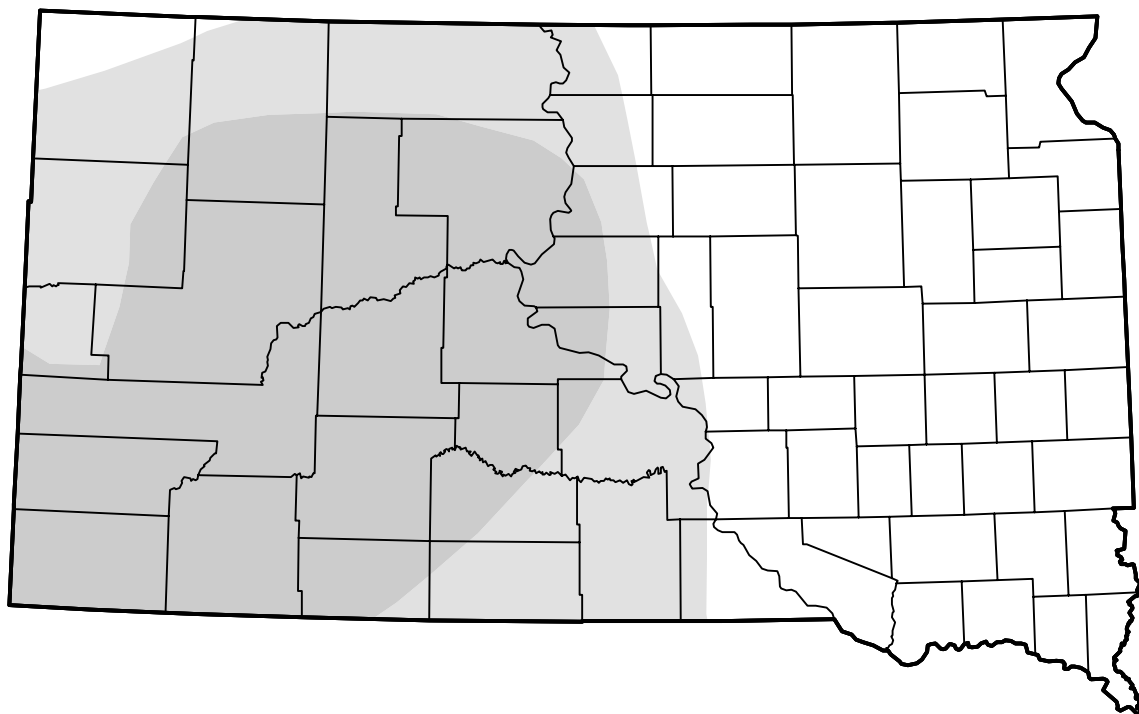


# U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota



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## Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                 | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3   | D4   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                  | 43.06 | 21.45 | 35.49 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>12-22-2005                  | 43.06 | 21.45 | 35.49 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>09-29-2005               | 40.38 | 38.64 | 20.98 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br>01-06-2005 | 39.80 | 19.01 | 23.91 | 17.11 | 0.17 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br>09-29-2005    | 40.38 | 38.64 | 20.98 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>12-30-2004               | 39.80 | 19.01 | 23.91 | 17.11 | 0.17 | 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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