



Winter Storm to Impact Michigan

This Afternoon through Tonight



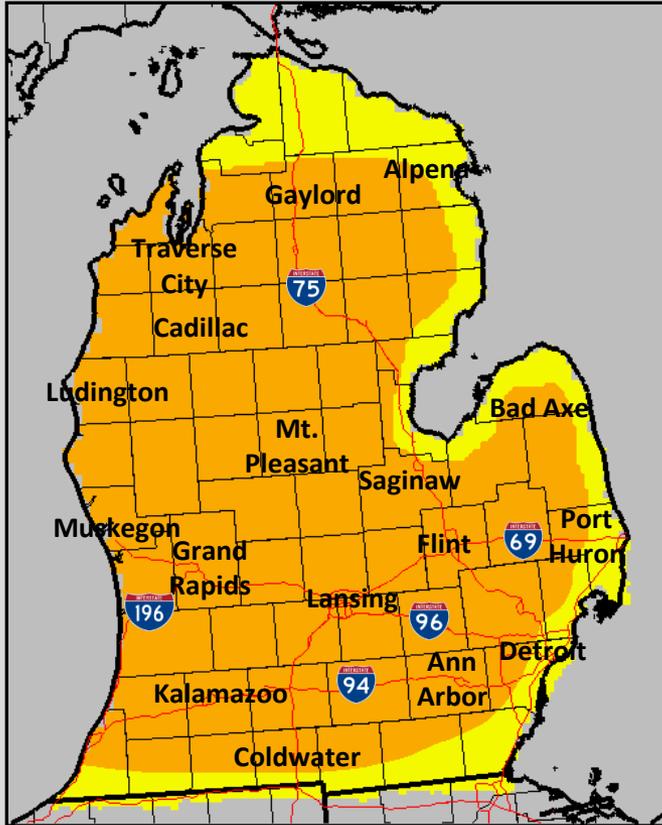
Event Summary

Freezing Rain and Sleet

Travel Impacts and Power Outages
Dangerous Conditions This Afternoon – Tonight

Significant Ice Accumulations Likely

Strong Winds through Evening



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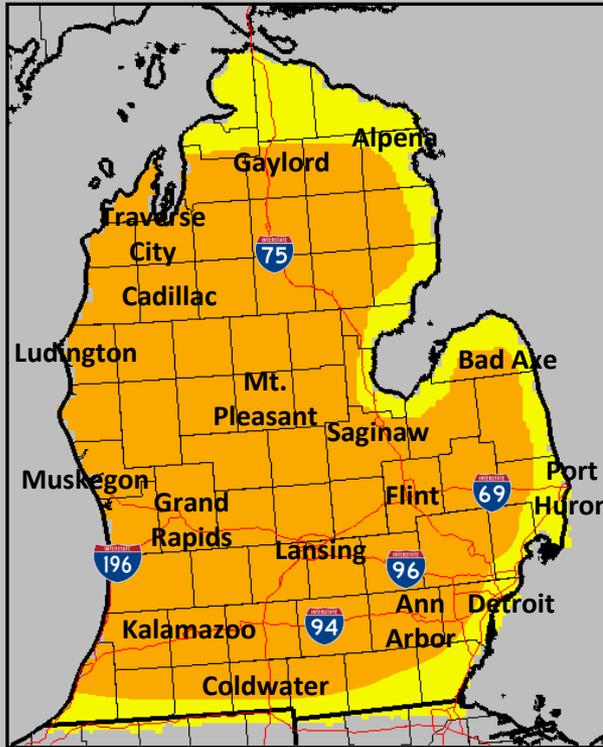




Winter Weather Impact Summary



This Afternoon through Tonight



Freezing Rain, Sleet, and Strong Winds Likely This Afternoon – Tonight

Expected Impacts

Dangerous or Impossible Travel

Significant Ice Accumulations
Wind Gusts to 50 MPH

Widespread Power Outages

Expected Impacts

Hazardous Travel

Sleet and Ice Accumulations
Wind Gusts to 50 MPH

Scattered Power Outages

Possible Impacts

Long Duration Power Outages

Possible Impacts

Significant Ice Accumulations

Power Outages

Immediate – Life Saving Action

Extremely Life Threatening
Everything Will be Shut Down Possibly for Days or Weeks

Be Prepared – Major Actions

Expect Dangerous Conditions
Expect Major Disruption of Normal Activities

Be Aware – Minor Actions

Caution – Especially When Travelling
Plan to be Inconvenienced

Little to No Action

Little to No Impact on Daily Life
Plan on Minor Inconvenience

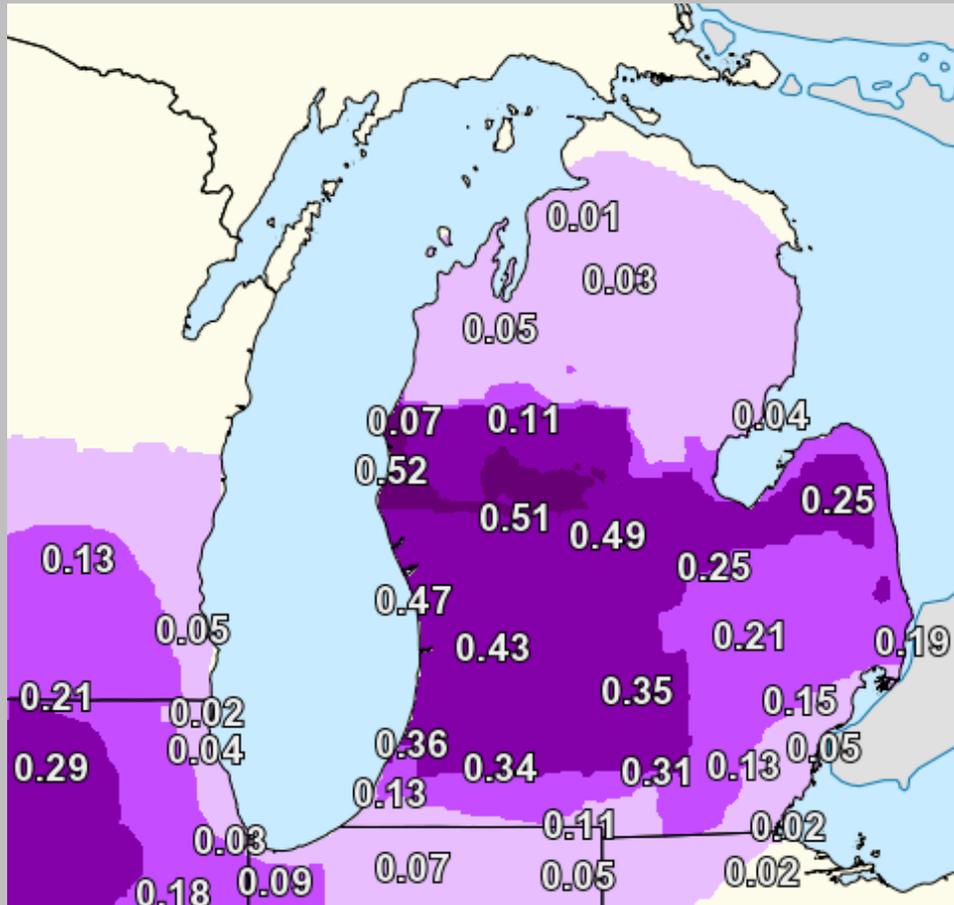
Will This Happen?

Near Certain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Better than 50/50 Chance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unlikely	<input type="checkbox"/>



Potential Ice Totals

This Afternoon through Tonight



0.25 – 0.50 Inch of Ice
Rapid Ice Accumulation Expected
This Afternoon through Evening

Widespread Power Outages Likely
Due to Icing on Power Lines and Trees
Strong Winds to Contribute to Outages

Dangerous Afternoon Commute
Roads Possibly Impassable Due to Downed
Power Lines and Trees



Strong Winds Expected This Afternoon through Tonight



Maximum Forecast Wind Gusts

National Weather Service

Valid Ending Tuesday December 29th, 2015 at 7 AM EST



Graphic Created
December 28th, 2015
8:03 AM EST

**East Winds 20-30 MPH
Wind Gusts 40-50 MPH**

**Ice and Strong Winds
Widespread Power Outages Expected**

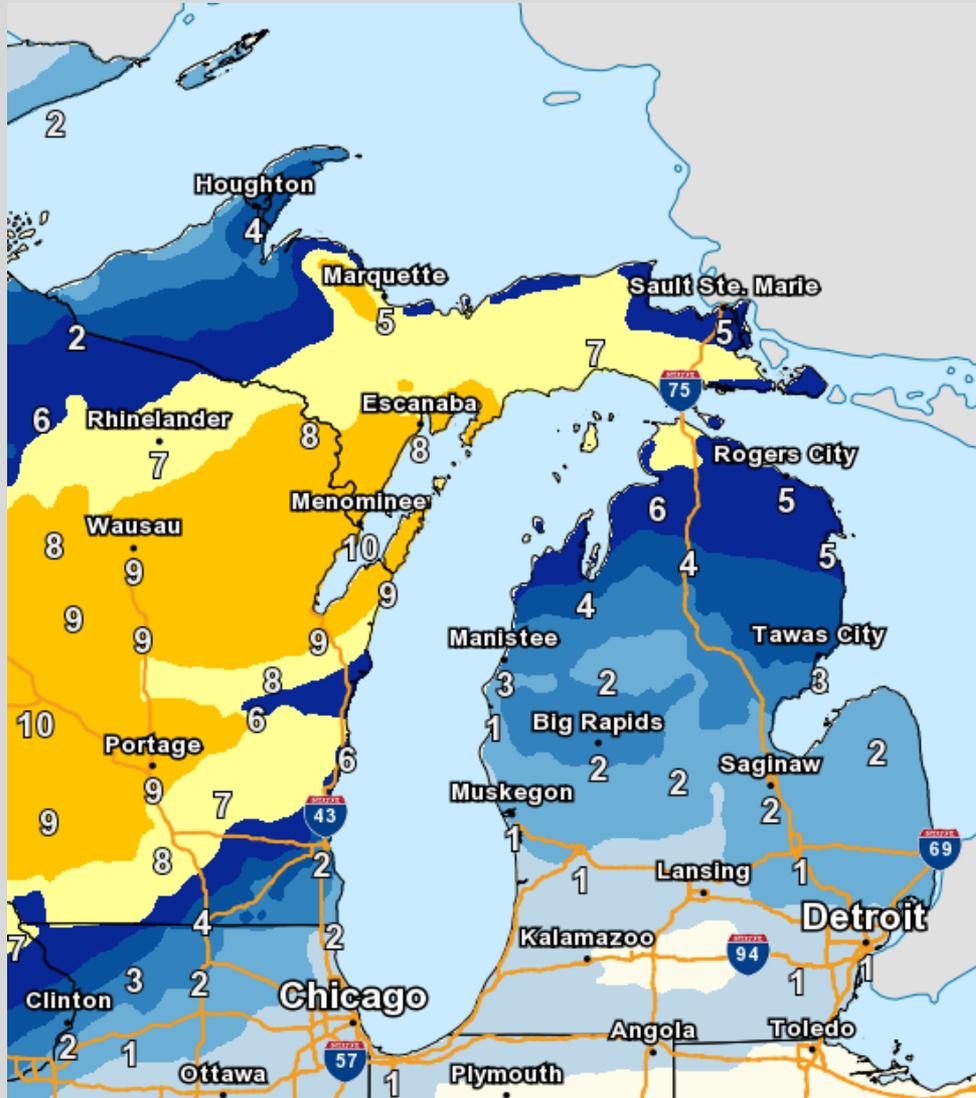


Total Snowfall Expected

This Afternoon through Tuesday Morning



Snow heaviest in Upper Peninsula during evening commute



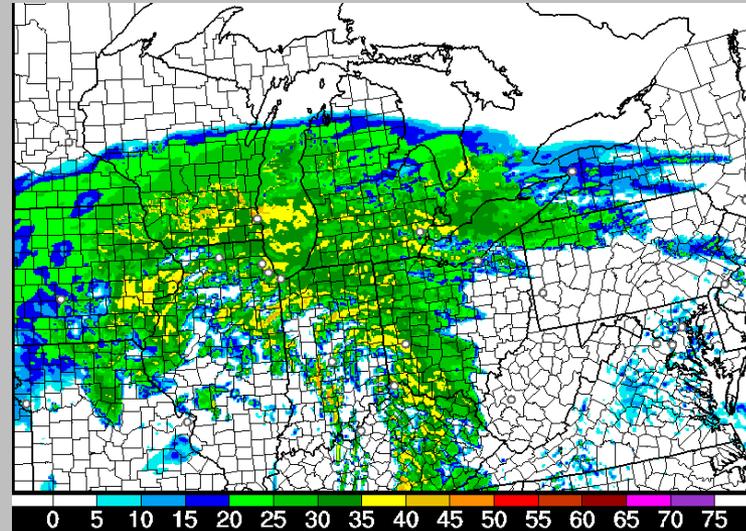


When Winter Weather is Expected

December 28, 2015



Weather Radar Forecast This Evening



Starting

Sleet/Freezing Rain through Southern Lower MI this Afternoon - Evening

Worst Weather Expected

All of Lower Michigan: 2pm Today – Late Evening

Ending

For Most of Lower Michigan: Wintry Mix to Rain Overnight

Commutes Affected

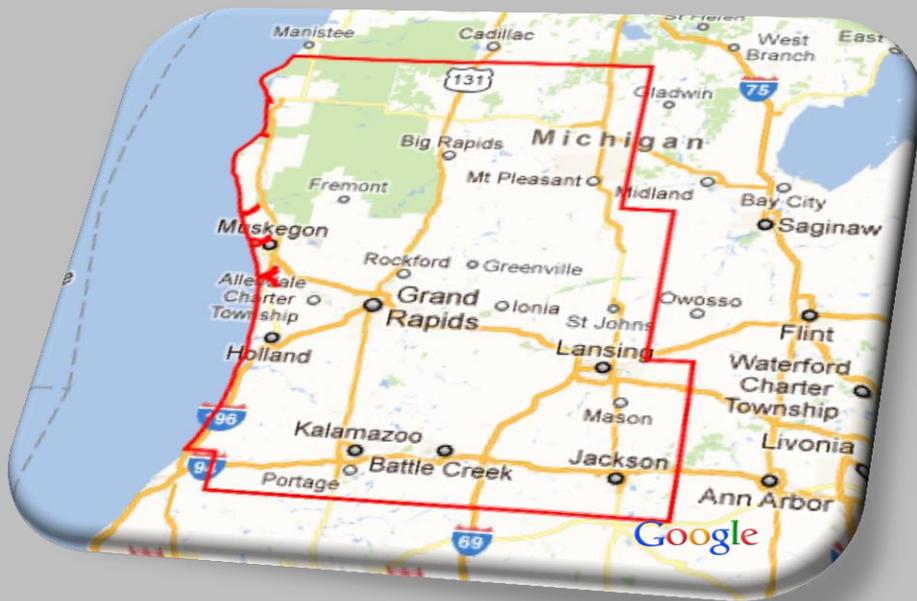
Afternoon and Evening Commutes



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