Exploring Weather Trends - Project

My city - Nairobi, Kenya

Other city - Johannesburg, South Africa

Tools used

- 1. SQL use of SQL queries (see below) to extract the data.
- 2. Excel to load the data for visualisation
- 3. PowerBI to visualize the moving averages against each year

Queries

-- Global data

SELECT year, avg_temp, avg(avg_temp) OVER (ORDER BY year ROWS BETWEEN 10 PRECEDING AND 10 FOLLOWING) AS moving_avg

FROM global_data

ORDER BY year

-- City data - Nairobi, Kenya

SELECT year, city, country, avg_temp, avg(avg_temp) OVER (ORDER BY year ROWS BETWEEN 10 PRECEDING AND 10 FOLLOWING) AS moving_avg

FROM city_data WHERE country = 'Kenya'

ORDER BY year

--city data - Johannesburg, South Africa

SELECT year, city, country, avg_temp, avg(avg_temp) OVER (ORDER BY year ROWS BETWEEN 10 PRECEDING AND 10 FOLLOWING) AS moving_avg

FROM city_data WHERE country = 'South Africa' AND city = 'Johannesburg'
ORDER BY year

Moving average calculation

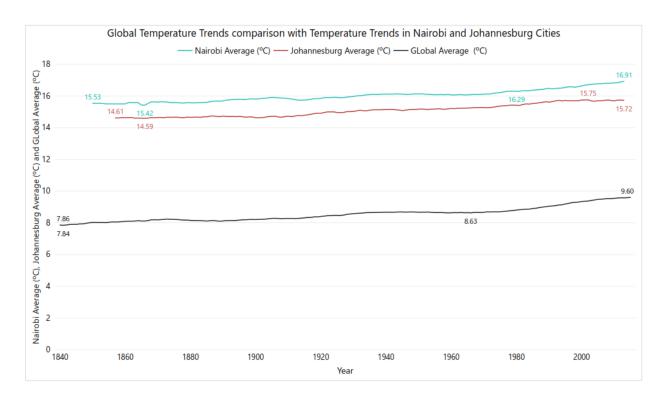
Using SQL query; see query above

Moving average of 10 years preceding and following current year.

Key considerations when deciding how to visualize the trends

- Creation of a new year table with a one to many relationship to both the city_data and global_data data sources hence use of one visual with a common X-axis
- 2. Choice of the visual Line chart with clearly distinguishable line colours.

Line chart with local and global temperature trends



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

- 1. Nairobi and Johannesburg Cities are hotter on average compared to global average temperatures with a consistent difference of around 7°C over the years.
- 2. There is an increase of 1.38°C in Nairobi City average temperature from 15.53°C in 1850 to 16.91°C in 2013.
- 3. There is a similar consistent increase in temperatures over the years for Nairobi, Johannesburg and the global average.
- 4. In General, there is an increase in global temperatures with a consistent rise of 2°C over the last one hundred and fifty years.