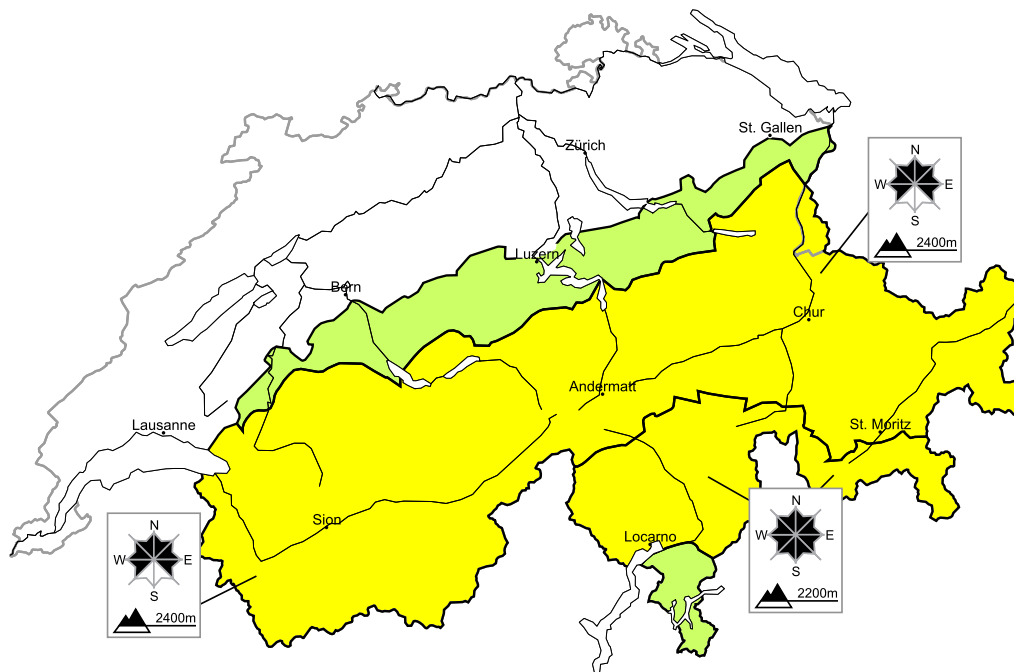
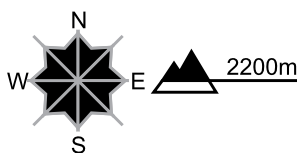


Moderate avalanche danger will be encountered over a wide area

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Avalanche danger

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**region A****Level 2, moderate****Wind slabs****Avalanche prone locations****Danger description**

The fresh and older wind slabs are in some cases prone to triggering. The older wind slabs are covered with new snow in some cases and therefore difficult to recognise. Medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large avalanches are possible. In high Alpine regions the avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is slightly greater. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for careful route selection.

Wet avalanches as day progresses

As a consequence of solar radiation moist snow slides and avalanches are possible.

Danger levels

1 low

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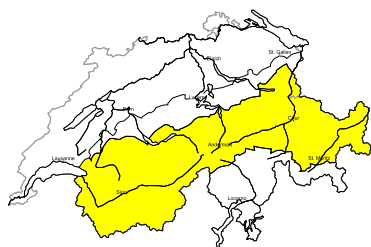
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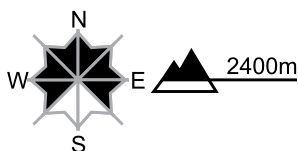
region B

Level 2, moderate



Wind slabs

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

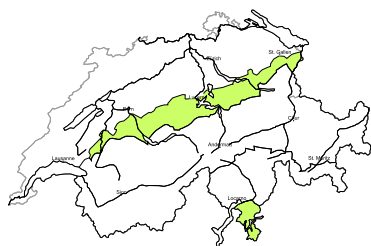
The fresh and older wind slabs are in isolated cases prone to triggering. The older wind slabs are covered with new snow in some cases and therefore difficult to recognise. In high Alpine regions the avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is slightly greater. Avalanches can reach medium size. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

Wet avalanches as day progresses

As a consequence of solar radiation moist snow slides are possible.

region C

Level 1, low



Dry avalanches: no distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found in particular on wind-loaded slopes above approximately 1800 m. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Wet avalanches as day progresses

As a consequence of solar radiation individual moist snow slides are possible.

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

Small avalanche accumulations are being generated from place to place. The snowdrift accumulations from the beginning of the week are still prone to triggering in some places. They are frequently blanketed over with fresher snowfall and thus, difficult to recognize. Fractures in more deeply embedded layers inside the snowpack are currently not likely. As a result of solar radiation, loose-snow avalanches and moist-snow slides from the fresh fallen snow are possible.

Observed weather on Friday, 16.04.2021

Nighttime skies in the western regions were partly overcast accompanied by showers, in the other regions of Switzerland skies were predominantly clear. During the daytime in the southern regions skies were overcast, elsewhere predominantly sunny.

Fresh snow

In the southern Valais: 5 to 15 cm of fresh snow; in the other regions of Switzerland only a few centimetres or else it remained dry.

Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, approximately -6 °C.

Wind

- Winds were blowing at light to moderate strength from southerly directions.
- in the western Prealps, a moderate-strength breeze wind was blowing.

Weather forecast through Saturday, 17.04.2021

Following a night of predominantly clear skies it will be quite sunny in the morning hours. In the afternoon, dense cloud cover will move in. Isolated showers cannot be ruled out.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between -2 °C in the western and the southern regions, and -4 °C in the eastern regions.

Wind

- Winds will be blowing at light to moderate strength from varying directions;
- in the western Prealps a moderate-strength breeze wind will be blowing intermittently.

Outlook through Monday, 19.04.2021

On Sunday and on Monday, skies will frequently be overcast accompanied by isolated showers, particularly towards the east. It is expected to remain wintery-cool, winds will be predominantly light.

Avalanche danger is not expected to change significantly.