

Climate Study for the United States

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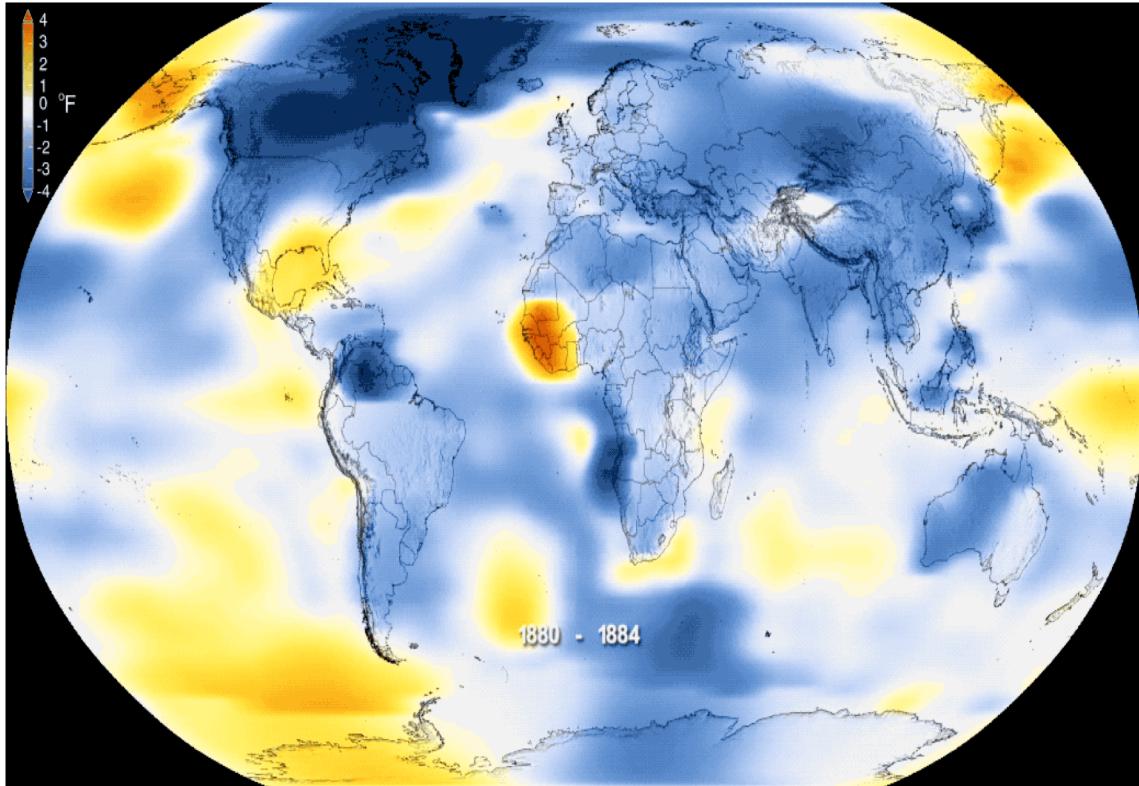
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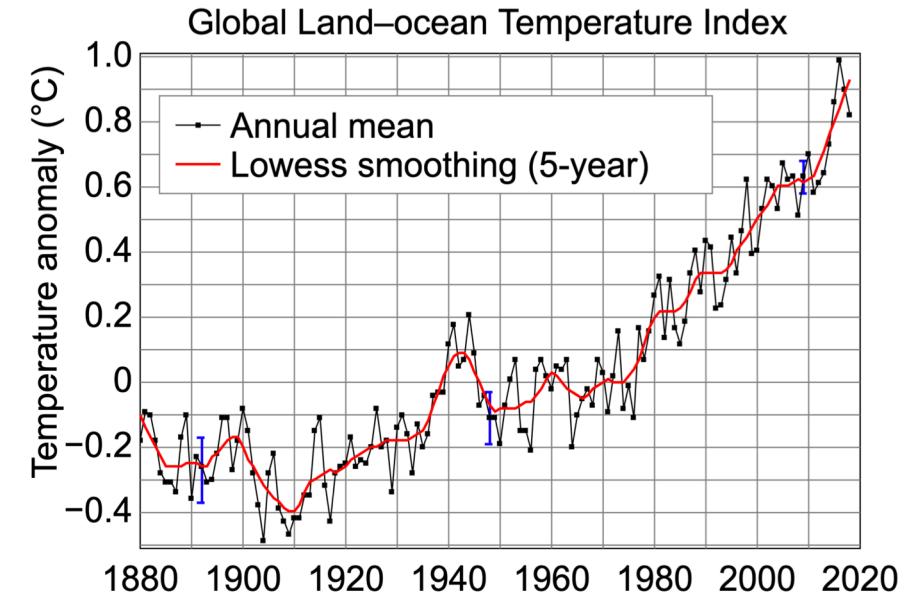
Introduction



Climate Change in Recent Years



<https://climate.nasa.gov/news/2876/new-studies-increase-confidence-in-nasas-measure-ofearths-temperature/>



The Phenomenon of Climate Change:

- **Global Warming**
- **Forest Degradation**
- **Desertification**

Proposals & Goals

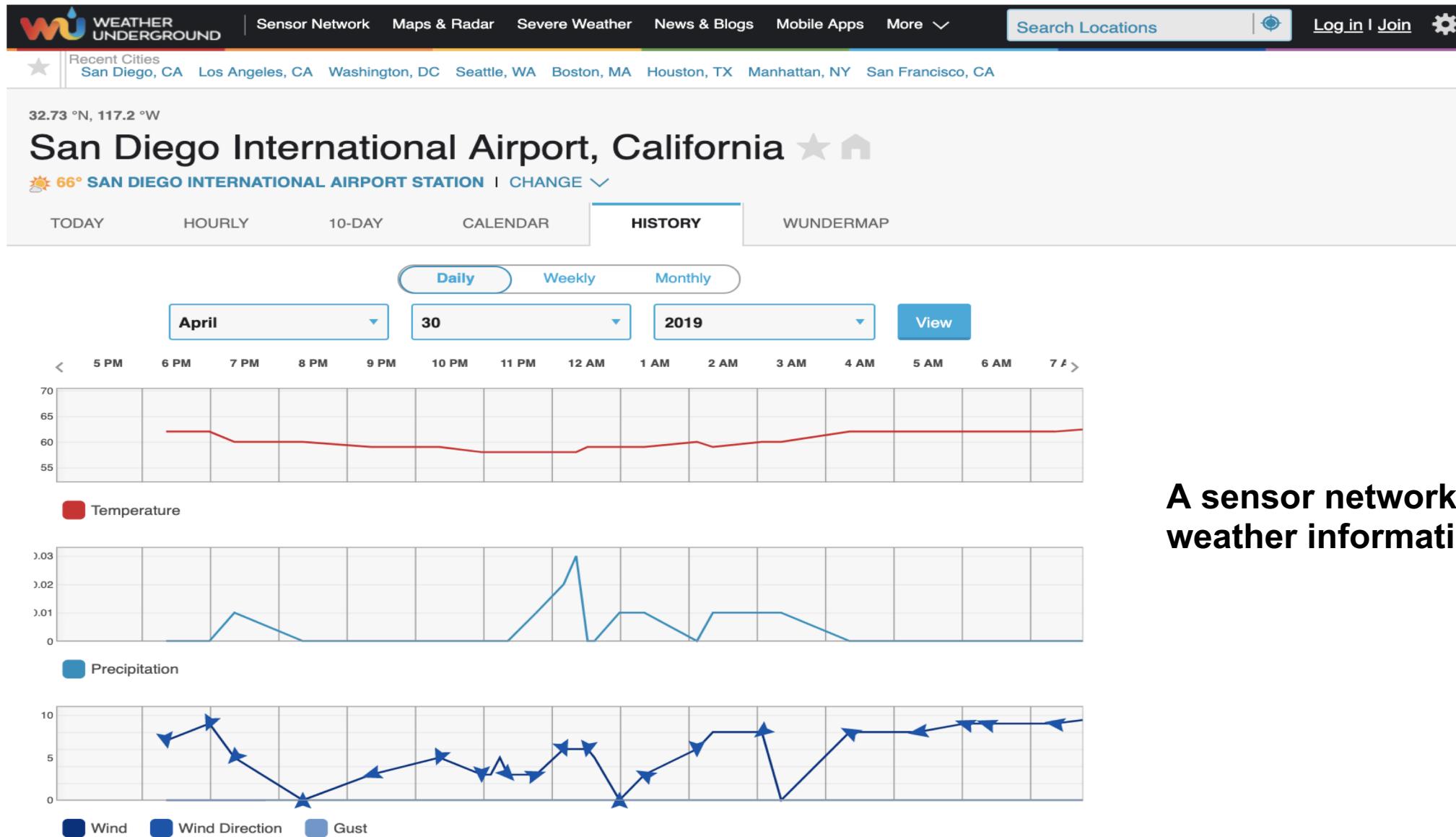
- To explore the trends of climate change in some cities in the United States by visualizing weather data over the past few decades.
- To study the relationship between the geographical position and climatic correlation.
- Take a deep-dive into San Diego's weather.



Data Collection and Preprocessing

Weather Underground

[link](#)

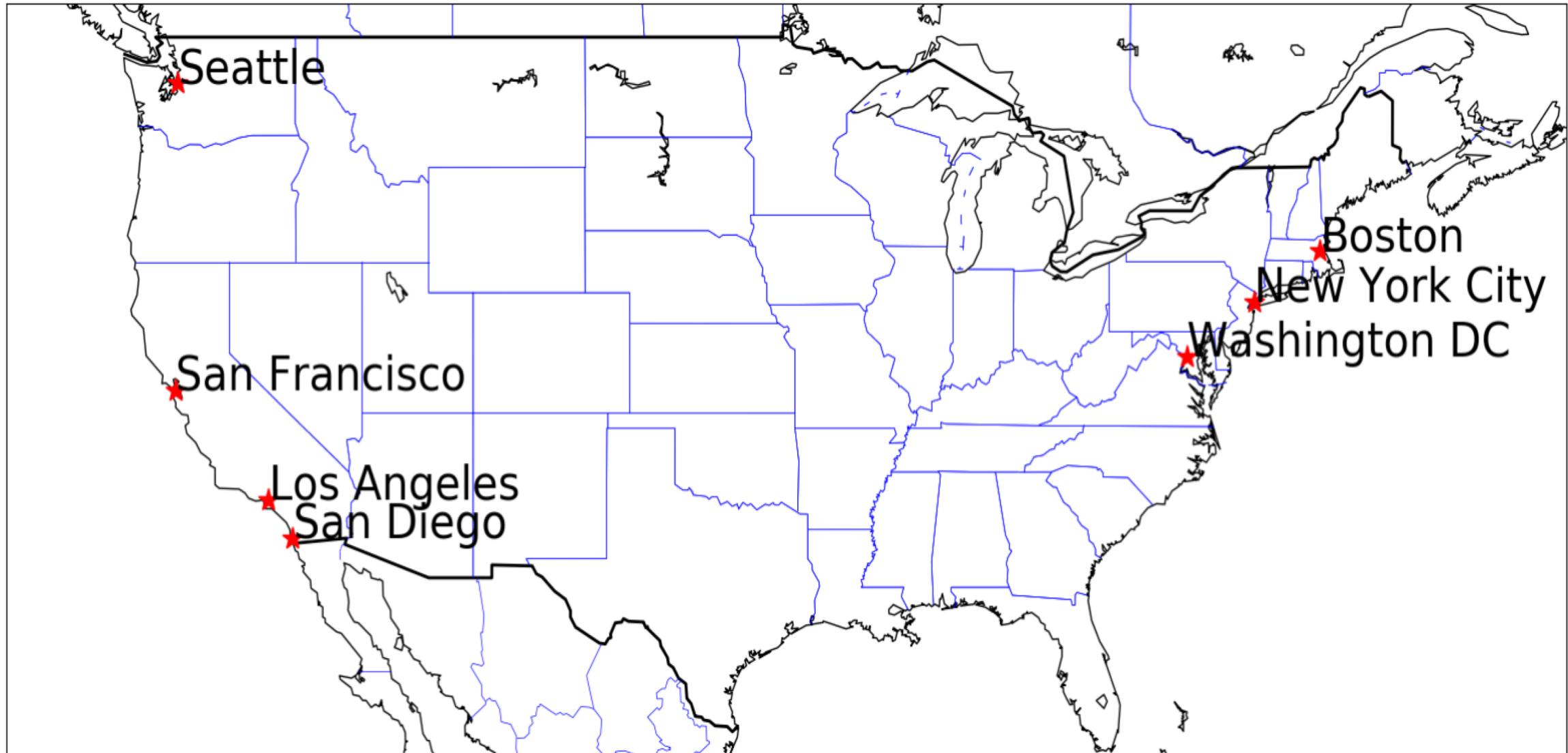


A sensor network for weather information

Data - City Code Reference

City Name	City Code	Address
San Diego	KSAN	San Diego International Airport, California
San Francisco	KSFO	San Francisco International Airport, California
New York City	KLGA	LaGuardia Airport, New York
Boston	KBOS	Gen. Edward Lawrence Logan International Airport, Massachusetts
Seattle	KSEA	Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, Washington
Washington DC	KDCA	Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Virginia
Los Angeles	KBUR	Bob Hope Airport, California

The Distribution of Selected Cities



Data Summary

Temperature (° F)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲	Dew Point (° F)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲
High Temp	65	68	94		Dew Point	54	-	-	
Low Temp	58	58	46		High	57	-	-	
Day Average Temp	62	63	-		Low	50	-	-	
Precipitation (Inches)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲	Average	54	-	-	
Precipitation	0.07	0.01	0.88		Wind (MPH)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲
Month to Date	0.16	0.78	-		Max Wind Speed	15	-	-	
Year to Date	7.61	6.84	-		Visibility	10	-	-	
Degree Days (° F)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲	Sea Level Pressure (Hg)	Actual	Historic Avg.	Record	▲
Heating Degree Days	3	3	-		Sea Level Pressure	30.05	-	-	
HDD Month to Date	33	113	-		Astronomy	Day Length	Rise	Set	▲
HDD Since July 1	781	1149	-		Actual Time	13h 26m	6:04 AM	7:30 PM	
Cooling Degree Days	0	1	-		Civil Twilight		5:37 AM	7:56 PM	
CDD Month to Date	18	14	-		Nautical Twilight		5:06 AM	8:27 PM	
CDD Year to Date	22	24	-		Astronomical Twilight		4:33 AM	9:00 PM	
Growing Degree Days	10	-	-		Moon: waning crescent		4:03 AM	3:43 PM	

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weather icon

Data Cleaning

- missing_values = ["n/a", "na", "--", **None**, 'None']
- use forward-fill to fill the missing values:
`pandas.DataFrame.fillna(method="ffill", inplace=True)`

date	temperature	precip
19900101	54	0
19900102	55	0.42
19900103	53	0
19900104	None	0
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19900108	56	0
19900109	60	None
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19900111	60	0

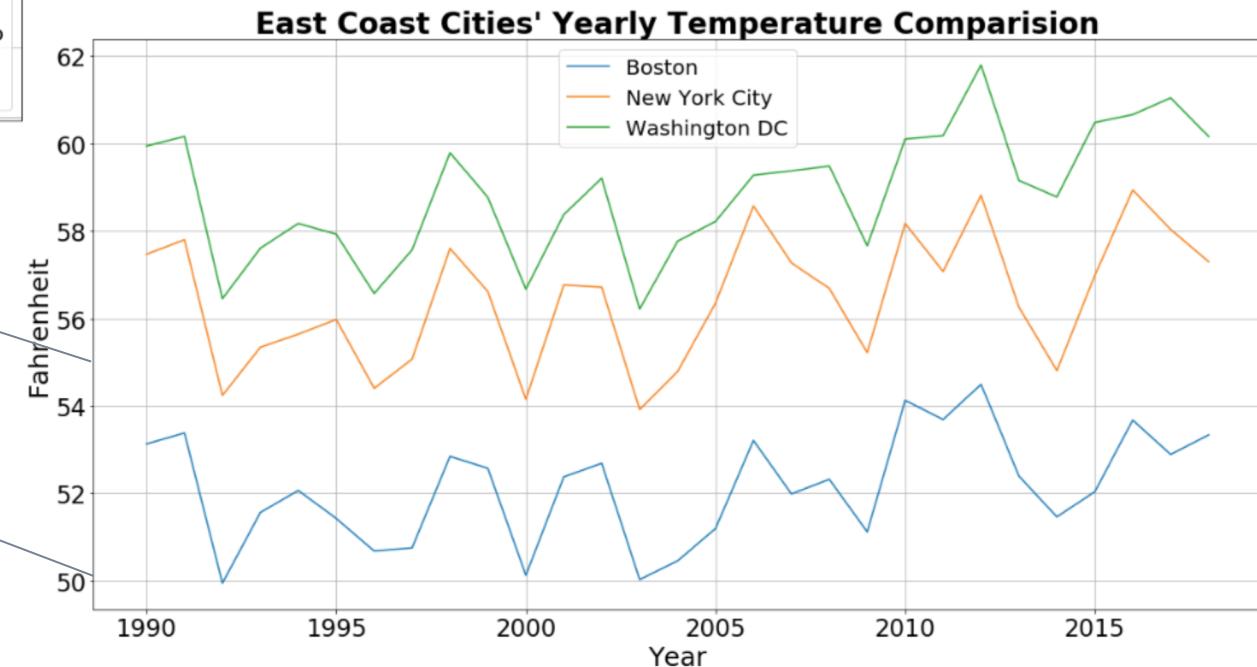
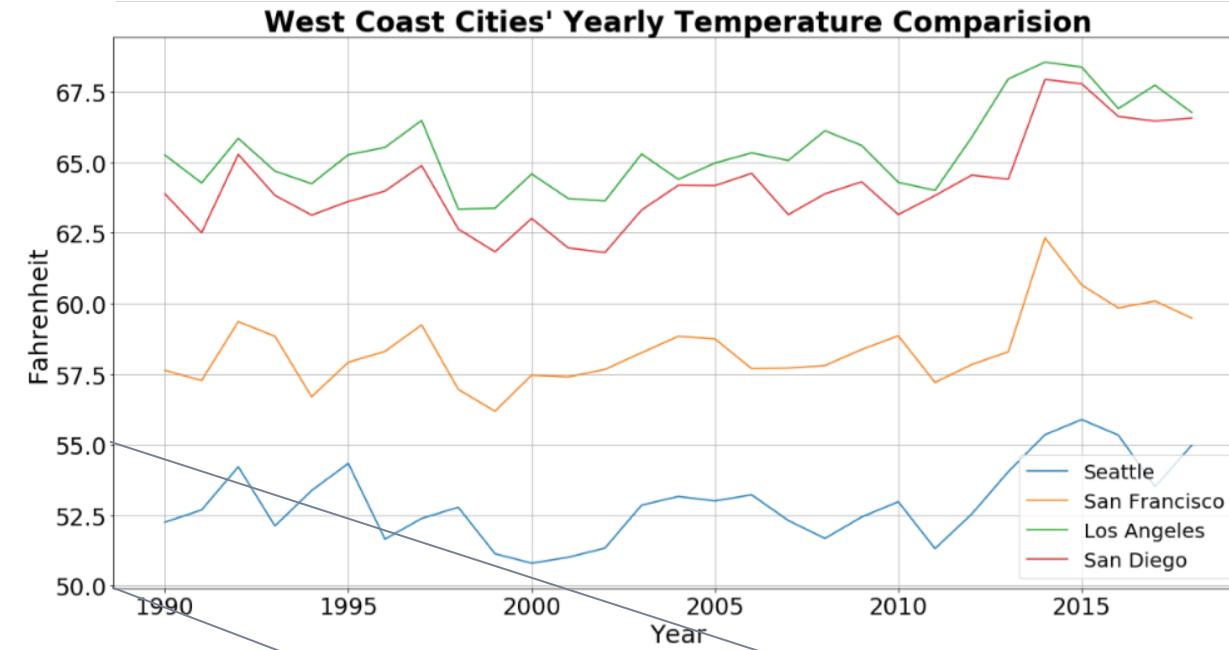


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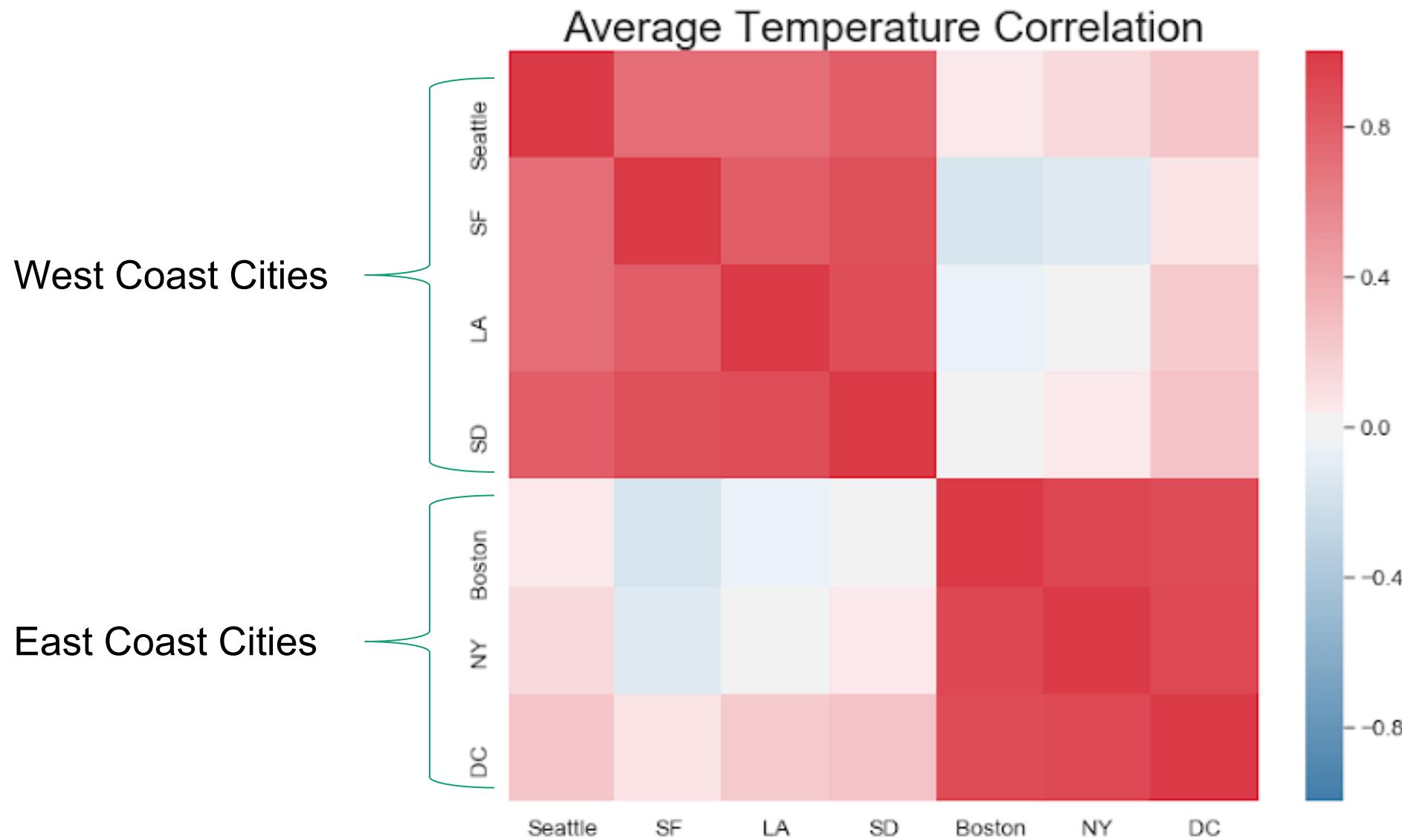


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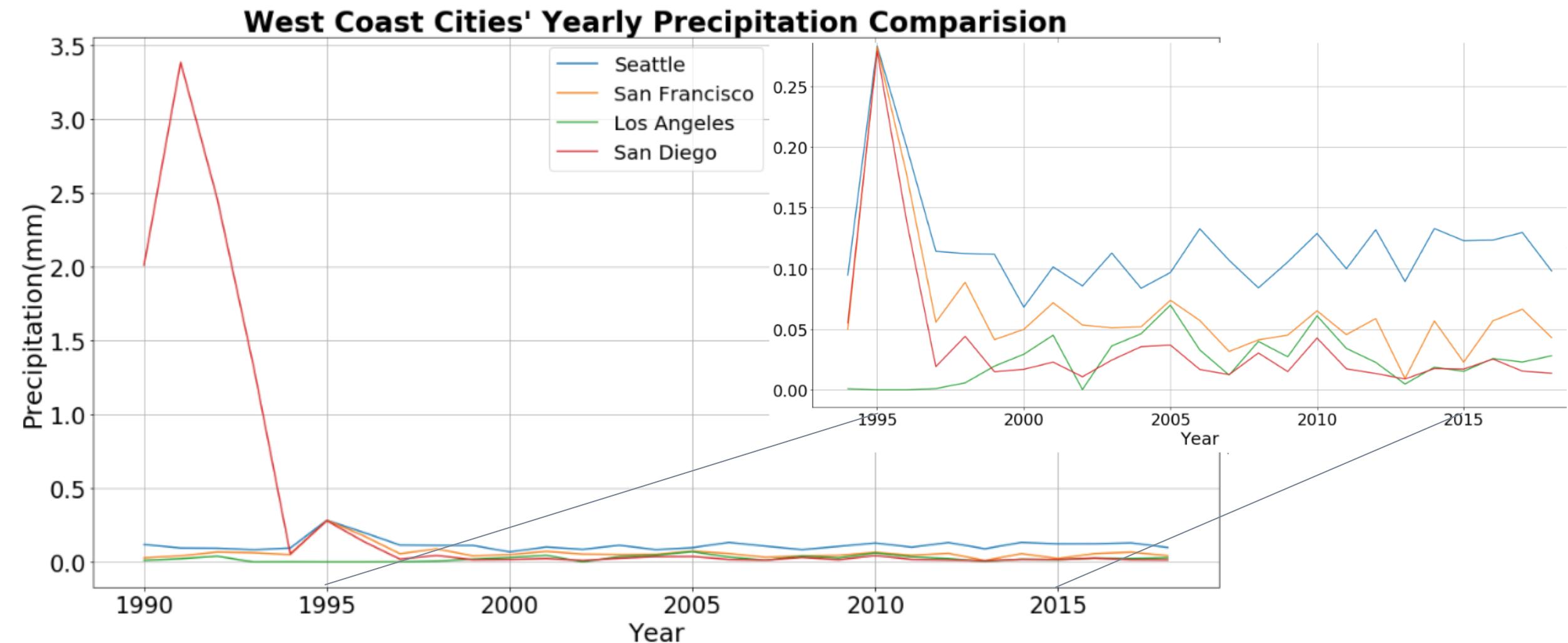
Average Temperature Comparison -- Year wise



Average Temperature Correlation

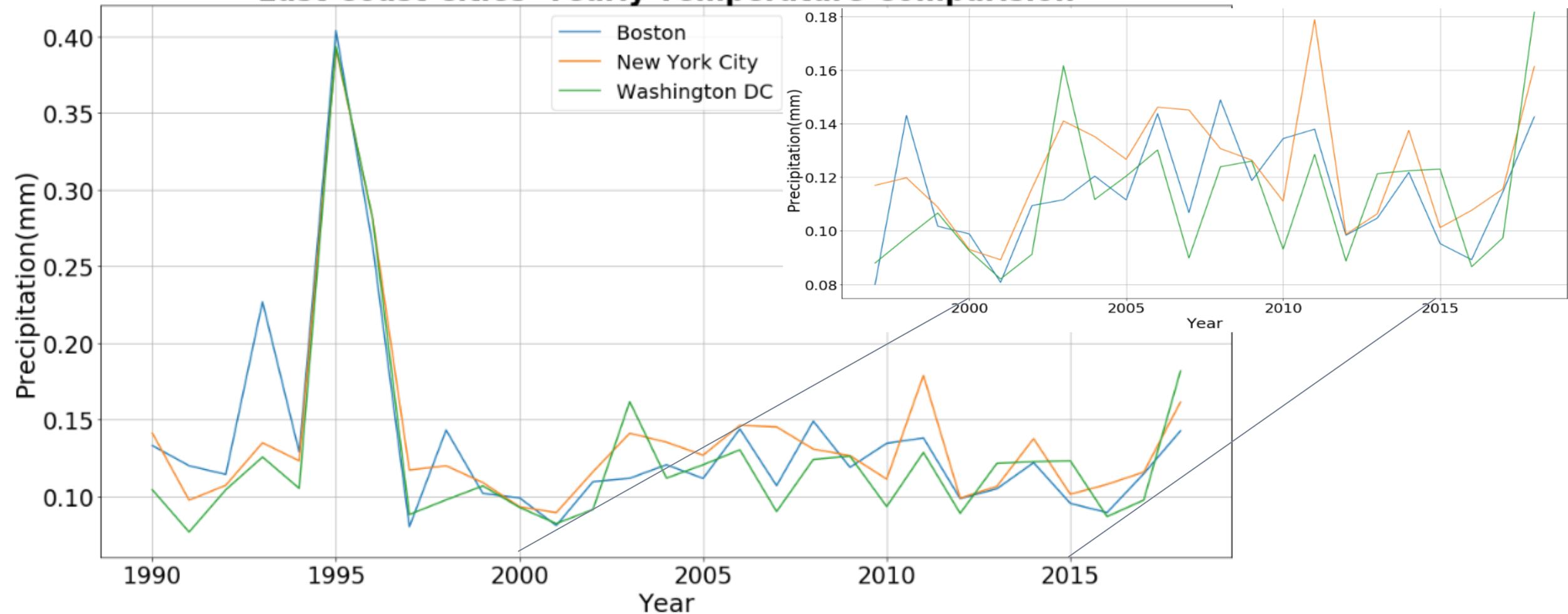


Average Precipitation Comparison -- Year wise (West Coast)

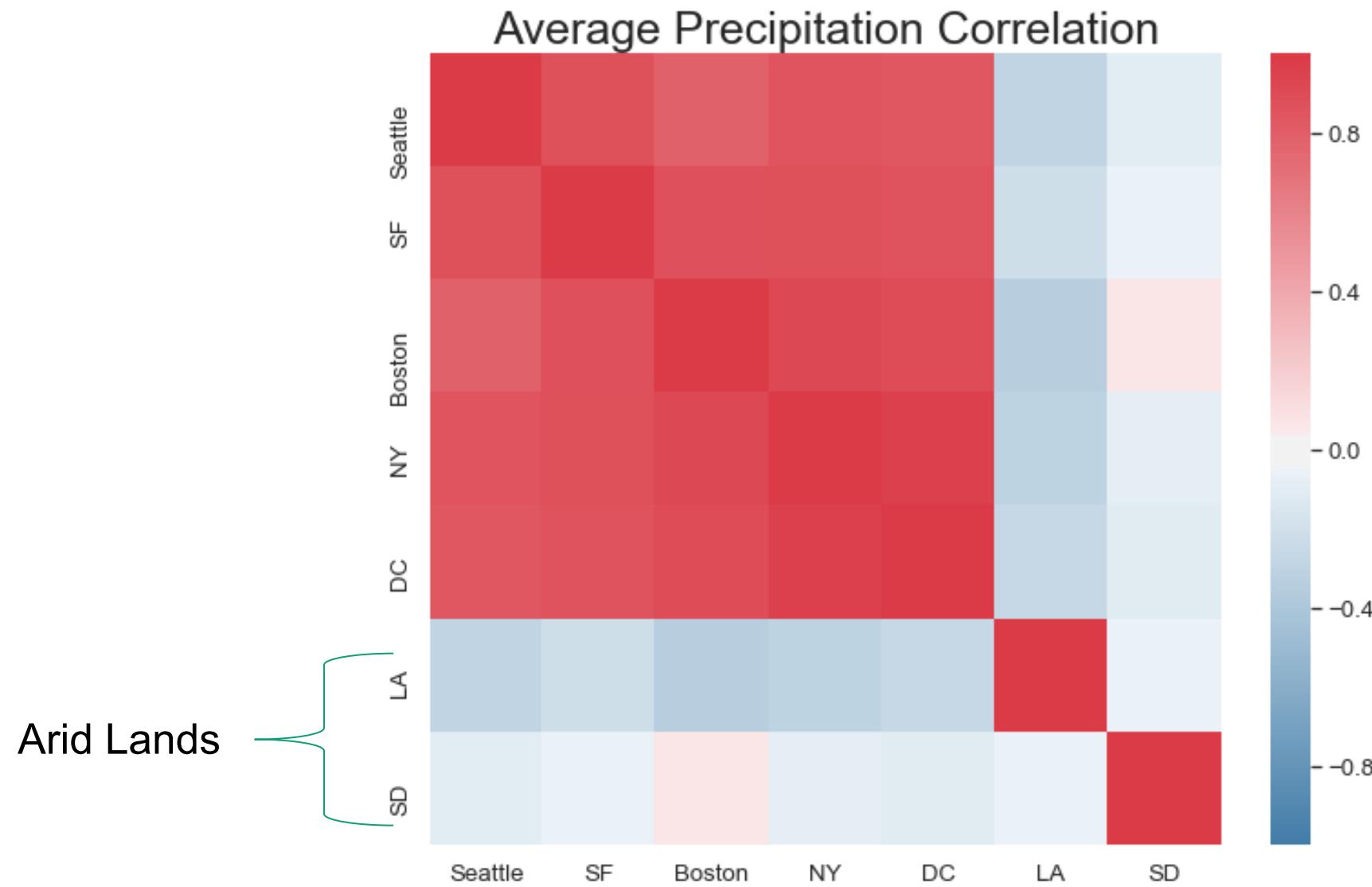


Average Precipitation Comparison -- Year wise (East Coast)

East Coast Cities' Yearly Temperature Comparision



Average Precipitation Correlation



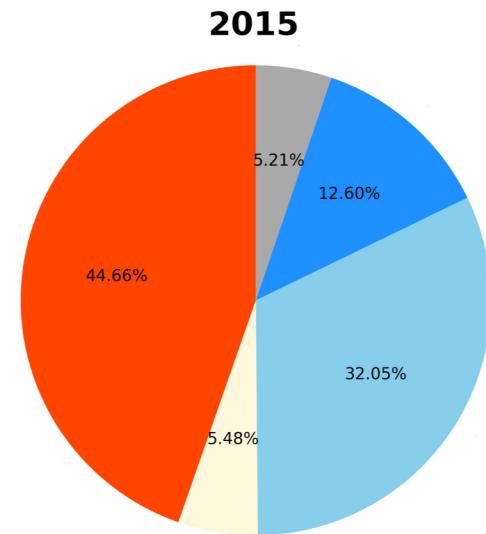
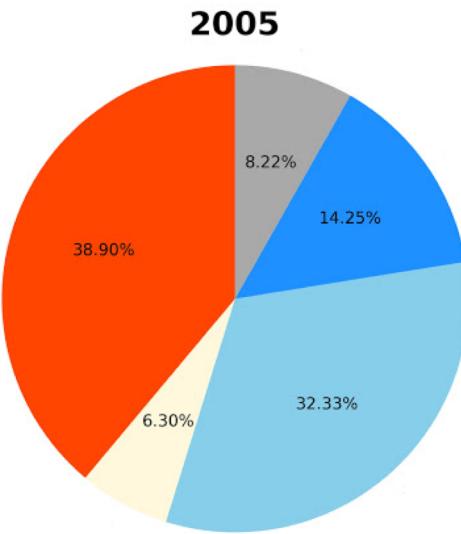
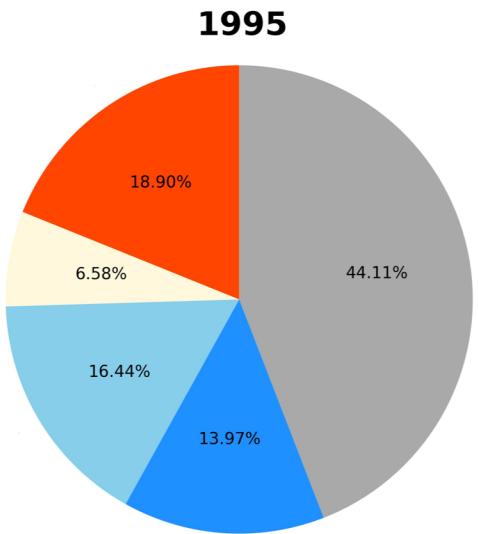
Conclusions

- The average temperature of the cities shows good correlation with respect to their longitude.
- The average precipitation for the coastal cities on both coasts looks correlated, LA and SD being exception because of very less annual rainfall.

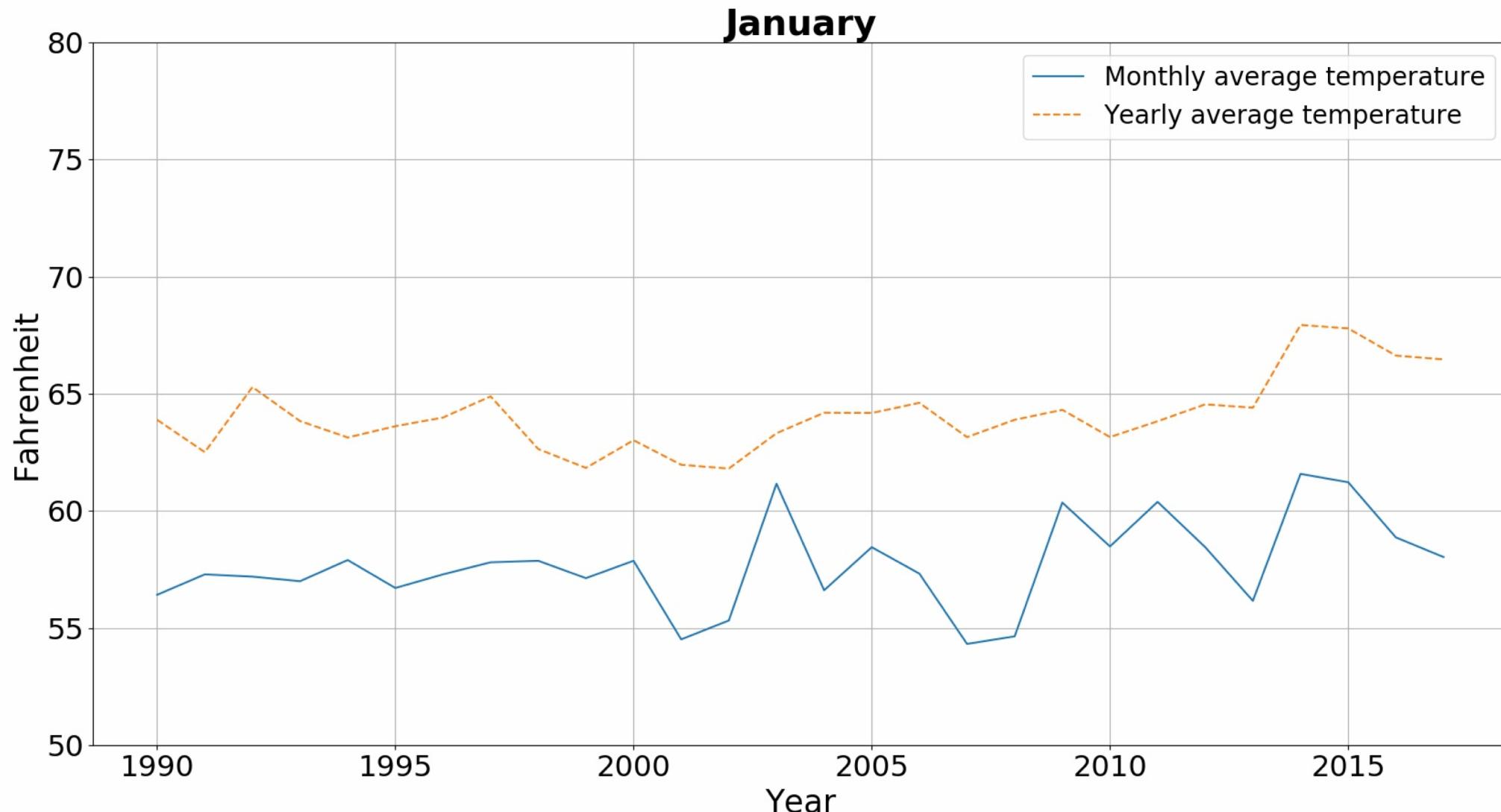


Data Visualization for San Diego

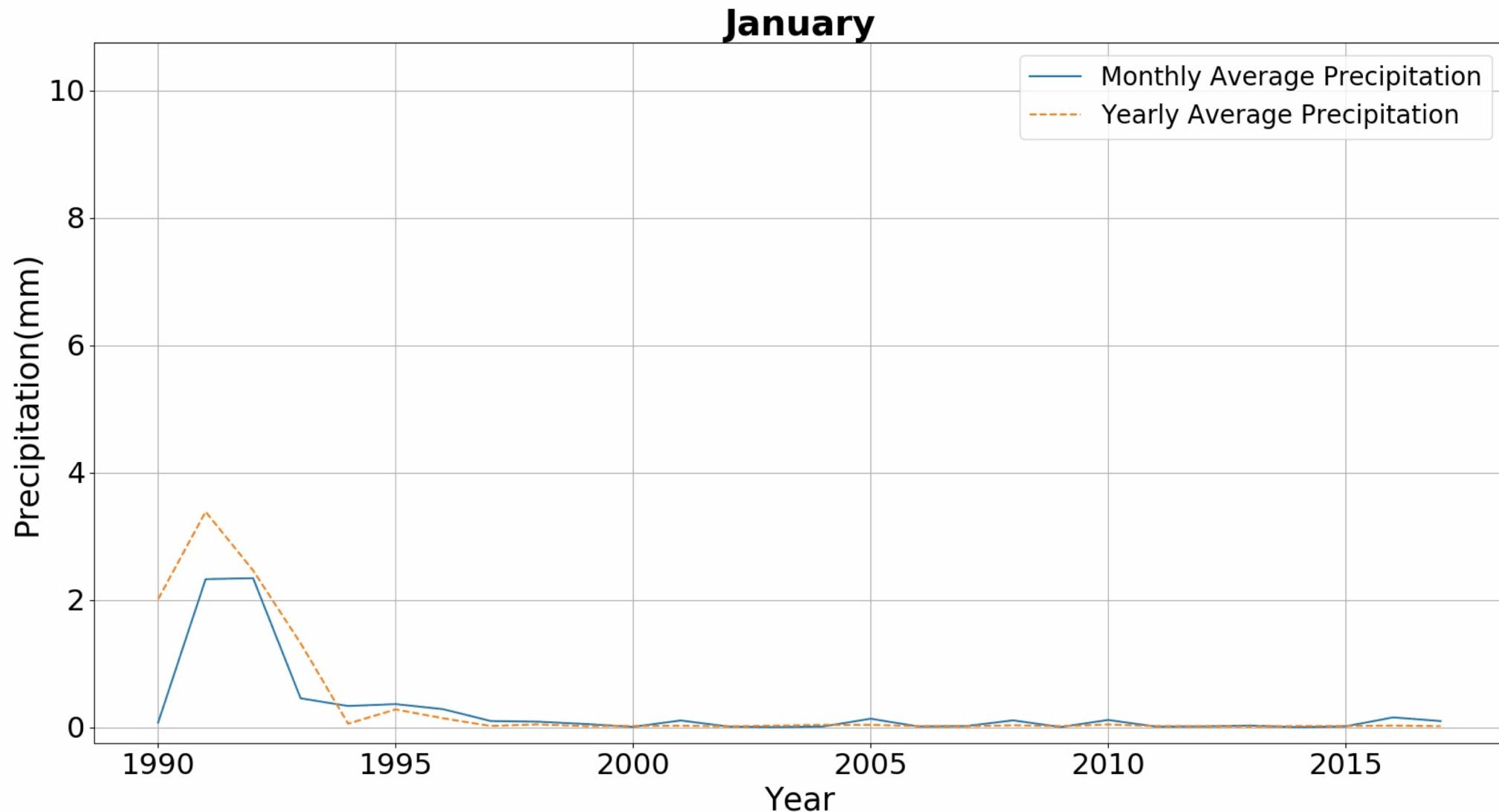
Weather of San Diego



Average Temperature of San Diego (1990 - 2018)



Average Precipitation in San Diego (1990 - 2018)



Conclusions

- The average temperature per month in San Diego has fluctuated over the years but shows a slight upward trend overall.
- The overall precipitation in San Diego is relatively small, mostly in the autumn and winter seasons.
- Overall, San Diego is a city with moderate temperatures, mostly sunny days and less precipitation.



Evaluations and Applications



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- **Since we don't have an access to the comprehensive weather data for a longer duration of time, we are not able to make any comment on climate change in general.**
- **Overall, this project can be used to get an overall picture of the weather conditions of a city, just by plugging in the city code.**



Thanks!