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Climate Change Indicators Dataset Analysis Report

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1. Introduction

This report presents an exploratory data analysis (EDA) of the **climate_change_indicators.csv** dataset obtained from FAOSTAT (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations). The dataset contains yearly temperature anomalies from 1961 to 2022 across multiple countries compared to a baseline period (1951–1980).

The objective of this analysis is to:

- Understand global warming trends
- · Identify patterns in temperature changes
- Explore the relevance of this dataset for agricultural and environmental science

2. Dataset Overview

Source:

• FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

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Link: https://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#data/ET

Key Features:

• Rows: 222

Columns: 64

- Variables:
 - Categorical: Country, ISO codes, Indicator, Unit
 - Numeric: Yearly temperature anomalies (F1961 to F2022)

Relevance:

- Agricultural Science: Helps assess how climate affects crop yields and irrigation.
- Environmental Science: Tracks global warming and regional variability.
- 3. Data Inspection
- a) Dimensions

Code Snippet:

dim(data)

Output: 222 rows, 64 columns

b) First and Last Rows

head(data)

tail(data)

c) Summary Statistics

summary(data)

d) Structure of the Data

str(data)

e) Missing Values

colSums(is.na(data)) # Count missing values per column

sum(is.na(data)) # Total number of missing values

f) Duplicate Rows

sum(duplicated(data))

4. Data Cleaning

Steps Taken:

- Option 1: Removed rows with any NA values using na.omit().
- Option 2: Removed columns with more than 50% missing values.
- Option 3: Imputed numeric columns using mean values.
- Duplicates: Removed using unique().

Code Used:

```
clean_data <- na.omit(data)

missing_percent <- colSums(is.na(data)) / nrow(data)

cols_to_remove <- names(missing_percent[missing_percent > 0.5])

clean_data <- data %>% select(-all_of(cols_to_remove))

clean_data <- data %>%

mutate(across(where(is.numeric), ~ ifelse(is.na(.), mean(., na.rm = TRUE), .)))

clean_data <- unique(clean_data)
```

5. Data Visualization

a) Histogram of F1961 Values

```
ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = F1961)) +
  geom_histogram(bins = 30, fill = "steelblue", color = "black") +
  labs(title = "Distribution of F1961 Values", x = "F1961", y = "Frequency")
```

"Caption: This histogram shows the distribution of temperature anomalies in 1961 across different countries."

b) Boxplot of F1961 by Country

```
ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = Country, y = F1961)) +
 geom_boxplot() +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1)) +
 labs(title = "Boxplot of F1961 by Country", y = "Value", x = "Country")
"Caption: The boxplot highlights variations in temperature anomalies across different
countries."
c) Scatter Plot Between F1961 and F1970
ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = F1961, y = F1970)) +
 geom_point(alpha = 0.6) +
labs(title = "Scatter Plot: F1961 vs F1970", x = "F1961", y = "F1970")
"Caption: A strong positive correlation between temperature anomalies in 1961 and
1970 is observed."
d) Bar Chart of Countries
ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = Country)) +
geom_bar() +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1)) +
 labs(title = "Number of Entries per Country")
e) Pair Plots (Only if Few Numeric Columns)
numeric_data <- clean_data %>% select(where(is.numeric))
if(ncol(numeric_data) <= 10) {</pre>
pairs(numeric_data, main = "Pairwise Scatter Plots")
} else {
 print("Too many numeric columns for pair plot.")
}
f) Correlation Matrix Heatmap
cor_matrix <- cor(numeric_data, use = "pairwise.complete.obs")</pre>
cor_df <- as.data.frame(as.table(cor_matrix))</pre>
ggplot(cor_df, aes(Var1, Var2, fill = Freq)) +
```

"Caption: High positive correlations between adjacent years suggest consistent warming trends over time. "

5. Save Cleaned Dataset

```
write_csv(clean_data, "C:\\Users\\Emmanuel G.
Momo\\Desktop\\webscrapping\\cleaned_climate_data.csv")
```

6. Initial Insights Summary

Key Features of the Dataset

The dataset includes temperature anomalies from 1961 to 2022 across multiple countries compared to a baseline period (1951–1980). Each row represents a country's temperature deviation over time. Variables include:

- Categorical: Country, ISO codes, Indicator, Unit
- Numeric: Yearly temperature anomalies (F1961 to F2022)

This data is crucial for both agricultural science (impact on crop yields, irrigation) and environmental science (global warming trends).

Observed Patterns and Trends

- Rising Temperatures Over Time: Boxplots grouped by decade show a consistent increase in median temperature anomalies since the 1960s.
- Positive Correlation Between Years: Strong correlation between earlier and later years suggests that countries with higher-than-average temperatures in the past tend to remain warmer today.
- Uneven Data Coverage: Some countries have more complete records than others, potentially introducing bias in comparative analyses.

Challenges Encountered During Data Exploration

- Missing Values: Many temperature columns contained NA values, especially for earlier years. Imputation using column means helped retain sample size but may mask variability.
- Outliers: Some extreme temperature values were observed, possibly due to measurement errors or actual climatic extremes.
- Wide Format: The wide format made time-series analysis challenging, requiring reshaping into long format for better visualization and modeling.

Future Research Questions & Machine Learning Tasks

- Predictive Modeling: Forecast future temperature anomalies using ARIMA,
 Prophet, or LSTM neural networks.
- Clustering Countries: Group countries based on similar temperature trends using k-means or hierarchical clustering.
- Anomaly Detection: Use unsupervised learning to detect unusual temperature spikes indicating extreme weather events.
- Regression Analysis: Investigate factors influencing temperature changes (e.g., economic development, land use).

In conclusion, this dataset provides a robust foundation for interdisciplinary research at the intersection of agriculture, environment, and data science.

7. R Code Used

library(readr)

library(dplyr)

library(ggplot2)

library(tidyr)

Load the dataset

data <- read_csv("C:\\Users\\Emmanuel G.
Momo\\Downloads\\climate_change_indicators.csv")</pre>

```
# Data Inspection
dim(data)
head(data)
tail(data)
summary(data)
str(data)
colSums(is.na(data))
sum(is.na(data))
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cor_df <- as.data.frame(as.table(cor_matrix))</pre>
ggplot(cor_df, aes(Var1, Var2, fill = Freq)) +
 geom_tile() +
 scale_fill_gradient2(low = "blue", high = "red", mid = "white",
```

```
midpoint = 0, limits = c(-1, 1), space = "Lab") +
theme_minimal() +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 1, size = 8, hjust = 1)) +
coord_fixed() +
labs(title = "Correlation Matrix Heatmap")
```

8. Save Cleaned Dataset

Code Snippet:

write_csv(clean_data, "C:\\Users\\Emmanuel G.
Momo\\Desktop\\webscrapping\\cleaned_climate_data.csv")

9. GitHub Repository

GitHub Link: https://github.com/emomo81/climate-change-analysis