

# Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation: Winter weather to impact Friday afternoon commute

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*Snow and mixed precipitation in season's first major snowfall*

As the first major snowfall occurs in parts of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) reminds motorists to be cautious if traveling.

Snow and a mix of snow and rain will impact travel Friday afternoon due to wet or snow covered roads and limited visibilities.

The National Weather Service (NWS) is reporting the most severe precipitation for the northwestern and far northern parts of the state. For the latest weather information, motorists are encouraged to check National Weather Service forecasts at [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov), prior to travel.

If traveling, please use the following tips:

- Clear snow and ice from all windows and lights before driving.

- Go slow. Remember the posted speed limits are for dry pavement.
- Leave plenty of room for stopping.
- Leave room for maintenance vehicles and plows.
- Use brakes carefully. Brake early. Brake correctly.
- Watch for slippery bridge decks, even when the rest of the pavement is in good condition.
- **Don't get overconfident in your 4×4 vehicle.**
- Don't use your cruise control in wintry conditions.

To receive up-to-date travel information prior to travel, utilize 511 Wisconsin, the state's 24/7/365 travel information service. 511 Wisconsin is available by visiting [www.511wi.gov](http://www.511wi.gov), accessing the free smartphone app, checking @511WI on Twitter, or calling 5-1-1.

Always put safety first; never access 511 information while driving.