



# Weather Forecast Office Fort Worth, TX

## Bottom Line

Exceptionally cold weather will arrive this weekend and continue into next week. While dangerously cold temperatures and wind chills are essentially a guarantee, details of potential snow/ice impacts are less certain at this time.

## Overview

### Temperatures and Wind Chills:

- An additional strong cold front will arrive Saturday which will send temperatures below freezing Saturday night. Temperatures will stay below freezing for most locations Sunday, and for all locations Monday and Tuesday. High temperatures above freezing are expected next Wednesday.
- The coldest temperatures are expected to occur Monday night with readings in the single digits possible. There is a low (10-20%) chance for temperatures below 5 degrees in parts of North Texas.
- Plan for dangerous wind chill values as low as minus 15 degrees both Sunday night and Monday night. Daytime wind chills will mostly be in the teens or lower 20s, but wind chills may remain in the single digits in parts of North Texas on Monday.

### Snow and/or Ice Sunday Afternoon through Monday:

- There is a chance for snow Sunday evening through Monday near/north of I-20 with a wintry mix expected south of I-20. Wintry precipitation is now possible for most of North and Central Texas, but coverage will not be 100%.
  - The best chances of snow will be across the far east/northeast counties of North Texas, with lower chances farther west.
  - Freezing rain may be the primary precip type across far Central Texas.
  - Even though precipitation rates are expected to remain light, any precip that falls will stick due to the cold roads, bridges, and elevated surfaces. Therefore, some impacts to both travel and infrastructure are expected.
- Approximate accumulations:
  - Snow (East of Hwy 287 and north of I-20) - 0.5 to 1" on average, but high end amounts of 1-2" are possible in some areas, particularly in eastern North Texas.
  - Ice accumulations (Along and south of I-30) - a few hundredths for most areas, but as high as 0.10" for eastern Central Texas.

Since we are still 3 days out from this event, precipitation type, amounts, location, timing, and impacts are still subject to change. These details should be better resolved as we continue to get within range of higher resolution model guidance over the next one to two days.

## Areas of Concern and Impacts

# Winter Weather Potential Sunday Night into Monday

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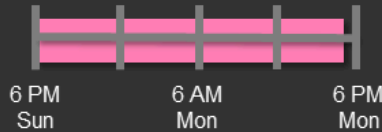
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## What's Changed?

The timing of the wintry precipitation was pushed slightly later. Amounts are still forecasted to be on the lower end.

Anything that falls will likely result in impacts given the very cold air that will be in place.

## Timing



## Impacts

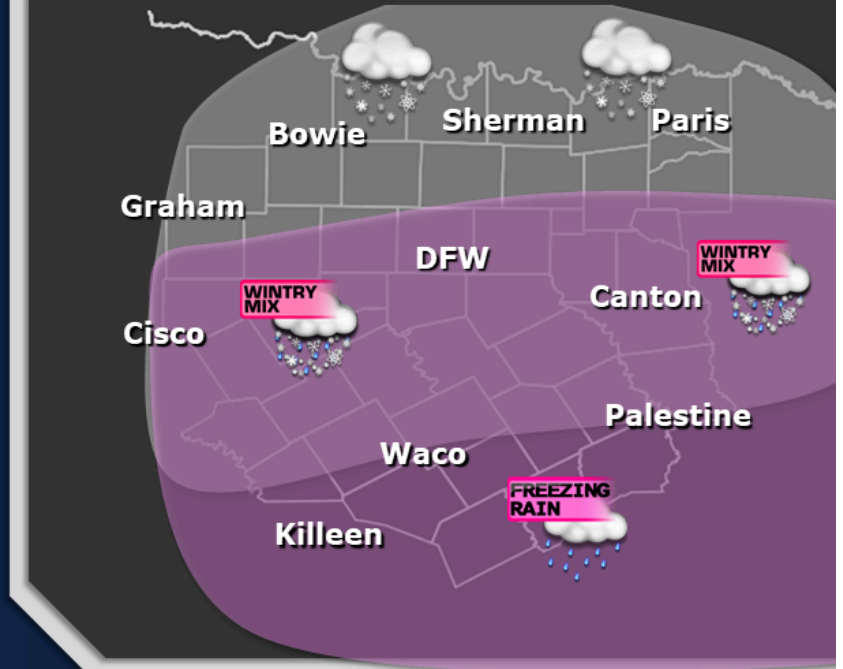
### Potential Impacts:

- Travel
- Power
- Broken Tree Limbs



## Will it be snow or ice?

Medium to high chance of mostly snow near the Red River. Low to medium chance of a wintry mix or freezing rain elsewhere.



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# How Cold It Will Get?

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Finish your Freeze Preparations Before Saturday!

## Protect vulnerable plumbing!



- ✓ Cover exterior faucets
- ✓ Open cabinets under your sink and drip indoor faucets
- ✓ Locate your water shut-off valve & know how to turn it off

Don't forget to protect people and pets too!

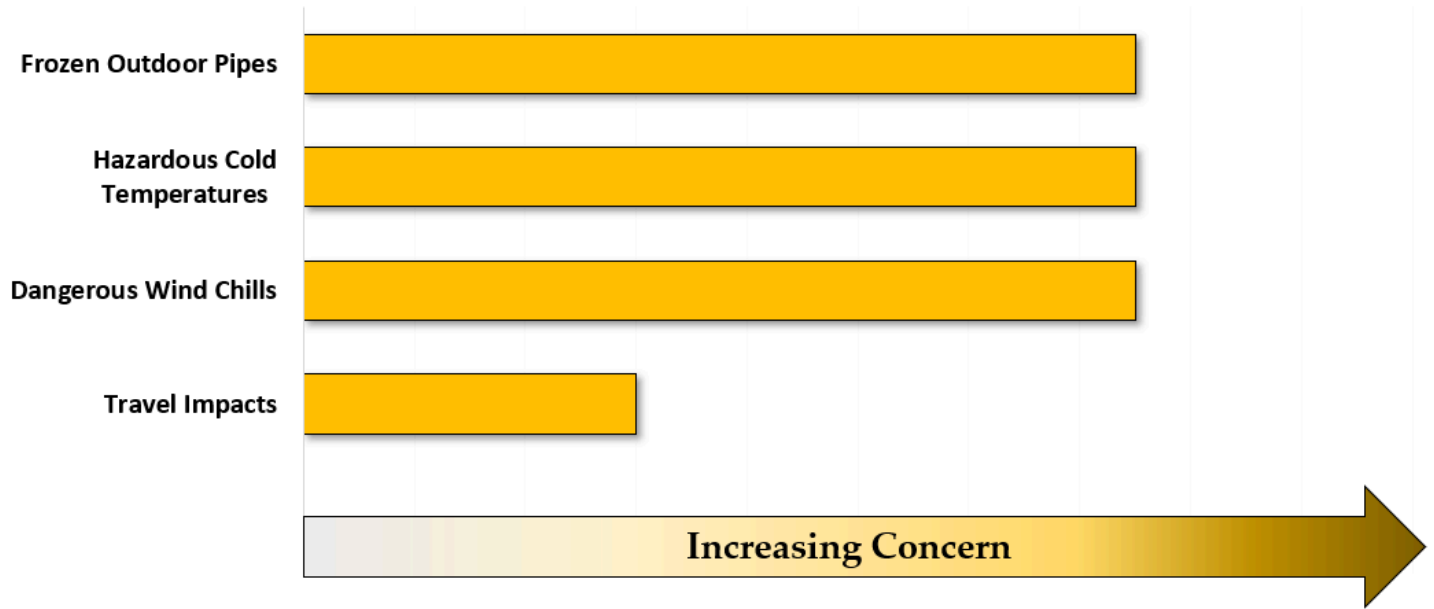
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Temperatures will remain below freezing all day Sunday - Tuesday and will rise above freezing Wednesday afternoon.

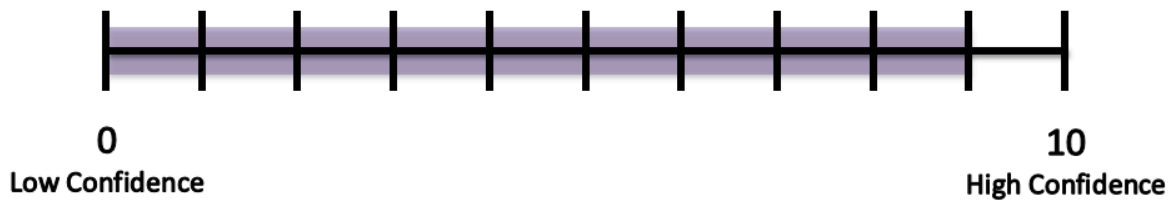
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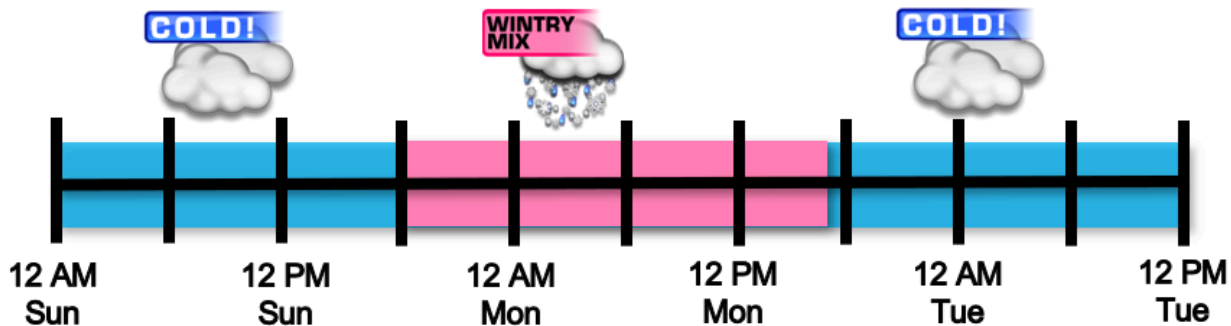
## Threats/Hazardous Weather Types



## Forecaster Confidence



## General Timing



## What We Are Certain Of

- Exceptionally cold weather will arrive this weekend and continue into early next week.
- At times, expect temperatures as low as the single digits with wind chills near or below zero.
- The dominant precipitation type for the far northeastern counties will be snow.

## **What We Are Less Certain Of**

- Precipitation type along and south of I-30.
- Precipitation rates and accumulations. It's possible some precipitation will evaporate/sublimate prior to reaching the ground, especially Sunday night. This would decrease accumulations.
- How far west wintry precipitation will occur.

## **When will the next email be sent?**

Saturday by 10 AM.

## **Additional Resources**

NWS Fort Worth Webpage: <https://www.weather.gov/fwd/>

Hourly Forecasts (Click on your location): <https://www.weather.gov/forecastpoints>

NWS Fort Worth Hazard Pages: <https://www.weather.gov/erh/ghwo?wfo=fwd>

National Weather & Hazards Data Viewer: <https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/map/?obs=true>