

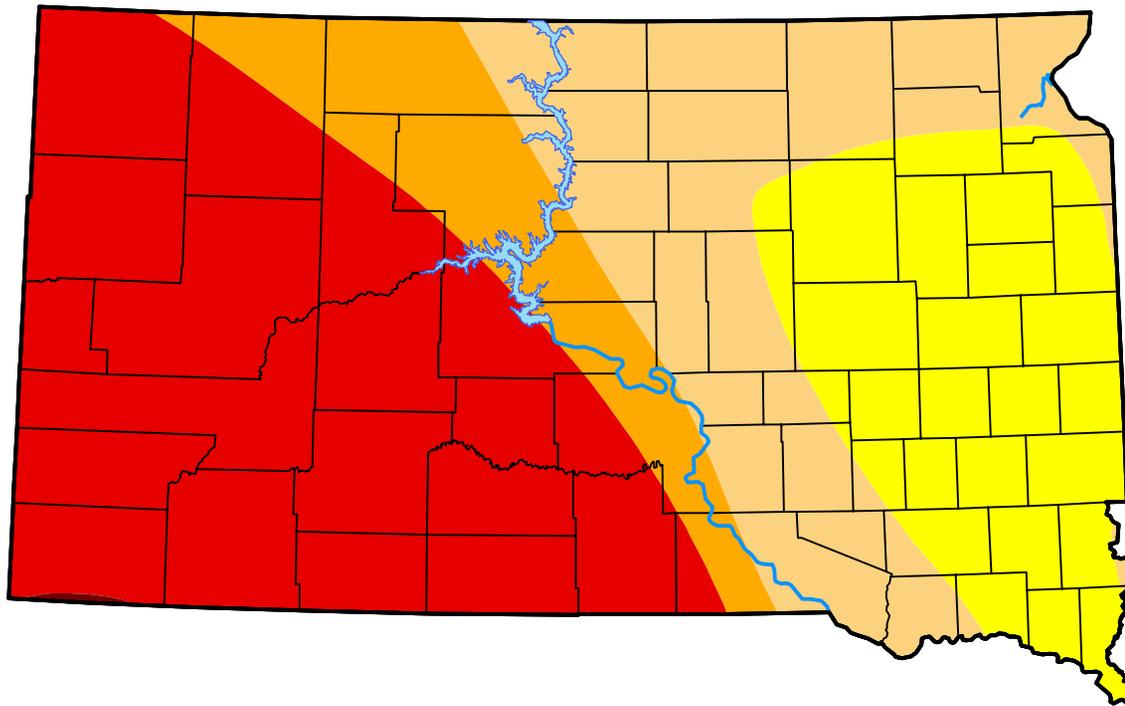
# U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota

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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|  | None  | D0-D4  | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 0.00  | 100.00 | 78.42 | 54.59 | 43.39 | 0.11 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-13-2003</i>              | 0.00  | 100.00 | 69.18 | 55.02 | 43.65 | 0.01 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-19-2002</i>           | 20.46 | 79.54  | 65.67 | 55.60 | 25.49 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2003</i> | 18.11 | 81.89  | 64.32 | 55.29 | 25.36 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2002</i>    | 36.01 | 63.99  | 52.56 | 35.14 | 18.37 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-21-2002</i>           | 0.18  | 99.82  | 7.91  | 0.14  | 0.00  | 0.00 |



### Intensity:

|                     |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| None                | D2 Severe Drought      |
| D0 Abnormally Dry   | D3 Extreme Drought     |
| D1 Moderate Drought | D4 Exceptional Drought |

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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