

Post-Thanksgiving

Snowstorm

November 28-29, 2025

Picture credit: Randy Funke, Hubbard, Iowa

Event Summary

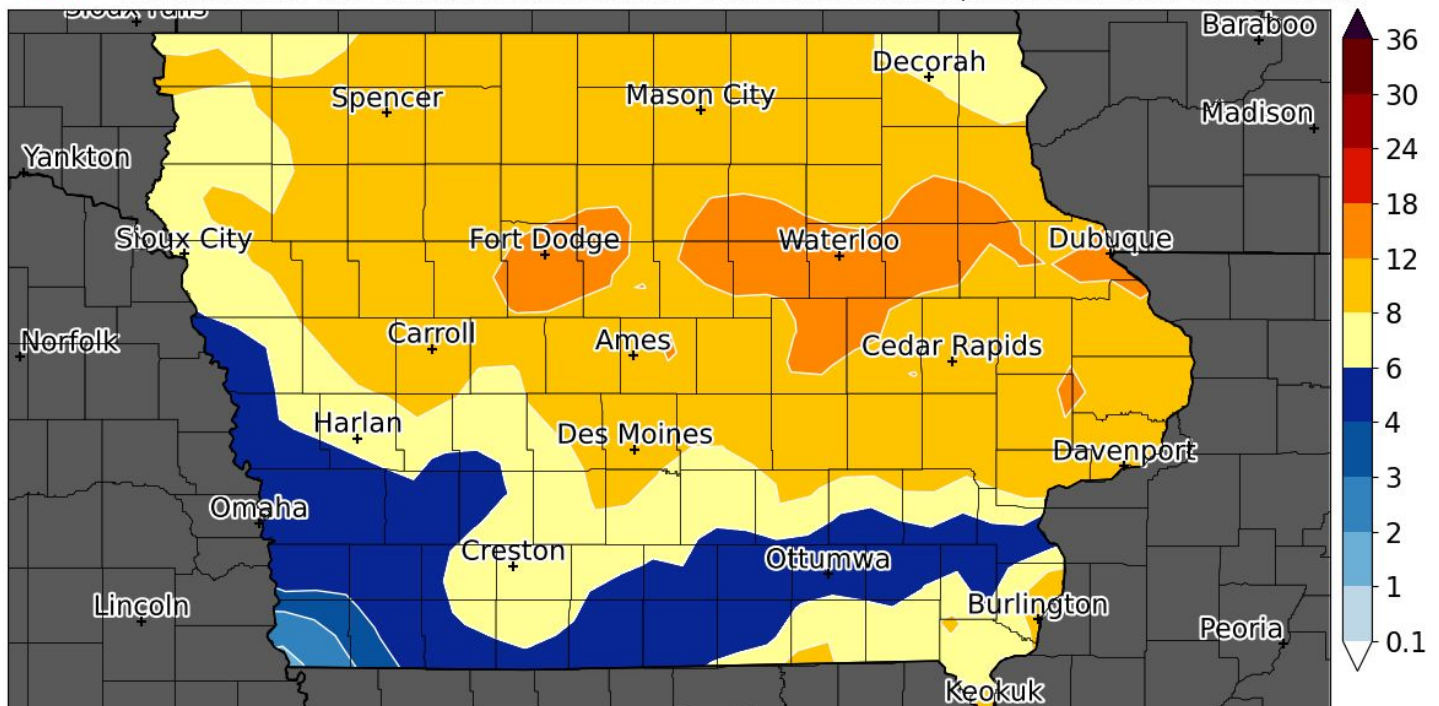
Snow spread into the state on Friday afternoon and evening of November 28, 2025 and continued through much of the day on Saturday, November 29. Snow amounts were highest along the Highway 20 corridor from around Fort Dodge to Waterloo to Dubuque with over a foot of snow - a few reports were as high as 15 inches! Over southern Iowa, warmer air caused snow to mix with rain for a period which lowered totals there. As the snow ended Saturday night, winds from the northwest increased causing blowing snow in rural areas. The snow created a period of poor travel conditions over Iowa and the region, impacting the post-Thanksgiving travel period.

Snow Reports



28-30 November 2025 - IEM Snowfall Total Analysis

Snowfall totals till 12 PM 30 November 2025 from NWS COOP, LSR, CoCoRaHS Reports; IEM 2025-2026 Winter Storm #2



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Road Conditions and Impacts



Iowa DOT road conditions Saturday evening when some of the worst road conditions were reported. Image courtesy of the Iowa Environmental Mesonet.

Notable Snow Totals

Fort Dodge 2 NE	16.5
Waterloo Airport	14.5
Stratford	12.0
Des Moines Airport	10.9
Norwalk	10
Grinnell	9.8

CALLS FOR SERVICE
November 28 - 30 (12:00 pm - 12:00 pm)

210
Crashes Covered

646
Motorist Assists

IOWA STATE PATROL

Iowa State Patrol calls for service



Iowa DOT plow cam east of Fort Dodge on Highway 20 around 8:20am Saturday, November 29, 2025.



Iowa DOT plow cam north of Pocahontas on Highway 4 around 5pm Saturday, November 29, 2025.

