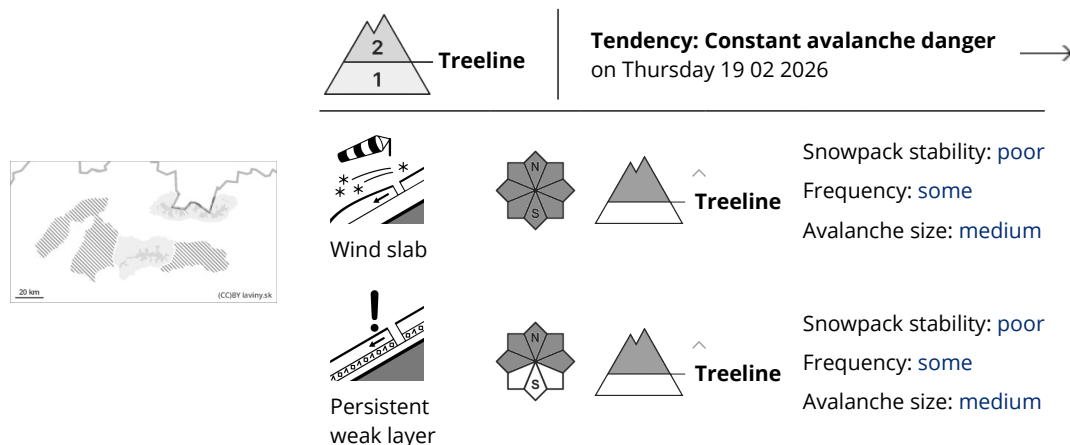


Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Beware of inflated snow boards and pillows! They are very susceptible to slides and avalanche release when loaded.

In the High, West and Low Tatras there is a moderate avalanche danger above the forest line, 2nd degree. Snow from the last snowfall was blown by strong winds to the leeward slopes. It has created unstable snow pillows and slab snow, which can cause avalanches on steep slopes when mechanically loaded. Inside the snow cover there is a layer of square-grained snow, which manifests itself in the typical warning signals of cracking of the snow cover and rumbling -grey sounds. Larger spontaneous avalanches are not expected.

Snowpack

In the northern sector and at the highest elevations, there are unstable layers of snow in the snowpack. Snow from the last snowfall (10 to 20 cm) fell during the advancing Arctic air, changing from wet to moist, gradually to dry, wind-blown snow. It is unevenly distributed, especially in the northern sector. Hard slabs alternate with puffy pillows of new snow. On the ridges, drifts have formed. The snow cover remains well below average, especially at altitudes below 1600 m above sea level.

Tendency

Persistent. fk

Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Thursday 19 02 2026



Wind slab



Treeline

Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **few**

Avalanche size: **small**

Avalanche release is only possible on isolated, very steep slopes at the highest altitudes.

In the Fatras and the eastern part of the Low Tatras there is still a small avalanche danger, 1.degree. During the last snowfall, 10-15 cm of new snow fell above the forest border, which lies on hard ground and is not sufficiently bonded with it. Smaller avalanches can only be released exceptionally, and only on steep to very steep slopes. Their risk is mainly posed by a person being swept into exposed terrain, possibly in conjunction with a terrain trap.

Snowpack

After the previous warm period and the subsequent cooling, the snow cover is mostly frozen and stabilized, with new, mostly dry snow up to 15 cm. The total snow cover is well below average, mostly below 50 cm. In the gullies and moguls in isolated places even more, on the ridge there are overhangs due to the wind.

Tendency

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