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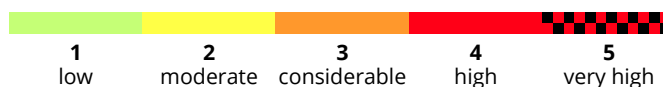
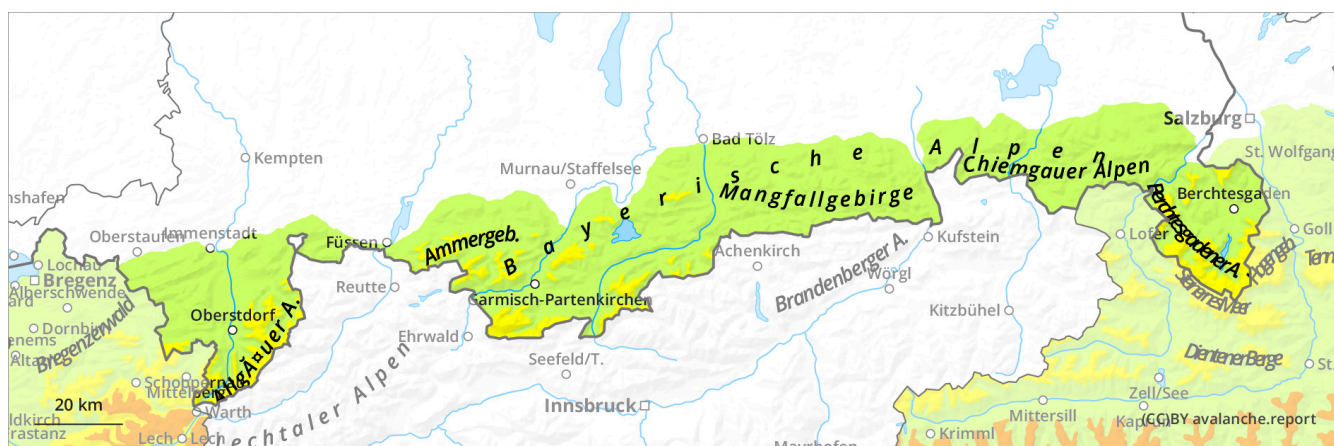
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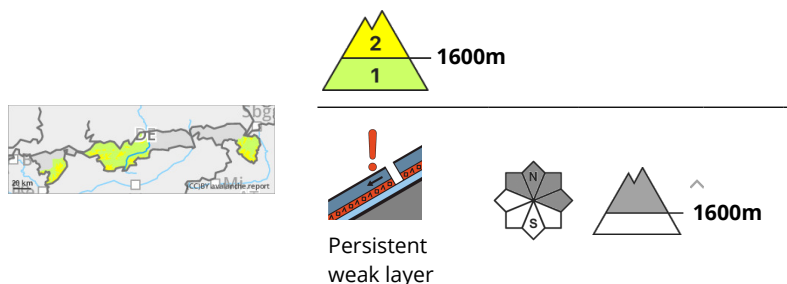
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Widespread moderate avalanche danger due to persistent weak layers in the old snow.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Avalanche prone locations are difficult to recognise. Snow cover tests can help with the assessment.

The avalanche danger is moderate above 1600 metres and low below that. The main problem is a persistent weak layer. Dry slab avalanches can be triggered in places by a small additional load. Avalanche prone locations can be found at the transition from little to much snow, for example at the entrance to gullies and bowls. Slab avalanches can reach medium size, especially on snowy eastern and northern slopes.

Snowpack

The snow cover, snowpack settles in mild temperatures. At higher altitudes, bonded snow lies on weak, built-up layers, often in the area of harsh crusts. The snowpack base here consists of faceted crystals. Up to medium elevations, the snow surface is dominated by partly stable crust and thin breakable crust at higher elevations. On the sunny slopes, it is frozen hard in the morning and firms up during the daytime changes. At the highest elevations, some fresh wind slab could develop on a small scale. The snow depths are below average.

Tendency

The persistent weak layer problem remains for the time being.