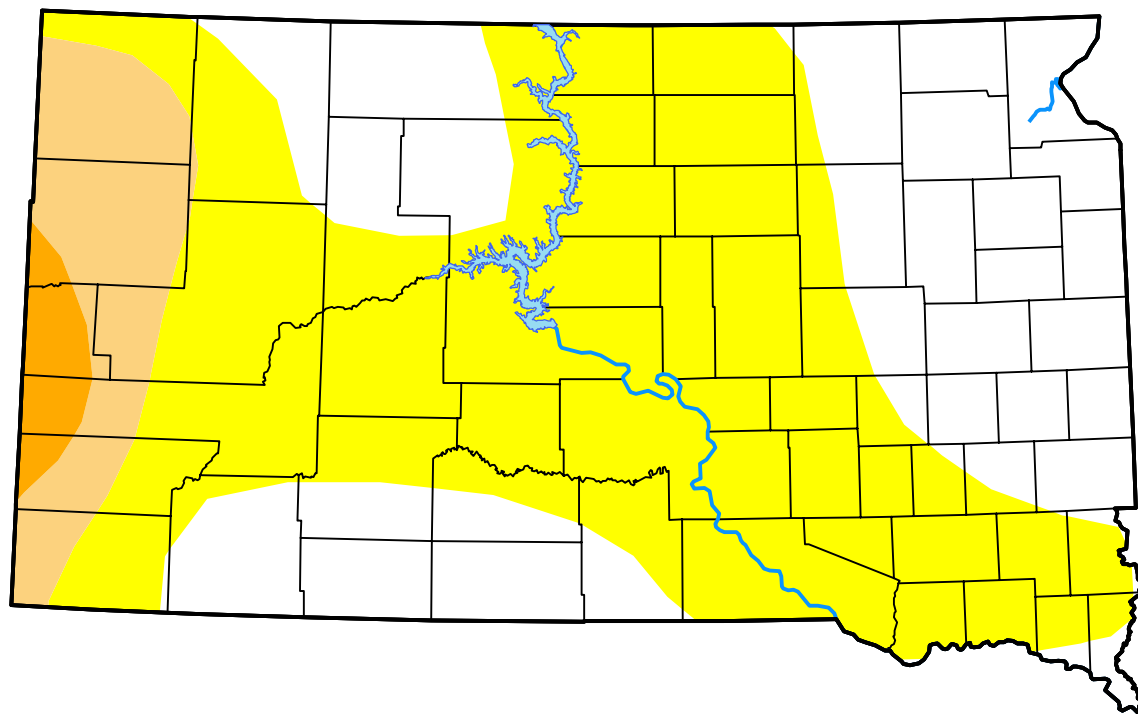


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	35.43	54.37	8.23	1.97	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>08-11-2005</i>	30.17	52.24	11.77	5.81	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>05-19-2005</i>	42.16	32.92	14.91	9.05	0.97	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>08-19-2004</i>	33.19	12.20	33.25	15.51	5.85	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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