

# List of COSMO Grib keys

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This file lists all simplified GRIB keys that can be used in Pycosmo to read variables from COSMO outputs using the *get\_variable* function.

Pycosmo key	Units	Description
ADEDO2	K	adedokun 2 index
AEVAP.S	unknown	unknown
ALB_RAD	1	surface albedo
ALHFL.S	unknown	unknown
ALWD.S	unknown	unknown
ALWU.S	unknown	unknown
APAB.S	unknown	unknown
ASHFL.S	unknown	unknown
ASOB.S	unknown	unknown
ASOB.T	unknown	unknown
ASWDIFD.S	unknown	unknown
ASWDIFU.S	unknown	unknown
ASWDIR.S	unknown	unknown
ATHB.S	unknown	unknown
ATHB.T	unknown	unknown
AUMFL.S	unknown	unknown
AUSTRSSO	Nm-2	average of u-stress due to SSO
AVDISSO	Wm-2	average of vertical integrated dissipation of kinetic energy due to SSO
AVMFL.S	unknown	unknown
AVSTRSSO	Nm-2	average of v-stress due to SSO
BAS.CON	1	index of convective cloud base
BOAGAE.WE	m	Gauss-Boaga coordinates
BOAGAE.SN	m	Gauss-Boaga coordinates
BOAGAW.WE	m	Gauss-Boaga coordinates
BOAGAW.SN	m	Gauss-Boaga coordinates
BRN	1	bulk richardson number
Ba-140	unknown	unknown
Ba-140.BL	unknown	unknown
Ba-140.DD	unknown	unknown
Ba-140.WD	unknown	unknown
CAPE.3KM	Jkg-1	cape of mean surface layer parcel
CAPE.CON	Jkg-1	&
CAPE.ML	Jkg-1	cape of mean surface layer parcel
CAPE.MU	Jkg-1	cape of most unstable parcel
CFLDT	1/s	CFL number divided by timestep
CEILING	m	Cloud ceiling height (above MSL)
CIN_ML	Jkg-1	convective inhibition of mean surface layer parcel
CIN_MU	Jkg-1	convective inhibition of most unstable parcel
CLC	1	cloud area fraction
CLCH	1	high cloud cover
CLCL	1	low cloud cover
CLCM	1	medium cloud cover
CLCT	1	total cloud cover
CLCT.MOD	1	modified_total_cloud_cover
CLC.CON	1	convective cloud area fraction
CLC.SGS	1	grid scale cloud area fraction
CLDEPTH	1	normalized cloud depth
CLIRATIO	%	cloud ice ratio (Qi/Qc+Qi)
CLW.CON	1	convective cloud liquid water
CN_TSTORM	%	thunderstorm probabiltly using AdaBoost classifier
CONV.%	%	percentage of convective precipitation
C_TSTORM	undefined	thunderstorm index using AdaBoost classifier
C-T-LK	1	&
Cs-137	unknown	unknown
Cs-137.BL	unknown	unknown
Cs-137.DD	unknown	unknown
Cs-137.WD	unknown	unknown
DBZ	1	unattenuated radar reflectivity in Rayleigh approximation
DBZ.850	unknown	unknown
DBZ.CMAX	unknown	unknown
DCI	K	deep convection index
DD	undefined	undefined

DD_10M	unknown	unknown
DD_ANAI	degree	wind direction analysis increment
DEPTH.LK	m	lake depth
DPSDT	Pas-1	surface pressure change
DP_BS.LK	m	&
DQVDT	s-1	tendency of water vapor
DQV_CON	s-1	convective tendency of specific humidity
DT_CON	Ks-1	convective tendency of temperature
DURSUN	s	duration of sunshine
DURSUN_M	s	maximum duration of sunshine
DURSUN_R	s	relative duration of sunshine
DU_CON	ms-2	convective tendency of u-wind component
DV_CON	ms-2	convective tendency of v-wind component
D_RH_2M.K	%	kalman correction to 2m relative humidity
D_TD	K	dew point depression
D_TD_2M	unknown	unknown
D_TD_2M.K	K	kalman correction to 2m dew point temperature
D_T_2M.K	K	kalman correction to 2m temperature
EDR	m2s-3	dissipation rate of turbulent kinetic energy
ENTH	kJ/kg	enthalpy
ENTH_2M	unknown	unknown
EVATRA_SUM	kgm-2	sum of contributions to evapotranspiration
FC	s-1	coriolis parameter
FCOR	undefined	undefined
FETCH.LK	m	wind fetch over lake
FF	undefined	undefined
FF_10M	unknown	unknown
FF_ANAI	ms-1	wind speed analysis increment
FI	m2s-2	geopotential
FIS	unknown	unknown
FI_ANAI	m2s-2	geopotential analysis increment
FMAX_10M	unknown	unknown
FOR_D	-	ground fraction covered by deciduous forest
FOR_E	-	ground fraction covered by evergreen forest
FRESHSNW	undefined	freshness of snow
FR_ICE	1	sea ice area fraction
FR_LAKE	1	fraction of inland lake water
FR_LAND	1	land-sea fraction
FR_PLANT_B	undefined	undefined
GAMSO.LK	m-1	&
GEM	%	emissivity of the ground
GLOB	W/m**2	global shortwave radiation at surface
GLOB_DIF	W/m**2	global diffuse shortwave radiation at the surface
GLOB_DIR	W/m**2	global direct (beam) shortwave radiation at the surface
GLOB_vE	W/m**2	global shortwave radiation on a vertical surface facing east
GLOB_vN	W/m**2	global shortwave radiation on a vertical surface facing north
GLOB_vS	W/m**2	global shortwave radiation on a vertical surface facing south
GLOB_vW	W/m**2	global shortwave radiation on a vertical surface facing west
GRAU_GSP	kgm-2	large scale graupel
HAIL_GSP	kgm-2	large scale hail
HBAS.CON	m	height of convective cloud base
HBAS.CONI	m	height of convective cloud base
HBAS.SC	m	height of shallow convective cloud base
HCBAS	m	height of cloud base
HCTOP	m	height of cloud top
HFL	unknown	unknown
HHL	unknown	unknown
HI	degF	heat index
HMO3	Pa	air pressure at ozone maximum
HORIZON	undefined	horizon angle - topography
HPBL	m	PBL height above ground computed with BRN
HSURF	unknown	unknown
HTOP.CON	m	height of convective cloud top
HTOP.CONI	m	height of convective cloud top
HTOP_DC	m	height of dry convection top
HTOP_SC	m	height of shallow convective cloud top
HZEROCL	m	height of freezing level
H_B1.LK	m	&
H_ICE	m	sea ice thickness
H_ML.LK	m	&
H.SNOW	m	thickness of snow
I-131a	unknown	unknown
I-131a.BL	unknown	unknown
I-131a.DD	unknown	unknown
I-131a.WD	unknown	unknown
I-131g	unknown	unknown
I-131g.BL	unknown	unknown
I-131g.DD	unknown	unknown
I-131g.WD	unknown	unknown
I-131o	unknown	unknown
I-131o.BL	unknown	unknown
I-131o.DD	unknown	unknown
I-131o.WD	unknown	unknown
KOINDEX	K	KO index
Kr-85	unknown	unknown
Kr-85.BL	unknown	unknown
Kr-85.DD	unknown	unknown

Kr-85_WD	unknown	unknown
LAI	1	leaf area index
LAI_MN	1	leaf area index minimum
LAI_MX	1	leaf area index maximum
LCL_ML	m	height above ground of lifting condensation level
LFC_ML	m	height above ground of level of free convection
LUM	klux	luminosity
LW_IN_T2M	W/m**2	incoming longwave radiation at surface
LW_IN_TG	W/m**2	incoming longwave radiation at surface
LW_IN_TS	W/m**2	incoming longwave radiation at surface
LW_TG_vS	W/m**2	incoming longwave radiation on a vertical surface facing south
MFLX_CON	kgm-2s-1	convective mass flux density
MIXRAT	g/kg	mixing ratio
MIXRAT_2M	unknown	unknown
O3	kgkg-1	ozone mass mixing ratio
OMEGA	Pas-1	omega
P	Pa	pressure
PABS_RAD	unknown	unknown
PDIFF_CON	Pa	pressure difference between cloud base and cloud top
PLCOV	1	vegetation area fraction
PLCOV_MN	1	vegetation area fraction minimum
PLCOV_MX	1	vegetation area fraction maximum
PMSL	Pa	mean sea level pressure
PMSL_ANAI	Pa	msl pressure analysis increment
PP	Pa	deviation from reference pressure
PRG_GSP	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of large scale graupel
PRH_GSP	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of large scale hail
PRR_CON	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of convective rainfall
PRR_GSP	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of large scale rainfall
PRS_CON	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of convective snowfall
PRS_GSP	kgm-2s-1	mass flux density of large scale snowfall
PS	unknown	unknown
P_ANAI	Pa	pressure analysis increment
P_BIRCH	undefined	undefined
QC	kgkg-1	specific cloud liquid water content
QCVG_CON	s-1	&
QC_ANAI	kgkg-1	specific cloud water content analysis increment
QC_RAD	kgkg-1	sub scale specific cloud liquid water content
QG	kgkg-1	specific graupel content
QH	kgkg-1	specific hail content
QI	kgkg-1	specific cloud ice content
QLRAD	kgkg-1	sub scale specific cloud ice content
QNC	kg-1	cloud number density
QNG	kg-1	graupel number density
QNH	Pa	pressure reduced at sea level
QNI	kg-1	cloud ice number density
QNR	kg-1	rain number density
QNS	kg-1	snow number density
QP0_B	undefined	undefined
QR	kgkg-1	specific rain content
QS	kgkg-1	specific snow content
QV	kgkg-1	specific humidity
QVSFLX	s-1m-2	surface flux of water vapour
QV_2M	unknown	unknown
QV_ANAI	kgkg-1	specific humidity analysis increment
QV_S	unknown	unknown
Q_SEDIM	1	precipitation water (water loading)
RADSPQUAL	undefined	Radar spatial quality function
RAIN_CON	kgm-2	convective rainfall
RAIN_GSP	kgm-2	large scale rainfall
RCLD	undefined	standard deviation of saturation deficit
RELHUM	%	relative humidity
RELHUM_2M	unknown	unknown
RESID_WSO	kgm-2	residuum of soil moisture
RHO_SNOW	kgm-3	density of snow
RH_2M_K	%	2m relative humidity
RH_ICE	%	relative humidity over ice
RLAT	radian	latitude
RLON	radian	longitude
ROOTDP	m	root depth
RUNOFF	kgm-2	subsurface runoff
Ru-103	unknown	unknown
Ru-103_BL	unknown	unknown
Ru-103_DD	unknown	unknown
Ru-103_WD	unknown	unknown
SDI_1	1/s	Supercell detection index 1 (rotating up-/downdrafts)
SDI_2	1/s	Supercell detection index 2 (rotating updrafts)
SI	K	showalter index
SKYVIEW	1	sky-view factor
SLI	K	surface lifted index
SLO_ANG	undefined	slope angle - topography
SLO_ASP	undefined	slope aspect - topography
SNOWLMT	m	height of the snow fall limit in m above sea level
SNOWLMTCH	m	altitude of snow limit
SNOW_%	%	percentage of precipitation in snow
SNOW_CON	kgm-2	convective snowfall
SNOW_GSP	kgm-2	large scale snowfall

SOBS_RAD	unknown	unknown
SOBT_RAD	unknown	unknown
SOHR_RAD	Ks-1	&
SOILTYP	1	soil type
SSO.GAMMA	-	anisotropy of sub-grid scale orography
SSO.SIGMA	-	mean slope of sub-grid scale orography
SSO.STDH	m	standard deviation of sub-grid scale orography
SSO.THETA	rad	angle between principal axis of orography and east
SUNSH	undefined	undefined
SUNSH2	undefined	undefined
SUN.SUM	undefined	undefined
SUN.SUM2	undefined	undefined
SWDIR_COR	1	topo correction of direct solar radiation
SWEAT	undefined	severe weather thread index
SWISS00	K	showalter index with windshear
SWISS12	K	surface lifted index with windshear
SWISS_SN	m	Swiss coordinates
SWISS_WE	m	Swiss coordinates
SYNME5	-	synthetic satellite images Meteosat5
SYNME6	-	synthetic satellite images Meteosat6
SYNME7	-	synthetic satellite images Meteosat7
SYNMSG	-	synthetic satellite images MSG
Sr-90	unknown	unknown
Sr-90_BL	unknown	unknown
Sr-90_DD	unknown	unknown
Sr-90_WD	unknown	unknown
T	K	soil surface temperature
TCH	1	drag coefficient of heat
TCM	1	drag coefficient of momentum
TD	K	dew point temperature
TDIV_HUM	kgm-2	atmosphere water divergence
TD_2M	unknown	unknown
TD_2M_AV	unknown	unknown
TD_2M_BUZ	K	2m dew point temperature
TD_2M_K	K	2m dew point temperature
TD_2M_OLD	K	old diagnostic based on a effective canopy height
THBS_RAD	unknown	unknown
THBT_RAD	unknown	unknown
THETA_E	K	equivalent potential temperature
THETA_E_2M	unknown	unknown
THHR_RAD	Ks-1	&
TINC_LH	K	temperature increment due to latent heat
TKE	m2s-2	turbulent kinetic energy
TKETENS	undefined	tendency of turbulent kinetic energy
TKE_CON	undefined	convective turbulent kinetic energy
TKVH	m2s-1	diffusion coefficient of heat
TKVM	m2s-1	diffusion coefficient of momentum
TMAX_2M	unknown	unknown
TMIN_2M	unknown	unknown
TO3	Dobson	vertical integrated ozone content
TOP_CON	1	index of convective cloud top
TOTFORCE_S	unknown	unknown
TOT_CON	kg/m**2	total convective precipitation
TOT_GSP	kg/m**2	total large scale precipitation
TOT_PR	kgm-2s-1	total precipitation rate
TOT_PREC	kgm-2	total precipitation amount
TOT_RAIN	kg/m**2	total precipitation in rain
TOT_SNOW	kg/m**2	total precipitation in snow
TQC	kgm-2	vertical integrated cloud water
TQC_ANAI	kgm-2	cloud water analysis increment
TQG	kgm-2	total graupel content vertically integrated
TQI	kgm-2	vertical integrated cloud ice
TQR	kgm-2	total rain water content vertically integrated
TQS	kgm-2	total snow content vertically integrated
TQV	kgm-2	precipitable water
TQV_ANAI	kgm-2	precipitable water analysis increment
TRACER	undefined	undefined
TRACER_BL	unknown	unknown
TRACER_DD	undefined	undefined
TRACER_WD	undefined	undefined
TRA_SUM	kgm-2	total transpiration from all soil layers
TSUM_S_B	undefined	undefined
TSUM_E_B	undefined	undefined
TTHRES_S_B	undefined	undefined
TTHRES_E_B	undefined	undefined
TTINDEX	K	total-totals index
TTOP_CON	K	temperature at cloud top
TW	degC	wet bulb temperature
TWATER	kgm-2	total water content
TW_2M	unknown	unknown
T_2M	K	2m temperature
T_2M_AV	unknown	unknown
T_2M_BUZ	K	2m temperature
T_2M_K	K	2m temperature
T_2M_OLD	K	old diagnostic based on a effective canopy height
T_2M_S	unknown	unknown
T_ANAI	K	temperature analysis increment

T.B1.LK	K	&
T.BOT.LK	K	&
T.BS.LK	K	&
T.CL	unknown	unknown
T.G	unknown	unknown
T.ICE	K	temperature of ice upper surface
T.M	unknown	unknown
T.MNW.LK	K	mean temperature of water column
T.S	unknown	unknown
T.SNOW	K	snow surface temperature
T.SO	K	soil temperature
T.WML.LK_DD	undefined	undefined
TRACER.WD	undefined	undefined
TRA.SUM	kgm-2	total transpiration from all soil layers
TSUM.S.B	undefined	undefined
TSUM.E.B	undefined	undefined
TTHRES.S.B	undefined	undefined
TTHRES.E.B	undefined	undefined
TTINDEX	K	total-totals index
TTOP.CON	K	temperature at cloud top
TW	degC	wet bulb temperature
TWATER	kgm-2	total water content
TW_2M	missing	missing description
T.2M	K	2m temperature
T.2M_AV	missing	missing description
T.2M_BUZ	K	2m temperature
T.2M_K	K	2m temperature
T.2M_OLD	K	old diagnostic based on a effective canopy height
T.2M_S	missing	missing description
T.ANAI	K	temperature analysis increment
T.B1.LK	K	&
T.BOT.LK	K	&
T.BS.LK	K	&
T.CL	missing	missing description
T.G	missing	missing description
T.ICE	K	temperature of ice upper surface
T.M	missing	missing description
T.MNW.LK	K	mean temperature of water column
T.S	missing	missing description
T.SNOW	K	snow surface temperature
T.SO	K	soil temperature
T.WML.LK	K	mixed layer temperature
Te-132	missing	missing description
Te-132.BL	missing	missing description
Te-132_DD	missing	missing description
Te-132.WD	missing	missing description
U	ms-1	U-component of wind
USTARMAX	m/s	maximum value of u*
U_10M	missing	missing description
U_10M_AV	missing	missing description
V	ms-1	V-component of wind
VB10M.20	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 20 knots
VB10M.25	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 25 knots
VB10M.30	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 30 knots
VB10M.35	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 35 knots
VB10M.40	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 40 knots
VB10M.45	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 45 knots
VB10M.50	s	duration of VBRA_10M above 50 knots
VBRA_10M	missing	missing description
VC10M.20	s	duration of VCON_10M above 20 knots
VC10M.25	s	duration of VCON_10M above 25 knots
VC10M.30	s	duration of VCON_10M above 30 knots
VC10M.35	s	duration of VCON_10M above 35 knots
VC10M.40	s	duration of VCON_10M above 40 knots
VC10M.45	s	duration of VCON_10M above 45 knots
VC10M.50	s	duration of VCON_10M above 50 knots
VCON_10M	missing	missing description
VIO3	Pa	vertical integrated ozone amount
VJPS_10M	missing	missing description
VMAX_10M	missing	missing description
VOLD_10M	missing	missing description
VORTP_ABS	1/s	absolute vorticity
VORTP_REL	1/s	relative vorticity
VTUR_10M	missing	missing description
VW10M.20	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 20 knots
VW10M.25	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 25 knots
VW10M.30	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 30 knots
VW10M.35	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 35 knots
VW10M.40	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 40 knots
VW10M.45	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 45 knots
VW10M.50	s	duration of VWIN_10M above 50 knots
VWIN_10M	missing	missing description
V_10M	missing	missing description
V_10M_AV	missing	missing description
W	ms-1	vertical wind velocity
WSHEARL	1/s	wind shear between surface and 3 km asl
WSHEARM	1/s	wind shear between surface and 6 km asl

WSHEARU	1/s	wind shear between 3 km (or surface) and 6 km asl
W_CL	missing	missing description
W_G1	missing	missing description
W_G2	missing	missing description
W_I	m	canopy water amount
W_SNOW	m	surface snow amount
W_SO	m	soil water content
W_SO_ICE	m	soil frozen water content
Xe-133	missing	missing description
Xe-133_BL	missing	missing description
Xe-133_DD	missing	missing description
Xe-133_WD	missing	missing description
Z0	m	surface roughness length
Z0LOC	m	local surface roughness length
ZHD	undefined	integrated dry atmospheric refractivity
ZTD	undefined	integrated total atmospheric refractivity
ZWD	undefined	integrated wet atmospheric refractivity
Zr-95	missing	missing description
Zr-95_BL	missing	missing description
Zr-95_DD	missing	missing description
Zr-95_WD	missing	missing description