

In Spanish the weather is expressed by using the verb "hacer" which means "to do" or "to make." This might sound silly, but try to think of it this way: What weather is nature making for us today?

¿Qué tiempo hace?

Hace frío.	(It's making cold.)	It's cold.	(What weather is it making?) Está frío.
Hace calor.	(It's making heat.)	It's hot.	
Hace sol.	(It's making sun.)	It's sunny.	Está soleado.
Hace viento.	(It's making wind.)	It's windy.	
Hace brisa.	(It's making breeze.)	It's breezy.	
Hace lluvia.	(It's making rain.)	It's raining.	Está lloviendo.
Hace nieve.	(It's making snow.)	It's snowing.	Está nevando.
Hace fresco.	(It's making cool.)	It's cool.	
Hace nubes.	(It's making clouds.)	It's cloudy.	Está nublado
Hace niebla.	(It's making fog.)	It's foggy or smoggy	
Hace neblina.	(It's making fog.)	It's misty. (misty wet fog)	
Hace granizo.	(It's making hail.)	It's hailing.	Está granizando.
Hace llovizna.	(It's making drizzle.)	It's drizzling.	Está lloviznando.
Hace buen tiempo.		The weather is good.	
Hace mal tiempo.		The weather is bad.	

OTHER WORDS USED WITH WEATHER:

el pronóstico = the forecast	grados = degrees	Está despejado.
truenos = thunder	relámpago = lightning	It is clear.
una tormenta = a storm	un tornado = a tornado	hielo - ice
un terremoto = an earthquake	un maremoto = a tidal wave	Está bien.
aguanieve = sleet	sequía = drought	It's OK.
un huracán = a hurricane	congelado = frozen	rocío - dew
deluvio, inundación = flood	temperatura = temperature	precipitación
una ventisca = a blizzard	la humedad = the humidity (or moisture)	
el clima = the climate	está muy húmido = it is very humid	

If you want to express that it's "very" hot, you will use the word "mucho." Please note that the word "mucho" means "much", or "a lot". It does not mean "very."

Example: It's very hot.

Hace mucho calor. (its making much heat)

It's very cold.

Hace mucho frío. (it's making much cold)

Past tense of hace is hizo.

If you want to talk about last night's weather, do it this way:

Example: **Hizo viento anoche.**

It was windy last night.

For other words that refer to the past, see pages 36 and 37.

Hay = there is... there are... is there... are there...
Habr á = there will be...
Hubo = there was... there were...
Había = there was... (here you are telling what the weather was like when something else happened. You are setting a stage, or setting the scene.)