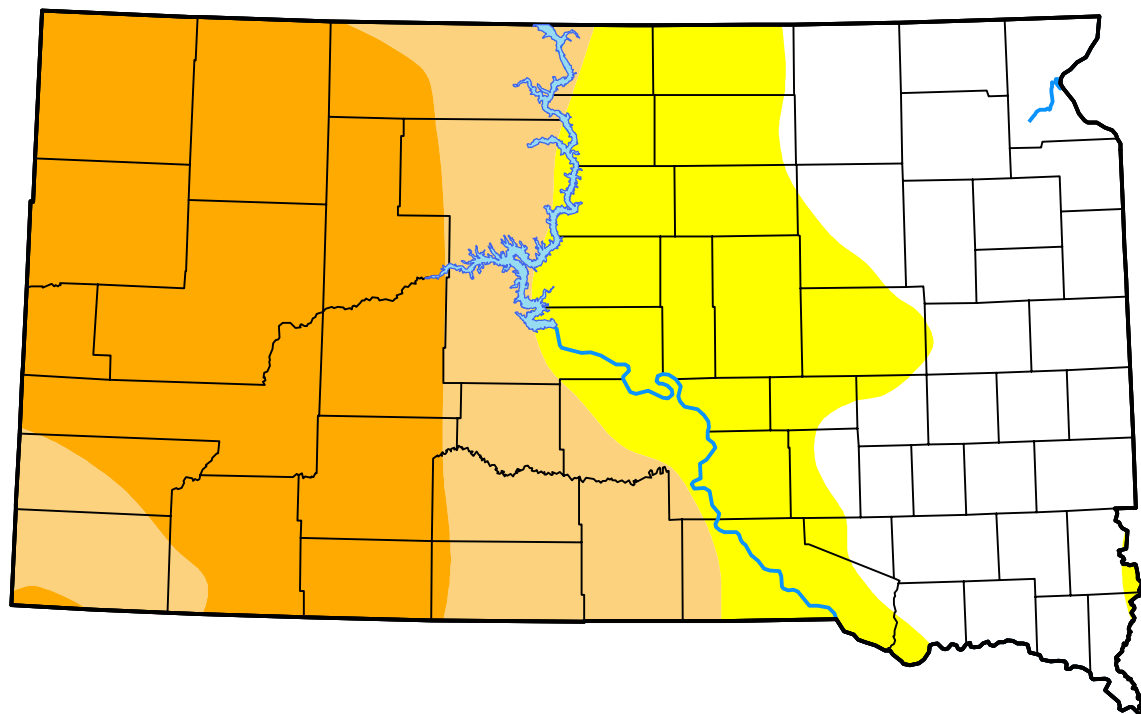


# U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 26.45 | 21.83 | 17.95 | 33.77 | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-07-2003</i>              | 23.05 | 27.01 | 18.66 | 31.28 | 0.00  | 0.00  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>05-15-2003</i>           | 22.63 | 17.88 | 43.21 | 13.83 | 2.45  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2003</i> | 18.11 | 17.57 | 9.03  | 29.93 | 25.36 | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-03-2002</i>    | 36.01 | 11.43 | 17.42 | 16.77 | 18.37 | 0.00  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>08-15-2002</i>           | 29.72 | 9.42  | 9.59  | 14.55 | 21.92 | 14.80 |

**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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