

# Avalanche Service Vorarlberg

## Friday 16 January 2026

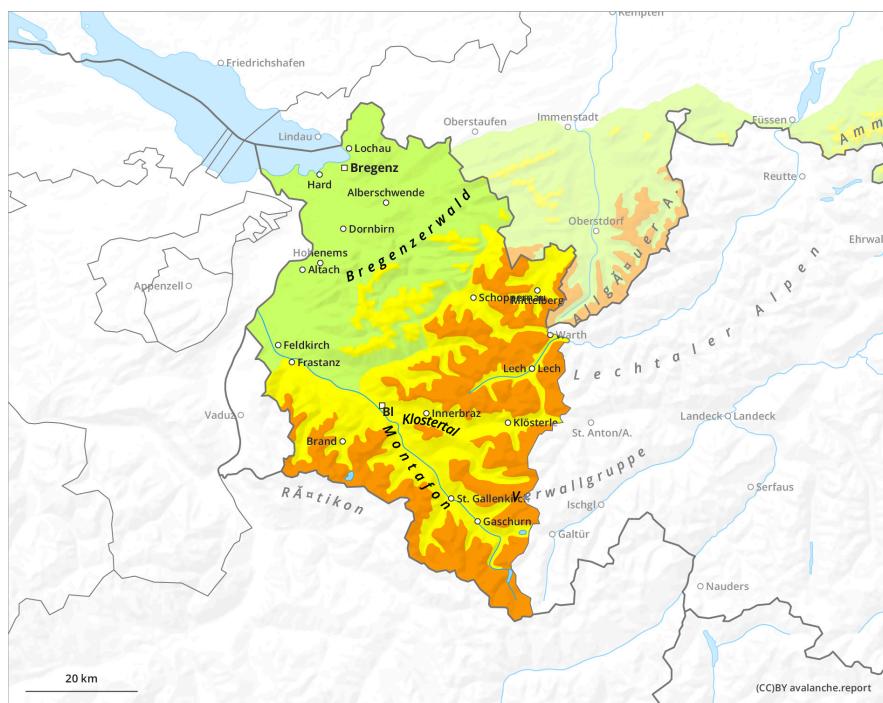
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at high altitudes**

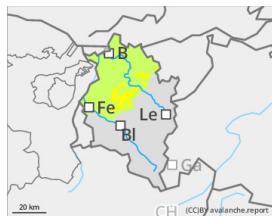


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## Danger Level 2 - Moderate



**Tendency: Constant avalanche danger**  
on Saturday 17 January 2026



### Moderate avalanche danger at higher altitudes

Older and small-sized freshly generated snowdrift accumulations are often still prone to triggering at high altitudes. Winter sports enthusiasts can trigger small, in isolated cases medium sized slab avalanches in wind-loaded zones, particularly on steep W-N-SE facing slopes and in gullies and bowls. At lower altitudes, wet snowslides and small avalanches will be possible.

### Snowpack

The fresh fallen snow and drifts from the most recent period of precipitation have settled further as a result of higher temperatures. Bonding to the often loosely-packed, faceted, expansively metamorphosed old snowpack surface, and inside the unfavorably structured layers of the old snow, continues to be moderate-to-poor in places. As a result of mild temperatures, the snow at low and intermediate altitudes is moistened and the snowpack surface is melt-freeze encrusted in early morning. At low altitudes there is little snow on the ground.

### Weather

Slight foehn-wind impact. Sun will shine most of the time in the mountains, only in the Rätikon-Silvretta zone will dense cloudbanks move in from the south. Mild temperatures will prevail. At 2000m: +1 degree; at 3000m: -5 degrees. Moderate southerly winds at high altitudes and in foehn lanes, later intensifying to brisk.

### Tendency

No significant change is anticipated.