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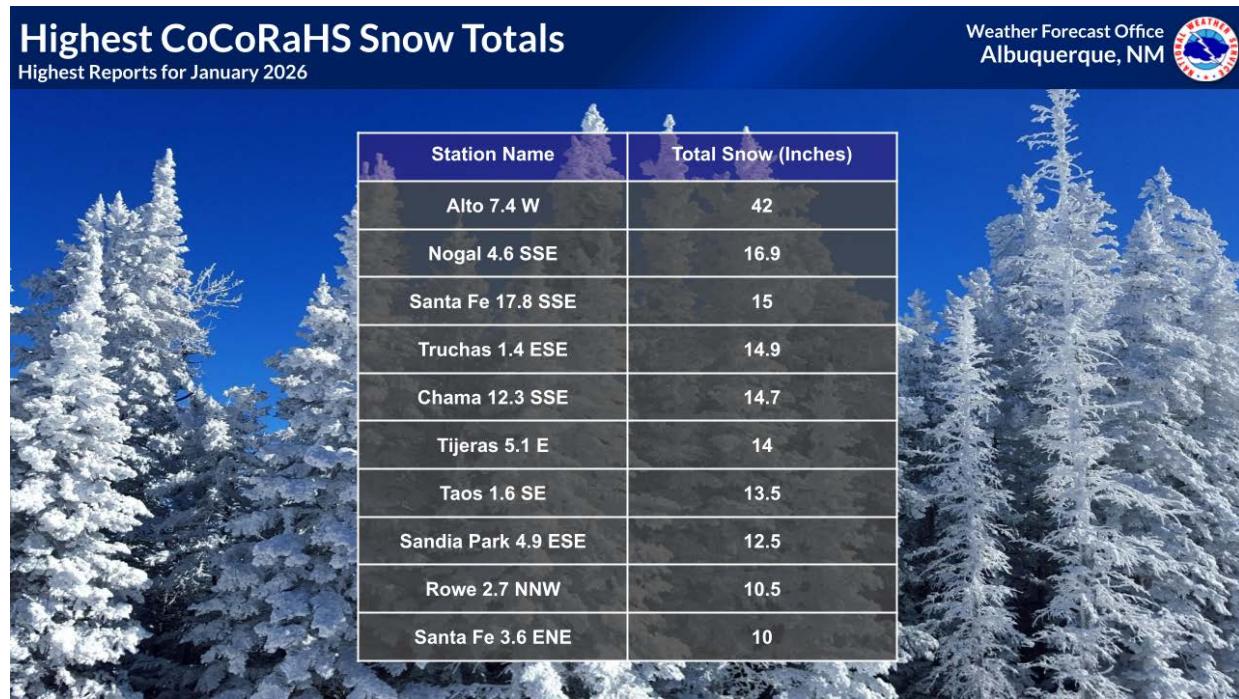
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Hi everyone,

Hope you are enjoying the quiet and mild weather these last few days! There were two active periods in January that provided beneficial rain and snow across the state, with the first being from January 7th to 9th and the other from January 23rd to 25th.

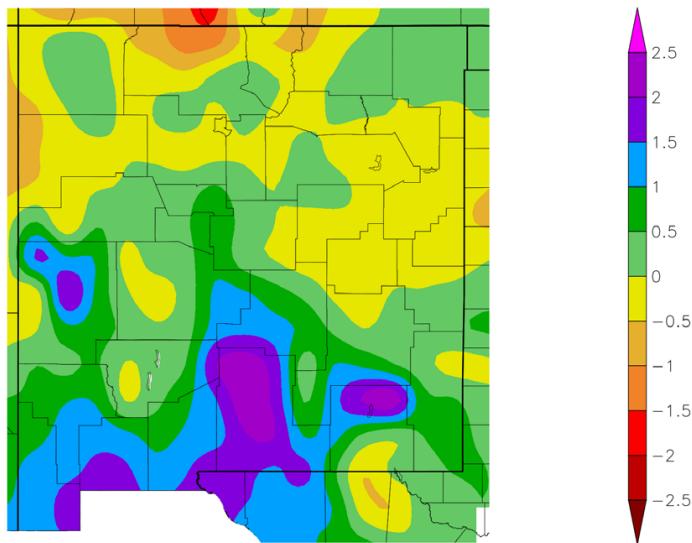
The first active period brought heavier snow to much of northern New Mexico with an intense convective storm bringing graupel/ soft hail up to a quarter inch in diameter in the Albuquerque Metro.

The second active period was defined by a bitter cold arctic air mass across eastern New Mexico with freezing rain and then heavy snow across the Sacramento Mountains and southeast plains. Below is a look at the top snowfall from CoCoRaHS stations across northern and central New Mexico with the overwhelming winner being Sierra Blanca Peak with 42 inches of snow!



In the end, the two active periods resulted in near to slightly above average precipitation across northern and east central NM and above average precipitation across the middle Rio Grande Valley and southern New Mexico. The southern mountains, especially the Sacramento Mountains, saw well above average precipitation!

Departure from Normal Precipitation (in)  
1/1/2026 – 1/31/2026

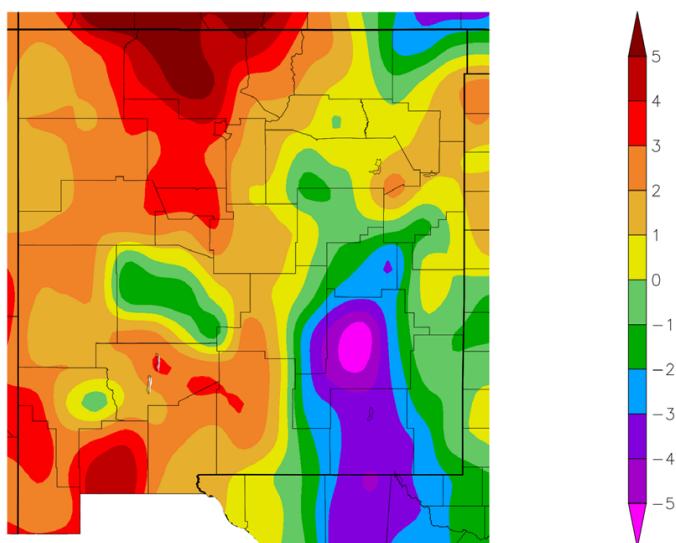


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In terms of temperatures for the month, western and central NM generally saw well above average temperatures, while eastern NM saw near to well below average temperatures, mainly impacted by the potent Arctic blast at the end of the month. Well below average temperatures were observed in the lower Pecos River Valley from Fort Sumner down to the New Mexico and Texas border due to the snowpack resulting in several long periods of low clouds and freezing fog in the days after the late January winter storm.

Departure from Normal Temperature (F)  
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Looking ahead, the mild and dry weather is expected to continue for the 1st week of February with slightly cooler temperatures midweek. Long term forecasts do show a pattern change across the western U.S. next week resulting in better probabilities of above normal precipitation to New Mexico! Confidence is too low at this time to go into more details, but there's something for those of you hoping for more rain and snow!

## Temperature & Precipitation Outlook

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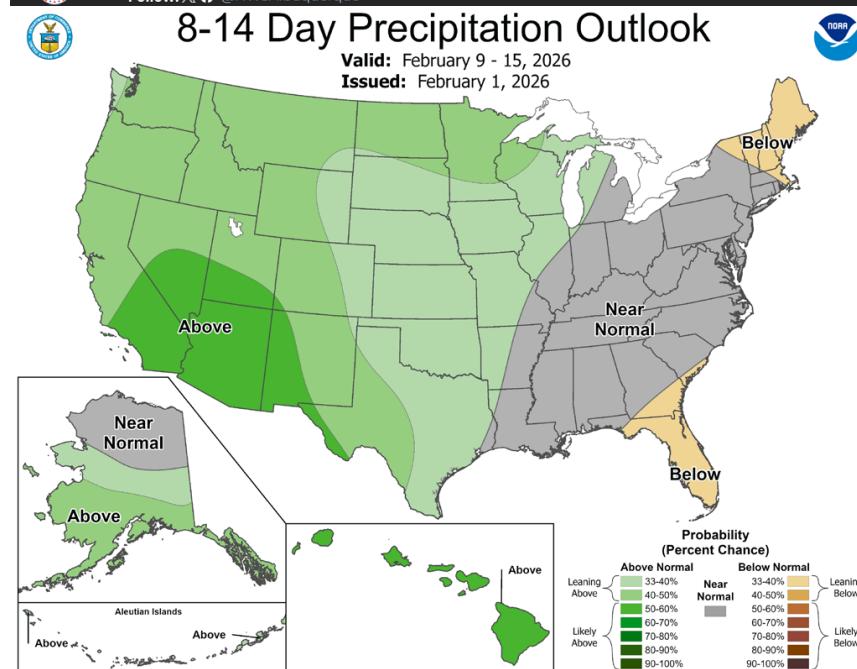
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Location	Maximum Temperature							Probability of Precipitation						
	Mon 02/02	Tue 02/03	Wed 02/04	Thu 02/05	Fri 02/06	Sat 02/07	Sun 02/08	Mon 02/02	Tue 02/03	Wed 02/04	Thu 02/05	Fri 02/06	Sat 02/07	Sun 02/08
Albuquerque	61	59	54	57	59	60	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Fe	58	56	51	55	57	58	57	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Farmington	56	54	53	55	58	57	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gallup	60	57	54	57	57	58	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	61	58	52	57	58	58	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clayton	63	57	48	64	64	65	63	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Raton	61	55	46	60	60	61	59	0	20	10	0	0	0	0
Las Vegas	63	56	45	59	60	60	58	0	10	10	0	0	0	0
Moriarty	60	57	49	58	60	59	59	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Tucumcari	71	61	53	66	68	69	67	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Clovis	67	60	52	61	65	66	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roswell	60	58	54	60	64	67	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Socorro	65	63	56	58	61	65	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chama	49	47	46	52	53	49	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taos	54	51	47	55	56	55	55	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Angel Fire	49	46	40	51	52	49	49	0	20	10	0	0	0	0
Los Alamos	54	52	47	52	54	53	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ruidoso	56	54	44	53	55	55	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quemado	58	57	53	58	57	55	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- Warmup peaks today, brief cooldown Tuesday & especially Wednesday, then warmer again late week.
- Very low chances (<20%) of flurries/sprinkles late Tuesday/early Wednesday over northeast and east central NM.

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Have a great February!

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