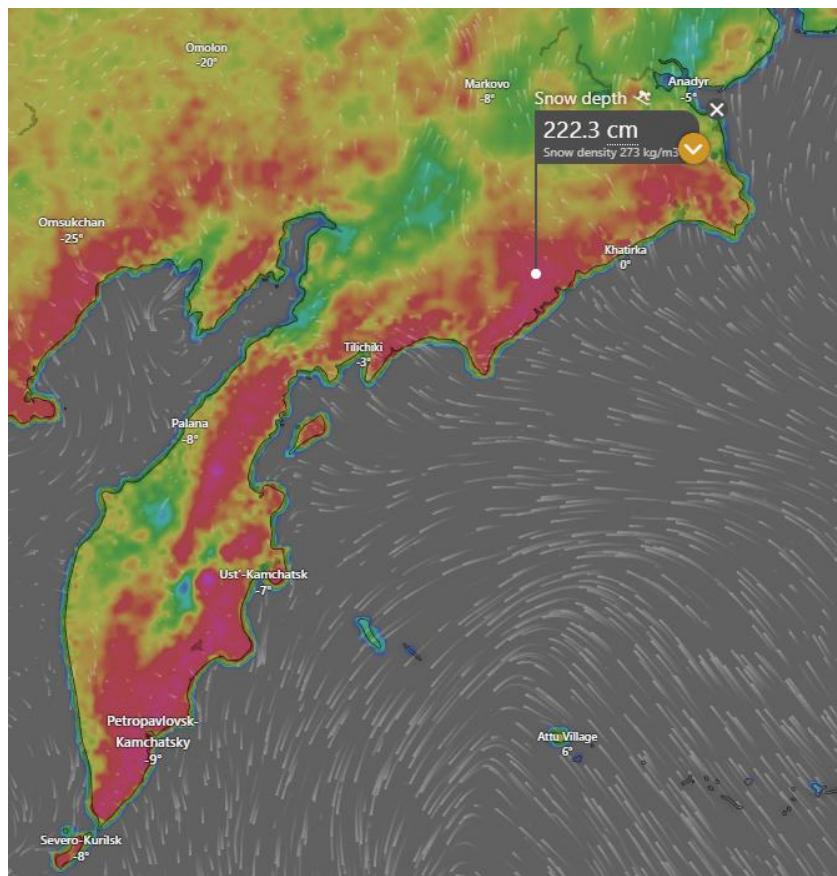




Extreme Snowfall – Kamchatka, Russia



Potentially Affected Areas

Central and eastern Kamchatka Peninsula, including Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, Ust'-Kamchatsk, Palana, Tigil, Tilichiki, and the eastern coastal and mountainous areas of Kamchatka

Hazard Types

Extreme snowfall

Hazard duration

19/01/2026 to 30/01/2026

Hazard Summary

An extreme snow hazard has struck the Kamchatka Peninsula where the average height of snow is reaching beyond 170 cm with drifts exceeding 2.5 m in certain neighborhoods driven by persistent cold air, strong onshore flow from the North Pacific, and repeated winter storm systems. Such snow depths significantly increase the risk of transport disruption, roof collapses, avalanches in mountainous terrain, power outages, and isolation of remote settlements, while prolonged sub-zero temperatures further exacerbate impacts on infrastructure and livelihoods.