## **Charts/Graphs in Excel**

**Example:** Create a Chart about Energy Uses in CT from a spreadsheet

- 1. Open the Spreadsheet.
- 2. You will copy and paste the data in this spreadsheet into a blank Excel worksheet and save to your P drive.
  - Select by highlighting all the data.
  - Go to Edit-Copy.
  - Open a blank workbook in Excel.
  - Click on the upper left cell
  - Go to Edit-Paste.
  - Change the height of row 1 and row 2 so you can read the words. Either put the mouse cross bars in the numbers and drag or Select row 1, go to Format-Row-Height. Repeat for Row 2. Row 1 is 90 and Row 2 is 60.
- 3. Save to your P drive as Energy Uses in CT and close the original spreadsheet.

For this assignment you will be creating a chart of energy use in CT of coal, natural gas, nuclear, hydroelectric and wood-waste. Think about how you want your chart to look. Look at your worksheet and decide which column of data will be the Y axis (vertical) and which column of data is going to be the X axis (horizontal). **The variables need to be correctly identified and placed in the graph.** 

## Select B-C-D-E-F for Y axis

- 4. You are now ready to create a chart. Go to Insert -Chart to get to the Chart Wizard.
  - Choose the type of chart, ex a line graph (type #3) with dots (subtype #4) Click NEXT
  - The program defaults to Data Range. Click on the Series tab and all the data columns should be displayed. Each axis needs to be clearly labeled, including the units in which the variable is measured.
  - Click Add to add the data in the Y (vertical axis)
  - Click on the button to the far right of Category. Select the data that you want to display on the X axis. Column A leave out the word year. Press ENTER. Click NEXT.
  - Click on Titles tab and enter the titles. The title should be descriptive. A key should identify each line.
- 6. Save the chart As a new sheet by clicking on radio button: As a new sheet. Label this chart: CT Energy Uses. Click Finish.
- 7. Save to your P-Drive. Print the chart.