

# The Effects of Power Plants on Greenhouse Gas Emission within the US



A polar bear tests the strength of thin sea ice. Credit: Mario Hoppmann



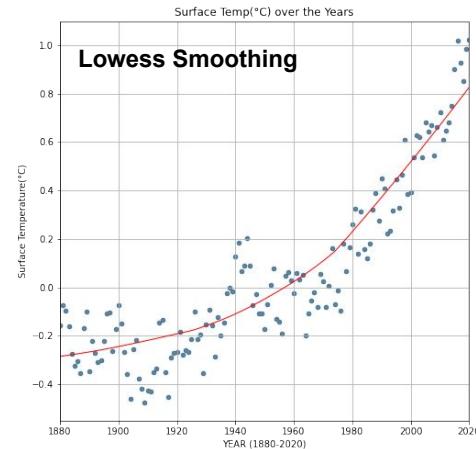
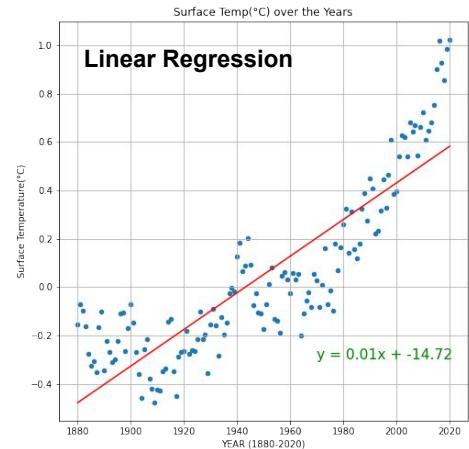
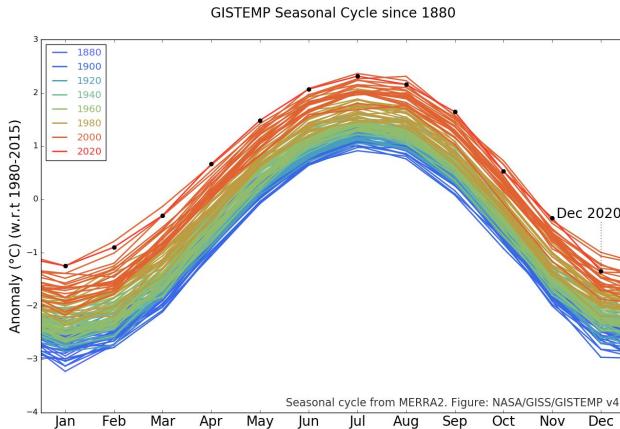
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# Is it actually getting hotter?



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## NASA GISS Surface Temp (1880 - 2020)\*



- Temperature analysis (*MERRA-2*) over 1980-2015 shown how much warmer each month data is than the annual global mean.
- We can see significant temperature rise in last 200 years (*GISTEMP v4*).
- Is it natural or anthropogenic?

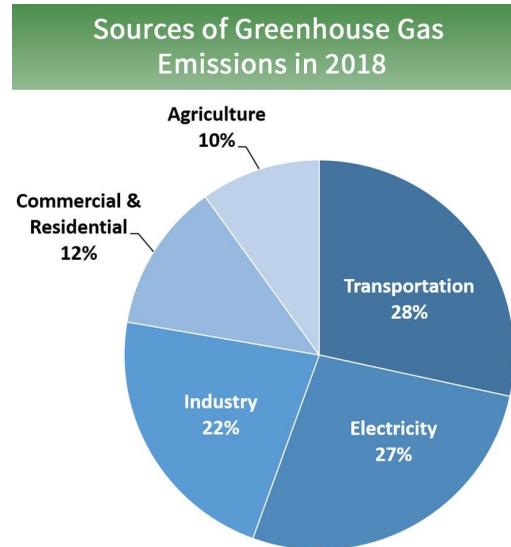
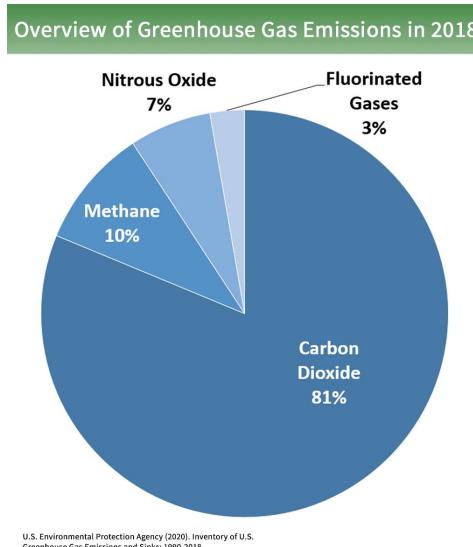
\*<https://data.giss.nasa.gov/gistemp/>

# Motivation

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency:

<https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks>

- Carbon dioxide(CO<sub>2</sub>) is the main Greenhouse Gas (81%);
- Two main sources of these gases: Transportation and Electricity



# Project Questions:

The effects of the power plants on CO<sub>2</sub> emission within the US:

- Is it actually getting hotter?
- How many **electric power plants (EPP)** are in the US?
- What types of **EPP** are in US?
- What is the most popular type of **EPP** in the US?
- What types of Fossil **EPP** are in the US?
- What Fossil **EPP** type is the most efficient and clean: provides more energy and less CO<sub>2</sub>?



ENVIRONMENT

**Elon Musk to offer \$100 million prize for 'best' carbon capture tech**

Capturing planet-warming emissions is becoming a critical part of many plans to keep climate change in check.



# Data Collection

## Sources:

World Surface Temp -> US Surface Temperature Data 1750-2018:

<https://www.kaggle.com/berkeleyearth/climate-change-earth-surface-temperature-data>

## USA Power Plants:

<https://hifld-geoplatform.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets/power-plants/data>

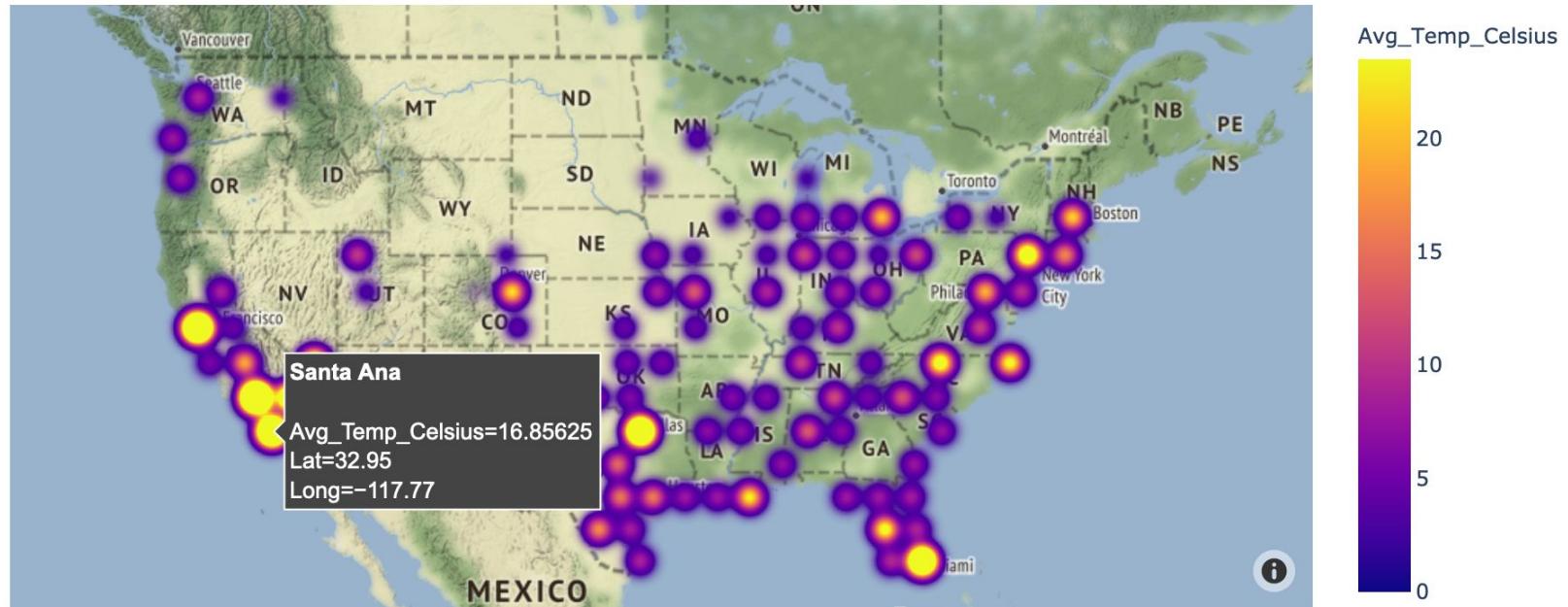
## CO2 Emission Data:

<https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/emissions/>



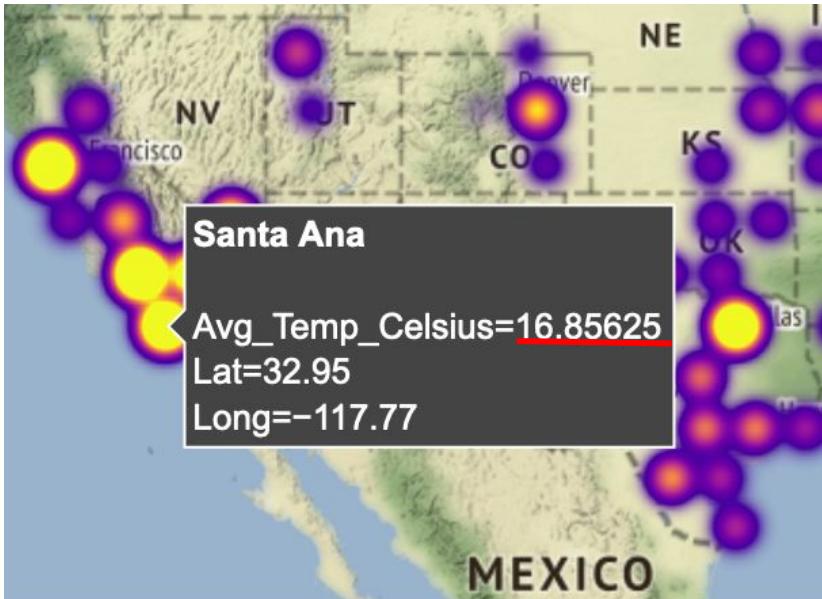
# Average Yearly Temperature (°C) (1993-2013)

1993

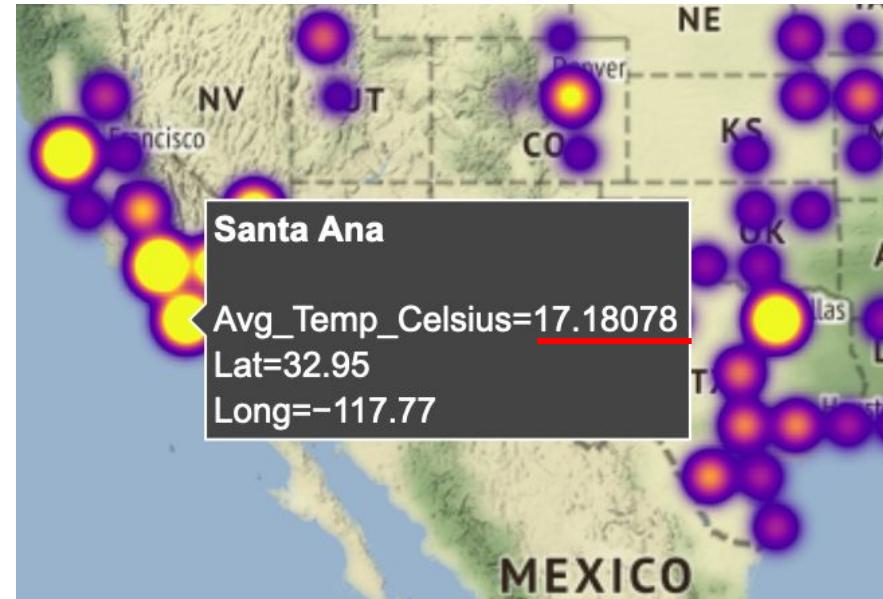


# Results: Heat Map

1993 vs. 2013 Orange County (Santa Ana) Avg. Temp (°C)

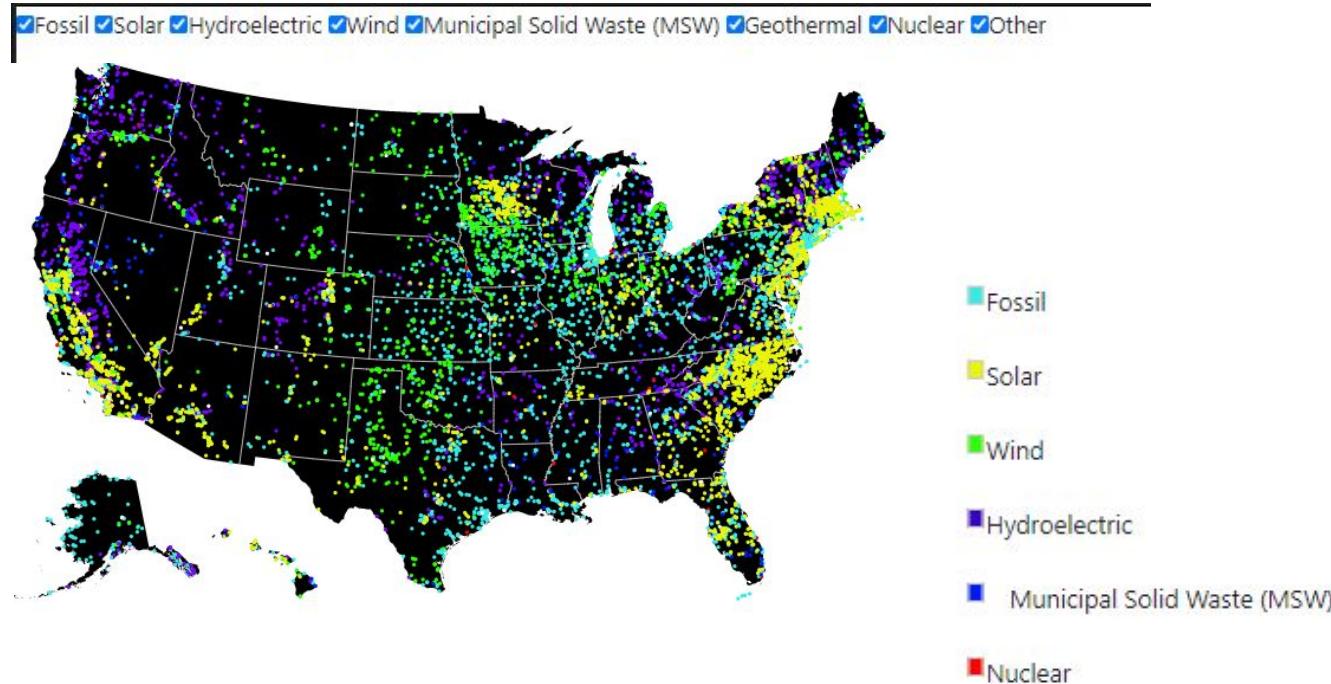


1993

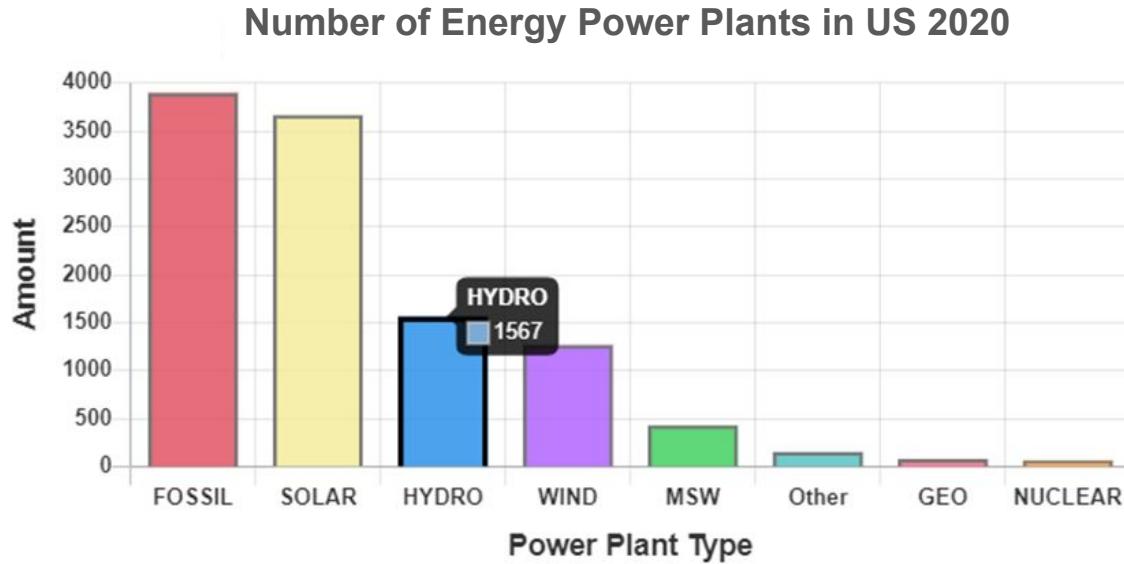


2013

# USA Power Plant Map



# USA Power Plant: Chart.js library

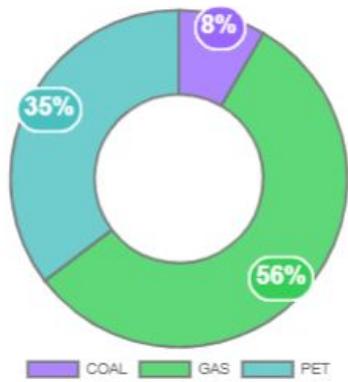


- As of July 09, 2020, there were 11,810 electric power plants in the United States.
- Fossil type of Power Plants is the most popular in US (~4000)

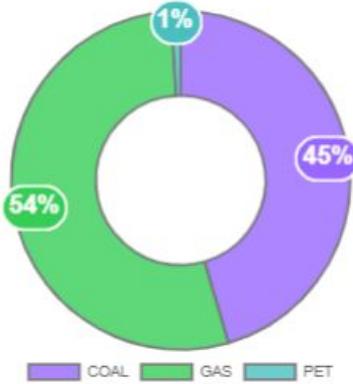
```
<script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/Chart.js/2.9.4/Chart.min.js"></script>
```

# USA Power Plant - CO2 Emission: Chart.js library

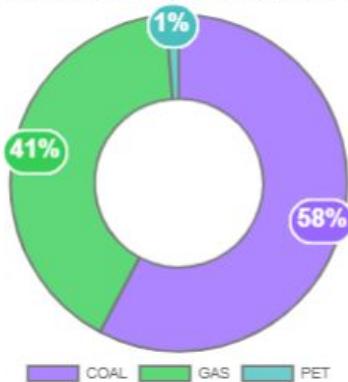
Amount of Power Plants per Fossil Type



Fuel Consumption (MMBtu)



CO2 Emission by Fuel Type (tons)



Energy Generated (kWh)

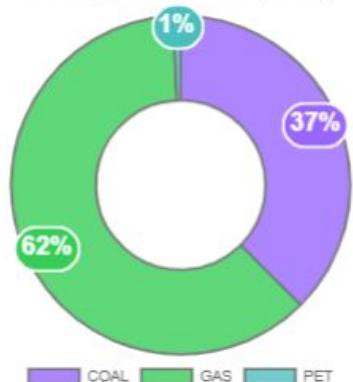


Table 1. Efficiency of Fossil Fuels

	Energy (kWh) / 1 MMBtu of fuel	CO2 (tones) / 1 MMBtu of fuel
COAL	95	0.11
GAS	133	0.06
PET	93	0.11

**Natural gas: The cleanest burning fossil fuel: More efficient and produces less CO2.**

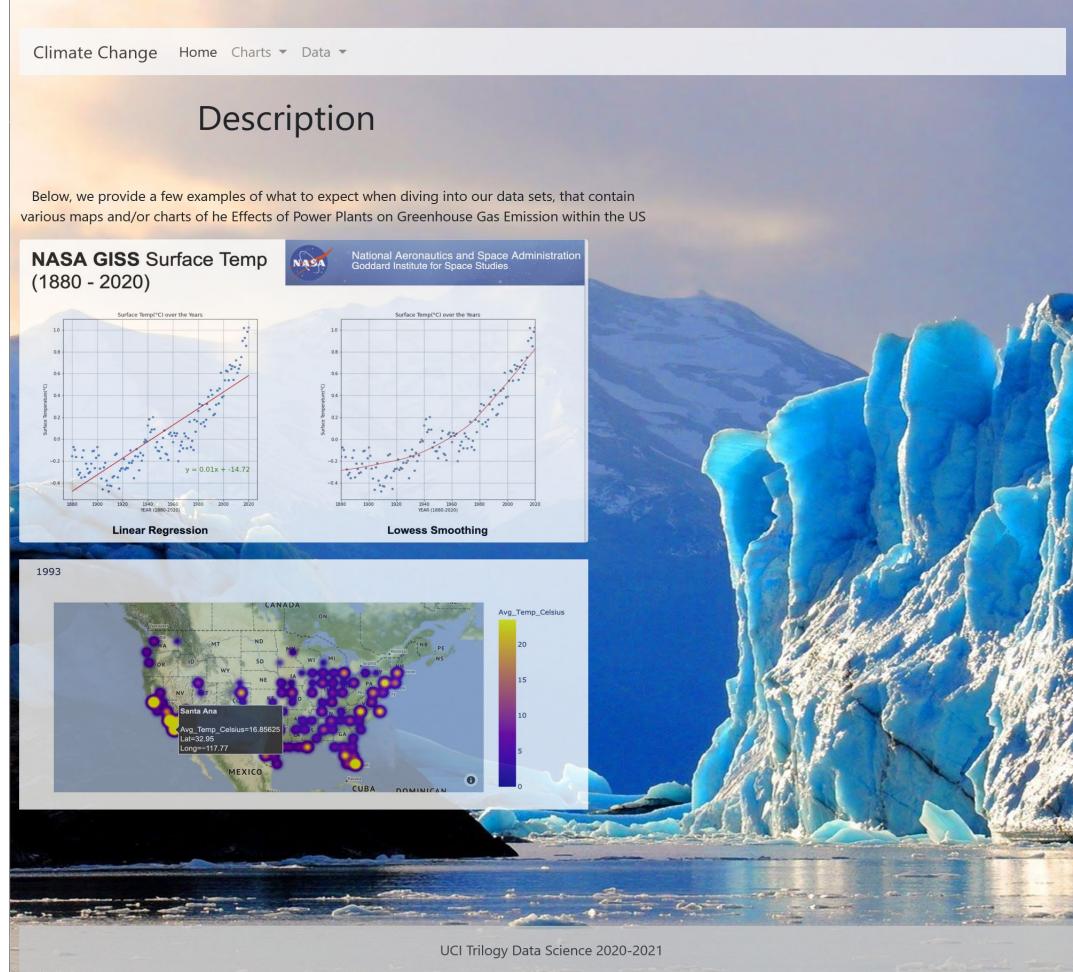
```
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```

# Web-site Scripting

- Utilized Flask to power our webpage.
  - Imported python libraries such as:
    - Render\_template
    - Url\_for
    - Jinja2



# Flask



## **General Conclusions:**

- Fossil Fuel Power Plants are the most common in the U.S.
- Gas Power Plants are more efficient and clean type of the Fossil EPP. They provide more energy and less CO<sub>2</sub>, while coal power plants polluted the most
- More solar and wind power plants should slow the rate that the temperature is increasing

## Future Plans:

- 1) If we had more time we would like to include **more years** to see the evaluation of CO<sub>2</sub> emission from the **all types of EPP**.  
(Currently we have data only for Fossil EPP).
- 2) Additionally, we want to include other Greenhouse gases such as CH<sub>4</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>.
- 3) Electric Power Plants are not the only source of Greenhouse gases. Other sources should be considered: transportation, industry, agriculture etc.

# Project Requirements

Python Flask	+
HTML/CSS web-page	+
JavaScript	+
MongoDB	+
Chart.js library	+
Large Data Sets	+
Web page have some user-drive interactions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Menu</li><li>• Dropdowns</li><li>• Chart Interaction</li><li>• Textboxes</li></ul>	+

# Supporting Information:



# THREATS TO CORAL REEFS CLIMATE CHANGE

Increased greenhouse gases from human activities result in climate change and ocean acidification.

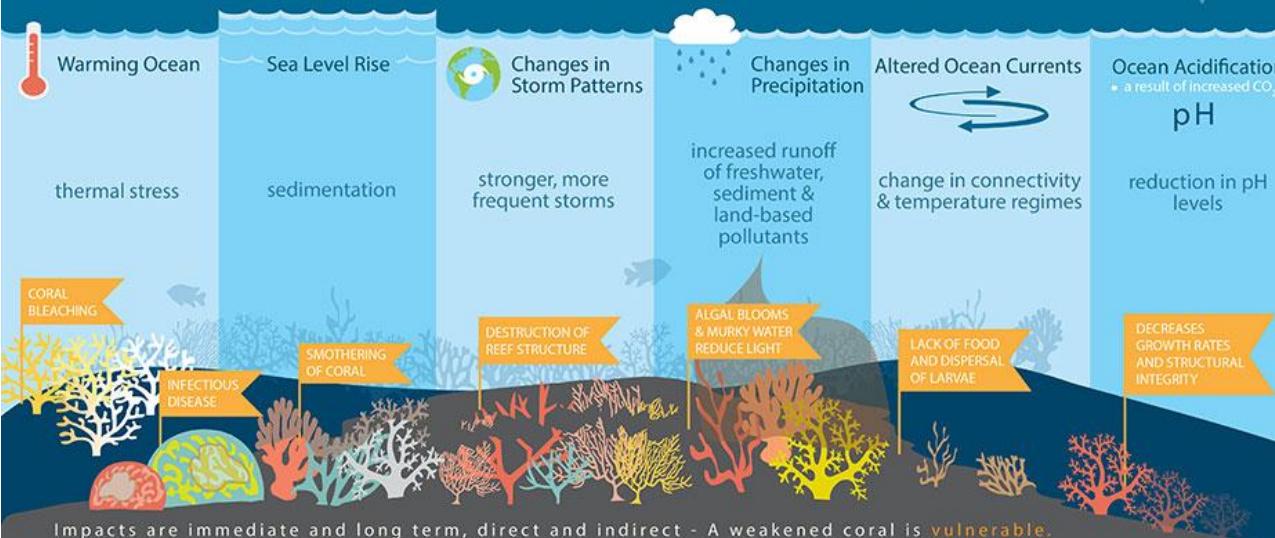
CLIMATE CHANGE = OCEAN CHANGE



CO<sub>2</sub>

The world's ocean is a massive sink that absorbs carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Although this has slowed global warming, it is also changing ocean chemistry.

CLIMATE CHANGE dramatically affects CORAL REEF ECOSYSTEMS



## HOW YOU CAN HELP

Shrink your carbon footprint to reduce greenhouse gases.

- Drive less.
- Reduce, reuse or recycle.
- Purchase energy-efficient appliances and lightbulbs.
- Print less. Download more. Use less water.

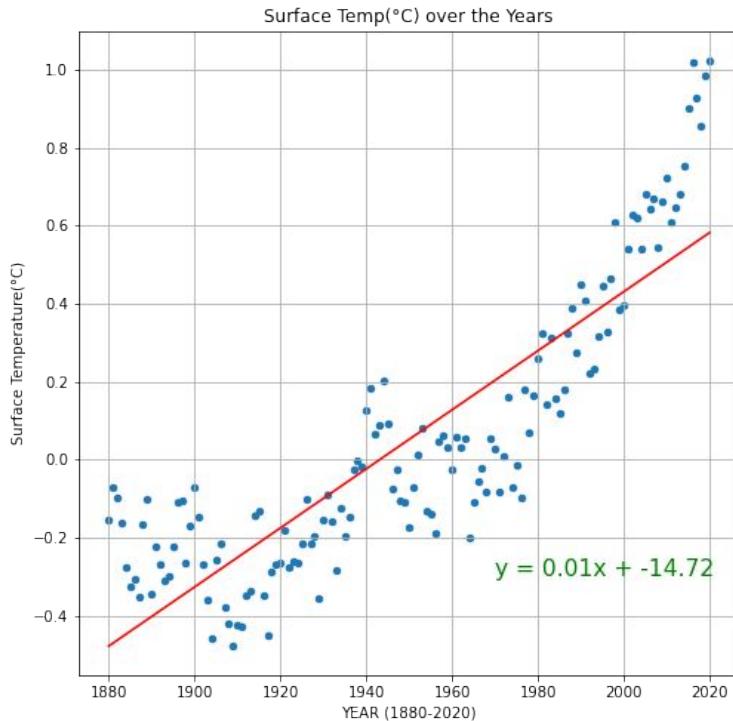
Do your part to help improve overall coral reef condition.

- Reduce the use of lawn and garden chemicals.
- DO NOT dump household chemicals in storm drains.
- Choose sustainable seafood. [www.FishWatch.gov](http://www.FishWatch.gov)
- Learn about good reef etiquette and practice it when in the water.
- Volunteer for beach and waterway clean ups.

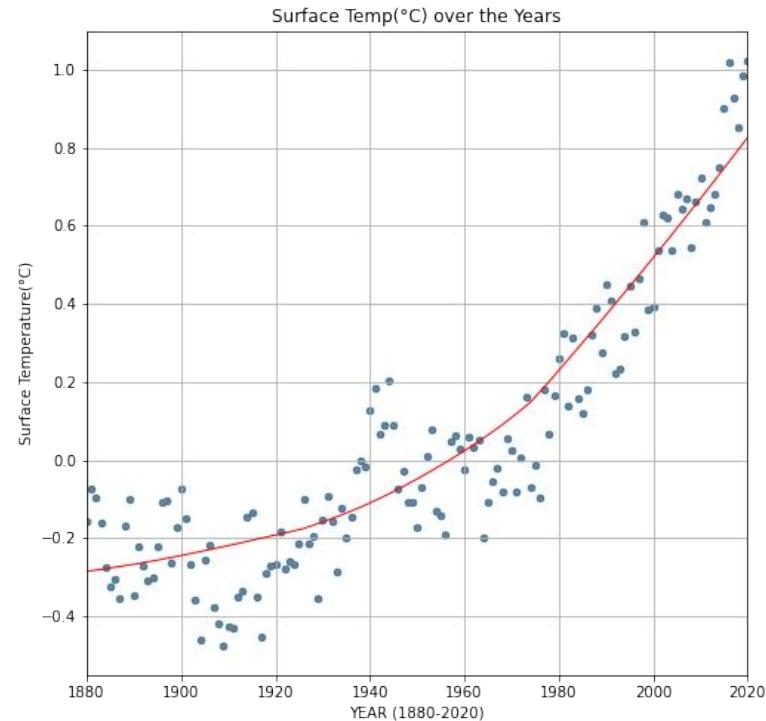
# NASA GISS Surface Temp (1880 - 2020)



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Linear Regression



Lowess Smoothing



# seaborn regplot (Lowess Smoothing) for non-linear data

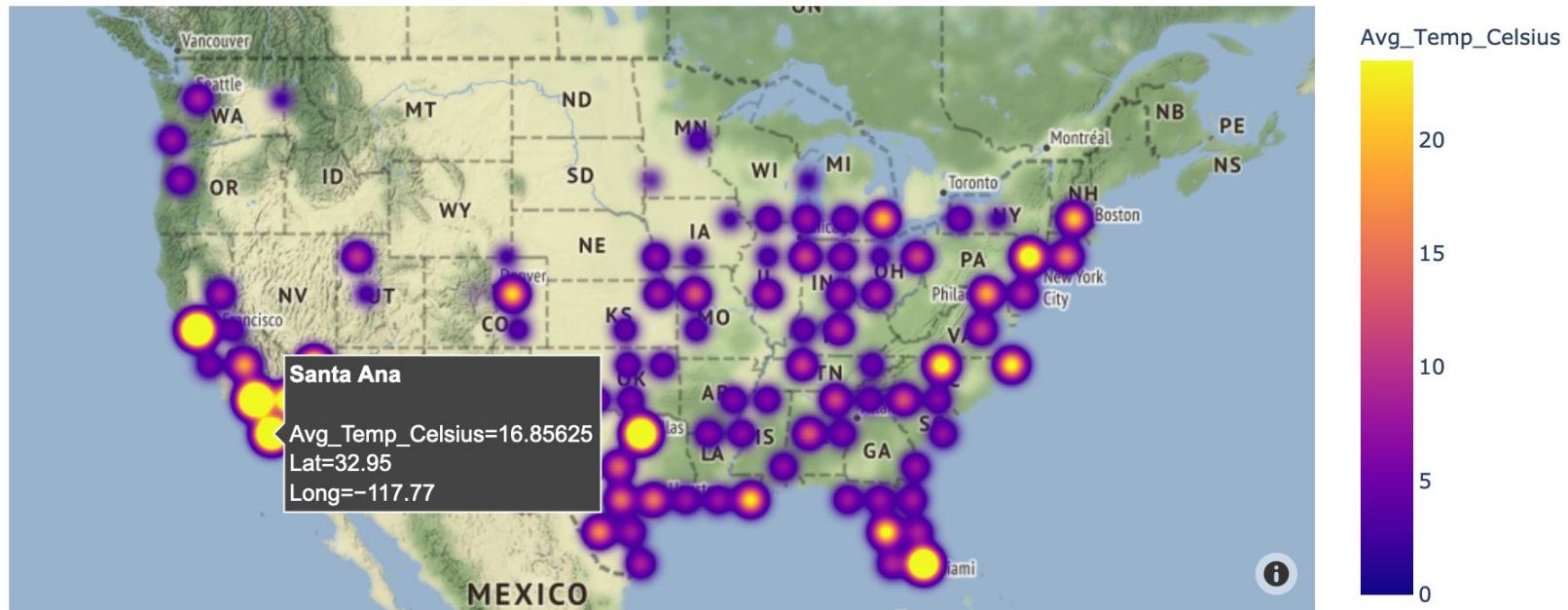
```
1 df.plot(kind="scatter",
2         x="year",
3         y="gistemp",
4         grid=True,
5         figsize=(8,8),
6         title="Surface Temp(°C) over the Years")
7
8
9 plt.ylabel('Surface Temperature(°C)')
10 plt.xlabel('YEAR (1880-2020)')
11
12 # define x and y values
13 x_values = df['year']
14 y_values = df['gistemp']
15
16
17 # Seaborne solution:
18 sns.regplot(x_values, y_values, data=df, color="grey", scatter_kws={"s": 10},
19             line_kws={"color":"r","alpha":1,"lw":1} ,lowess=True)
20 plt.xlabel("YEAR (1880-2020)'), plt.ylabel("Surface Temperature(°C)")
21
22
23 plt.savefig("../Images/Lowess_Smoothing.png")
24 plt.show()
25
```

<https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.regplot.html>



# Average Yearly Temperature (°C) (1993-2013)

1993





# MapBox Density HeatMap in Python

```
df = pd.read_csv('1993.csv')

import plotly.express as px
fig = px.density_mapbox(df, lat='Lat', lon='Long', z='Avg_Temp_Celsius', hover_name='City', radius=15,
                        title = "1993",
                        center=dict(lat=37.78, lon=-97.63), zoom=3,
                        mapbox_style="stamen-terrain")

fig.show()
```

[https://plotly.com/python-api-reference/generated/  
plotly.express.density\\_mapbox.html](https://plotly.com/python-api-reference/generated/plotly.express.density_mapbox.html)

# Power Plant Map

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<meta charset="utf-8">

<!-- Load bootstrap -->
<link href="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/bootstrap@5.0.0-beta1/dist/css/bootstrap.min.css" rel="stylesheet" integrity="sha384-gdWu6D3|...
```

<!-- Our own CSS stylesheet -->

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="assets/css/styles.css" media="screen">
```

<style>

```
.land {
  fill: #ADFFEF;/*
  fill: #0000;
}

.state-boundary {
  fill: none;
  stroke: #0000;
}

.bubble {
  fill-opacity: .5;
  stroke: #fff;/*
  stroke: none;
  stroke-width: .5px;
}

</style>
```

<!-- Button -->

```
<div id="division" >
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="FOSSIL" checked><label>Fossil</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="SOLAR" checked><label>Solar</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="HYDRO" checked><label>Hydroelectric</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="WIND" checked><label>Wind</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="MSW" checked><label>Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="GEO" checked><label>Geothermal</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="NUCLEAR" checked><label>Nuclear</label>
  <input type="checkbox" class="checkbox" value="Other" checked><label>Other</label>
</div>
```

<!-- Create an element where the map will take place -->

```
<svg id="my_dataviz"></svg>
```

```
<script src="/d3js.org/d3.v4.min.js"></script>
<script src="//d3js.org/topojson.v2.min.js"></script>
<script>
```

```
// Set SVG width, height:
var width = 960*1.25,
    height = 500*1.25;

// Scale projection to fit in SVG:
var projection = d3.geoAlbersUsa()
  .scale(1000*1.25)
  .translate([width / 2, height / 2]);

var path = d3.geoPath()
  .projection(projection);

// Create SVG with specified width and height:
var svg = d3.select("body").append("svg")
  .attr("width", width)
  .attr("height", height);

// Define scale for bubble radius:
//var radius = d3.scale.sqrt()
//  .domain([0, 16*1000])
//  .range([0, 15*1000]);

// Read US map data:
d3.json("us.json", function(JSONError, us) {
  if (JSONError) throw JSONError;

  // Add filled US land:
  svg.insert("path", ".graticule")
    .datum(topojson.feature(us, us.objects.land))
    .attr("class", "land")
    .attr("d", path);

  // Add state boundaries:
  svg.insert("path", ".graticule")
    .datum(topojson.mesh(us, us.objects.states, function(a, b) { return a !== b; }))
    .attr("class", "state-boundary")
    .attr("d", path);

  // Create a color scale
  var color = d3.scaleOrdinal()
    .domain(["FOSSIL", "SOLAR", "HYDRO", "WIND", "MSW", "GEO", "NUCLEAR", "Other"])
    .range(["#36ebe8", "#e9f50a", "#7c05fa", '#2fff05', '#0019f7', '#0025f7', '#fc0303', '#faf7f7'])
```

# Power Plant Map

```

d3.csv("all_power_plants_nvk.csv", function(d) {
  return {
    lat : +d.lat,
    long : +d.long,
    group: d.group
  };
},
function(data) {
  console.log(data.group)
// Add circles:
svg
  .selectAll("myCircles")
  .data(data)
  .enter()
  .append("circle")
    .attr("class", function(d){ return d.group })
    .attr("cx", function(d){ return projection([d.long, d.lat])[0] })
    .attr("cy", function(d){ return projection([d.long, d.lat])[1] })
    .attr("r", 5)
    .attr("r", function(d){ return size(d.group) })
    .style("fill", function(d){ return color(d.group) })
    .attr("stroke", function(d){ return color(d.group) })
    .attr("stroke-width", 2)
}
};

// This function is gonna change the opacity and size of selected and unselected circles
function update(){

  // For each check box:
d3.selectAll(".checkbox").each(function(d){
cb = d3.select(this);
grp = cb.property("value")

// If the box is check, I show the group
if(cb.property("checked")){
  | | svg.selectAll("." + grp).transition().duration(1000).style("opacity", 1).attr("r", size(grp))
}
// Otherwise I hide it

else {
  | | svg.selectAll("." + grp).transition().duration(1000).style("opacity", 0).attr("r", 5)
}
})
}

```

# Bar chart - JS

```
2 Chart.defaults.global.defaultFontFamily = 'Roboto';
3 Chart.defaults.global.defaultFontColor = '#333';
4 //Chart.defaults.global.defaultFontSize = 16;
5 Chart.defaults.global.legend.display = false;
6
7 function makeChart(allPowerPlants) {
8
9     var fuelType = allPowerPlants.map(function(d) {return d.TYPE_Clear3});
10    var ammountAllPP = allPowerPlants.map(function(d) {return +d.Number_of_Power_Plants_of_Each_Type});
11
12 //var playerColors = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return d.Gender === 'Female' ? '#F15F36' : '#19A0AA
13
14     var ctx4 = document.getElementById("allPowerPlants").getContext("2d");
15
16     var chart4 = new Chart(ctx4, {
17         type: 'bar',
18         data: {
19             labels: fuelType,
20             datasets: [{{
21                 //label: false,
22                 data: ammountAllPP,
23                 backgroundColor: [
24                     'rgba(224,73,87, 0.8)',
25                     'rgba(244,234,150, 0.8)',
26                     'rgba(90,151,206, 0.8)',
27                     'rgba(173,90,255, 0.8)',
28                     'rgba(54,206,86, 0.8)',
29                     'rgba(75,192,192, 0.8)',
30                     'rgba(255,99,132, 0.8)',
31                     'rgba(255,159,64, 0.8)'],
32                 borderWidth: 2,
33                 borderColor: '#777',
34                 hoverBorderWidth: 3,
35                 hoverBorderColor: "#000"
36
37             }],
38         },
39     });
40
41     // Request data using D3
42     d3.csv('amount_pp_by_type.csv').then(makeChart);
43 }
```

```
39     options: {
40         title: {
41             display: true,
42             text: "Number of Energy Power Plants in US 2019",
43             fontSize: 18
44         },
45         scales: {
46             yAxes: [{{
47
48                 ticks: {
49                     fontSize: 12,
50                     fontStyle: 'bold'
51                 },
52                 scaleLabel: {
53                     display: true,
54                     labelString: 'Amount',
55                     fontSize: 16,
56                     fontStyle: 'bold'
57                 }
58             }],
59             xAxes: [{{
60                 //scaleFontSize: 20,
61                 ticks: {
62                     fontSize: 12,
63                     fontStyle: 'bold'
64                 },
65                 scaleLabel: {
66                     display: true,
67                     labelString: 'Power Plant Type',
68                     fontSize: 16,
69                     fontStyle: 'bold'
70                 }
71             }}]
72         }
73     },
74     },
75   },
76 },
77 },
78 }
79
80 // Request data using D3
81 d3.csv('amount_pp_by_type.csv').then(makeChart);
82 }
```

# Doughnut chart - html

```
1  <!DOCTYPE html>
2  <html lang="en">
3
4  <head>
5      <meta charset="UTF-8">
6      <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
7      <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="ie=edge">
8      <title>CO2 Charts</title>
9      <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/d3/5.5.0/d3.min.js"></script>
10     <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/Chart.js/2.9.4/Chart.min.js"></script>
11
12
13 </head>
14
15 <body>
16     <div class="container" class="chart-container" style="position: relative; height:20vh; width:40vw">
17         <canvas id="co2EmissionChart"></canvas>
18         <canvas id="co2EmissionChart1"></canvas>
19         <canvas id="co2EmissionChart2"></canvas>
20         <canvas id="co2EmissionChart3"></canvas>
21     </div>
22     <script src="chart_from_csv.js"></script>
23     <script> src = "https://d3js.org/d3.v5.min.js" </script>
24     <script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/npm/chartjs-plugin-datalabels"></script>
25 </body>
26
27 </html>
```

# Doughnut chart - html

```
function makeChart(powerPlants) {  
  
    var fuelType = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return d.Fuel_Type});  
    var amountPP = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return +d.Number_of_Power_Plants});  
    var co2Emission = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return +d.CO2_Emission_tons});  
    var fuelComs = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return +d.Fuel_Consumption_MMBtu});  
    var energy = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return +d.Energy_Generated_kWh});  
    //var playerColors = powerPlants.map(function(d) {return d.Gender === 'Female' ? '#FFCCBC' : '#E0E0E0'});  
  
    //Percentage calculations  
  
    var ctx = document.getElementById("co2EmissionChart").getContext("2d");  
    var ctx1 = document.getElementById("co2EmissionChart1").getContext("2d");  
    var ctx2 = document.getElementById("co2EmissionChart2").getContext("2d");  
    var ctx3 = document.getElementById("co2EmissionChart3").getContext("2d");  
  
    var chart = new Chart(ctx, {  
        type: 'doughnut',  
        data: {  
            labels: fuelType,  
            datasets: [  
                {  
                    label: 'Fossil Fuel Types',  
                    data: amountPP,  
                    backgroundColor: [  
                        'rgba(153,102,255, 0.8)',  
                        'rgba(54,206,86, 0.8)',  
                        'rgba(75,192,192, 0.8)',  
                        'rgba(255,99,132, 0.8)',  
                        'rgba(255,159,64, 0.8)'],  
                    borderWidth: 2,  
                    borderColor: '#777',  
                    hoverBorderWidth: 3,  
                    hoverBorderColor: "#000"  
                },  
            ]  
        }  
    });  
}
```

```
options: {  
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        display: true,  
        text: "Fuel Consumption (MMBtu)",  
        fontSize: 20  
    },  
    legend: {  
        position: 'bottom'  
    },  
    plugins: {  
        datalabels: {  
            labels: {  
                render: 'label',  
                fontColor: '#000',  
                position: "outside"  
            },  
            color: '#fff',  
            anchor: 'end',  
            align: 'start',  
            offset: -10,  
            borderWidth: 2,  
            borderColor: '#fff',  
            borderRadius: 25,  
            backgroundColor: (context) => {  
                return context.dataset.backgroundColor;  
            },  
            font: {  
                weight: 'bold',  
                size: '20'  
            },  
            formatter: (value, ctx2) => {  
                let sum = 0;  
                let dataArr = ctx2.chart.data.datasets[0].data;  
                dataArr.map(data => {  
                    sum += data;  
                });  
                let percentage = (value*100 / sum).toFixed(0)+"%";  
                return percentage;  
            },  
        }  
    }  
},  

```