

Avalanche risk assessment bulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

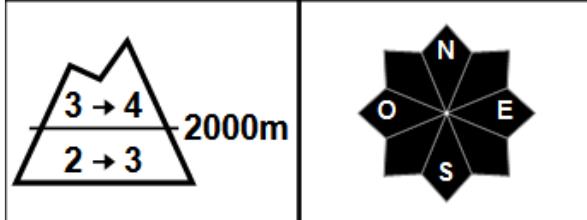
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Risk estimate until Monday 01 February 2021 in the evening



Above 2000 m: High risk evolving into High risk. Below: Limited risk evolving into High risk.

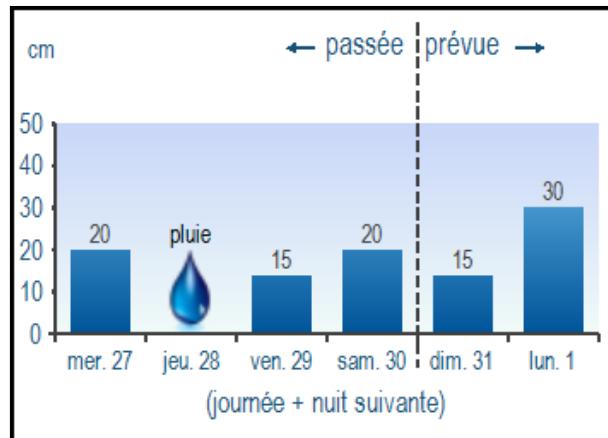


HIGH AVALANCHE RISK
Spontaneous departures: flows, avalanches and a few large bottom slabs.
Triggers skiers: flows and slabs, thicker at altitude.

Snowpack stability

- Avalanche risk gradually increasing, given the new snowfall blown this night and Monday, associated with a slight warmth on Monday afternoon. Last Thursday and Friday, the rain-snow limit rose to around 2000 m causing numerous heavy snow avalanches during bad weather on the steep slopes, while large accumulations of recent windy snow settled at altitude, slowly consolidating in depth.
- Spontaneous departures: Monday at less than 2000 m on steep slopes, plan for surface flows or avalanches of small to medium size, mobilizing fresh snow a little wet in the afternoon. In addition, a few natural departures from the bottom slabs, much thicker, on strong grassy slopes not completely cleared below 1800/2000 m in any orientation, at random day and night. At more than 1800/2000 m, formation of slabs, increasingly thick and unstable over the snowfall, which can fall naturally in steep terrain. Some large avalanches possible at altitude, sometimes very wide, on steep slopes not purged.
- Risk of accidental triggering: flows and avalanches of fresh snow a little wet in the afternoon at less than 1800/2000 m on steep slopes, and breakage of plates, friable or hard, under the skis, increasingly thick in altitude.

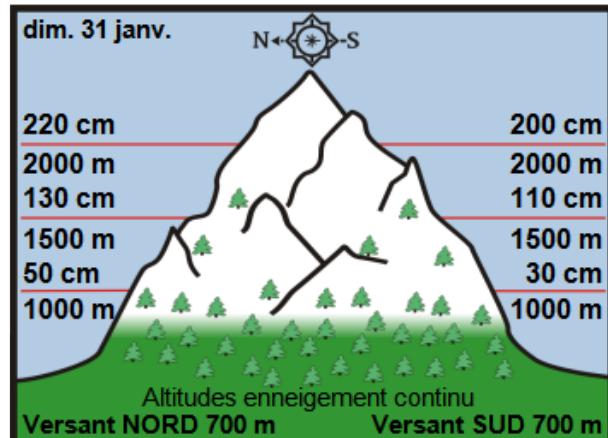
Fresh snow at 1800 m



Weather preview

Monday 01 February				
	night	morning	afternoon	
Rain snow		1100 m	1100 m	1400 m
ISO 0 ° C		1400 m	1400 m	1700 m
Wind 2000 m	↗ 40 km / h	↗ 40 km / h	↗ 40 km / h	
Wind 2500 m	↗ 50 km / h	↗ 50 km / h	↗ 50 km / h	

Off-piste snow depth



Snow quality

- Despite the heavy rains on Thursday and Friday up to 2000 m, the snow cover is still good, including in the valleys around 1000 m (excellent but irregular at more than 2000 m).

- Qualité de la neige lundi : manteau neigeux humide en profondeur à moins de 2000 m, surmonté d'une bonne couche de neige fraîche en augmentation, un peu humide l'après-midi. A plus de 1800/2000 m, belle couche de neige fraîche, plus ou moins soufflée, posée sur une grosse épaisseur de neige récente bien ventée récemment, en cours de tassement lent. Fortes accumulations et congères en altitude, et grosses corniches instables sur certaines crêtes.

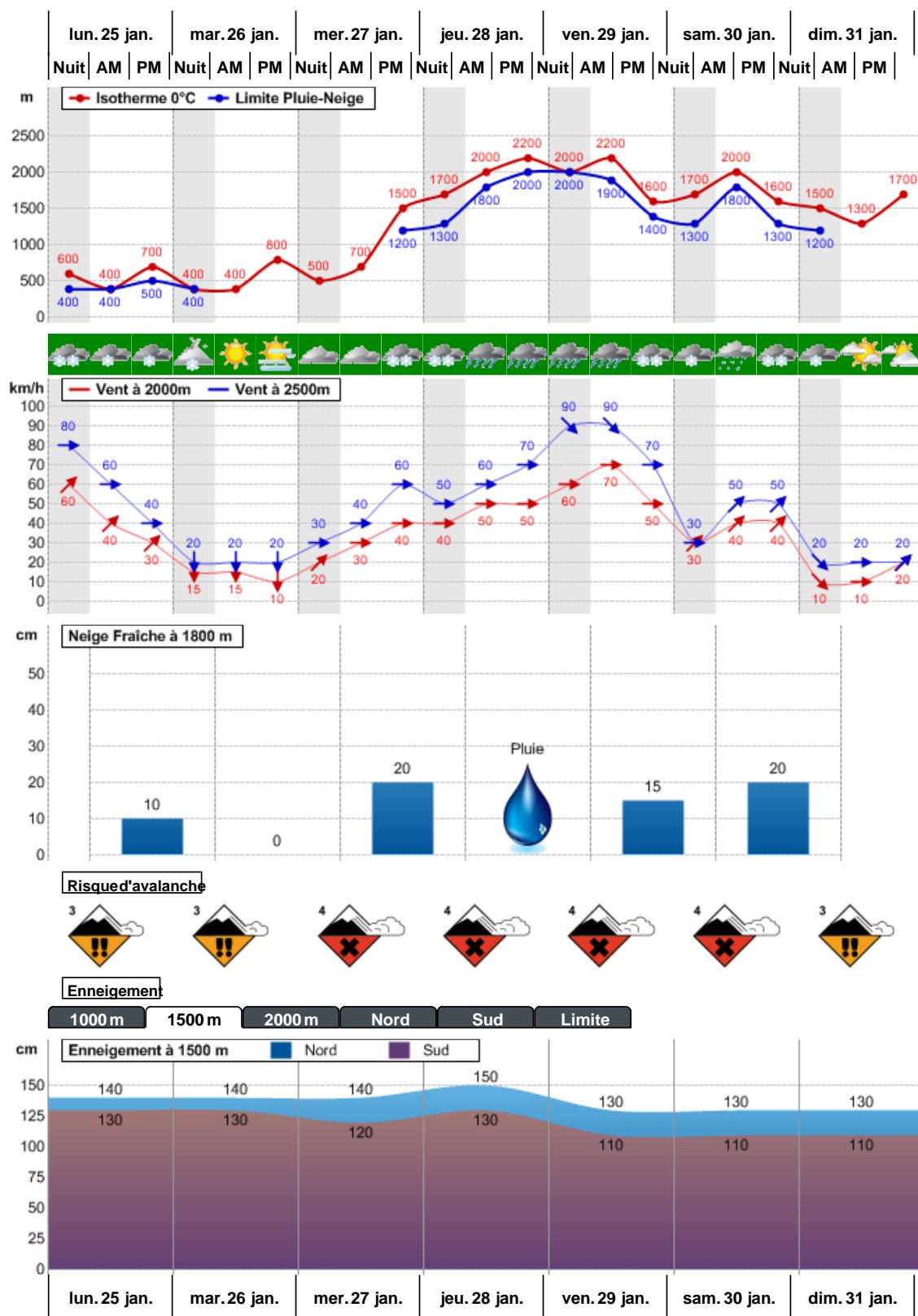
mardi 02 :



mercredi 03 :



Conditions nivo-météo des 7 derniers jours



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