

Heavy Snow January 25-26, 2011

A developing storm system moved northeast across the Tennessee Valley during the night of the 25th. This storm pushed moisture north and westward into portions of the Lower Ohio Valley. Locally heavy snow was observed in parts of western Kentucky, with 4 to 5 inches in the magenta-shaded areas from the Lakes Region into the Owensboro area. There were even spot 6-inch amounts. There was a sharp gradient to the back edge of the snow, with little or nothing across southeast Missouri and most of southern Illinois.

The morning commute was heavily impacted. Roads were very slick and hazardous. Multiple cars slid off of local highways, interstates, and roads. Schools were cancelled in much of the snowfall area, including some colleges and universities. Numerous accidents were reported, upwards of 50+ accidents per county in heavily impacted areas, and a couple included fatalities.

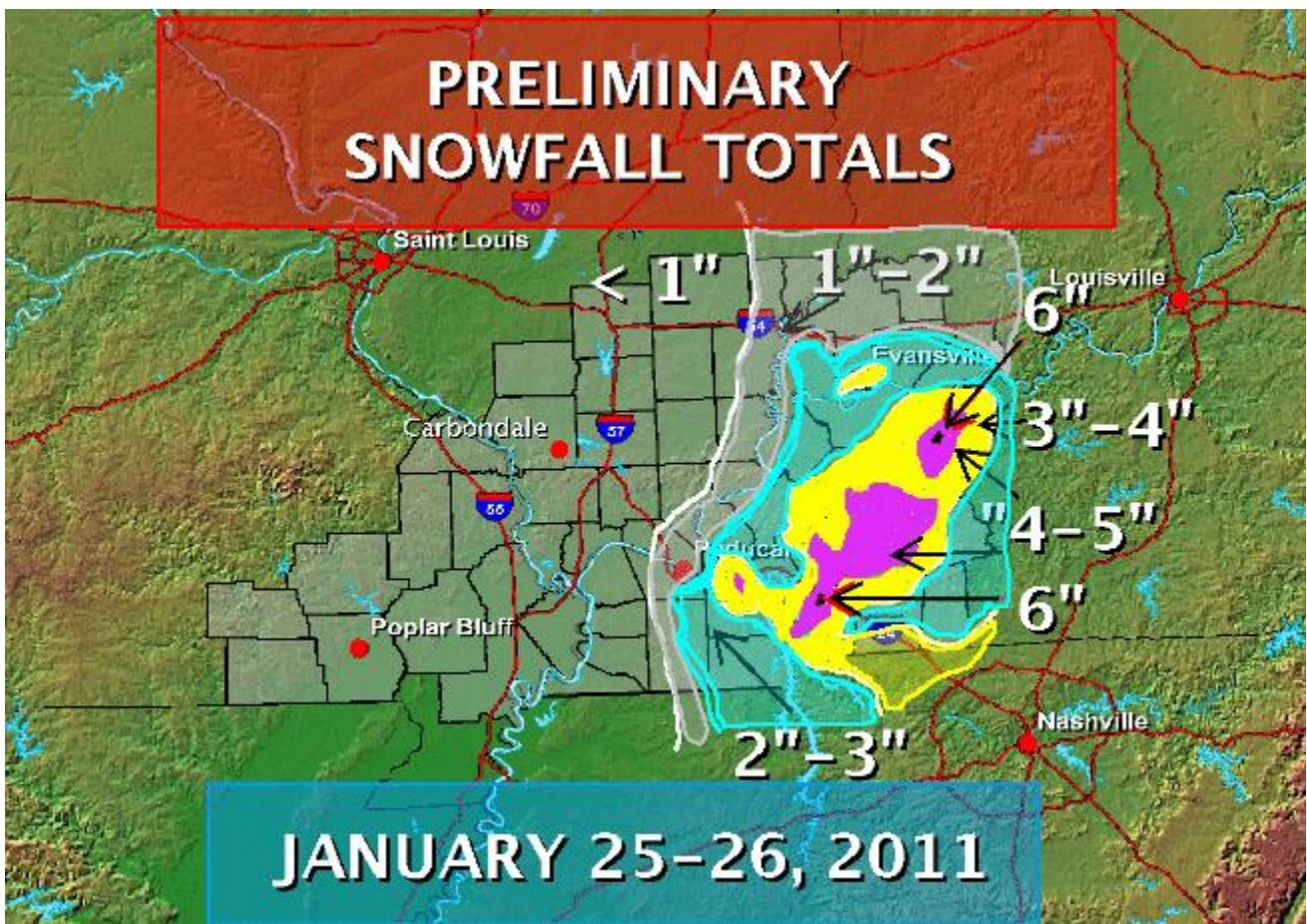




Photo from Christian County, KY.