

### **Project Overview**

- The Big Question: What drives success in the video game industry?
- The Data: Sourcing and understanding our dataset.
- The Process: How the data was cleaned and prepared.
- **Key Finding #1:** The Most Profitable Genres.
- **Key Finding #2:** The Reign of the Consoles.
- **Key Finding #3:** The Industry's Golden Age.
- **Key Finding #4:** The Publishing Giants.
- Conclusion & Takeaways.

### **Our Approach: Data-Driven Insights**

#### **Data Source:**

- Kaggle: "Video Game Sales with Ratings"
- Over 16,000 unique game records (1980-2020).

#### **Key Limitation:**

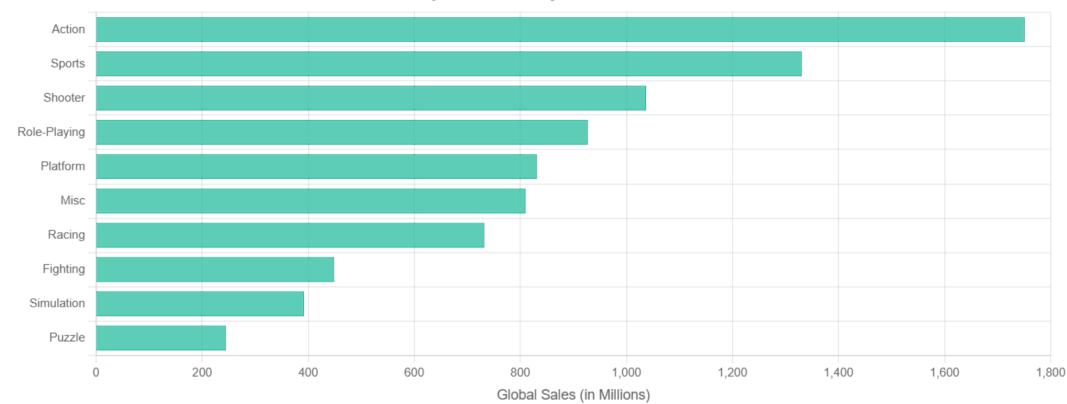
• Dataset focuses on physical retail sales. It does not fully capture the modern digital or mobile market.

#### **Cleaning Process:**

- Handled missing values for 'Year' and 'Publisher'.
- Corrected data types for accurate analysis.

### Finding #1: The Genre Landscape

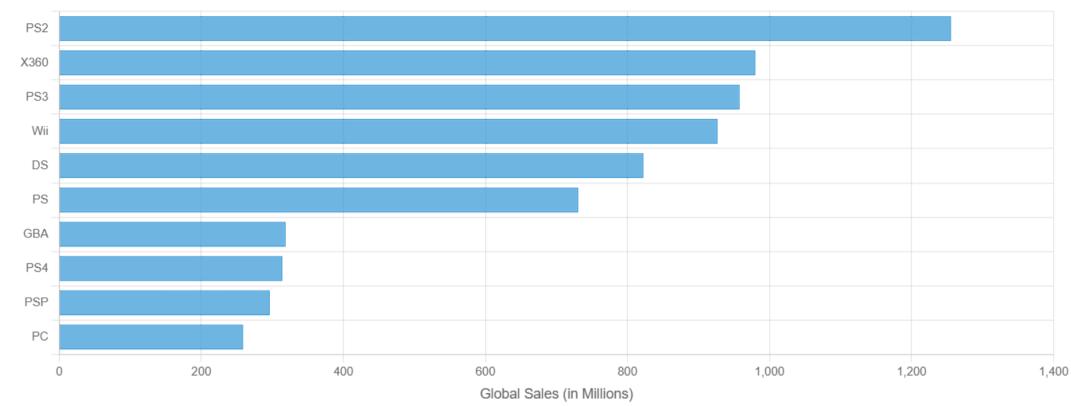
Top 10 Genres by Global Sales



Action games lead with over **\$1.75 Billion** in total sales, indicating a strong market preference for fast-paced, high-engagement titles.

### Finding #2: The Reign of the Consoles

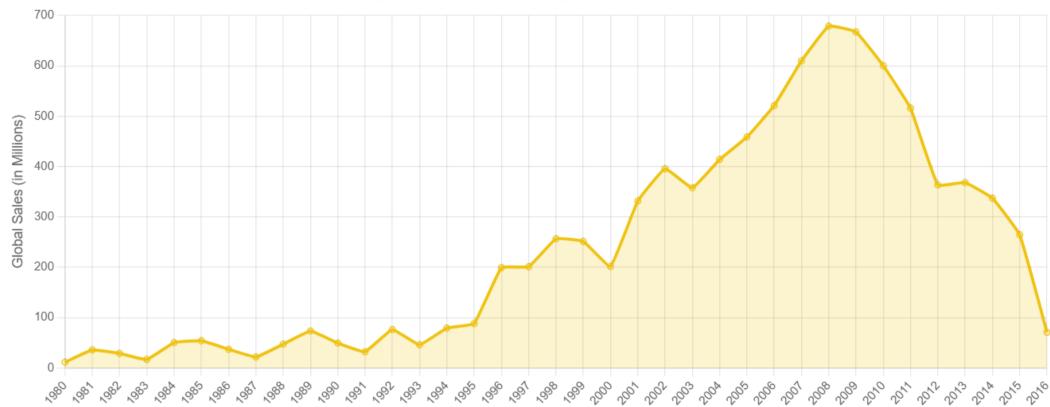
Top 10 Platforms by Global Sales



The PlayStation 2 is the all-time leader with over **\$1.2 Billion** in software sales. The 6th and 7th console generations were commercial powerhouses.

### Finding #3: The Industry's Golden Age

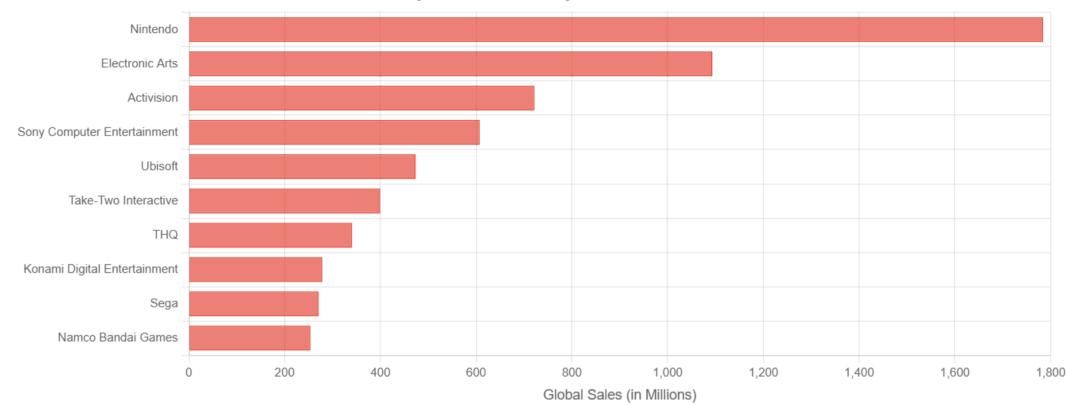
**Evolution of Global Sales Over Years** 



The market for physical games saw explosive growth through the 2000s, hitting its peak in 2008 before shifting towards digital distribution.

### Finding #4: The Publishing Giants

Top 10 Publishers by Global Sales



With over **\$1.78 Billion** in sales, Nintendo's revenue is significantly higher than its competitors, showcasing the power of strong first-party franchises.

### **Conclusion & Key Takeaways**

## A Story of Growth & Transformation

#### **Dominant Genres**

Action & Sports are the historical cash cows of the industry.

#### **Market Trend**

Physical sales peaked in 2008 before the industry shifted to digital.

#### **Top Platform**

The PlayStation 2 was the king of software sales.

#### **Industry Leader**

Nintendo's unique ecosystem makes it the top publisher by revenue.

# Thank You

Questions?