

Sweden projected to lose 40-80 days of snow as climate warms

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This is a March 12, 2012 file photo shows snow being moved in preparation prior to the World Cup Cross Countery skiiing sprint competition round the Stockholm Royal Palace. Snowy white winters are likely to become a thing of the past for most Swedes. The national weather service Monday Nov. 2, 2015 released a new analysis of how climate change will affect the Nordic country—and it's bad news for skiing enthusiasts. (AP Photo/Bertil Ericson)

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The national <u>weather service</u> on Monday released a new analysis of how climate change will affect the Nordic country—and it's bad news for skiing enthusiasts.

It said the length of the snowy season is expected to shrink by 40-80 days by the end of the century, depending on what action governments take to fight global warming.

That means the southern third of the country, where most of the population lives, would get very few, if any, days with snow cover.

The weather service projected Sweden's average temperature will rise by 2-6 degrees C (4-11 degrees F).

Governments will meet in Paris later this year to discuss a new pact to slow <u>climate change</u>.





This is a March 20 2013 file photo of Marit Bjorgen of Norway skies during the World Cup Cross Country sprint competition round the Royal Palace in central Stockholm. Snowy white winters are likely to become a thing of the past for most Swedes. The national weather service Monday Nov. 2, 2015 released a new analysis of how climate change will affect the Nordic country—and it's bad news for skiing enthusiasts. (AP Photo/Anders Wiklund, File)

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