Project: Exploring Weather Trends

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1. What tools did you use for each step? (Python, SQL, Excel, etc)

- a. I used two SQL queries to extract my data from the database:
 - i. Global Data:

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SELECT *
FROM global_data
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ii. Local Data: (for San Jose, CA)

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SELECT year, city, avg_temp
FROM city_data
WHERE city = 'San Jose'
```

- I used MS Excel to convert the CSV file to XSLX file, calculate the moving average and create the charts.

2. How did you calculate the moving average?

I tried 7, 10, 20-year moving averages to see which average is better to smooth out data. To calculate the moving average in MS Excel, I used the AVERAGE function (the same approach as in the lesson) as shown below:

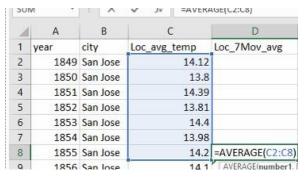


Figure 1: 7-year Moving Average

| 1 | A | В | C | D | E | |
|----|------|----------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1 | year | city | Loc_avg_temp | Loc_7Mov_avg | Loc_10Mov_avg l | |
| 2 | 1849 | San Jose | 14.12 | | | |
| 3 | 1850 | San Jose | 13.8 | | | |
| 4 | 1851 | San Jose | 14.39 | | | |
| 5 | 1852 | San Jose | 13.81 | | | |
| 6 | 1853 | San Jose | 14.4 | | | |
| 7 | 1854 | San Jose | 13.98 | | | |
| 8 | 1855 | San Jose | 14.2 | 14.10 | | |
| 9 | 1856 | San Jose | 14.1 | 14.10 | | |
| 10 | 1857 | San Jose | 14.78 | 14.24 | | |
| 11 | 1858 | San Jose | 14.19 | 14.21 | =AVERAGE(C2:C11) | |
| 12 | 1859 | San Jose | 13.71 | 14.19 | AVERAGE(number1, [nun | |
| 13 | 1860 | San Jose | 13.81 | 14.11 | 14.14 | |
| 14 | 1861 | San Jose | 14.88 | 14.24 | 14.19 | |

Figure 2: 10-year Moving Average

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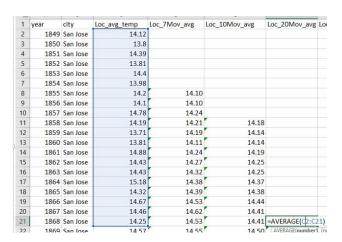


Figure 3: 20-year Moving Average

3. What were your key considerations when deciding how to visualize the trends?

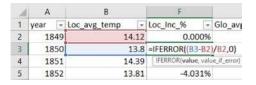
The key consideration was to determine the timeframe for data visualization; Looking at the local temperature data for San Jose, the data covers the period between **1849** to **2013**, where in the global temperature data covers the period between **1750** and **2015**. Therefore, the analysis was performed for the range between **1849** to **2013**. To make sure local and global temperature data is mapped correctly, I used VLOOKUP to retrieve the global temperature data worksheet into the local data worksheet.

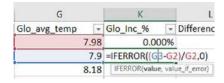
Another consideration was to adjust the starting point for each chart as follows:

- 7-year moving average starting point: 1855 (1849 + 7) See figure 6
- 10-year moving average starting point: 1858 (1849 + 10) See figure 5
- 20-year moving average starting point: 1868 (1849 + 20) See figure 4

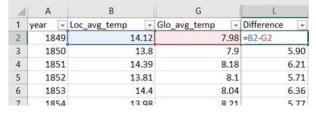
To help assess the data variance and frequency of change between global and local temperature levels, I calculated the following:

The Global & Local annual change percentage:

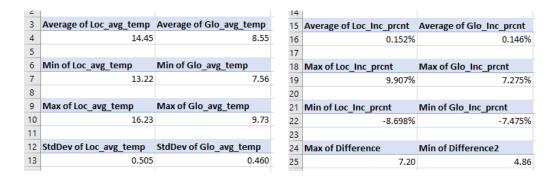




The Local/Global temp. average difference:



Also, I used Pivot table to calculate the Max, Min, Average, Standard Deviation, High/Low (%) change as follows:



All the calculations above were summarized in table 1 and table 2 below

Observations:

- The San Jose is hotter than the global temperature (please refer to Min, Max and Avg. columns in the table below)
- The local (San Jose) and global temperature levels are both increasing.
- The global moving average experiences less fluctuations than the local moving average in San Jose.
- The global temperature levels have a smaller variance than the local temperature changes.
- To determine the slope, we used the Linear TREND function for the local and global temperature data, we got the following the following equations:

By comparing the two slopes (0.0049) & (0.0049) & (0.0033), we note the local trend is increasing more rapidly than the global trend.

- The highest difference between local and global temperature is 7.20 °. This was recorded in year 1864; where the lowest difference between local and global temperature is 4.84 °. this was recorded in year 1998 (see figure 7)

| | Min | Max | Avg. | SD | highest Inc. (%) | Lowest Dec. (%) | Avg. Change |
|----------|-------------------|---------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| San Jose | 13.22 | 16.23 ° | 14.5 ° | 0.505 | 9.907 % | - 8.698 % | 0.152 % |
| Global | 7.56 ^c | 9.73 ° | 8.55 c | 0.460 | 7.275% | - 7.475 % | 0.146 % |

Table 1: Global Vs. Local (Summary 1)

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|-----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Highest Difference | Lowest Difference | | |
| Difference | Difference | | |
| 7.20 ° | 4.86 ^c | | |

Table 2: Highest & Lowest Average Difference

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Key considerations when deciding how to visualize the trends

Wanted to time align the data for all the 3 categories (Global, Delhi, Hyderabad) As 12 year moving average is taken for all the 3 categories, hence a line / trend chart is populated

w.r.t Year and Avg temperature

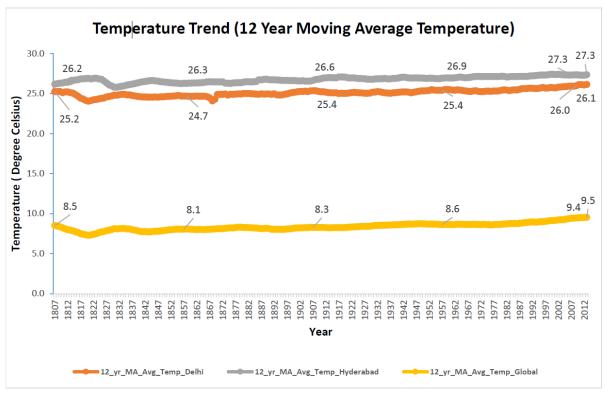


Figure 4: Graph

At least four observations about the similarities and/or differences in the trends

- a) Global temperatures are very less compared to Hyderabad and Delhi
- b) The temperatures for all the 3 categories have increased marginally in the last 200 years of data
- c) The lowest temperatures found for Global (7.3 deg C) around 1820, whereas for Hyderabad (25.8 deg around 1830. and for Delhi (26 deg C) around 1820
- d) Hyderabad temperature increment is more at present compared to Global and Delhi
- e) Exactly 50 years from the year 1807, we observe that Global and Delhi have their temperatures dipped

but for Hyderabad it is consistent.

- f) The global temperature remained consistent until the year 1957, but after 1957 increased.
- there seems to be a lot of change in temperatures. Hence global temperatures are
- g) At every 50 years interval, the temperatures are shown in chart .

Hence we can observe that temperatures have changed by +/ -0.3

- h) The correlation coefficient for (Global vs Delhi -> 0.937) and (Global vs Hyderabad -> 0.687) So from above, the changes in Global temperature will have huge impact to Delhi when compared to Hyderabad
- i) The difference in 12 year MA temperatures for Global (0.89), Hyderabad(1.16), Delhi (1.04) (comparison done w.r.t 1807 vs 2013)