



# Cold Weather Briefing

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Decision Support Briefing #1 for the Western Carolinas and Northeast Georgia

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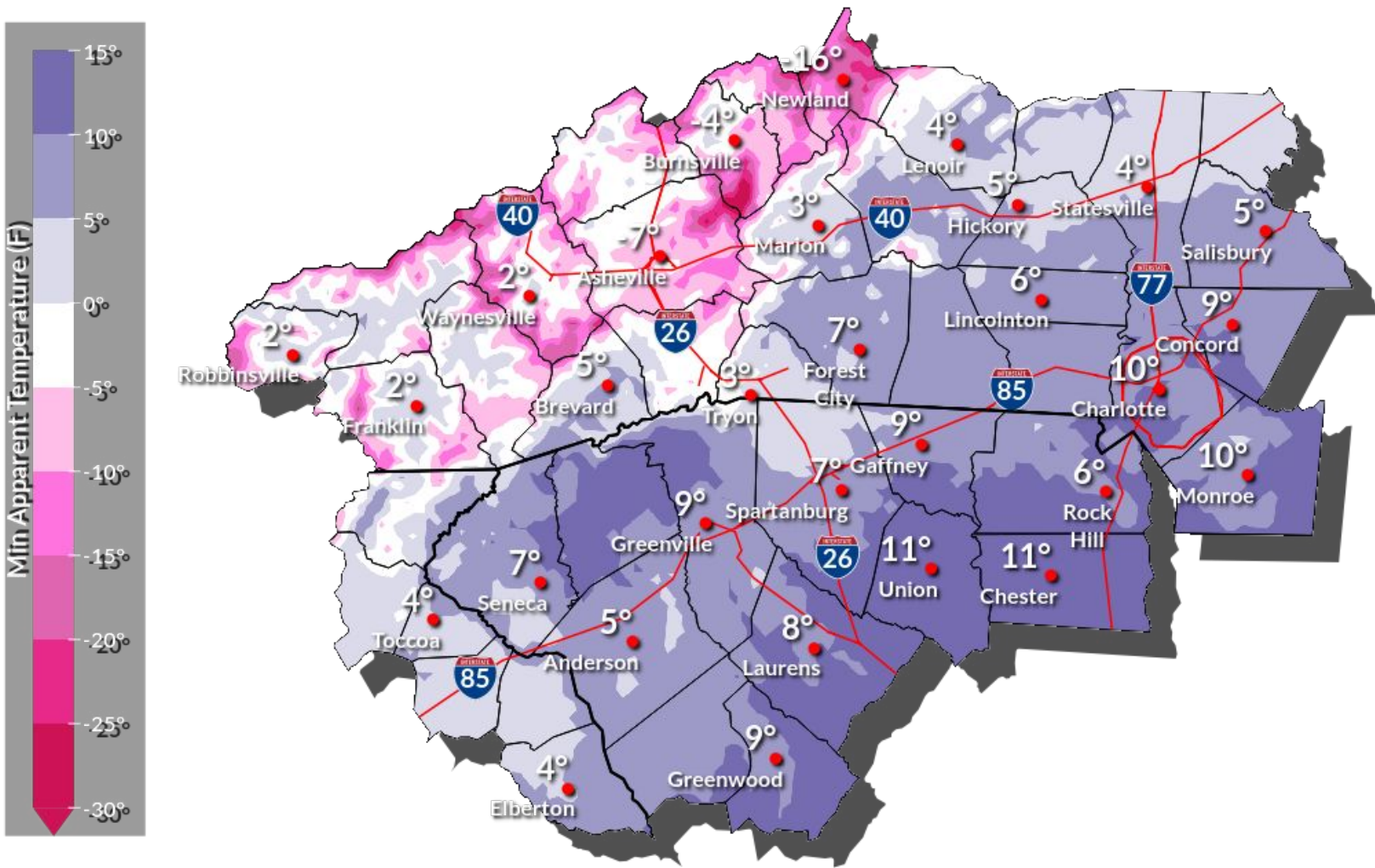
## Important Updates

- Ice and sleet have ended across the area, but roads will remain treacherous this morning, as temperatures fall below freezing.
- Extreme Cold Warning has been issued for Avery County and elevations above 3,500 ft in Mitchell, Yancey, Madison, Haywood, northern Jackson, and Swain counties from 6pm today to noon Tuesday.
- Cold Weather Advisory has been issued for all elevations below 3500 ft, including the Piedmont for the same time period as the warning.

## Key Messages

- **Dangerous Wind Chills of 5 below to 20 below are expected in the mountains tonight through Tuesday morning.**
- Frigid temperatures will continue through the week could extend **the threat for hazardous travel and impacts from power outages for several days.**

## Minimum Wind Chills Tonight







# Cold Weather Advisory

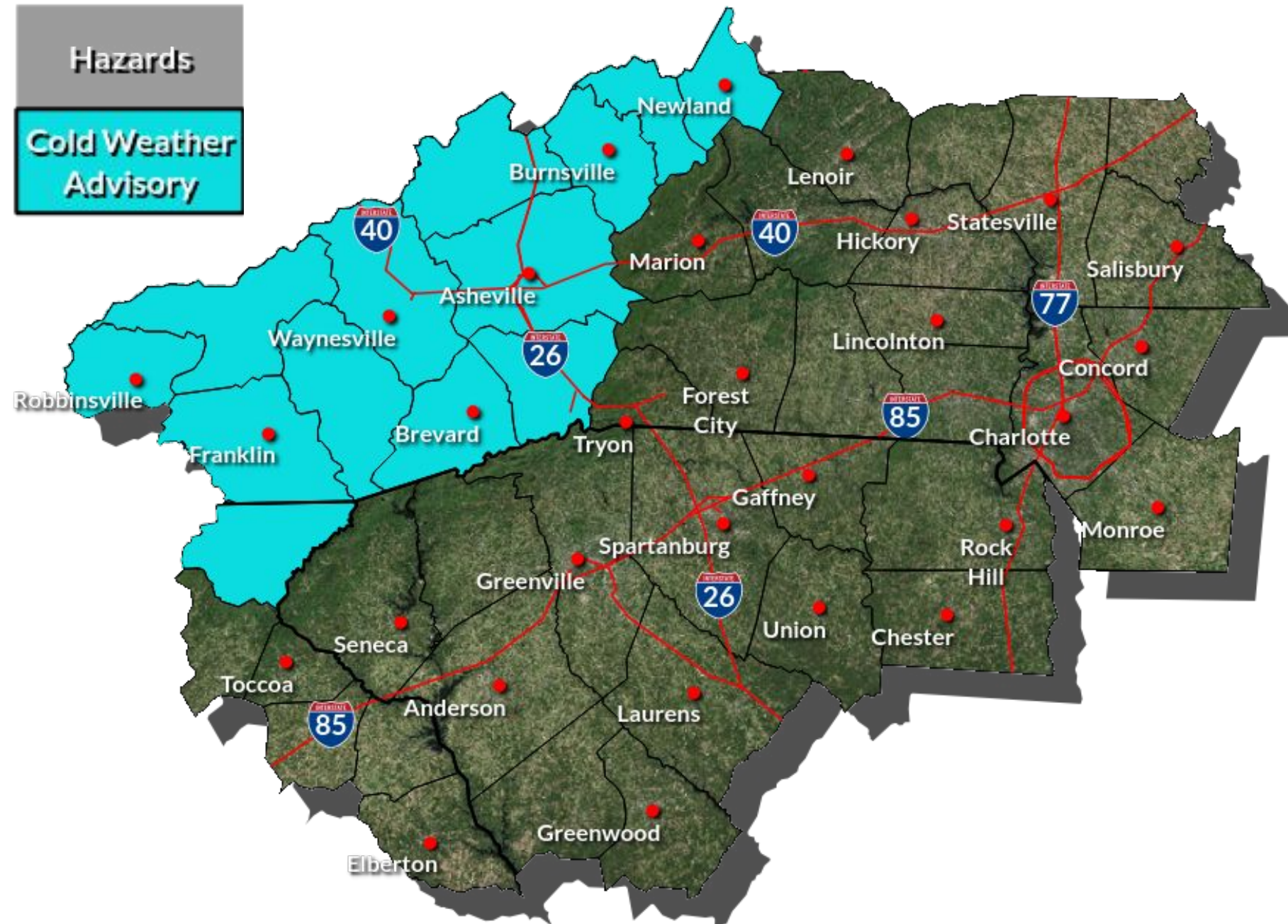
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4 AM to 10 AM Monday

## Key Messages

- Gusty northwest winds will increase tonight through Monday, **producing dangerously cold wind chills as low as 5 below zero** across portions of the North Carolina mountains and Rabun County in northeast Georgia.
- **Dangerously cold wind chills as low as 5 below zero could result in hypothermia or frostbite if precautions are not taken.**







# Extreme Cold Warning This Evening into Tuesday Morning

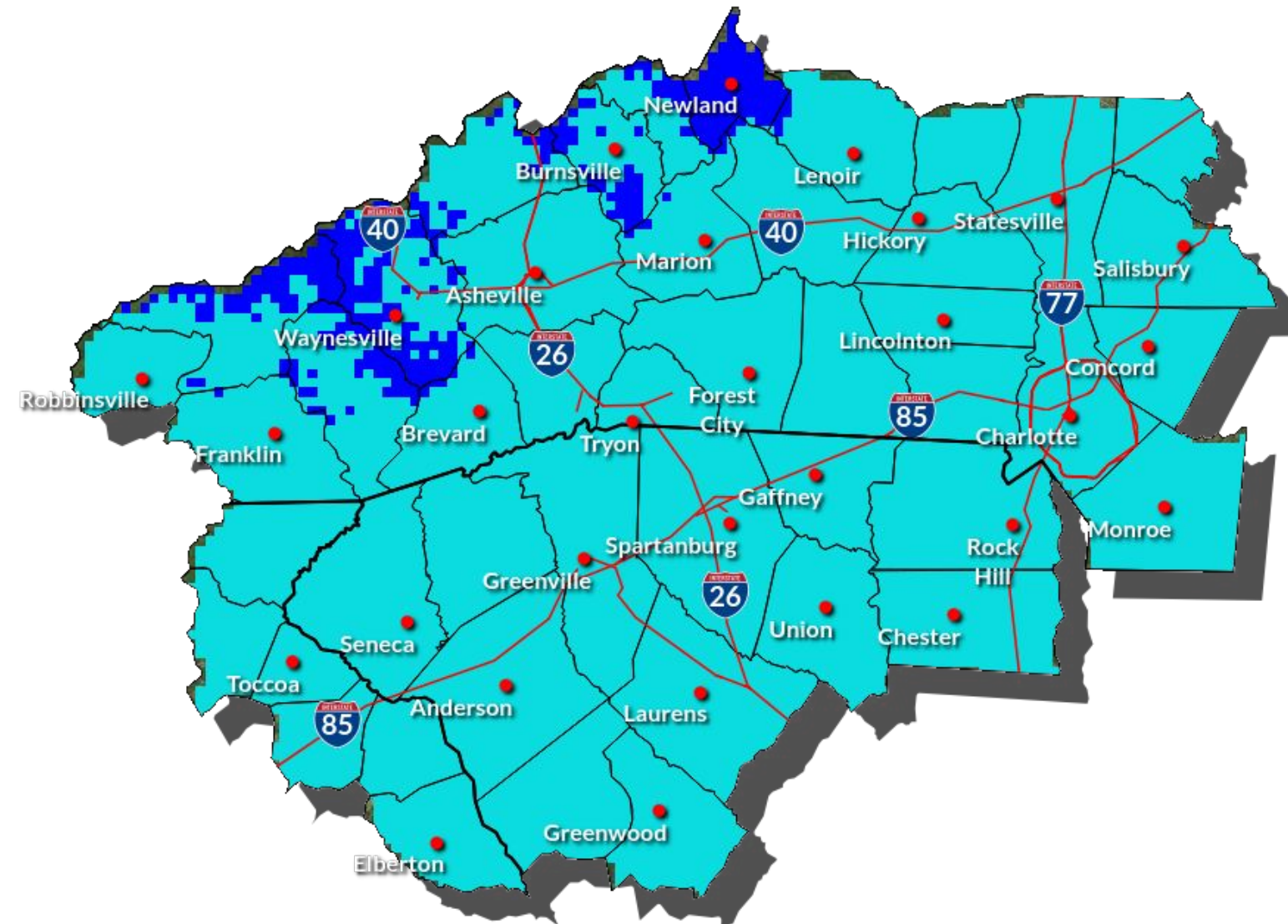
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6 PM This Evening through Noon Tuesday

## Key Messages

- Gusty northwest winds will lead to dangerously cold wind chills from **15 to 19 below zero** in Avery County and above 3,500 ft in Mitchell, Yancey, Madison, Haywood, northern Jackson, and Swain counties.
- The dangerously cold wind chills as low as 19 below zero could cause frostbite on exposed skin in as little as 30 minutes. An extended period of freezing temperatures could cause ruptured water pipes.
- Wind Chills in the single digits may lead to hypothermia if precautions are not taken in the Cold Weather Advisory area.

Hazards
Cold Weather Advisory
Extreme Cold Warning



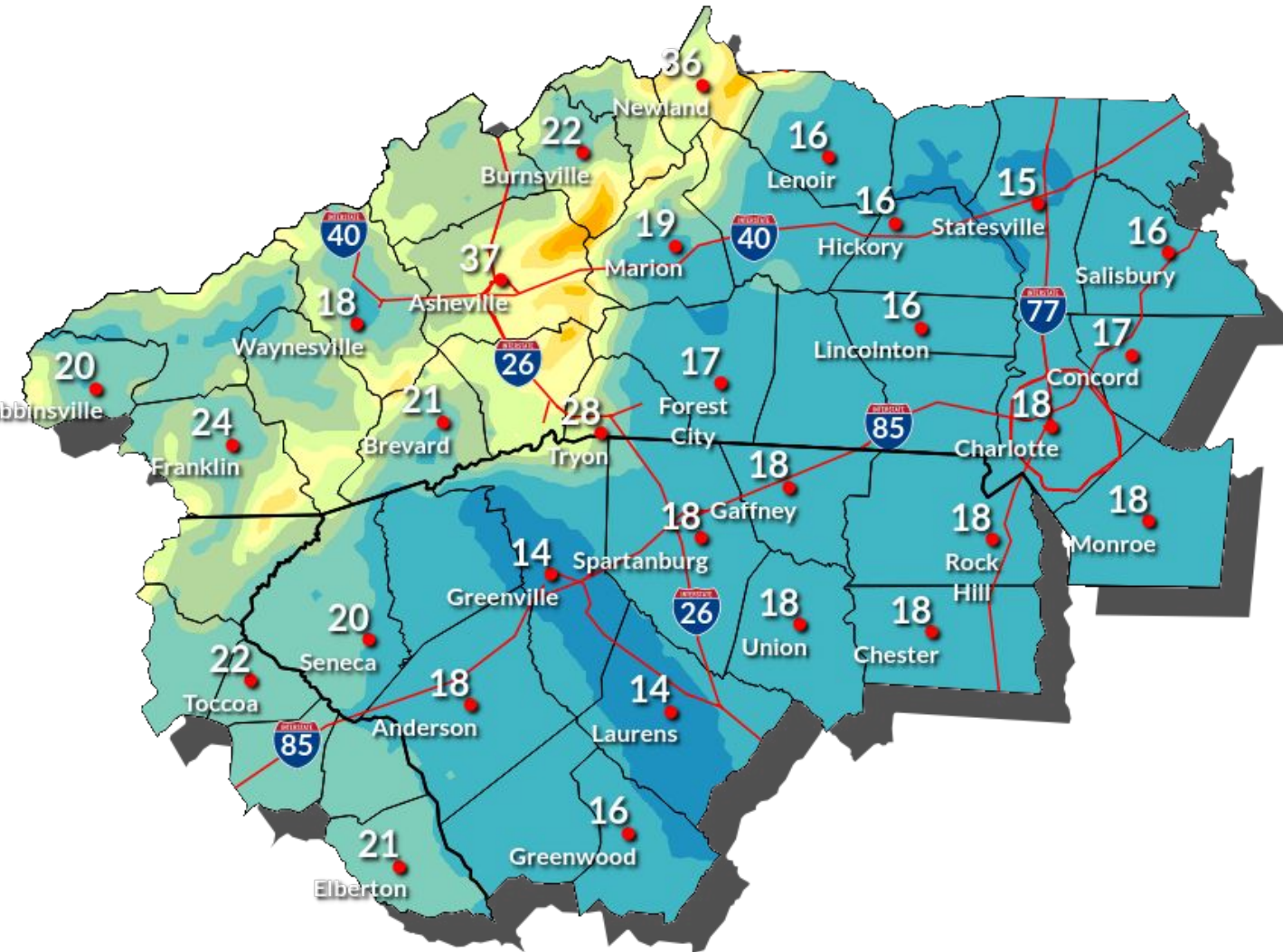




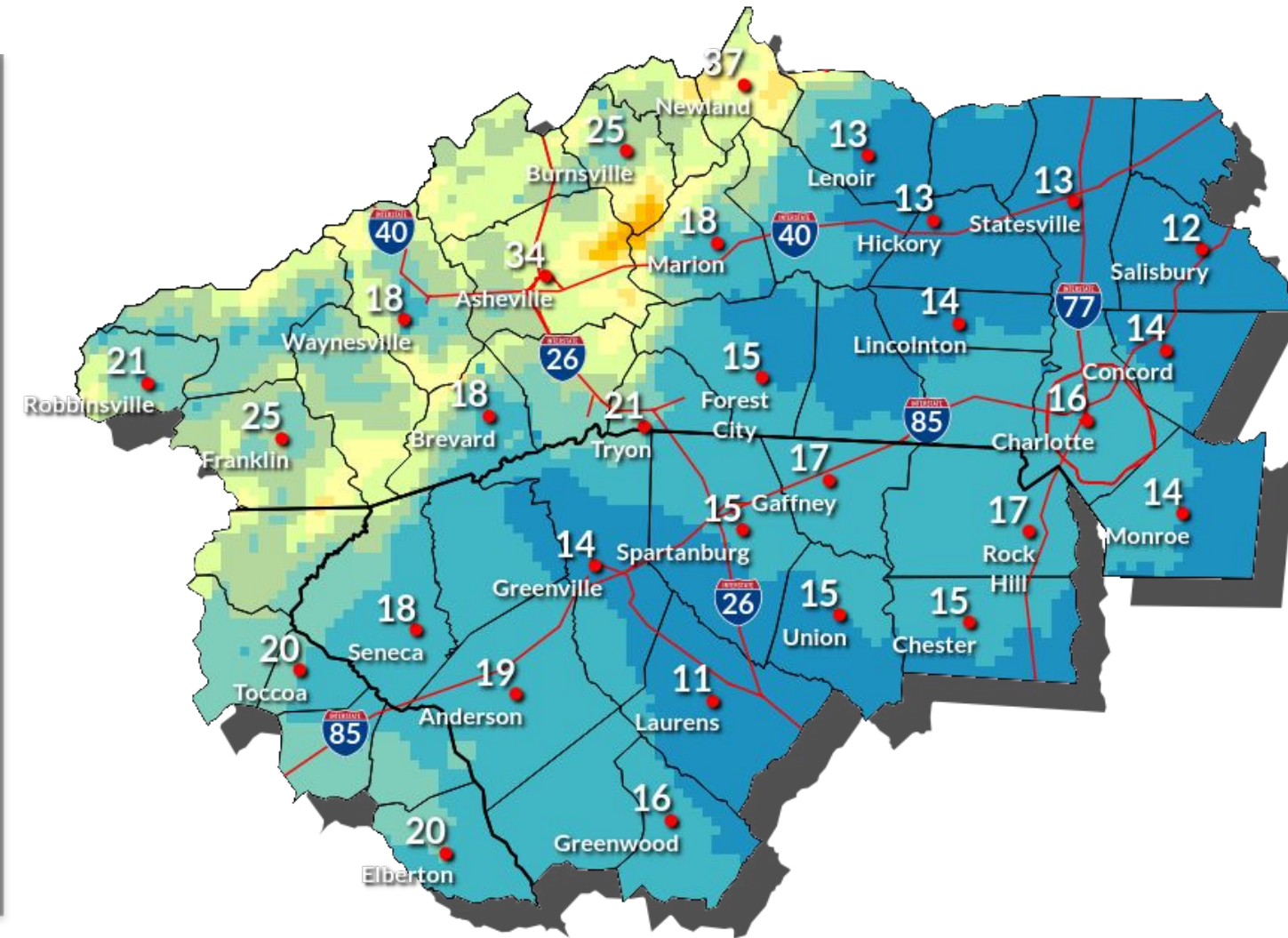
# Wind Gusts Today through Tonight

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## Peak Wind Gust Today



## Peak Wind Gust Tonight



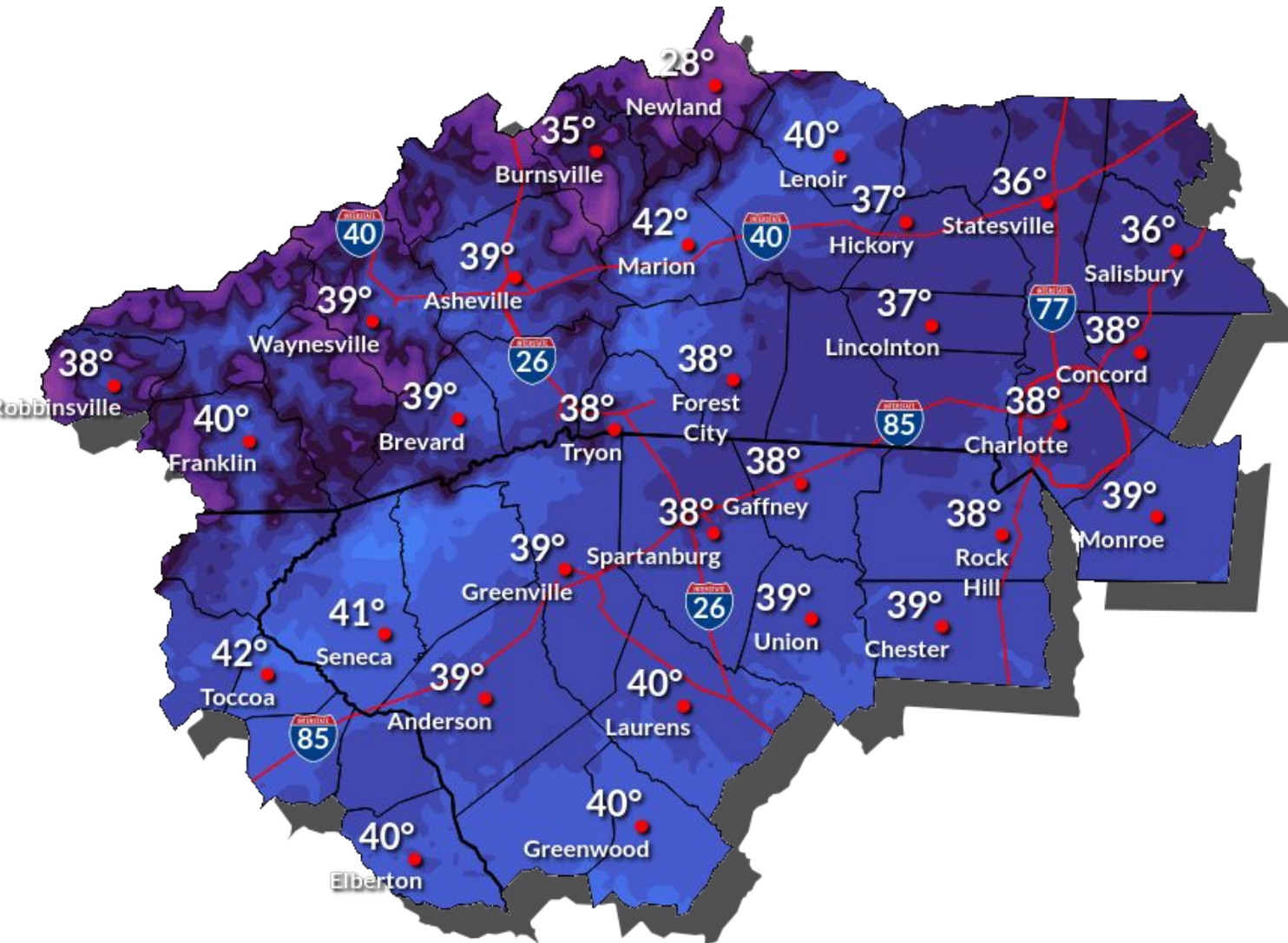




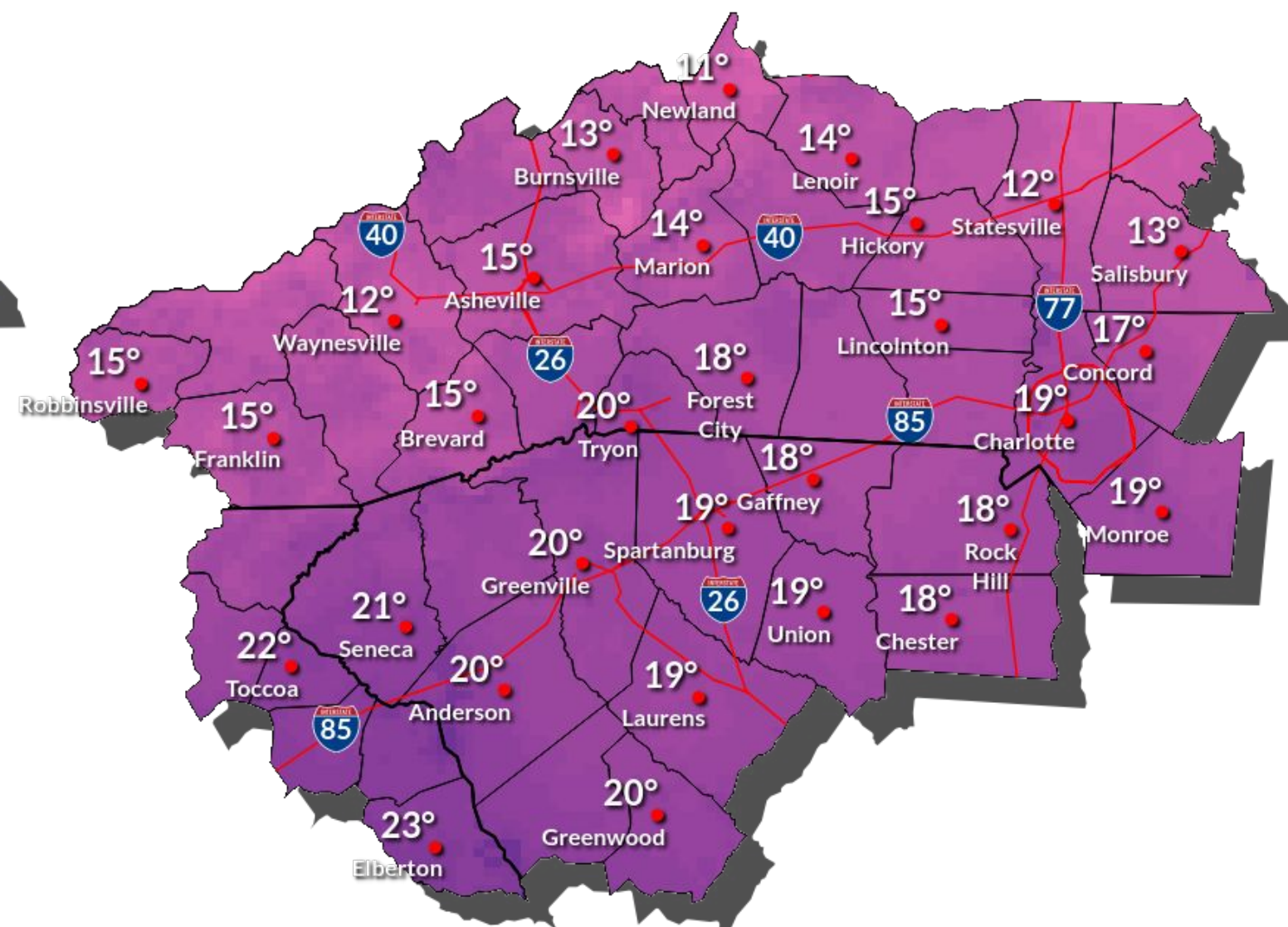
# Temperatures Tuesday

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## Highs Tuesday



## Lows Tuesday Night



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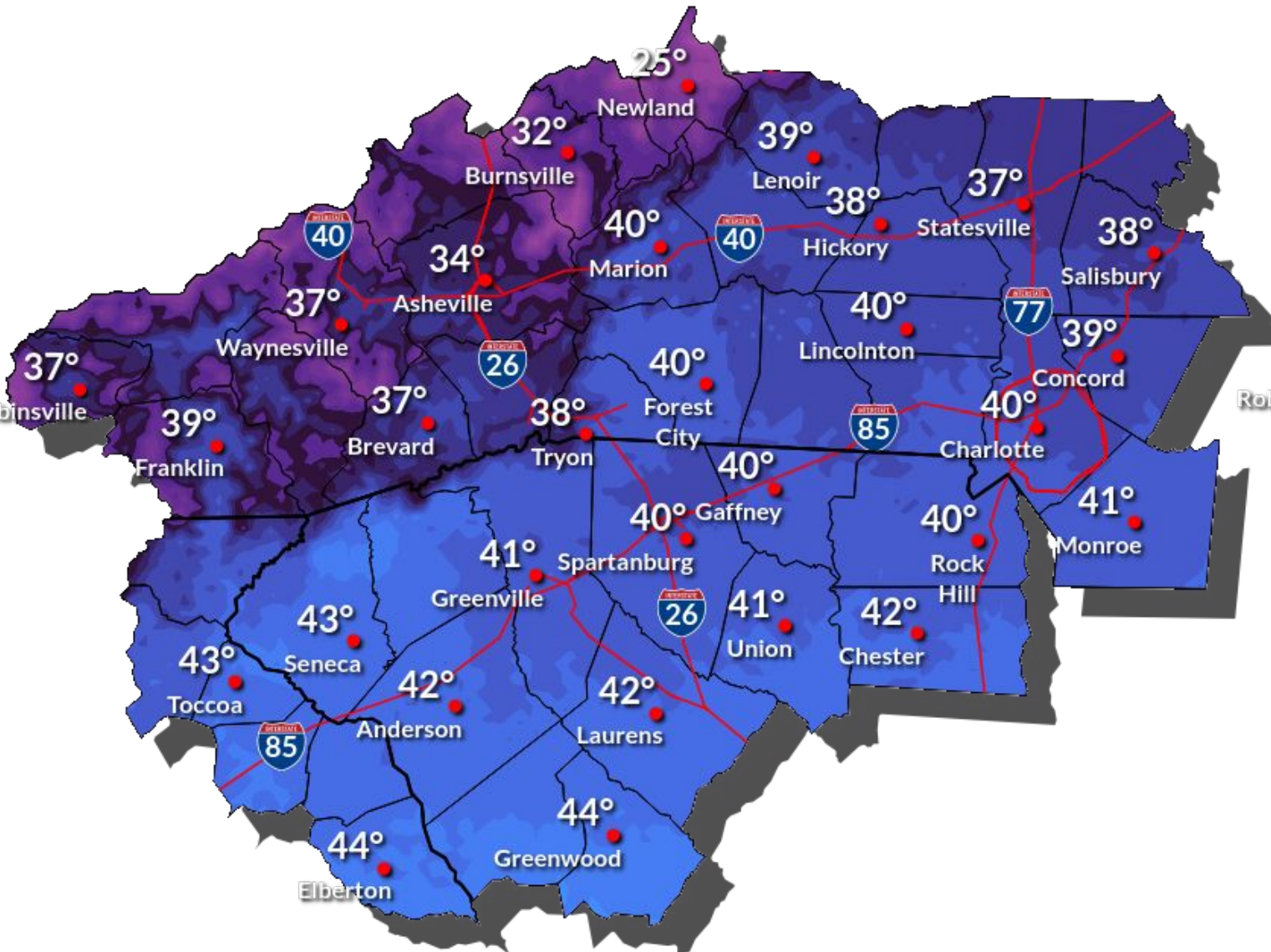




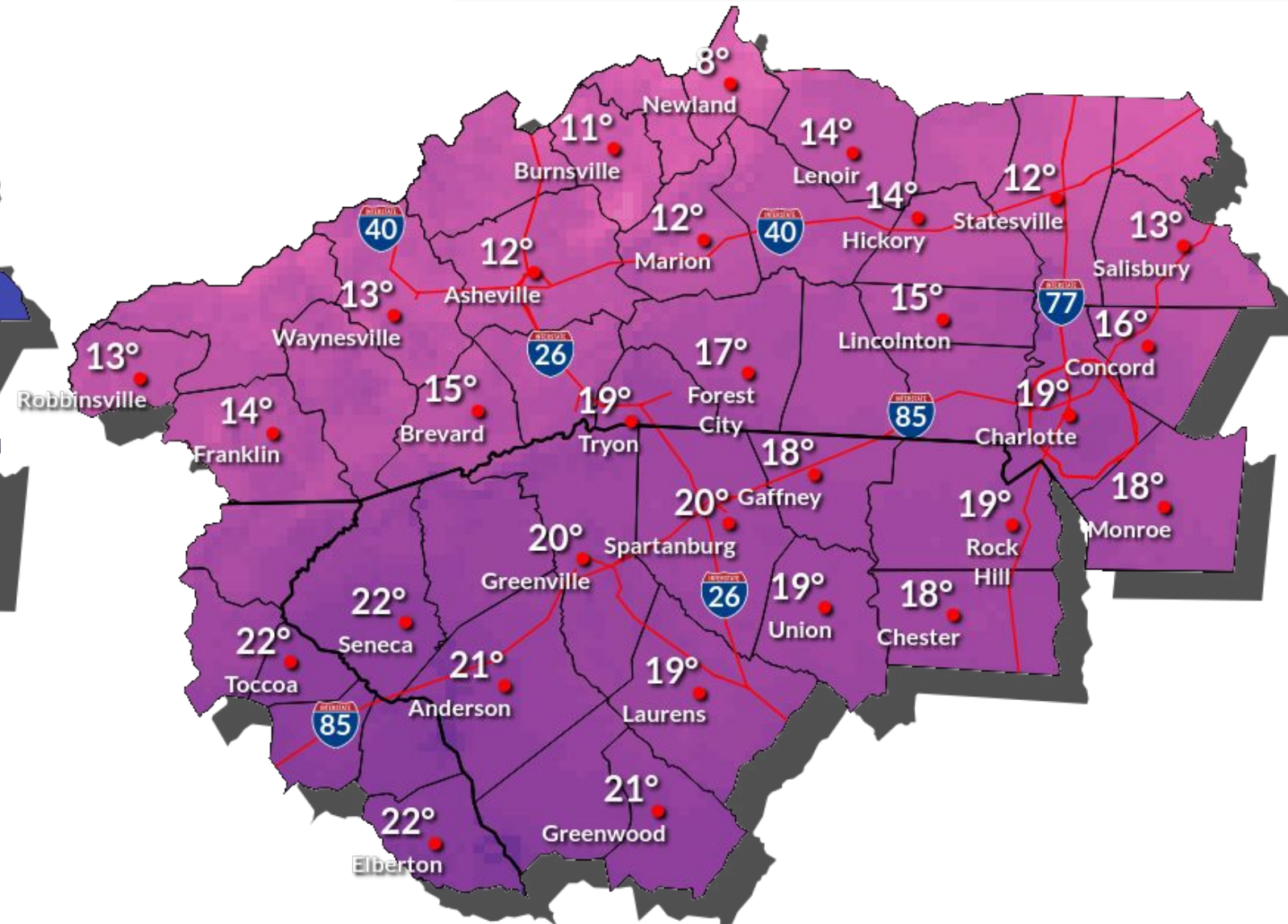
# Temperatures Wednesday

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## Highs Wednesday



## Lows Wednesday Night





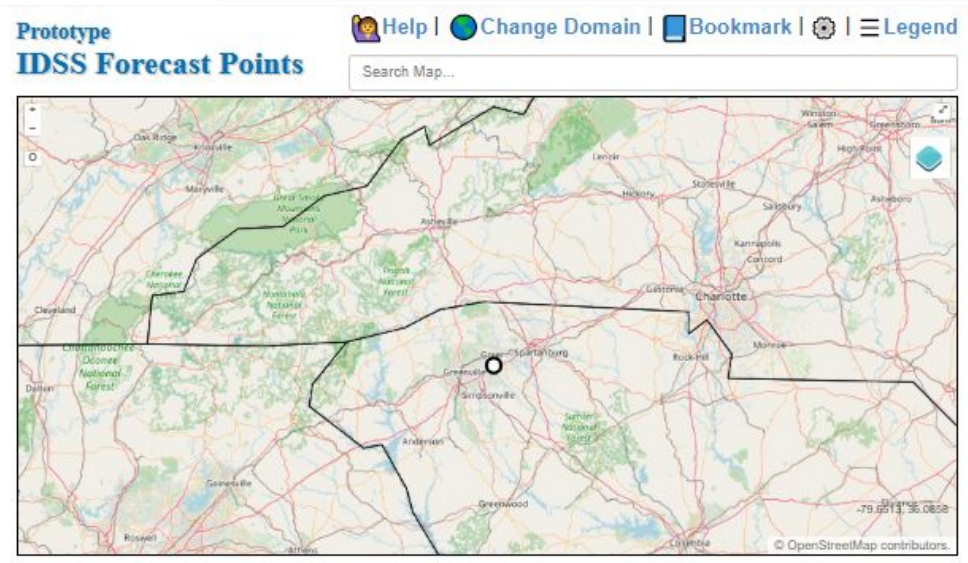


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For Point-Specific Forecasts

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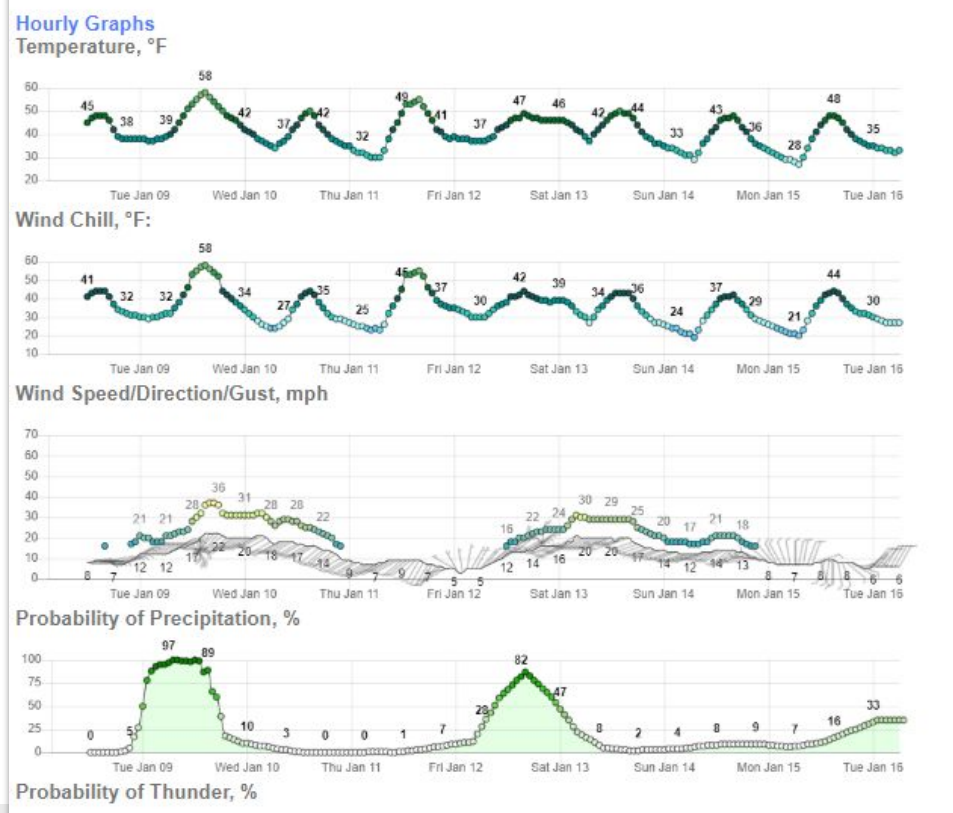
- To get point-specific hourly forecast information, check out our IDSS Forecast Points page
- [www.weather.gov/forecastpoints](http://www.weather.gov/forecastpoints)
- Can customize your hourly plot order/look for your specific thresholds



**Wind Advisory from 1000 am EST Tue. 1/9/2024 to 1000 pm EST Tue. 1/9/2024**  
**Flood Watch from 1200 am EST Tue. 1/9/2024 to 700 pm EST Tue. 1/9/2024**  
Table updated: 957 am EST Mon. 1/8/2024 (Last Update: 103 minutes ago)  
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4 miles S of Greer, SC

Weekly Summary							
	Mon Jan 8	Tue Jan 9	Wed Jan 10	Thu Jan 11	Fri Jan 12	Sat Jan 13	Sun Jan 14
Max Temp, °F	49	59	50	55	50	50	48
Min Temp, °F	38	37	34	30	37	36	29
Min Wind Chill, °F	31	29	24	23	30	27	19
Max Wind, mph	10	22	21	9	16	21	14
Min Wind, mph	7	12	9	5	3	14	9
Max Wind Gust, mph	18	37	32	14	24	31	21
Max Prob. of Precip., %	27	100	9	9	87	41	9
Max Prob. of Thunder, %	0	13	0	0	18	7	1
Max Dew Point, °F	30	54	35	35	43	42	24
Min Dew Point, °F	28	33	28	28	32	25	22
Max RH, %	74	100	82	94	91	90	73
Min RH, %	46	81	48	46	73	43	38
Max Cloud Cover, %	95	99	50	35	87	49	38
Min Cloud Cover, %	30	55	12	7	48	22	19
Outlooks							
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3				
Severe Thunderstorm	Not Expected	Marginal	Not Expected				
Excessive Rainfall	Marginal	Slight	Not Expected				

Day of week:	Monday 1/8												Tuesday 1/9				
Time:	11AM	12PM	1PM	2PM	3PM	4PM	5PM	6PM	7PM	8PM	9PM	10PM	11PM	12AM	1AM	2AM	3AM
Weather:																	
Temperature (°F):	43	45	47	48	48	48	46	42	39	38	38	38	38	38	38	37	37
Wind Chill, °F:	38	41	43	44	44	44	41	37	34	33	32	31	31	30	30	29	30
Wind Speed (mph):	8	8	8	9	9	9	9	7	7	7	8	9	10	12	12	12	12
Wind Gust (mph):	13	13	14	14	15	16	15	13	13	14	15	17	18	21	20	20	18
Wind Direction (°):	60	80	90	90	90	90	80	70	70	70	70	60	60	60	60	60	60
Wind Direction:	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖	↖
Prob. of Precip. (%):	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	17	27	50	78	88	93
Prob. of Thunder (%):	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2
Precip. Amount (in.):	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
Snow (in.):	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ice (in.):	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dew Point (°F):	29	29	28	28	28	28	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	32	33	34
RH (%):	57	53	48	46	46	46	52	59	65	69	71	71	74	78	81	87	92
Sky Cover (%):	37	43	49	37	34	30	47	49	60	72	87	94	95	96	97	97	98





# Contact and Next Briefing Information

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