

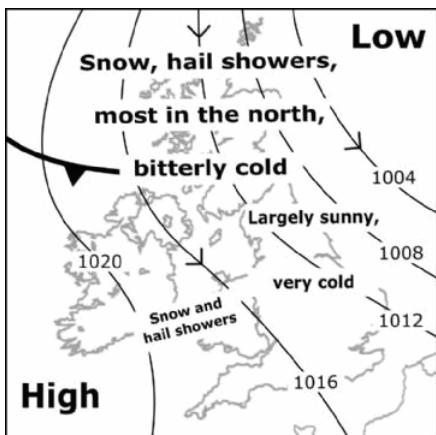
# Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Includes all summits in the the northern half of Wales from Pumlumon northwards.



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## General Summary for Sunday, 4 January, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 4 January, 2026

Snow, hail, and wind continues driving into northern Scotland with showers passing into central and western areas; snow coverage fairly widespread in the Highlands. Southern Scotland and England mostly sunny, blustery in exposure. More snow and hail showers for Wales, pushing further east afternoon. Widely very cold.

### Headline for Eryri / Snowdonia National Park

Snow and hail showers increasingly widespread; very cold

## Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 4 January, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northwesterly mostly 20-25mph, squally gusts in showers, speeds at times reaching towards 30mph or higher in exposure.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Significant wind chill over the hills, severe highest tops. Ease of walking affected with some buffeting, may become more strenuous in exposure for periods.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Snow and hail showers increasingly widespread</b> Irish Sea showers move onto western slopes in the morning, falling more widely across north Wales with time.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Increasingly shrouding high terrain</b> Capping higher tops from Carneddau to Snowdon group, base varied above 700-800m, a few higher breaks early. Bases lower in showers, and bases to middle slopes increasingly widely across Snowdonia NP.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>50% lowering to 20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Often cloudy, bursts of sunshine though becoming less frequent with time. Visibility excellent where dry, but increasingly very poor in snow and cloud.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-4C, cooling a degree overnight. Wind chill feeling like -17C in exposure on high tops.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Terrain widely frozen down to valleys well inland; up to 300m northwest of Snowdon, rising to this level on slopes exposed to sunlight too.

## Eryri / Snowdonia National Park - Looking Ahead

	Monday 5 January	Tuesday 6 January
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Northerly 20-30mph.	Soon westerly 10-15mph, strengthening with time and shifting southwesterly, 30-35mph over the summits.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Continued significant wind chill over the hills, severe highest tops where walking becomes strenuous with buffeting.</b>	<b>Fairly small for several hours, though walking becoming uncomfortable to strenuous with significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Snow showers, mostly west</b> Irish Sea showers come and go onto Snowdon and mountains to the west, occasionally north of A5 too. Fewer showers, if any, reaching Berwyn group.	<b>Pulses of patchy snow</b> Bands of patchy snow passing west-to-east through the day. Increasingly mixed with rain to low slopes near the coast. Snow/sleet becomes more frequent from afternoon into night.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Variable, most extensive northern high ground</b> Often capping higher tops from Carneddau to Snowdon group, base varied above 800-900m, a few higher breaks but also lowering in showers. Towards Berwyn group, any cloud fleeting on high tops, if any.	<b>High tops shrouded, variably lower in snow</b> The high tops of Snowdonia NP likely remain in cloud all day, bases lowering during snow, locally to middle slopes. The cloud increasingly present to middle slopes with variable lower bases with time.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sunshine, most frequent to the south and east. Visibility excellent where dry, but very poor in snow and cloud.	Some bright/sunny spells will break out, but cloud will be extensive for periods too. Variable visibility, very good for periods, but rapidly deteriorating to very poor in snow.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-4 or -5C. Well inland valleys similarly cold at dawn. Wind chill feeling like -17C in exposure on high tops.	-2C or -3C, rising slightly with time. Feeling as cold as -15C in strongest wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Terrain widely frozen down to valleys well inland; up to 200m near coastal slopes, highest towards the north.	Frosts inland valleys, nearer 200-300m western mountains from dawn. Lifting with time to 400-600m, highest level west.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 5 January, 2026**

Monday stays cold with terrain widely frozen; sunshine inland with continued snow showers along coasts. The weather then turns more variable: fronts begin to approach the country on Tuesday, with cloud gradually becoming widespread on high terrain from the north, an area of snow arriving widely into Scotland and tracking south into England and Wales overnight into Wednesday. Most terrain will stay frozen but a brief local lifting of freezing levels in western areas. Some sunny breaks and snow showers will follow this system. Beyond Wednesday, confidence in forecast detail is significantly lower, but another weather system is indicated for Thursday into Friday, this possibly bringing a swathe of snow, rain, and strong winds to the south and perhaps more widely.

**Forecast issued at 15:29 on Saturday, 3 January, 2026**

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