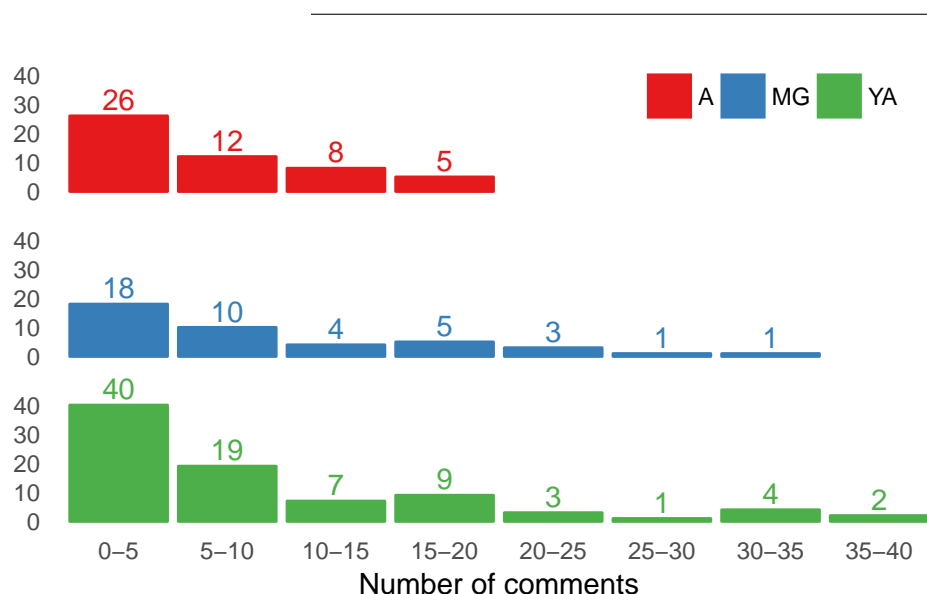# Pitch wars 2017

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Comment data retrieved for the entries listed under the following three blog posts. Apologies for any errors/omissions!

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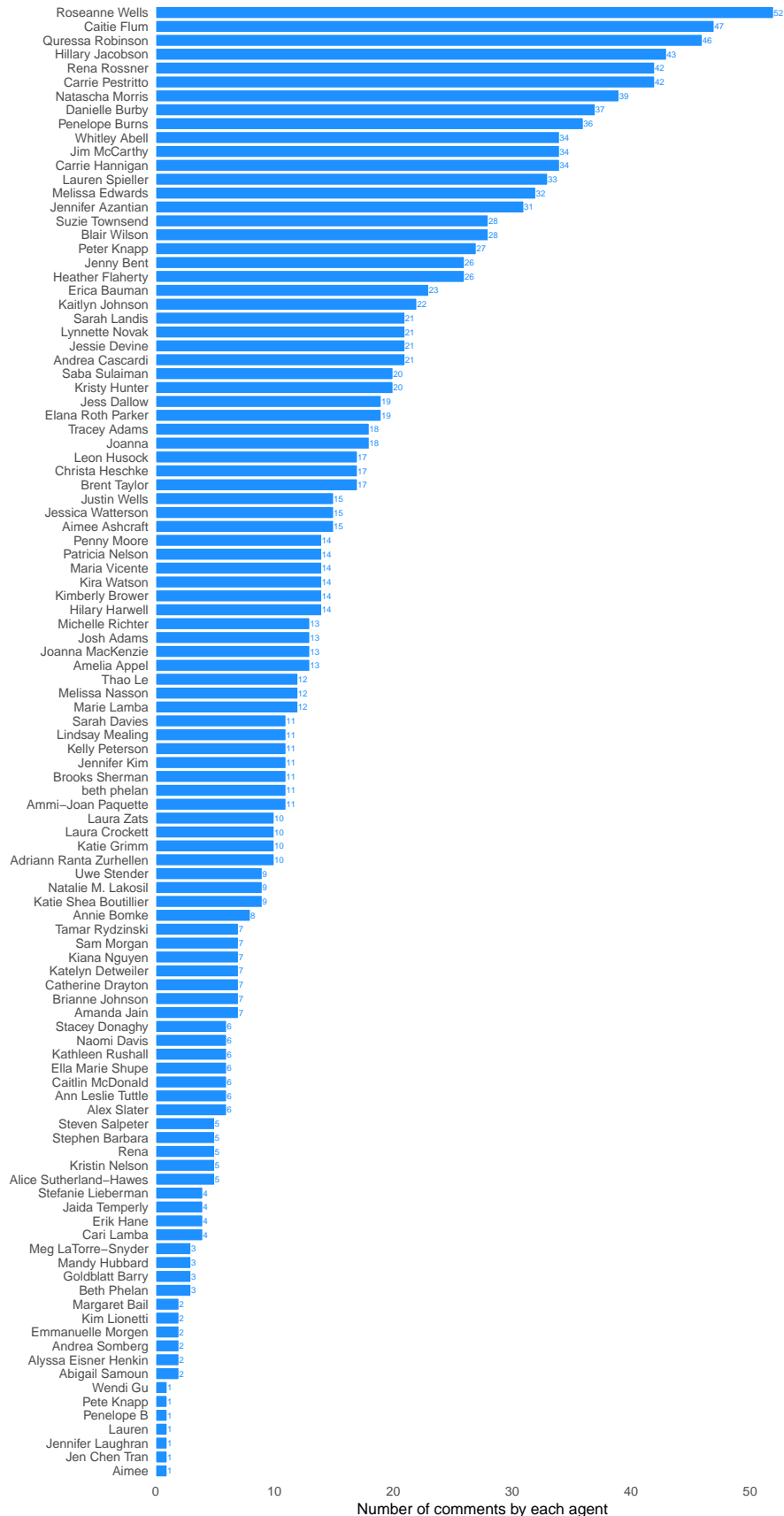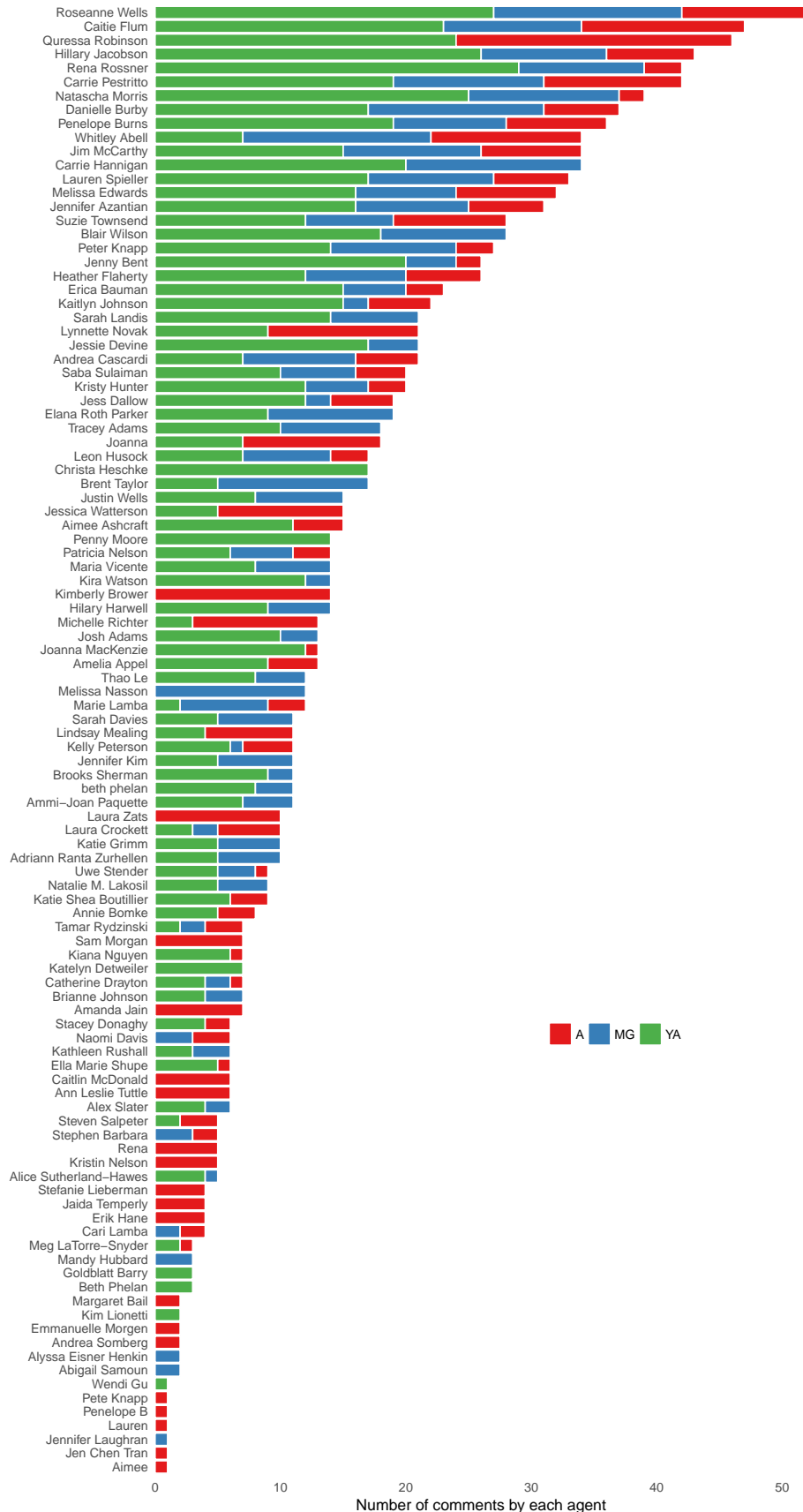http://pitchwars.org/pitch-wars-2017-agent-showcase-adult-and-new-adult-entries/

Are some genres more popular? Breaking the entries up into very rough genres within each category, here are the number of entries and average number of comments for each:

cat	genre	no_of_titles	avg_comments
A	contemporary	4	6.8
A	fantasy	10	8.7
A	other	17	8.7
A	romance	20	4.6
MG	contemporary	24	9.3
MG	fantasy	9	12.1
MG	other	9	7.2
YA	contemporary	34	7.7
YA	fantasy	29	11.4
YA	other	20	8.0
YA	romance	2	20.5

Now let's look at how many comments agents are leaving, and in which categories:

Number of comments by each agent

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Does word count matter? It looks like it might, a little bit. Entries whose reported word counts are much higher or lower than the average word counts for their genres seem to get less requests.

Difference from mean word count for category (%)