# **Incoming Winter Storm**

#### Saturday through Sunday

### **Key Messages**

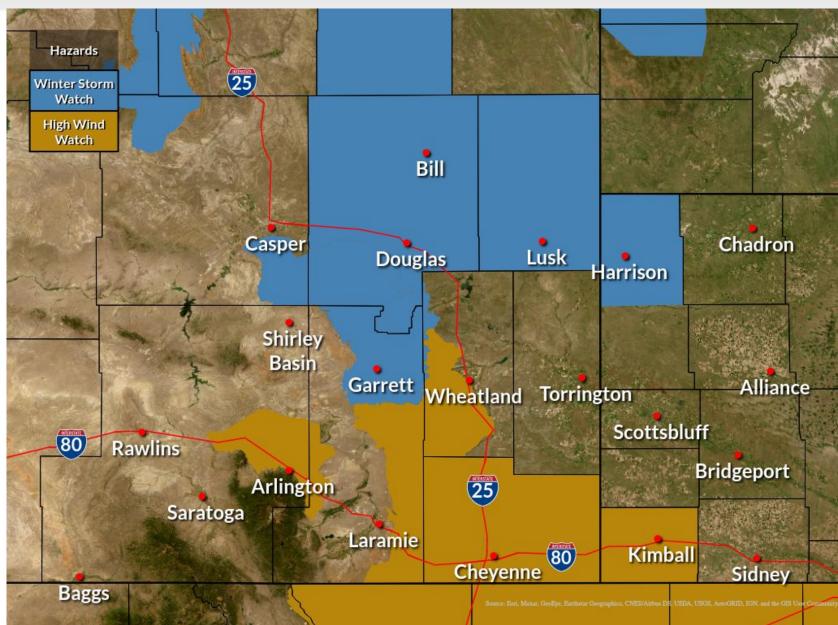
- → Confidence is increasing for a significant winter storm impacting portions of the area Saturday through early Monday morning.
- → The Pine Ridge (US-20 corridor) and the North Laramie Range have the highest probability of significant impacts.
- $\rightarrow$  Strong winds are also increasingly likely with this storm.

#### → Winter Storm Watch

- In effect for the North Laramie Range from 6 AM Saturday until 6 AM Monday. Heavy snow is possible with accumulations of 12 or more inches. Winds could gust as high as 75 MPH.
- In effect for Converse, Niobrara, northern Sioux, and Dawes Counties from 3 PM Saturday until 6 AM Monday. Blizzard conditions possible! Snow accumulations of 6 to 12 inches with higher amounts possible along the Pine Ridge. Winds could gust up to 55 MPH, reducing visibility due to blowing and drifting snow.

#### → High Wind Watch

- In effect for the SE Wyoming wind prone areas from 6 AM Saturday until 3 PM Sunday. Wind gusts up to 75 MPH possible.
- In effect for Laramie and Kimball Counties from 12 PM Saturday until 3 PM Sunday. Wind gusts up to 70 MPH possible.



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# **Maximum Wind Gust Timeline**

Saturday through Early Monday

### Wind Gust Timeline

- West winds 40 to 50 MPH with gusts  $\rightarrow$ to 75 MPH possible for the wind prone areas of Arlington/Elk Mountain, Bordeaux, and the Interstate 80 summit.
- Northwest winds **35 to 45 MPH with**  $\rightarrow$ gusts up to 70 MPH possible for Laramie and Kimball Counties.
- Areas outside of the current watches will  $\rightarrow$ still see strong, gusty winds!
- High Wind Watches may be extended  $\rightarrow$ to other locations!
- Strong cross winds will be hazardous to  $\rightarrow$ light weight or high profile vehicles, including campers and tractor trailers.
- Strong winds could also lead to areas of  $\rightarrow$ blowing and drifting snow, reducing visibility.

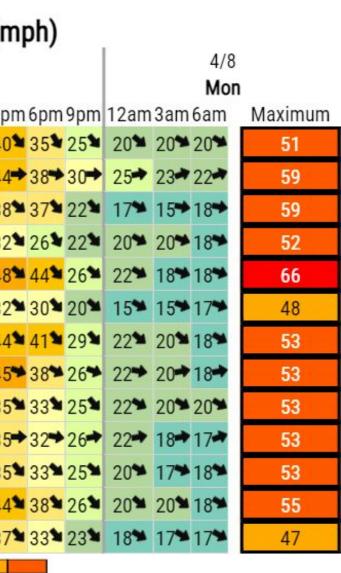
#### Maximum Wind Gust Forecast (mph)

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	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am	6am	9am	12pm	3p
Alliance	47	445	40	301	30	32*	44*	47*	48	51*	51	45	44	40
Arlington	26	36	<b>45</b> →	48	56⇒	59⇒	59⇒	59⇒	59⇒	56⇒	53⇒	51⇒	48⇒	44
Bordeaux	20-	35 <b>→</b>	37→	<b>41</b> ≯	53**	59°	59 <sup>-9</sup>	53	55**	55	52	45	41*	38
Chadron	52	48	40	32	26	25	35	41	38*	40\$	40	35	33	32
Cheyenne	22	23	37*	48*	60	66**	66	66	66**	63	60	<b>59</b> %	51*	48
Douglas	14	25	25	32	40*	44*	45	47 <b>°</b>	48 1	48	48	41	37	32
Kimball	33*	23*	29	37	47*	53°	53*	53	53**	53	53	53*	47	44
Laramie	187	20*	32	<b>41</b> ≯	52⇒	53 <b>*</b>	52* <b>*</b>	52 *	52⇒	52	48	48	48	45
Lusk	384	22*	23*	30*	33*	38*	48	52 <sup>°</sup>	53	53°	52°	45	40	35
Rawlins	32	28	38-	48	53⇒	53⇒	51⇒	51⇒	52⇒	48	47➡	<b>41</b> →	38	35
Scottsbluff	29	25	25	32*	40*	48	53**	52 <sup>°</sup>	48*	48	48	45	40	35
Sidney	44	33	33*	354	44	47*	52 <sup>-0</sup>	52	52**	53	55	55	47	44
Torrington	33	17	22*	32*	40*	45	47*	47*	47*	47	47 <b>°</b>	44	40	37
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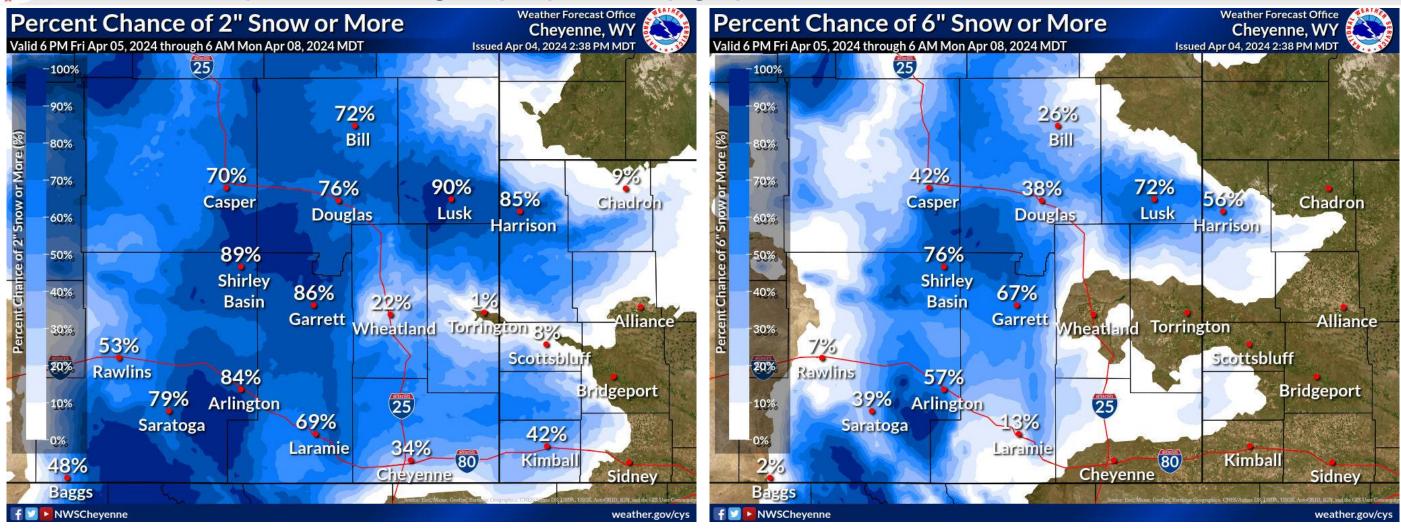
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# **Snow Amount Probabilities**

#### Probability of Exceeding 2" (left) and 6" (right)



- Highest snowfall totals will be in the high terrain, including the Pine Ridge, as well as Niobrara and Converse Counties.  $\rightarrow$
- Blizzard conditions could be possible, especially in Niobrara County and along the Pine Ridge.  $\rightarrow$
- Still some uncertainty in snowfall amounts as models are not in full agreement with how fast this storm vacates the area.  $\rightarrow$ Snowfall amounts will also depend on when rain will transition to snow.



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# **Timeline of Precipitation**

**Precipitation Types** 

	12	ו    AM 6		<b>rday</b> РМ 6	PM 12	Ь <b>Sunday</b> Ам 6 Ам 12 РМ 6 РМ				
Cheyenne, WY		Chance		Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance		
Laramie, WY				Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance		
Rawlins, WY	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance	Chance		
Douglas, WY	Chance	Chance				Blowing Snow	Blowing Snow		Chance	
Lusk, WY	Chance	Chance				Blowing Snow	Blowing Snow		Chance	
Scottsbluff, NE								Chance	Chance	
Alliance, NE									Chance	
Chadron, NE			Chance						Chance	
Sidney, NE							Chance	Chance		
Rain/Thunder			Rain Show	Rain Showers				Snow		



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#### **Recent Snowfall Reports**



Live-updating Point Forecast Click on the map to select your location, or use the search bar to type in your city name or coordinates





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Dangerous winter weather is *possible* within the next 24 to 48 hours. **Considerable travel** problems are possible.

Winter Storm

Watch

get prepared.

## Winter Storm Warning

Dangerous winter weather is expected within the next 12 to 36 hours or is occurring. Considerable travel problems are expected.

take action.

### Have Questions? Contact Us!



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# Winter Weather Advisory

Potentially dangerous winter weather is expected within the next 12 to 36 hours or is occurring. **Travel difficulties** are expected.

#### be aware.

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