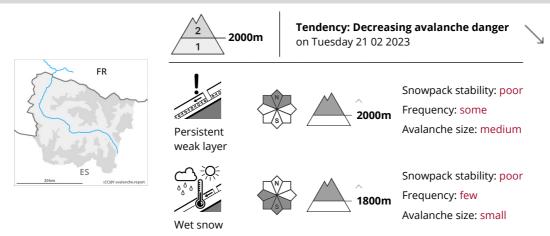




Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Weakly bonded old snow represents the main danger. Wet snow requires caution.

Hard wind slabs can still be released in some cases on steep north, northeast and east facing slopes above approximately 2000 m, especially at their margins. In very isolated cases the avalanches are medium-sized. Wind-loaded slopes where hard layers are lying on a weakly bonded old snowpack are especially precarious. In particular at the southern border of Aran the avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is slightly greater.

On very steep sunny slopes moist snow slides and avalanches are possible from midday, but they will be mostly small.

Caution and restraint are required.

Snowpack

The hard wind slabs are lying on top of a weakly bonded old snowpack on shady slopes. Field observations and stability tests indicate the existence of a weak snowack on shady slopes.

Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise as the day progresses to increasing moistening of the snowpack on very steep sunny slopes at intermediate and high altitudes. In all regions less snow than usual is lying. At low altitude from a snow sport perspective, insufficient snow is lying. At intermediate and high altitudes there are 40 to 60 cm of snow, and even more in some localities. In high Alpine regions snow depths vary greatly, depending on the infuence of the wind.

Tendency

The danger of dry and moist avalanches will decrease during the day.