Udacity Data Analyst Project 1: Explore Weather Trends Cities: Abuja, Kano, Lagos (Nigeria)

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Data Extraction

SQL was used to extract the data from the database on Udacity classroom. Investigating the data reveals that there were a couple of missing rows for the selected cities before 1873, hence the query was written to extract data from 1873 upwards.

First query to extract 3 cities in Nigeria:

SELECT year, city, avg_temp FROM city_data WHERE year >= 1873 AND year <= 2013 AND city IN ('Abuja','Lagos','Kano'):

Second query to extract global data:

SELECT *
FROM global_data
WHERE year >= 1873 and year <= 2013;

Data Exploration

For better visualization, a 7-year moving average was calculated using excel formula, below is the snippet for the analysis:

	Kano				Lagos				Global data			
year		city	avg_temp	m_avg_ter	np	year	city	avg_temp	m_avg_temp	year	avg_temp	
1	873	Kano	26.55			1873	Lagos	26.46		1873	8.35	
1	874	Kano	25.55			1874	Lagos	26.08		1874	8.43	
1	875	Kano	25.41			1875	Lagos	25.82		1875	7.86	
1	876	Kano	25.38			1876	Lagos	25.82		1876	8.08	
1	877	Kano	25.96			1877	Lagos	26.35		1877	8.54	
1	878	Kano	26.13			1878	Lagos	26.26		1878	8.83	
1	879	Kano	25.48	25.78		1879	Lagos	25.67	26.06571429	1879	8.17	=AVERAGE(Q3:Q9)
1	880	Kano	25.57	25.64		1880	Lagos	26.14	26.02	1880	8.12	AVERAGE(number1, [
1	881	Kano	26.01	25.70571		1881	Lagos	26.39	26.06428571	1881	8.27	8.267143
1	882	Kano	25.52	25.72143		1882	Lagos	26.01	26.09142857	1882	8.13	8.305714
1	883	Kano	25.86	25.79		1883	Lagos	26.42	26.17714286	1883	7.98	8.291429
1	884	Kano	26.06	25.80429		1884	Lagos	26.43	26.18857143	1884	7.77	8.181429
1	.885	Kano	22.6	25.3		1885	Lagos	26.01	26.15285714	1885	7.92	8.051429
1	886	Kano	25.28	25.27143		1886	Lagos	25.87	26.18142857	1886	7.95	8.02
1	887	Kano	24.95	25.18286		1887	Lagos	25.09	26.03142857	1887	7.91	7.99
1	888	Kano	25.22	25.07		1888	Lagos	25.42	25.89285714	1888	8.09	7.964286
1	889	Kano	25.31	25.04		1889	Lagos	25.34	25.79714286	1889	8.32	7.991429
1	890	Kano	24.51	24.84714		1890	Lagos	24.86	25.57428571	1890	7.97	7.99
1	891	Kano	25.06	24.70429		1891	Lagos	25.29	25.41142857	1891	8.02	8.025714
1	892	Kano	25.33	25.09429		1892	Lagos	25.49	25.33714286	1892	8.07	8.047143

Data Visualization

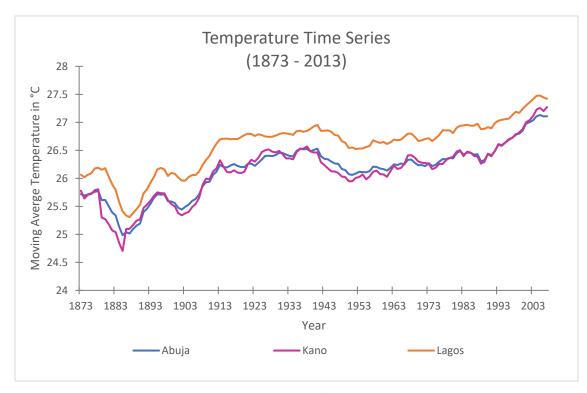


Figure 1: Temperature time series line chart for Abuja, Kano, and Lagos

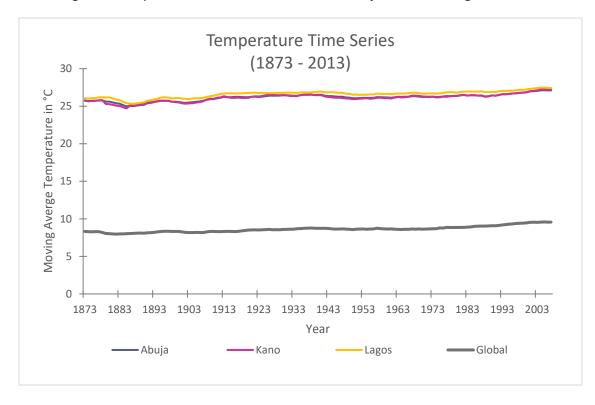


Figure 2: Comparison between average global temperatures and average temperatures of selected cities

Data Analysis

- 1. **Increasing Temperature:** Analysis shows that there is a general increase in temperature, with Lagos recording the highest temperature at 27.47°C.
- 2. **Temperature Spike:** There is a downward surge in temperature between 1878 and 1895 in all the cities as well as the global dataset
- 3. Lagos is relatively hotter than other cities in Nigeria
- 4. Cities in Nigeria have higher temperatures than the global average, primarily because Nigeria is located within the tropical equator, with high temperature.