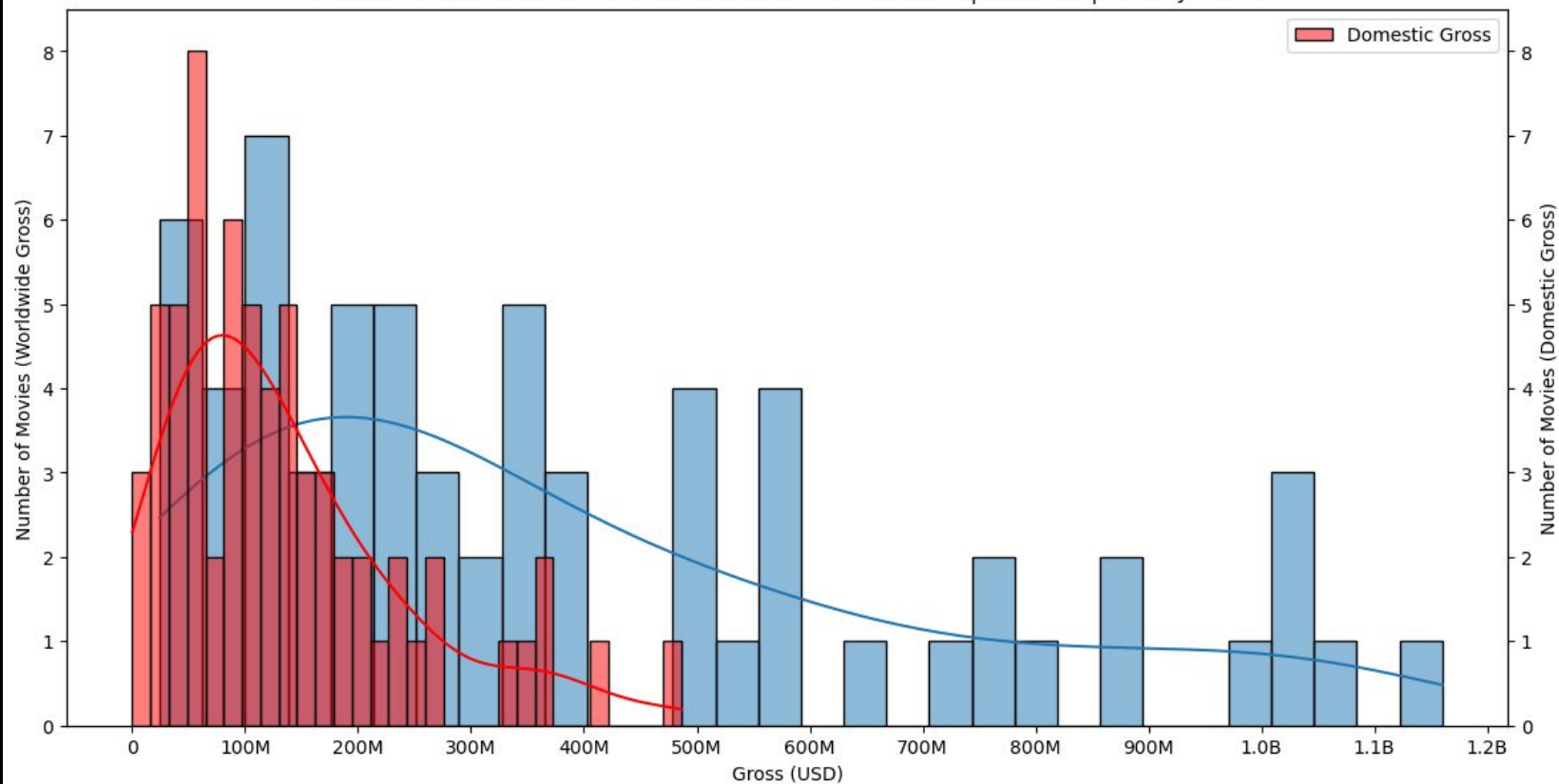
Genre Averages:

- **Production Budget:** ~\$100,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** ~\$134,000,000
- **Gross Worldwide:** ~\$381,000,000

Distribution of Production Budgets for Adventure|Animation|Comedy Movies



Distribution of Domestic and Worldwide Gross for Adventure|Animation|Comedy Movies



Alex Kendrick

Figures:

War Room (2015)

- **Production Budget:** \$3,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** \$67,790,117 (**2160%** ROI)
- **Gross Worldwide:** \$73,975,239 (**2366%** ROI)

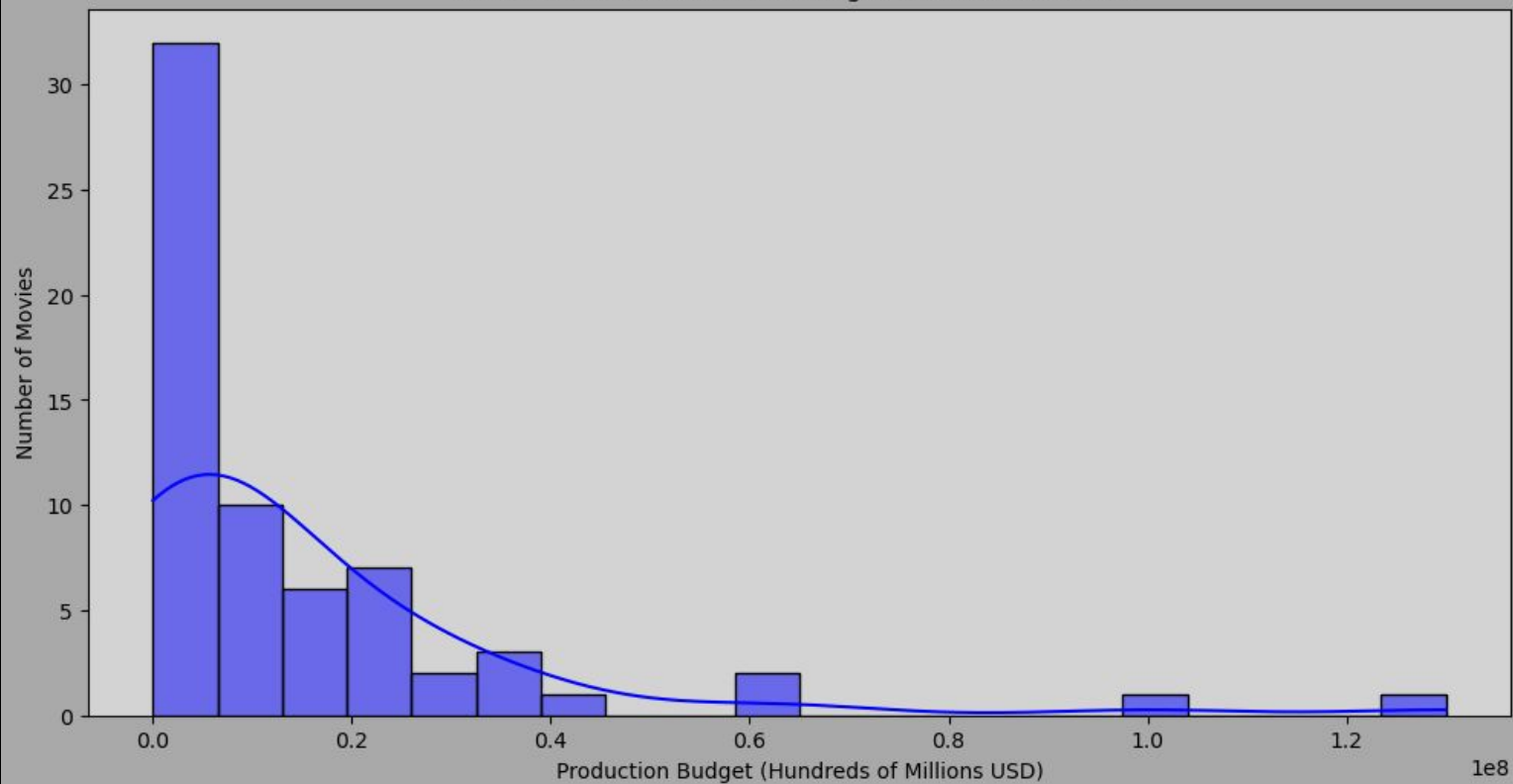
Courageous (2011)

- **Production Budget:** \$2,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** \$34,522,221 (**1626%** ROI)
- **Gross Worldwide:** \$35,185,884 (**1659%** ROI)

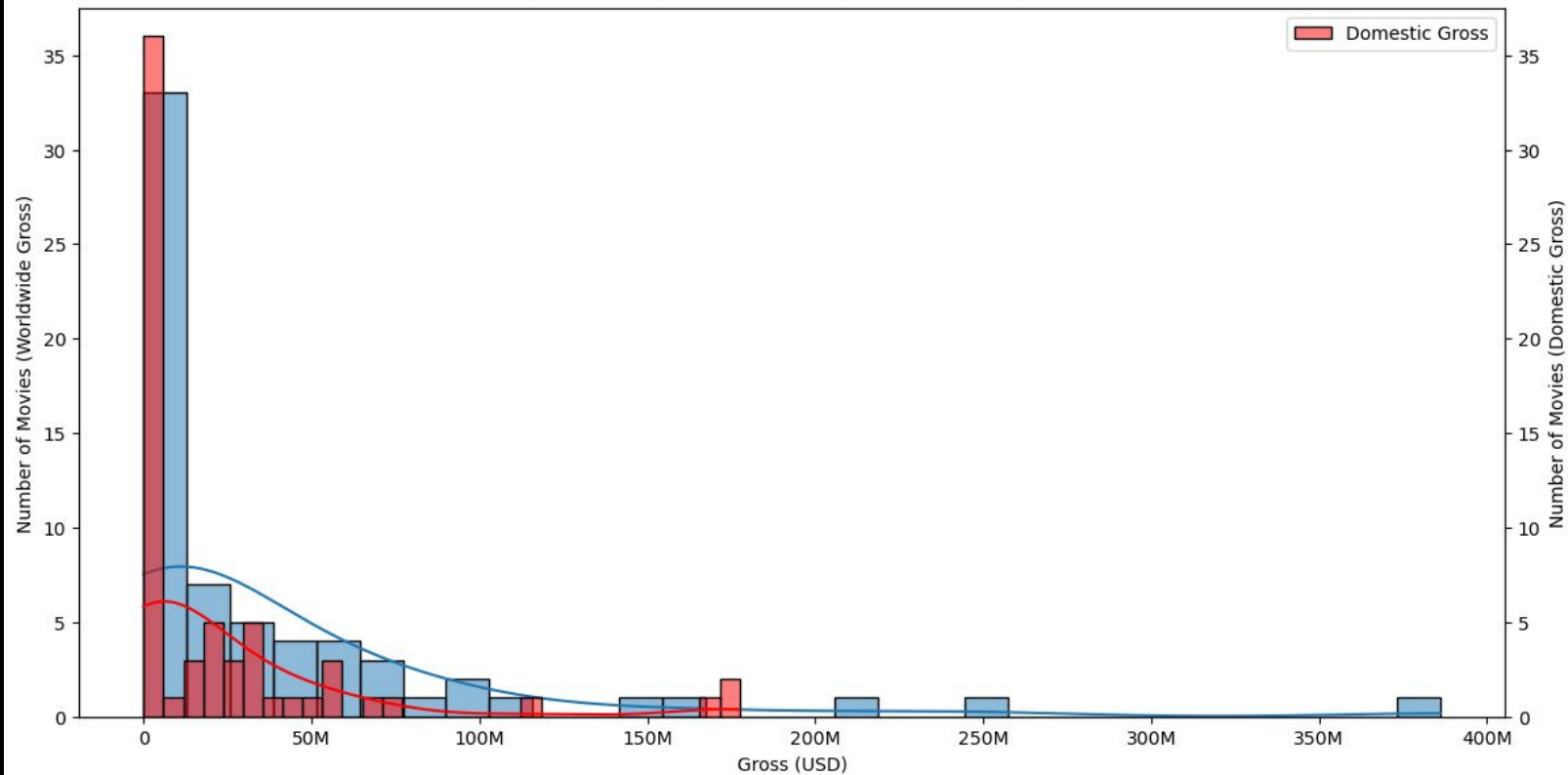
Genre Averages:

- **Production Budget:** ~\$15,000,000
- **Gross Domestic:** ~\$23,000,000
- **Gross Worldwide:** ~\$39,000,000

Distribution of Production Budgets for Drama Movies



Distribution of Domestic and Worldwide Gross for Drama Movies



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Recommendations

1. For the most success, produce an Adventure/Animation/Comedy or Drama film.
2. For a highly popular and grossing film, hire Mike Mitchell to direct an Adventure/Animation/Comedy film.
3. For the most return on investment, hire Alex Kendrick to direct a Drama film.

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Thank you!