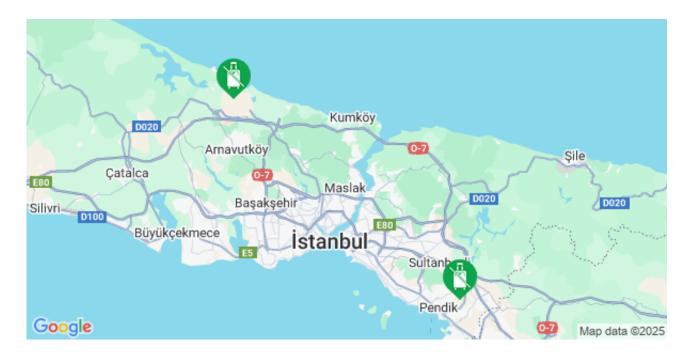


## **Travel**



19 FEB 6:13 UTC Turkey Tactical: Flight operations to be disrupted at Istanbul International Airport, Sabiha Gokcen International Airport on February 19-21 due to expected snowfall; allot for disruptions

## **Current Situation:**

- According to Turkish state media, flight cancellations are scheduled at Istanbul International
  Airport and Sabiha Gokcen International Airport due to <u>forecasted snowfall from February 19 to 21</u>.
- At Istanbul International Airport, flight operations will be reduced by 15 percent on February 19 and by 20 percent on February 20 and 21.
- At Sabiha Gokcen Airport, 10 percent of flights will be canceled on February 20 and 15 percent on February 21.
- As a result, Turkey's flag carrier, Turkish Airlines, is expected to cancel approximately 150 flights on February 19 and around 200 on February 21 at Istanbul International Airport.
- Low-cost Turkish carriers Pegasus and AJet have also canceled 68 and 34 flights, respectively, as of the time of writing.
- Authorities will continue to monitor weather conditions and provide updates as needed.

Source: Anadolu Agency

## **Recommendations:**

- 1. Those planning to travel to and from Istanbul from February 19 to 21 are advised to reconfirm their itineraries and account for potential disruptions to flight services due to expected flight cancellations at Istanbul International Airport and Sabiha Gokcen International Airport.
- 2. Remain cognizant of authorities' updates regarding operations at both these airports and general disruptions from weather conditions during this period.