# Analysis of CO2 Emissions and the Impact of Rainfall in Konstanz City

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#### **Introduction**:

The impact of environmental factors on urban areas is a growing concern in today's climate-conscious world. Konstanz City, like many urban centers, faces challenges related to both human activities and natural variations. Understanding how CO2 emissions, a significant contributor to climate change, relate to rainfall patterns can provide insights into the city's environmental dynamics. This study aims to investigate the relationship between CO2 emissions and rainfall patterns in Konstanz City from 2010 to 2017. By analyzing historical data, we seek to answer the question: "How do CO2 emissions impact rainfall patterns in Konstanz City?" The findings will help inform sustainable urban planning and climate change mitigation strategies, ensuring a better environmental future for the city.

#### **Used Data:**

### 1.CO2 Emission (2010-2017) Data:

- URL: https://offenedatenkonstanz.de/sites/default/files/Quellenbezogene\_CO2\_Emissionen\_2010-2017\_nach\_Sektoren\_0.csv
- Description: This dataset contains CO2 emissions data by sectors for the years 2010 to 2017.
- Structure and Quality: The dataset is structured with columns representing different sectors and rows for each year. It has been verified to have consistent and clean data for the specified years.
- Data Structure: Tabular format with columns for date ranges, station ID, and various weather metrics.

## 2.Rainfall (RA\_RR) Dataset

- URL: https://offenedaten-konstanz.de/node/40911/download
- Description: This dataset contains additional data required for the project.
- Structure and Quality: This dataset complements the primary dataset by providing necessary additional information.

• Data Structure: Tabular format with columns for date ranges, station ID, and various weather metrics.

## **Reasons for Choosing These Data Sources**

- Relevance: Both datasets are from the Konstanz region, making them highly relevant for regional environmental and climatic analysis.
- Coverage Period: The data spans a similar time frame (2010-2017), allowing for temporal analysis and correlation studies.
- Open Data: Both datasets are publicly available and provided by a reputable source, ensuring transparency and accessibility.

## **Analysis:**

## Data Summary:

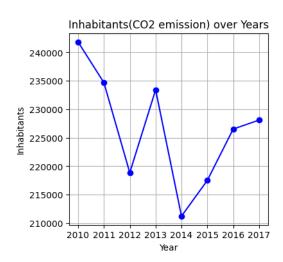
This data shows yearly changes in both the CO2 emission and rainfall in Konstanz City over the period from 2010 to 2017.

Jahr	Inhabitants	Rainfall
2010	241822	888.3
2011	234674	801.4
2012	218862	958.3
2013	233423	872.3
2014	211236	792.7
2015	217514	736
2016	226527	977.8
2017	228102	978.8

# **Interpretation of Results**

#### 1. Trends in CO<sub>2</sub> Emission:

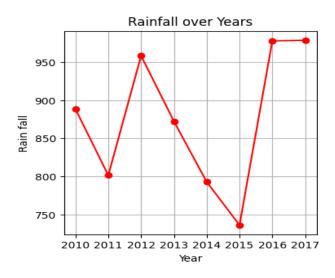
- The CO2 emissions experienced several changes over the years. From 2010 to 2014, there was a noticeable downward trend, with emissions consistently decreasing each year until they reached their lowest point in 2014. In 2015, this trend reversed, and CO2 emissions began to increase. This upward trend continued steadily



through 2016 and 2017, showing a clear recovery from the earlier decline.

### 2. Trends in Rainfall:

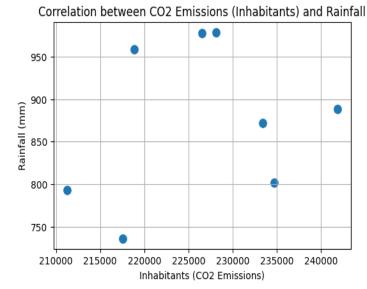
- Rainfall also fluctuated significantly, with a notable dip in 2015 and a sharp increase in 2016, maintaining high levels into 2017.



# 3. Correlation Analysis:

-The correlation (Pearson correlation) coefficient of (0.204) indicates a very weak positive correlation between the number of inhabitants (CO2 emissions) and rainfall. This suggests that there is no strong linear relationship between these two variables over the given years.

The data points are widely scattered without a clear trend or pattern. This indicates a weak correlation between the two variables.



In this plot we can see that, in some years with similar CO2 emissions, the rainfall amounts are very different. Conversely, years with high rainfall (around 950 mm)

have both lower and higher numbers of CO2 emissions. Specifically, at around 230,000 CO2 emissions, the rainfall varies significantly across different years.

#### **Conclusions**

The question posed was: "How do CO2 emissions impact rainfall patterns in Konstanz City?" Based on the analysis conducted, the Pearson correlation coefficient between CO2 emissions and rainfall from 2010 to 2017 was found to be approximately 0.204. This weak positive correlation suggests that changes in CO2 emissions are not strongly associated with changes in rainfall patterns in Konstanz City during the specified period.

The analysis provided a partial answer, revealing a weak correlation between CO2 emissions and rainfall. However, the correlation is not strong enough to establish a significant relationship. Other factors may significantly influence both CO2 emissions and rainfall, such as economic activities, industrial growth, and other environmental variables not captured in this study. The study is limited by the scope of the data used. The assumption that rainfall data directly correlates with CO2 emissions may not fully capture the complexity of emissions data. Additionally, potential unmeasured factors and the limited time frame may have impacted the results

Further studies should consider additional variables, such as economic activities and industrial development, over a longer time frame to better understand the relationship between CO2 emissions and rainfall. More detailed and comprehensive data could provide a more accurate and complete picture of the environmental dynamics at play.