

First warning 4:11pm Friday 12th:

FIORDLAND SOUTH OF TE ANAU, SOUTHLAND AND THE SOUTH AND EAST OF OTAGO INCLUDING DUNEDIN

24 hour period from 3am Sunday to 3am Monday expect 5 to 10 cm to accumulate near sea level and 20 to 40cm at higher levels, especially above 200 metres. Snow is expected to continue on Monday and Tuesday bringing further significant accumulations.

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Additions 9:42am Sunday 14th:

FIORDLAND SOUTH OF TE ANAU, SOUTHLAND AND THE SOUTH AND EAST OF OTAGO INCLUDING DUNEDIN

From midnight Sunday to midnight Monday expect a further 20 to 40cm above 200 metres and lesser amounts to sea level

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CANTERBURY AND MARLBOROUGH SOUTH OF SEDDON

Snow is expected to set in this afternoon about Banks Peninsula and the Marlborough ranges south of Seddon. 10 to 15cm may accumulate about Banks Peninsula by midnight tonight. The snow is then expected to become widespread Monday morning. In the 24 hour period from midnight Sunday to midnight Monday expect 20 to 40cm to accumulate above 200 metres and 10 to 20cm to near sea level in Canterbury and Marlborough south of Seddon

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WELLINGTON, WAIRARAPA AND HOROWHENUA KAPITI COAST

Snow is expected to lower to about 200m this evening. In the period from 6pm this evening till midnight expect 5 to 15cm above 300m and lesser amounts to lower levels. The snow eases overnight but expect another 15 to 30cm above 300 metres in the 21 hours from 9am on Monday till midnight Monday and lesser amounts farther down

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TARANAKI, WANGANUI, TAIHAPE AND MANAWATU

Snow is expected to lower to 600m this afternoon and to near sea level by midnight. In the 18 hour period from midday Sunday till 6am on Monday expect 20 to 40cm to accumulate above 400m and lesser amounts lower down. Another burst of snow from 3pm Monday to midnight on Monday is expected to bring a further 15 to 25cm above 400m and lesser amounts between 200 and 400m

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Update 8:16pm Sunday 14th

Fiordland/Southland/Otago - amount upped to 25-50cm above 200m 9pm Sunday to midnight Monday.

Wellington/Wairarapa/Kapiti - amount upped to 20-35cm above 300m 9pm Sunday to midnight Monday.

Taranaki/Wellington/Taihape/Manawatu - amount upped to 25-50cm above 400m 9pm Sunday to midnight Monday.

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Update 9:21am Monday 15th

Fiordland/Southland/Otago - snow extended into Tuesday morning (with 20-30cm east Otago)

Canterbury - upped to 50-70cm midday Mon-midday Tuesday above 300m, with 10-20cm above 200m remainder of Tuesday.

Wellington/Wairarapa/Kapiti- another burst added for Tuesday midday-midnight 15-25 above 500m, 5-15 above 300m.

Taranaki/Wanganui/Taihape/Manawatu - another burst added for Tuesday midday-midnight 10-20 above 400m

Marlborough - upped to 40-60 above 300m and 10-20 lower in 36 hr from midday Monday to midnight Tuesday.

Added:

**HAWKES BAY AND GISBORNE SOUTH OF WHATATUTU**

In the 6 hours from 6pm Tuesday to midnight expect 10 to 20cm to accumulate above 400 metres

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Update 8:15pm Monday 15th

All except Hawkes Bay/Gisborne extended to midnight Tuesday.

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Update 9:15am Tuesday 16th

All South Island and central North Island extended into Wednesday morning, with further significant falls. Major changes:

Fiordland/Southland/Otago - 24hr to 9am Wednesday, 15-25 above 200m, 25-40 in east-Otago, 5-15 to near sea level.

Canterbury - 24hr to 9am Wednesday, 30-60 above 300m, 15-30 lower

Marlborough - 24hr to 9am Wednesday, 50-80 above 300m, 15-25 lower

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Update 8:42pm Tuesday 16th

Mention of lighter snow showers in Fiordland/Southland/Otago throughout Wednesday.

Canterbury extended to Wednesday night, with further snow showers into Thursday.

Wellington/Wairarapa/Kapiti - heavy southern ease tonight, but snow showers through Wednesday: to 9pm Wednesday 15-25 above 500, 5-10 to 300.

Hawkes Bay/Gisborne - period extended to 12 hours, but with further snow showers for remainder of Wednesday

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Update 9:09am Wednesday 17th

Fiordland/Southland/Otago - lifted!

All others extended 9am Thursday, with mention of further snow showers throughout remainder of Thursday.

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Update 8:47pm Wednesday 17th

South Canterbury, Wellington, Wairarapa Kapiti Coast, Manawatu, Wanganui, Taihape, Gisborne and s Hawkes Bay all lifted, but mention of further snow showers.

Warning contracted to Taranaki (another 10-15 in 12hr), Canterbury north of Rangitata and s-Marlborough (another 25-40 in 24hr), Wairoa district (20-30 in 24hr)

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Update 8:38am Thursday 18th

Taranaki lifted, also Canterbury south of Waimakariri lifted

North-Canterbury/South-Marlborough and Wairoa extended to Friday morning.

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Morning of Friday 19th

All warnings finally lifted. Note however, further snow showers were expected in Wairoa Friday and into Saturday, but above 700m and marginal amounts.