

# Package ‘ThermIndex’

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## Description

Calculates several thermal comfort indexes using temperature, wind speed and relative humidity values, calculating indexes such as Humidex, windchill, Discomfort Index and others.

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Convert Temperature from Farenheit to Celsius

*Convert Temperature from Farenheit to Celsius*

## Description

Converts Temperature from Farenheit to Celsius

## Usage

`tempftoc(tf)`

## Arguments

`tf` Numerical Vector of Temperature Values in Farenheit

## Value

Numerical vectors containing Temperature Values in Celsius

## Author(s)

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## Examples

```
##----Converting temperature from farenheit to celsius
tempftoc(tf= 92)
```

Convert Wind Velocity from km/h to m/s

*Convert Wind Velocity from km/h to m/s*

## Description

Converts Wind Velocity values in Km/h to m/s

## Usage

`kmhtoms(wvkmh)`

## Arguments

`wvkmh` Numerical Vector of Wind Velocity Values in Km/h

**Value**

Numerical vectors containing Wind velocity in m/s

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
##----Converting Wind from Km/h to m/s  
kmhtoms(wvkmh=5)
```

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Convert Wind Velocity from knots to m/s

*Convert Wind Velocity from knots to m/s*

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**Description**

Converts Wind Velocity values in Knots to m/s

**Usage**

```
kntoms(wvkn)
```

**Arguments**

wvkn	Numerical Vector of Wind Velocity Values in Knots
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**Value**

Numerical vectors containing Wind velocity in m/s

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
##----Converting Wind from Knots to m/s  
kntoms(wvkn=4)
```

**Convert Wind Velocity from mph to m/s**  
*Convert Wind Velocity from mph to m/s*

### Description

Converts Wind Velocity values in mph to m/s

### Usage

```
mphtoms(wvmpm)
```

### Arguments

wvmpm	Numerical Vector of Wind Velocity Values in mph
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### Value

Numerical vectors containing Wind velocity in m/s

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
#####Converting Wind from mph to m/s
mphtoms(wvmpm=9.4)
```

**Discomfort Index**      *Discomfort Index*

### Description

This function calculates the Thermal Discomfort Index for a daily or hourly data series, based on the formula purposed by Thom(1959). Thom's index was created in 1959 at the U.S Weather Bureau in order to precise thermal discomfort levels. A chart containing the values and the discomfort level are presented on the link written at See Also section.

### Usage

```
di(temp, ur)
```

### Arguments

temp	Numerical Vector of Mean Air Temperature values in celsius
ur	Numerical Vector of Mean Air Temperature values in celsius

**Value**

Numerical vectors containing the Discomfort Index Values

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Thom, E.C. The discomfort index. Weatherwise.(1959), v. 12, p. 57-60.

**See Also**

[http://www.eurometeo.com/english/read/doc\\_heat](http://www.eurometeo.com/english/read/doc_heat)

**Examples**

```
##----Performing the Discomfort Index calculation  
di(temp=22,ur=18)
```

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**Effective Temperature Taking Wind Velocity**

*Calculates the Effective Temperature Taking Wind Velocity*

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**Description**

Calculates the Effective Temperature taking Wind Velocity for a daily or hourly data series, based on the formula by Suping et al(1992) .

**Usage**

```
etv(temp,ur,vv)
```

**Arguments**

temp	Numerical Vector of Mean Air Temperature values in celsius
ur	Numerical vector of Relative humidity Values in percentual
vv	Numerical vector of Wind velocity values in m/s

**Value**

Numerical vectors containing the Effective Temperature taking Wind velocity

**Author(s)**

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## References

Suping, Z. Guanglin, M., Yanwen, W., Ji, L. Study of the relationships between weather conditions and the marathon race, and of meteorotropic effects on distance runners, International Journal of Biometeorology,(1992),V.36, P.63-68.

## See Also

<http://www.periodicos.ufam.edu.br/revista-geonorte/article/view/e/2204>

## Examples

```
#Calculating the Effective Temperature taking Wind velocity Index
etv(temp= 31.1,ur=64,vv=1.2)
```

Humidex

*Humidex Index for Thermal Comfort*

## Description

Calculates the Thermal Comfort Index Humidex for daily or hourly data series, based on the formula posposed by Masterton and Richardson (1979).

## Usage

```
humidex(temp,ur)
```

## Arguments

temp	Numerical Vector of Mean Temperature Values in celsius
ur	Numerical Vector of Relative Humidity in percentual

## Value

Numerical vectors containing the Humidex Index Values

## Author(s)

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## References

Masterton,J.M., Richardson,F.A.,Humidex ; a method of quantifying human discomfort due to excessive heat and humidity,Environment Canada,1979

## See Also

[https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/phys\\_agents/humidex.html](https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/phys_agents/humidex.html)

**Examples**

```
##----Performing the Humidex calculation  
humidex(temp=21.2,ur = 97)
```

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Wind Chill Index

Wind Chill Index

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**Description**

Calculates the Wind Chill index based on the NOAA's equation. Notice that this is an index to calculate how cold air feels on human skin. It is only effective for Wind Velocity values higher than 1.3 m/s and temperatures lower than 10 celsius

**Usage**

```
wc(temp,vv)
```

**Arguments**

temp	Numerical Vector of Mean Air Temperature values in celsius
vv	Numerical vector of Wind velocity values in m/s

**Value**

Numerical vectors containing the Wind Chill Index in Celsius

**Author(s)**

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**References**

NOAA, Wind Chill Temperature Index, Available at <<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/cold/resources/wind-chill-brochure.pdf>>, Acess date: Jul 14,2017

**See Also**

[http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/cold/wind\\_chill.shtml](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/cold/wind_chill.shtml)

**Examples**

```
##----Calculating the Wind Chill Index  
wc(temp= 8,vv= 3.5)
```

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