



Snow to Impact Travel Today

February 19, 2026

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Expect slick roads and reduced visibility

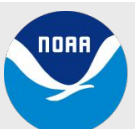
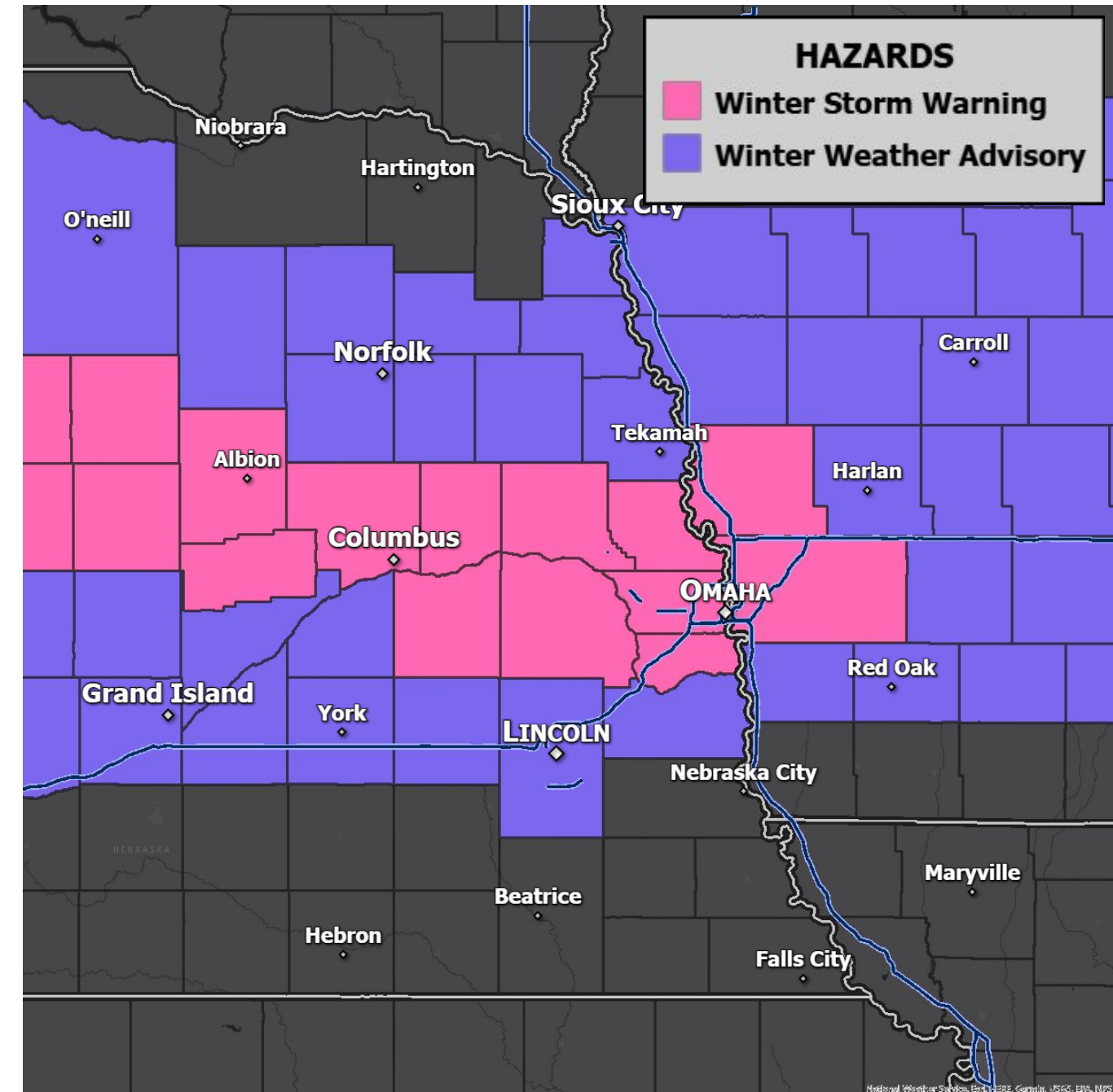
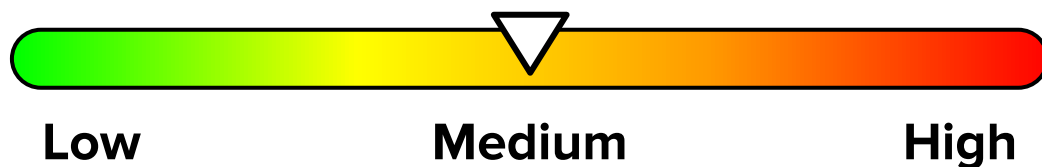
Key Messages

- Snow moves into northeast Nebraska morning and spreads east through this afternoon. Snow exits by early Friday morning.
- Northwest winds gusting 30-35 mph will lead to blowing and drifting snow and visibility under ½ mile at times.
- The Thursday morning commute may be impacted in a few spots, but expect more widespread impacts during the evening commute lasting into Friday.

Forecast Updates

- Decreased snow totals north, dropping Knox and Cedar Counties from the Winter Weather Advisory

Overall Forecast Confidence



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Atmospheric Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce

National Weather Service
Omaha/Valley, NE

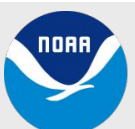
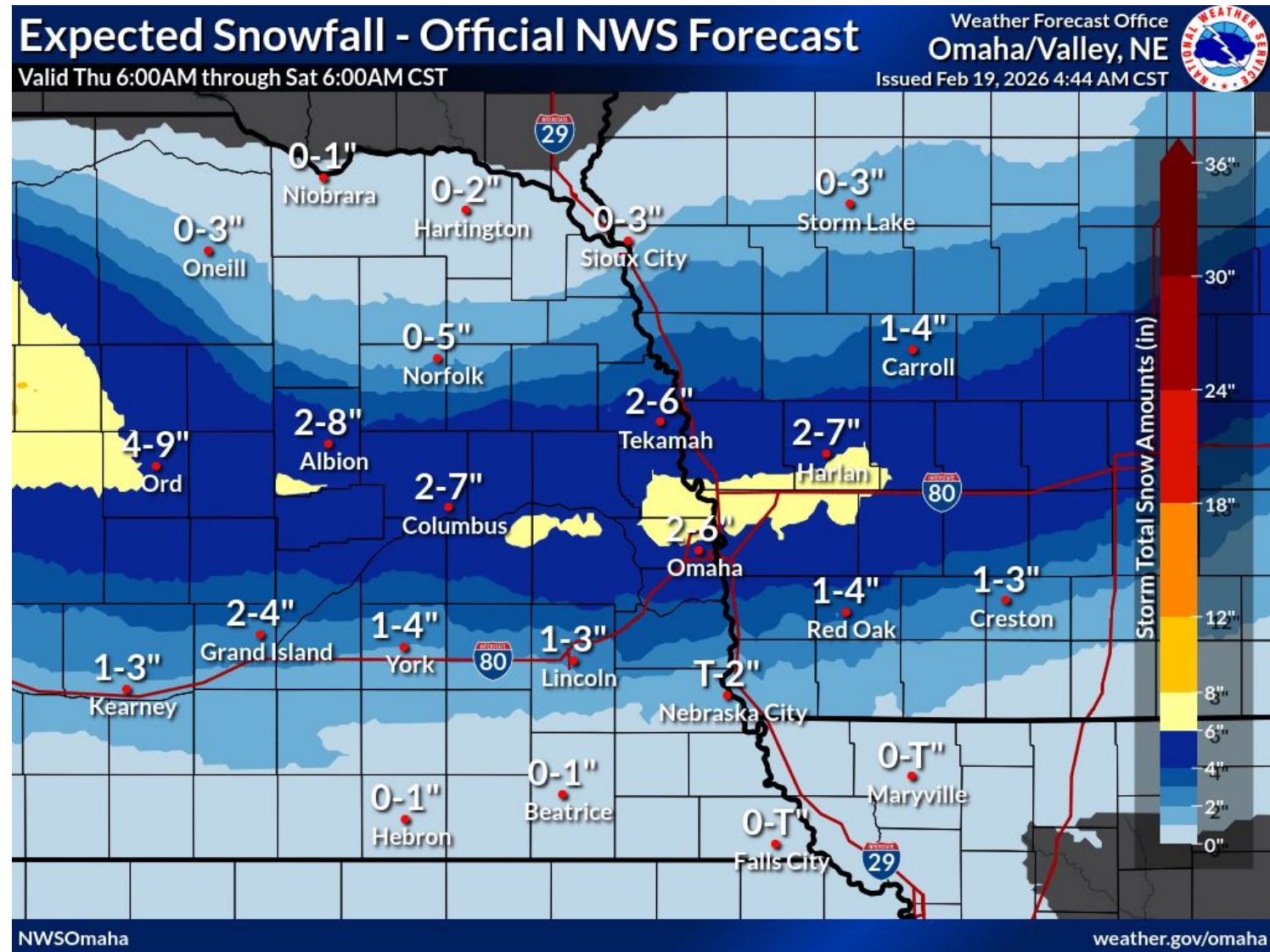


Snowfall Forecast

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Forecast Details

- Snow rates are forecast to reach 1"/hr and result in whiteout conditions combined with the wind gusts 30 to 35 mph.
- Snow will start heavy and wet, but will become more fluffy and easier to blow/drift through the day.
- Any wet surfaces due to melting snow during the day will freeze over this evening as temperatures plunge into the 20s.



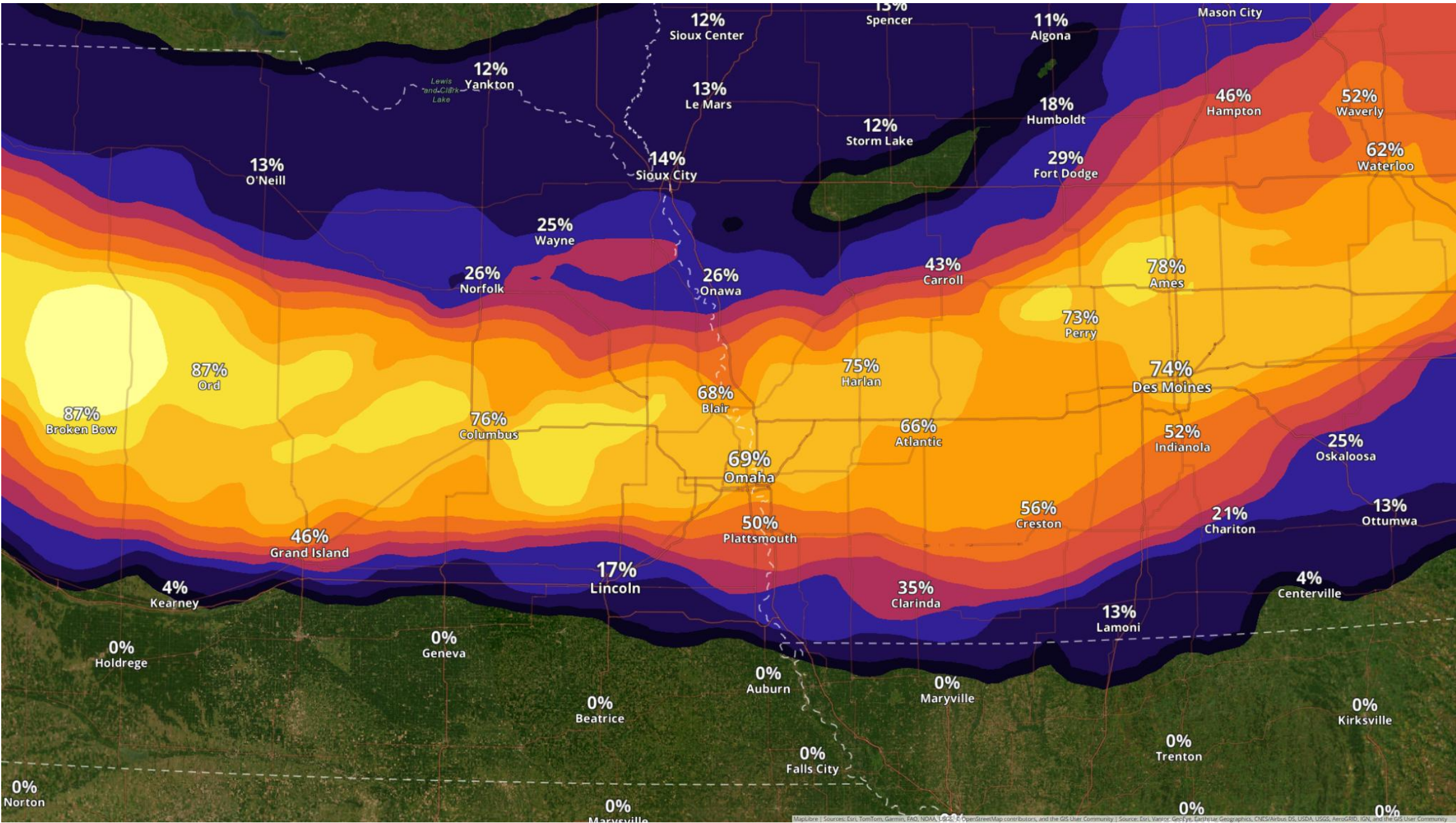


Chance of 4+ Inches of Snow

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- Areas along a line from Columbus to Omaha to Atlantic have a 65 to 85% chance of 4+ inches of snow.
- ◆ A sharp 1 to 2 county cut-off in snow amounts is expected to the north and south of these areas.





Winter Weather Timing

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Timing Details

- Light snow begins later this morning between 6-9am in northeast Nebraska spreading east by this afternoon.
- Minor impacts for the morning commute in a few spots due to the combination of light snow and gusty winds.
- More widespread travel impacts are expected for the evening commute with blowing and drifting snow possible.
- The heaviest snow is expected between 3PM - 9PM.
- Light snow lingers into the evening and tapers off overnight.

	2/19 Thu						2/20 Fri	
	6am	9am	12pm	3pm	6pm	9pm	12am	3am
Bloomfield		☁ 30%	☁ 40%	☁ 35%	☁ 35%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Hartington		☁ 25%	☁ 35%	☁ 35%	☁ 35%	☁ 30%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Neligh	☁ 25%	☁ 55%	☁ 70%	☁ 65%	☁ 65%	☁ 35%	☁ 20%	☁ 20%
Wayne	☁ 20%	☁ 30%	☁ 40%	☁ 65%	☁ 65%	☁ 40%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Norfolk	☁ 20%	☁ 35%	☁ 60%	☁ 70%	☁ 75%	☁ 50%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Onawa	☁ 20%	☁ 30%	☁ 45%	☁ 85%	☁ 100%	☁ 85%	☁ 40%	☁ 40%
Albion	☁ 20%	☁ 50%	☁ 90%	☁ 90%	☁ 85%	☁ 55%	☁ 20%	☁ 20%
West Point		☁ 25%	☁ 60%	☁ 85%	☁ 90%	☁ 65%	☁ 30%	☁ 30%
Tekamah		☁ 25%	☁ 50%	☁ 90%	☁ 95%	☁ 80%	☁ 35%	☁ 35%
Columbus	☁ 15%	☁ 30%	☁ 70%	☁ 95%	☁ 95%	☁ 70%	☁ 20%	☁ 20%
Harlan		☁ 20%	☁ 45%	☁ 90%	☁ 100%	☁ 100%	☁ 45%	☁ 45%
Fremont		☁ 30%	☁ 60%	☁ 95%	☁ 100%	☁ 90%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Omaha		☁ 25%	☁ 50%	☁ 90%	☁ 100%	☁ 95%	☁ 30%	☁ 30%
Seward		☁ 20%	☁ 40%	☁ 70%	☁ 95%	☁ 80%	☁ 15%	☁ 15%
Red Oak		☁ 25%	☁ 45%	☁ 70%	☁ 100%	☁ 100%	☁ 30%	☁ 30%
Lincoln		☁ 20%	☁ 30%	☁ 70%	☁ 95%	☁ 80%	☁ 15%	☁ 15%
Nebraska City		☁ 15%	☁ 20%	☁ 55%	☁ 75%	☁ 70%	☁ 15%	☁ 15%
Clarinda		☁ 15%	☁ 30%	☁ 40%	☁ 80%	☁ 80%	☁ 25%	☁ 25%
Beatrice		☁ 20%	☁ 40%	☁ 40%	☁ 50%	☁ 45%		
Fairbury			☁ 20%	☁ 35%	☁ 45%	☁ 25%		
Falls City			☁ 20%	☁ 25%	☁ 45%	☁ 35%		
- Rain + - Wintry Mix + - Snow +								





Winds Pick Up Thursday

Winds gust as high as 35 mph

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Key Messages

- Northeast winds increase during the morning. Wind gusts of 30 to 35 mph are forecast.
- Winds shift to the north-northwest in the afternoon.
- The combination of gusty winds and falling snow/new snowfall will result in blowing and drifting snow.
- Blowing snow will cause reductions to visibility and result in travel impacts during the evening commute.
- Wind chills in the single digits are expected Thursday night into Friday morning.

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Points to Remember

- Focus on the potential. Winter forecasts can change and the axis of heaviest snow can shift.
- Stay informed. Please reach out to us with additional questions.

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