

Weather Trends

Exploring Weather Trends

Overview

In this project, we will analyze local and global temperature data and compare the temperature trends where I live to overall global temperature trends. Goal will be to create a visualization and mention the similarities and differences between global temperature trends and temperature trends in the closest big city to where I live.

An outline of steps taken to prepare the data to be visualized are as follows:

Step 1 - Data Extraction (Tools Used)

I used SQL to extract data from the Database. Queries used for extraction are:

- Select *From global_data
- Select city
 From city_list
 Where city 'New York'
- Select year, avg_temp
 From city_data
 Where city ='New York' and country =' United States'

Downloaded the file as CSV and later used Excel to calculate the Moving Average and plot the Line Chart.

Step 2 - Data Validation (Key Consideration when deciding to visualize the trends)

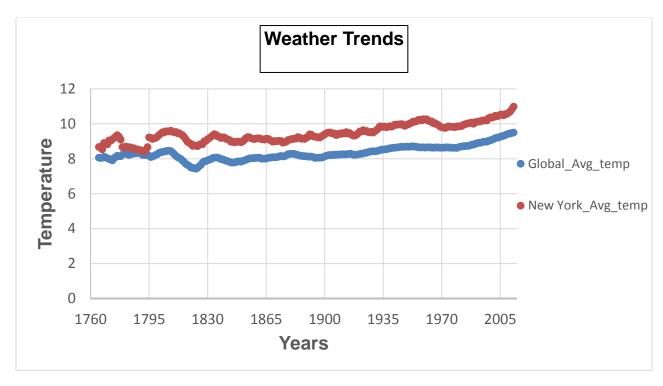
New York average temperature was available from the year 1743 and Global data was available from the year 1750. Since, I couldn't compare New York temperature prior to the year 1750, hence I removed years 1743 to 1749 from my analysis.

Moreover, for the year 1980 average temperature for New York was missing. To fill the gap, I calculated the mean of the local temperature. column and represented it as an average temperature for year 1980.

Step 3 - Data Analysis (Calculated the moving average)

I calculated the moving average of 15years by using the formula: Average (Cell2: Cell16). I tried different permutation for selecting the years to get a smooth line.

Step 4 - Data Visualization (Line Chart)



Result – Observations

Some of the similarities and differences between the Global and New York average temperatures are:

- New York temperatures is higher than the Global on an average by 1 degree.
- Both New York and Global temperatures are increasing over the years i.e. temperature will be hotter in the coming years.
- Drop in both the temperatures between 1810-1830 has been significant and before the year 1810 we see different variation in temperatures not providing us a clear trend.
- For New York the temperature has dropped for the years 1770-1795, however Global temperatures have increased.