World CO2 Emission Visualization

Group – Statistics 1

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**Project Overview:**

**What:** Our project is an interactive data visualization tool that displays the world’s carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions data from 1990 to 2018. It allows users to explore the trends and patterns of CO2 emissions over time by country and region. The data used in our visualization is sourced from the **U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA).**

**Why:** Our goal is to raise awareness about the pressing issue of climate change and the significant role of CO2 emissions in contributing to it. We believe that by visualizing the data in an engaging and interactive way, we can help users better understand the scale and impact of CO2 emissions and encourage more informed discussions and actions toward them.

**How:** Our visualization tool is a webpage with an interactive world map of CO2 emissions. As the cursor moves over to any country, the country pops out a little and displays the CO2 emissions of that country. On the webpage, there is a dropdown menu of years that allows users to select a specific year and view the interactive world map of CO2 emissions of that year. In addition to the world map, we have also created several other visualizations to highlight key insights and trends in the data.

**Goals achieved from Phase 1B to Phase 2:**

**Phase 1B Goals:**

During Phase 1B, we focused on data collection and cleaning, as well as the initial prototyping of the visualization. Our goals were to:

* Collect and clean CO2 emissions data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration for the years 1990-2018.
* Develop an initial prototype of the world map visualization using D3.js.
* Implement a hover-over feature for the world map that displays the CO2 emissions of each country.

**Phase 2 Goals:**

In Phase 2, we aimed to refine and improve the visualization based on feedback from Phase 1B. Our goals were to:

* Create a dropdown menu of years that allows users to select a specific year to view.
* Expand the dataset to include CO2 emissions for all countries for each year from 1990 to 2018.
* Implement visualization of CO2 emissions over time for each country, as well as a global view of CO2 emissions over time.

**Current Phase Results:**

At the end of Phase 2, we successfully achieved our goals and produced a working world map visualization that allows users to select a year and view the CO2 emissions of each county. We also implemented additional visualizations of CO2 emissions over time for each country and a global view of CO2 emissions over time.

**Interactions:**

1. **Interactive world map of CO2 emissions:**

As the cursor moves over any country, the country pops out a little and displays the CO2 emissions of that country.

1. **Year dropdown menu:**

Allows users to select a specific year and view the interactive world map of CO2 emissions of that year.

**Here are the screenshots of the visualization of our project.**

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**Overall, we are pleased with the outcome of our project and believe it provides a valuable tool for understanding global CO2 emissions trends.**

**References:**

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