

Avalancherisk assessmentbulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

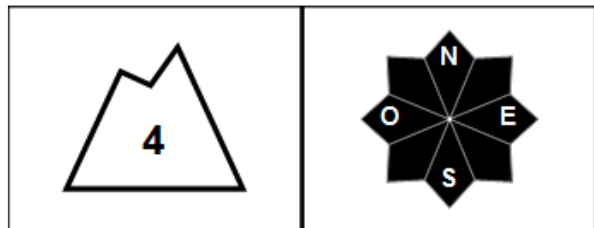
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written on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Risk estimation until Friday, January 15, 2021 in the evening



Strong risk.



Risk indices: 5 very strong - 4 strong - 3 marked - 2 limited - 1 weak - In black: the most dangerous slopes

HIGH AVALANCHERISK
Spontaneous departures: A few large powder avalanches.
Triggers skiers: Recent unstable snow. Windy snow at altitude.

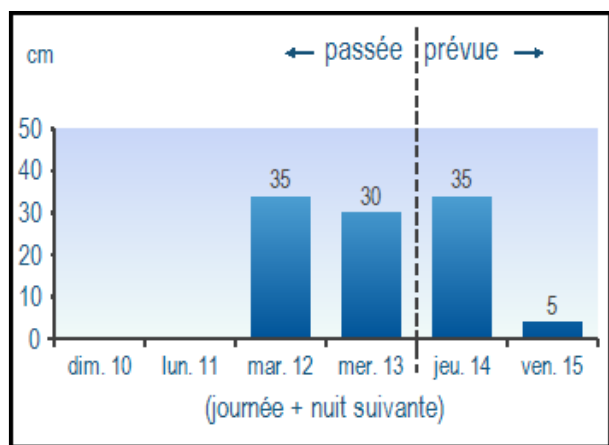
Snowpack stability

Typical situation: fresh snow and windy snow.

Since Tuesday afternoon, the accumulations of snow have been around 60 cm to which will be added about 30 cm by Friday morning. Accidental outbreaks: generalized instability of the snowpack. The preventive trips made this Thursday concern many powdery-looking patches, present in all orientations, with breaks of 40 to 60 cm, starting on the layer of grains without cohesion formed by the cold of the beginning of January. Characteristic 'woufs' are often reported by observers. Risk of triggering a little less strong where the mantle has moistened and compacted this Thursday, overall below 1500 m.

Spontaneous avalanches: With the resumption of snowfall, spontaneous avalanche activity will increase, more particularly from the middle of the night from Thursday to Friday. Given the large quantities of snow that can be mobilized, there will be many avalanches of powder snow with aerosol in all directions, some large and much more rarely a very large avalanche. This risk will decrease rapidly on Friday morning.

Fresh snow at 1800 m



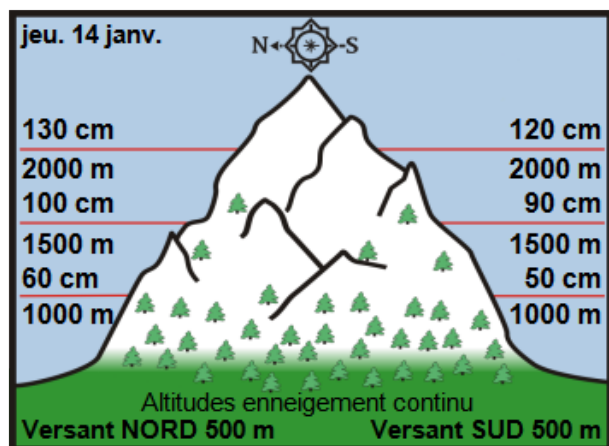
Weather preview

Friday January 15th



	night	morning	afternoon
Rain snow	700 m	600 m	500 m
ISO 0 ° C	1300 m	1100 m	1000 m
Wind 2000 m	→ 30 km / h	↗ 20 km / h	↗ 20 km / h
Wind 2500 m	→ 30 km / h	→ 20 km / h	↑ 20 km / h

Off-piste snow depth



Snow quality

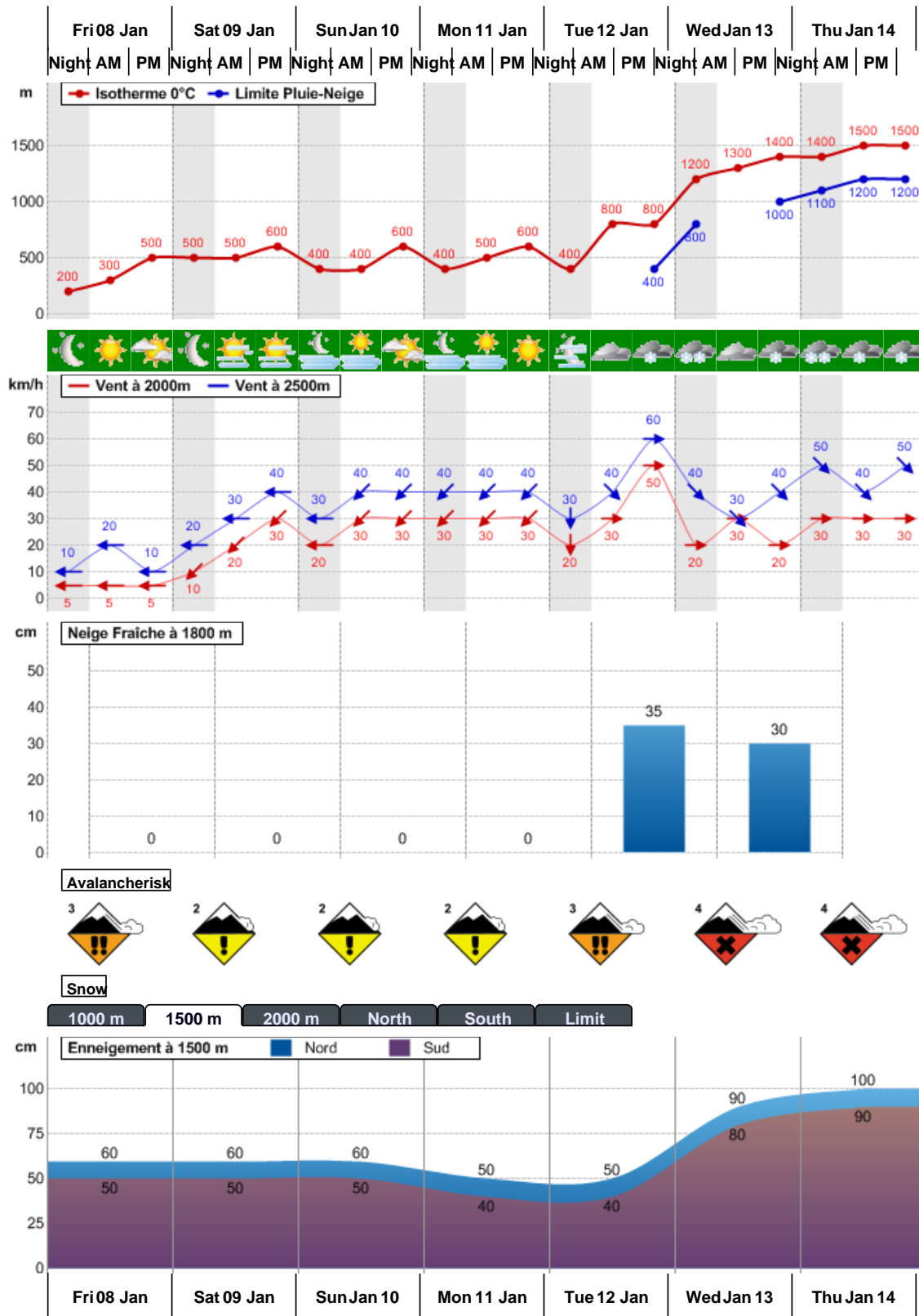
With the succession of disturbed episodes, the snow cover is now good. You can put on skis or snowshoes around 900 m.

Quality: heavy snow up to around 1500 m, covered Friday morning by 20/30 cm of lighter snow. At higher altitude, significant amounts of powdery snow in sheltered areas, more dense in areas exposed to the wind, in particular above 2000/2200 m where some ridges are gushed.

Subsequent risk trend



Nivo-weather conditions of the last 7 days



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