

# 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>                                     | 42.16 | 57.84 | 24.92 | 10.02 | 0.97  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-12-2005</i>              | 23.51 | 76.49 | 35.36 | 21.95 | 8.46  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-17-2005</i>           | 31.42 | 68.58 | 47.65 | 27.42 | 9.53  | 0.26 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-06-2005</i> | 39.80 | 60.20 | 41.19 | 17.28 | 0.17  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2004</i>    | 38.66 | 61.34 | 46.58 | 14.22 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-20-2004</i>           | 0.46  | 99.54 | 79.82 | 40.58 | 11.32 | 0.00 |

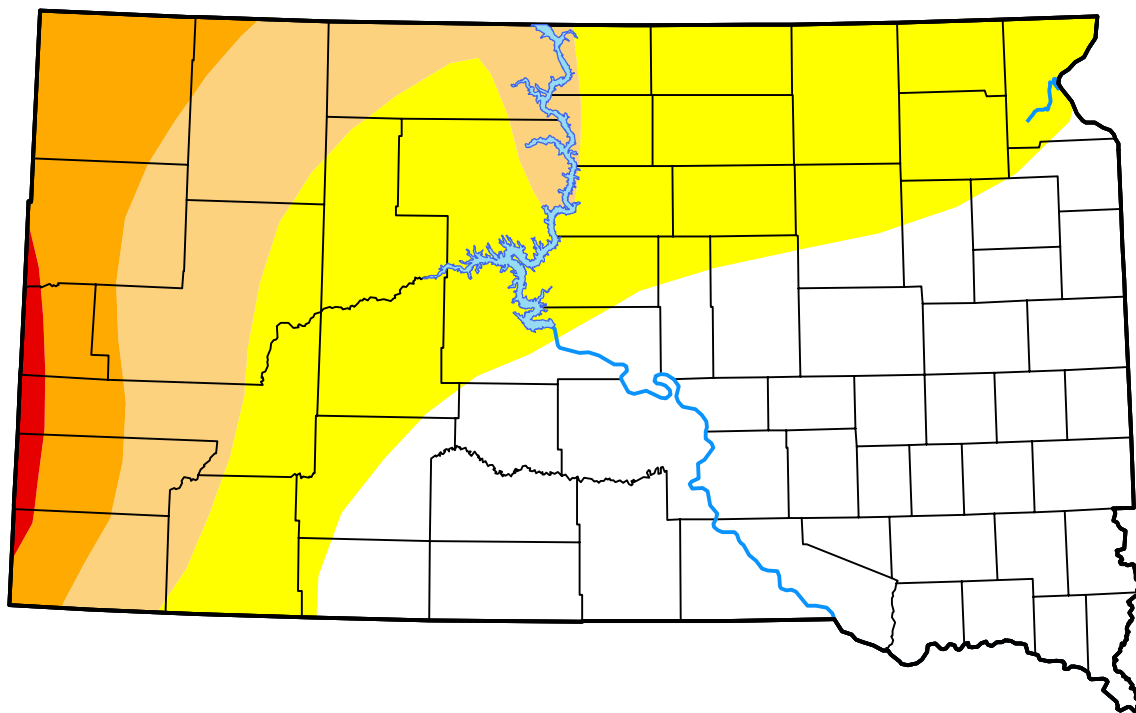
## Intensity:

|                                                                                                           |                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  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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