Exploring Weather Trends

Step 1

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For project I used SQL query to extract the data:
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query was used to look for list of Russia's cities select * from city_list WHERE country='Russia';
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query was used to look for list of Canada's cities select * from city_list WHERE country='Canada';

query was used to extract data for Moscow SELECT * FROM city_data WHERE city='Moscow';

query was used to extract data for Toronto SELECT * FROM city_data WHERE city='Toronto';

query was used to extract data for Ottawa SELECT * FROM city_data WHERE city='Ottawa';

query was used to extract Global data SELECT * FROM global_data;

Step 2

I used Google Sheets to work with data, where I have calculated 10 Year Moving Averages because Moving Averages helps to smooth out data to make it easier to observe long term trends. I did it using the formula AVERAGE by dragging it down and applying it for all years.

Example

=AVERAGE(D2:D11)

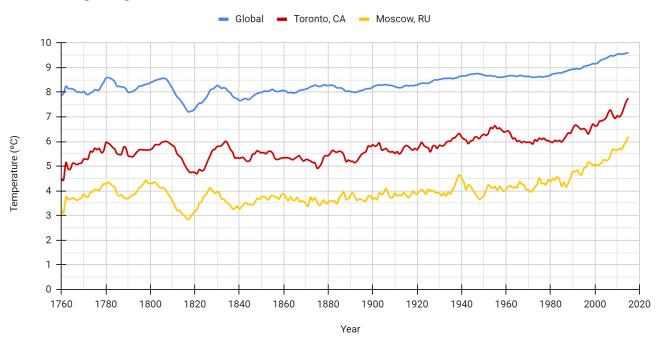
Α	В	С	D	E
year	city	country	avg_temp	10Y MA
1750	Toronto	Canada	6.29	
1751	Toronto	Canada	6.84	
1752	Toronto	Canada	-1.1	
1753	Toronto	Canada	5.76	
1754	Toronto	Canada	5.94	
1755	Toronto	Canada	2.81	
1756	Toronto	Canada	6.37	
1757	Toronto	Canada	5.13	
1758	Toronto	Canada	4.37	
1759	Toronto	Canada	5.27	4.77
1760	Toronto	Canada	3.74	4.51

Step 3

Smooth line chart was created based on 10 Year Moving Averages data.

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10 Year Moving Average



At first glance trends look pretty much similar but if we look at some specific periods we are able to see the differences.

1760 - 1780

Toronto's temperature is increasing by almost 1.5°C from 4.5°C to 6°C, similar to temperature in Moscow from 3.0°C to 4.5°C, when Global temperature changes by 0.5°C from 8.0°C to 8.5°C.

1780 - 1800

These two decades begin with decreasing by 0.5°C but end with rising back Global, Toronto and Moscow temperatures. The exception is that Toronto also has a fast rise and down of temperature in the middle of decades.

1800 - 1840

The most fluctuating decades. From 1800 to 1820 temperatures fell almost by 1.5°C globally as in Toronto and Moscow. After 1820 temperatures grew fast for almost 1.5°C back and then dropped by 0.75°C by 1840.

1840 - 1940

During this century Global temperature more or less smoothly grows for 1.0°C from 7.75°C to 8.75°C as temperature in Toronto from 5.25°C to 6.25°C and Moscow from 3.5°C to 4.5°C. The temperature in Toronto fluctuates more than Moscow's, but just before 1940 temperature rose sharply in Moscow by more than 0.5°C.

1940 - 1980

During these decades Global temperature doesn't change much, when temperature in Toronto increases by 0.5°C from 6.0°C to 6.5°C but then goes back to 6.0°C after 1960. First decade after 1940 temperature in Moscow decreased by 1.0°C from 4.5°C to 3.5°C but after that started to grow back to 4.5°C by 1980.

1980 - 2020

During the last 4 decades global temperature and temperatures in Toronto and Moscow have been increasing almost by 1.5°C. Global from 8.5°C to 9.5°C, Toronto from 6.0°C to 7.5°C and Moscow from 4.5°C to 6.0°C

To conclude, trends of global temperature and cities temperatures may differ during a short period of time, nevertheless the main trend is the same and it is temperature increasing. Since 1760 Global temperature has grown by 1.5°C from 8.0°C to 9.5°C, temperature in Toronto has grown by 3.0°C from 4.5°C to 7.5°C, and temperature in Moscow has grown by 3.0°C from 3.0°C to 6°C.