

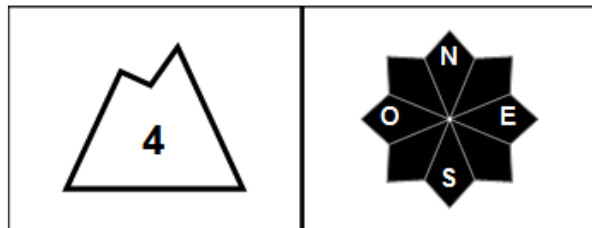
# Avalancherisk assessmentbulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

## MASSIVE:CHABLAIS

written on Wednesday,January 27, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Risk estimate until Thursday,January 28, 2021 in the evening



**HIGH RISK OF AVALANCHE**  
(orange vigilance)  
**Spontaneous departures:** large mixed avalanches (cold snow + wet snow)  
**Skiers triggering:** sensitive and bulky slabs

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

### Snowpack stability

Heavy snowfall higher than 2000/2200 m, rain lower. Typical avalanche situations: fresh snow, wet snow.

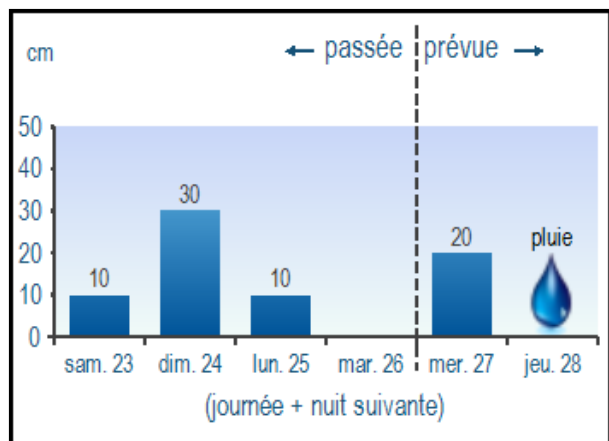
Spontaneous avalanches:

Numerous avalanches under the action of bad weather: purging of embankments and steep slopes, which can scrape all the snow to the ground. Slab avalanches in steep areas. Size 3 (large), locally 4 (very large). Able to reach flat areas, follow a corridor to the bottom of the valley, or even threaten trails and roads.

Triggers by hikers:

- patches of heavy wet snow, size 2, not very wide but quite sensitive in clearings and slopes.
- large and fairly thick friable patches higher than 2000 m, favored by the W wind.

### Fresh snow at 1800 m



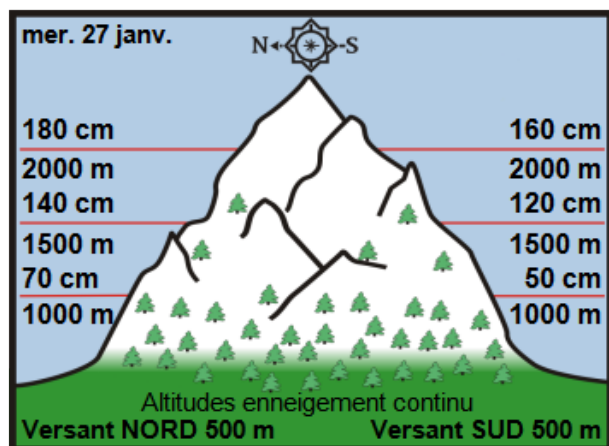
### Weather preview

Thursday 28 January



Rain snow	1300 m	1800 m	2000 m
ISO 0 ° C	1700 m	2000 m	2200 m
Wind 2000 m	➡ 40 km / h	➡ 50 km / h	➡ 50 km / h
Wind 2500 m	➡ 50 km / h	➡ 60 km / h	➡ 70 km / h

### Off-piste snow depth



### Snow quality

Very good snow cover down to the valley bottoms.

Snow quality Thursday:

- lower than 2000/2200 m: thick heavy wet snow. Presence of balls over the many purges of the day.
- higher than 2200 m: increasingly thick layer of fresh snow (cumulative Wednesday + Thursday: 40/60 cm around 2500 m), irregular, very blown by W winds. Large accumulations, snowdrifts and ledges that can give way.

### Subsequent risk trend

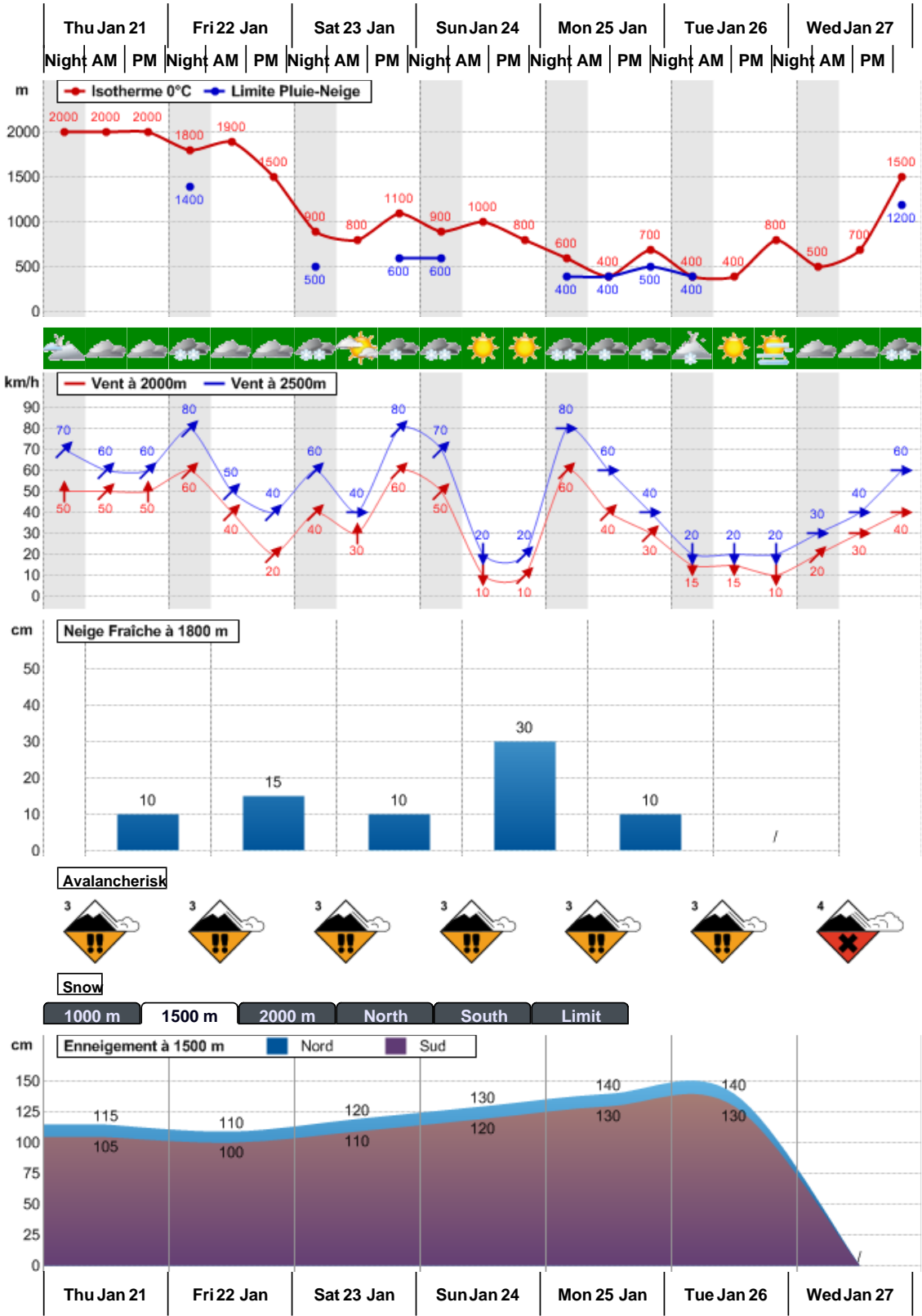
Friday 29:



Saturday 30:



Nivo-weather conditions of the last 7 days



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