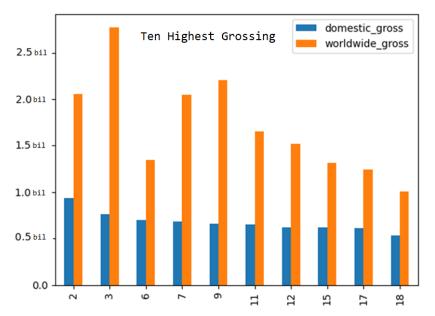


For this chart, the top 10 highest grossing movies domestically, we see the relative effective power of franchise movies. Franchise movies comprise of 9 out of 10 of the highest grossing movies of all time, domestically. The only one which is not a franchise movie is Titanic.

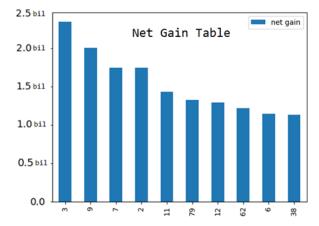


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Chart 2:

This chart measures the top 10 most profitable movies of all time. We use this chart to look at the net gain and profit. Profit index(net gain) = worldwide gross - production budget. We can see that the 10 most profitable movies of all time were all extremely expensive productions. All cost at least 125 million dollars to make.

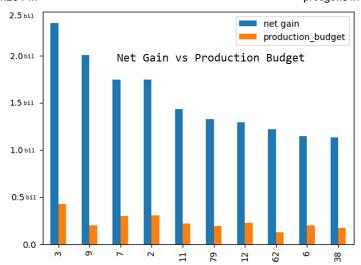


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### Chart 3:

This chart measures the top 10 most profitable movies of all time vs their production budget. It is a more clear and concise overview of the amount of money spent to make the movie vs how much the movie made when the amount spent is subtracted.



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## **Conclusions**

This analysis leads to three recommendations for Microsoft's goals of maximizing their investments into Flatiron Movie Studios:

Approve to make more franchise movies. Franchise movies are one of the cornerstones to studio's success. 9 out of 10 of the highest grossing movies domestically are franchise movies. 7 out of 10 were not the first films of a franchise. Audiences come back for more. The 2nd film often outperforms the first. This is because of the general audience's innate higher expectations and the inherently effective power of franchise movies.

Approve to make certain genres a more priority investments. It is a good idea to make more movies in the genres of action, adventure, sci-fi and comic book movies encompass all of the all time highest grossing movies domestically. Every single one of those can be labeled among one or more of those genres.

Approve to make extremely expensive productions. Among the 10 most profitable movies of all time (according to the net gain bar chart), every one of the ten took at least 125 million dollars to make. They were all very costly productions.

## **Final Words**

With any movie that has been made, there is a possible chance of failure, but the success rate of investing in franchise movies and top genre movies are more lucrative investments than otherwise. There is a greater chance of success investing in franchise movies and genre movies of action, adventure, sci-fi, and comic book.

Also, it's entirely true that spending more to earn more is the inherent nature of big budget movie making. Just an expensive production alone isn't enough to guarantee success, but if there is not at least a minimum amount of money spent making the movie, it is unlikely to produce grandiose final box office figures or move the needle much. It's simple: with it, there's no guarantee of success but the chances are good. Without it there is no possibility of success.

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