

U.S. Drought Monitor

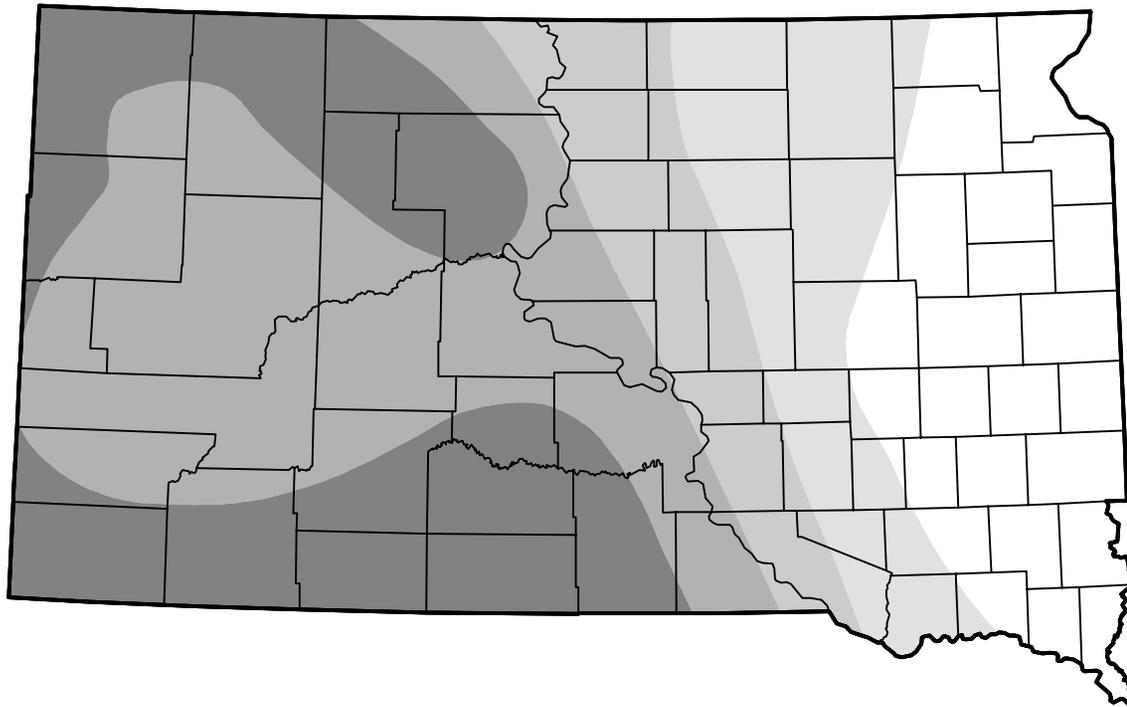
South Dakota

December 17, 2002
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	20.46	79.54	65.67	55.60	25.49	0.00
Last Week <i>12-12-2002</i>	24.17	75.83	64.72	55.60	26.42	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2002</i>	32.55	67.45	60.11	42.01	24.40	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	53.20	46.80	4.24	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	36.01	63.99	52.56	35.14	18.37	0.00
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2001</i>	53.22	46.78	4.33	0.00	0.00	0.00



Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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