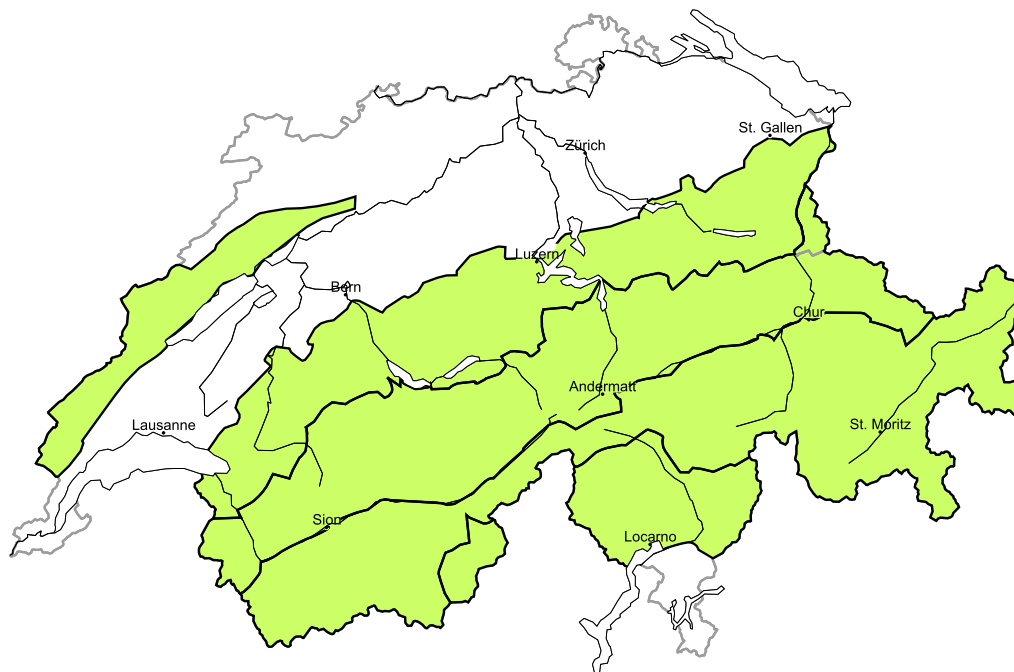


A favourable avalanche situation will prevail

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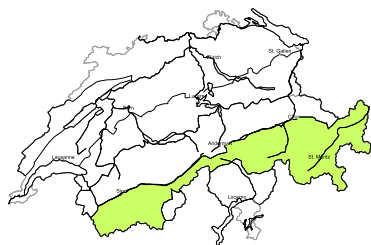
Avalanche danger

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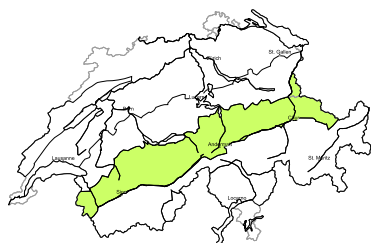


Old snow

Faceted weak layers exist deep in the snowpack. In very isolated cases avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. This applies especially on very steep north and east facing slopes above approximately 2200 m in little used terrain. The avalanche prone locations are very rare but are barely recognisable, even to the trained eye. Very steep shady slopes are to be traversed by snow sport participants one at a time.

region B

Level 1, low



Old snow

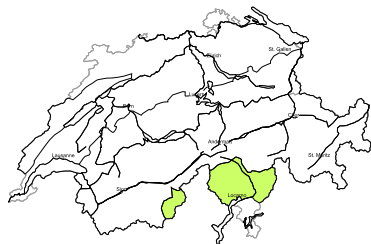
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Gliding avalanches

Gliding avalanches are possible in isolated cases. In particular on steep sunny slopes they can be released naturally and reach medium size. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided as far as possible.

region C

Level 1, low



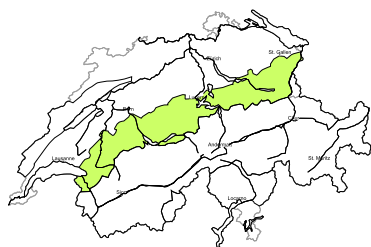
No distinct avalanche problem

Only a little snow is lying.

Individual avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found in particular in extremely steep terrain. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised in particular in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

region D

Level 1, low



Dry avalanches: no distinct avalanche problem

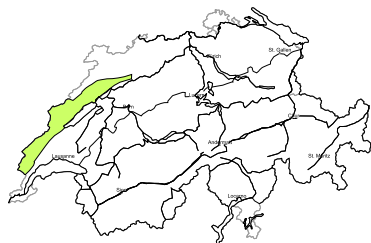
Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on extremely steep slopes, especially in little used backcountry terrain. Mostly the avalanches are small. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised in particular in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

Gliding avalanches

Gliding avalanches are possible in isolated cases. In particular on steep sunny slopes they can be released naturally and reach medium size. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided as far as possible.

region E

Level 1, low



No distinct avalanche problem

Very isolated avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in extreme terrain. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

In the southern Valais as well as in the inneralpine and southern regions of Grisons, there are weak layers evident deeply embedded inside the snowpack. Although these layers are quite pronounced from place to place, there have been no further avalanches triggered from them during the last week.

In the remaining regions of Switzerland, the snowpack layering is more favorably structured. Nevertheless, stability tests have demonstrated that even here in some places, there are fractures in the surface-near layers.

On the northern flank of the Alps more than anywhere else, isolated gliding avalanches continue to be possible in isolated cases.

In the southern regions there is an unusually small amount of snow on the ground, at numerous measurement stations less than has ever before been measured at this juncture of the season. As a consequence of the thin, often expansively metamorphosed (faceted) layers inside the snowpack there is currently a heightened danger of falling into crevices on the glaciers, most particularly in the regions of Zermatt and Saas Fee.

Observed weather on Saturday, 05.03.2022

Following a night of predominantly clear skies it was sunny during the daytime hours. In the furthestmost southern regions skies were overcast during the nocturnal hours and also during the morning.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, -6 °C.

Wind

Winds were blowing predominantly at light strength, at moderate strength in high alpine regions, from northeasterly directions.

Weather forecast through Sunday, 06.03.2022

Following a night of clear skies it will be sunny during the daytime hours. In the furthestmost southern regions there will be some cloudbanks during the nighttime and early morning hours.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, -7 °C.

Wind

Winds will be predominantly light, moderate in the high alpine regions, from northeasterly directions.

Outlook through Tuesday, 08.03.2022

Following nights of clear skies it will be sunny on each successive day. As a consequence of light-strength northeasterly winds, temperatures will be relatively cool. The zero-degree level will lie below 1500 m.

The avalanche situation is expected to remain favourable. Isolated avalanche prone locations occur on very steep, shady slopes in the inneralpine regions in particular. Gliding avalanches are possible.