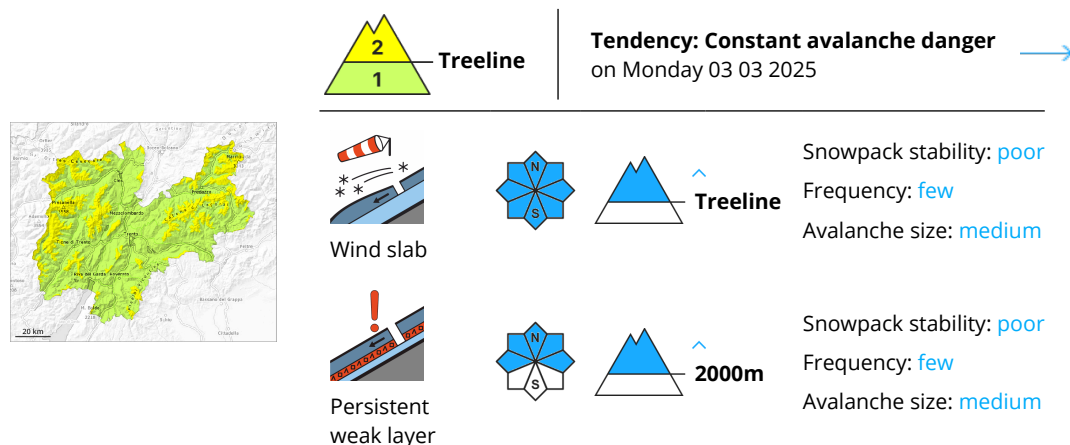


Danger Level 2 - Moderate



New snow, wind slabs and old snow require caution.

The fresh wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are sometimes covered with new snow and are barely recognisable for beginners. Caution is to be exercised in particular adjacent to ridgelines, as well as in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain.

Additionally in isolated cases avalanches can release deeper layers of the snowpack. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found on very steep west, north and east facing slopes above approximately 2000 m. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls. In the regions exposed to precipitation loose snow avalanches are to be expected as the day progresses, but they will be mostly small.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

dp.1: deep persistent weak layer

Some snow fell in the past few hours in some regions. The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers in particular on steep shady slopes. Faceted weak layers exist in the bottom section of the snowpack on west, north and east facing slopes. The old snowpack will be moist at low and intermediate altitudes. In the last three days above approximately 1800 m several mostly small avalanches occurred naturally.

Tendency

Gradual increase in danger of moist and wet avalanches as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

