



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



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STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - MONITORING

At 8:00 AM radar and surface observations were showing a band of light snow moving across Southwestern CT and into the Hartford area during the next 60 minutes. Temperatures currently range from near +5 F above in Northern CT up to 20 F along the coast. A low pressure system (Clipper System) currently located in Western PA is forecast to move quickly to the East today and off the New Jersey coast by mid-afternoon. Light to moderate snow is expected to overspread New England during the next 6 hours and continue into this evening. The NWS has issued Winter Weather Advisories for all of Connecticut for today. The following forecast is based on current data and may change somewhat as we get additional information later this morning.

This Morning...Light snow developing from Southwest to Northeast between 7:00 – 11:00 AM with temperatures rising into the teens across Northern CT and into the mid 20's across Southern CT. This first period of light snow is expected to last for a few hours followed by a few hours of very light snow and flurries around midday. The impact on the morning commute is forecast to be very minor in the Hartford Area with only a dusting expected by 9:00 AM and minor in Southwestern CT with ½" of snow on roads by 9:00 AM.

This Afternoon...Snow is expected to become moderate by mid-afternoon and continue at a moderate intensity for 4 – 5 hours thru the afternoon rush hour. The snow should stick to most roads with high temperatures ranging from around 20 F in Northern CT up to the mid 20's along the coast. The impact on the afternoon commute is currently expected to be moderate across the state with a 1 – 3" snow cover on most roads.

This Evening...The snow is forecast to taper off to flurries from West to East between 7:00 – 10:00 PM with temperatures holding around 20 F overnight across the state.

Total snowfall is currently forecast to range from 3 – 5" in Western CT up to 4 – 6" in Eastern CT.

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will continue to monitor the latest conditions and will send out additional updates if the forecast changes or additional warnings are issued by the NWS.

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