

## Winter Weather Briefing

For NWS Boston County Warning Area

### **Decision Support Briefing**

Issued at: 7:30 AM Jan 18th, 2025

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#### **Key Messages**

- Winter system bringing snowfall to southern New England Sunday afternoon into Monday morning
- There is still considerable amount of uncertainty in storm track leading to lower confidence in exact snowfall amounts
- Bitter cold early next week with well below normal temperatures and hazardous wind chills

## NEW Important Updates

→ Addition of northeast Massachusetts (Middlesex and Essex Counties) to Winter Storm Watch





### Winter Weather Headlines

### **Winter Storm Watch**



12 PM Sunday - 7 AM Monday



- Portions of western, central, and northeast MA
- Northern CT



→ Total accumulations between 4-8"



→ Slick and hazardous travel





### **Confidence Levels**

### **Timing**

**LOW** 

**MEDIUM** 

HIGH

Sun afternoon through early Mon morning. Snow should come to an end before Mon AM commute. Potential for rates (1-2"/hour) in banded snow Sun evening/night. That is lower confidence and depending on storm strength and track.

#### **Snow Amounts**

LOW

**MEDIUM** 

HIGH

Low confidence due to the uncertainty in the storm track/intensity.

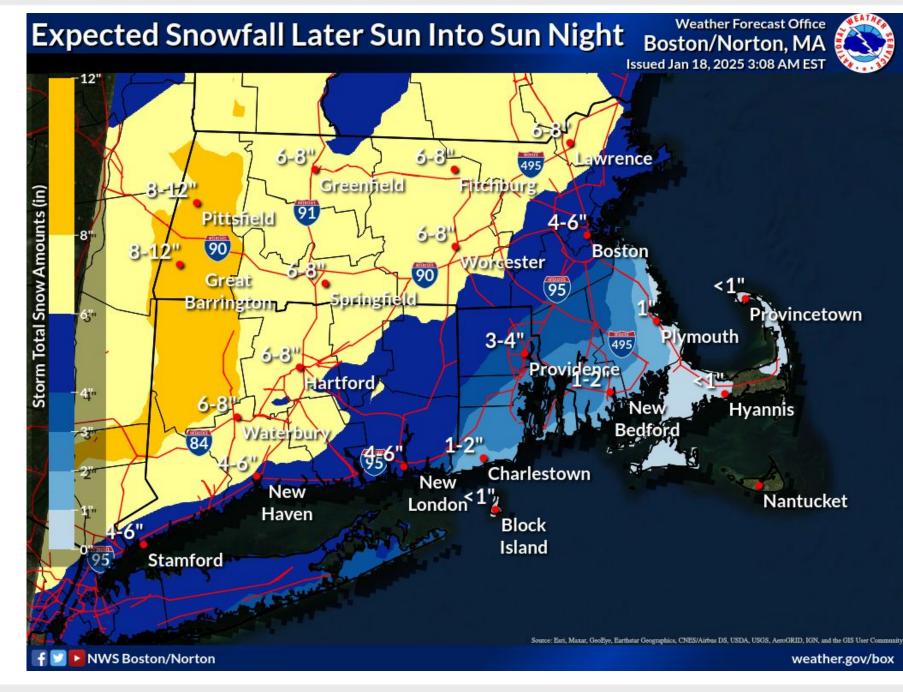
#### **Travel Impacts**

LOW

**MEDIUM** 

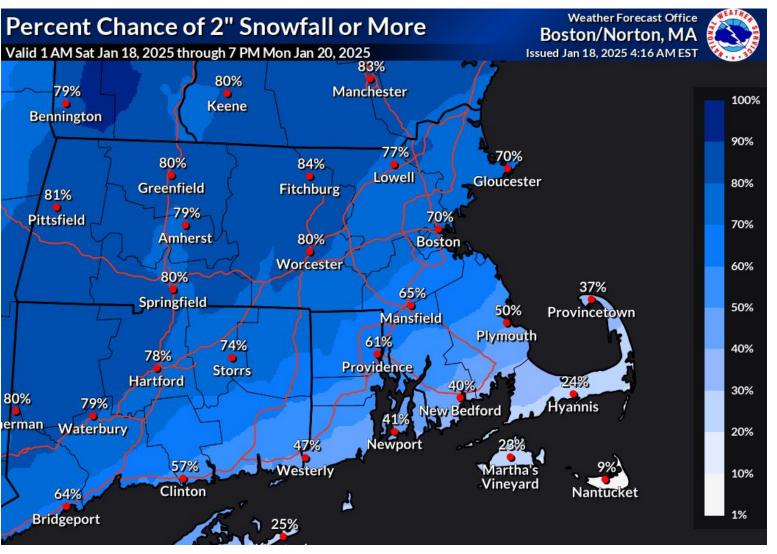
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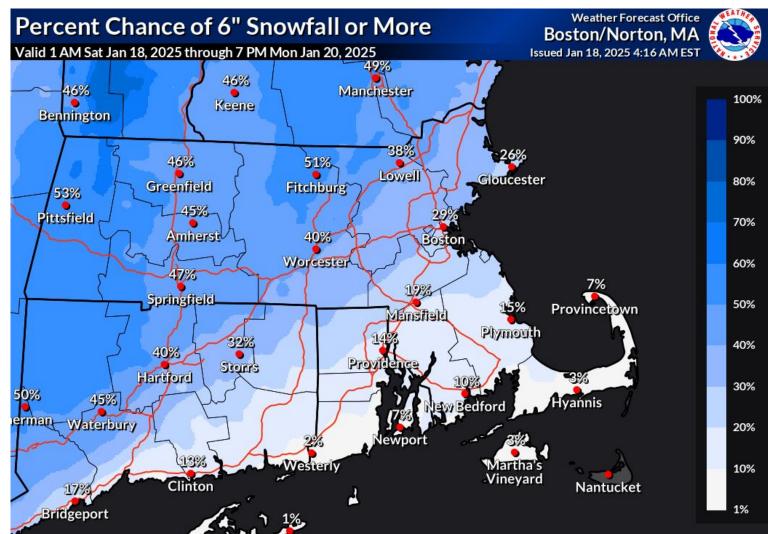
High probability for **at least** minor impacts (snow covered roads and slippery travel) for Monday AM commute. Potential for areas of hazardous travel Sun night **if** storm track favors higher snowfall.





# **Snow Amounts**







## **Bitter Cold Arrives Next Week**

- Arctic outbreak brings well below normal temperatures to region next week.
- Coldest air Monday through Wednesday
- Hazardous wind chills (see next slide)

Maximum Temperature Forecast (°F)										
	1/20 <b>Mon</b>	1/21 <b>Tue</b>	1/22 <b>Wed</b>	1/23 <b>Thu</b>	1/24 <b>Fri</b>					
Block Island	25	21	21	30	34					
Boston	24	20	19	25	33					
Cambridge	24	20	19	25	33					
Gloucester	25	20	21	27	34					
Hartford	24	19	19	25	31					
Hyannis	27	22	22	30	34					
Lowell	22	18	18	24	31					
Nantucket	28	25	24	33	34					
New Bedford	26	22	22	29	34					
Newport	25	21	21	29	34					
Plymouth	26	21	21	28	34					
Providence	24	20	20	26	34					
Springfield	22	18	17	23	30					
Vineyard Haven	27	23	23	33	35					
Westerly	25	20	20	28	34					
Worcester	21	17	17	23	31					

Maximum Temperature Forecast (°F)

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Minimum Temperature Forecast (°F)										
	1/20	1/21	1/22	1/23	1/24	1/25				
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
Block Island	13	13	13	14	23	26				
Boston	7	7	5	5	15	19				
Cambridge	7	7	5	5	15	19				
Gloucester	9	9	8	8	16	20				
Hartford	5	4	1	1	10	14				
Hyannis	13	13	13	13	21	23				
Lowell	4	2	1	1	10	15				
Nantucket	16	16	16	17	25	27				
New Bedford	9	9	8	8	18	20				
Newport	11	11	10	10	20	23				
Plymouth	9	9	7	7	16	19				
Providence	7	7	5	5	15	19				
Springfield	2	1	-1	-1	8	12				
Vineyard Haven	14	13	13	14	23	25				
Westerly	7	7	7	7	17	20				
Worcester	3	3	1	1	11	15				

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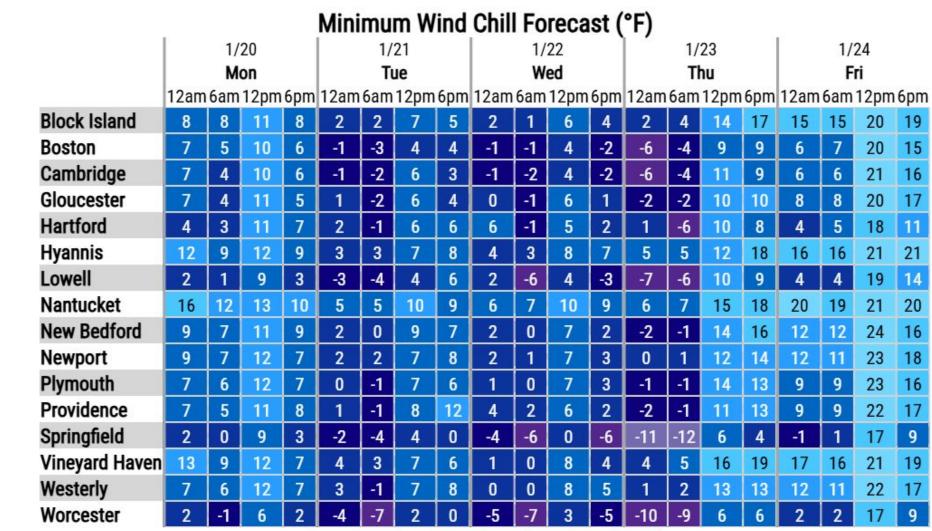
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## Minimum Wind Chills

- Hazardous wind chills expected, aided by marginally breezy conditions.
- Wind chills 0 to -10F. Potentially as low as -20F in the Berkshires Mon, Tue, Weds night.
  - Near Cold Weather Advisory criteria.



Minimum Wind Chill Forecast (°F)

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