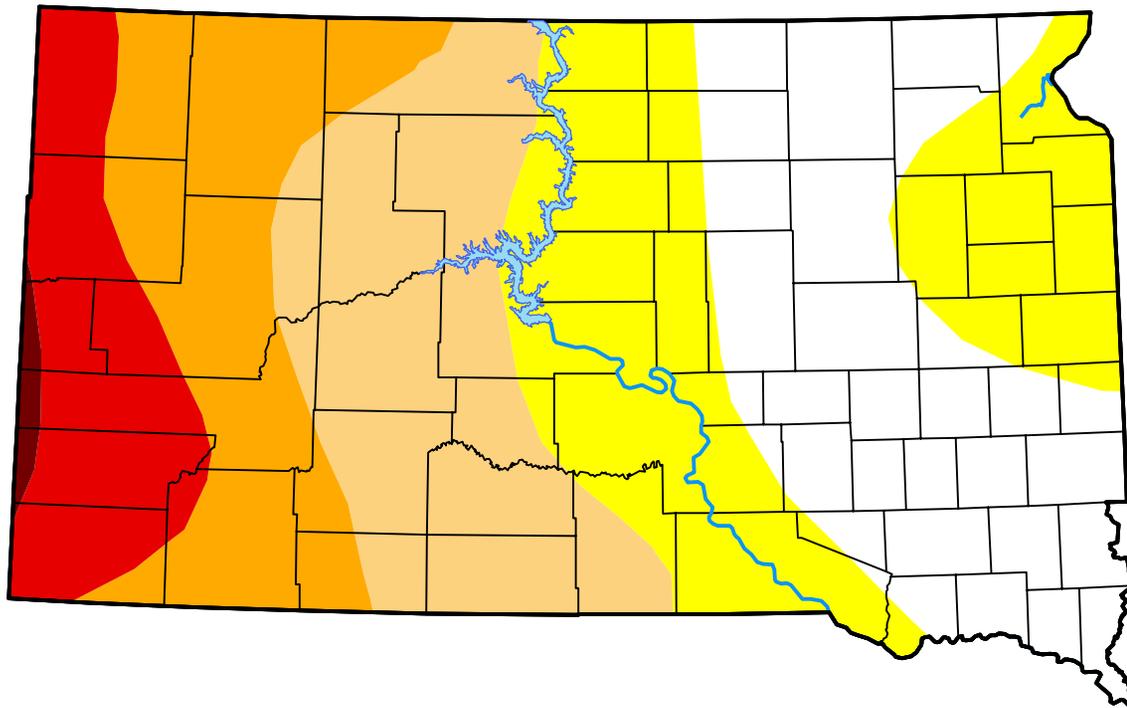


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	26.07	26.28	20.23	16.33	10.45	0.65
Last Week <i>03-17-2005</i>	26.07	26.28	20.23	16.33	10.45	0.65
3 Months Ago <i>12-23-2004</i>	43.21	15.60	27.52	13.50	0.17	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-06-2005</i>	39.80	19.01	23.91	17.11	0.17	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-30-2004</i>	38.66	14.76	32.36	14.22	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>03-25-2004</i>	1.22	14.43	41.09	43.27	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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