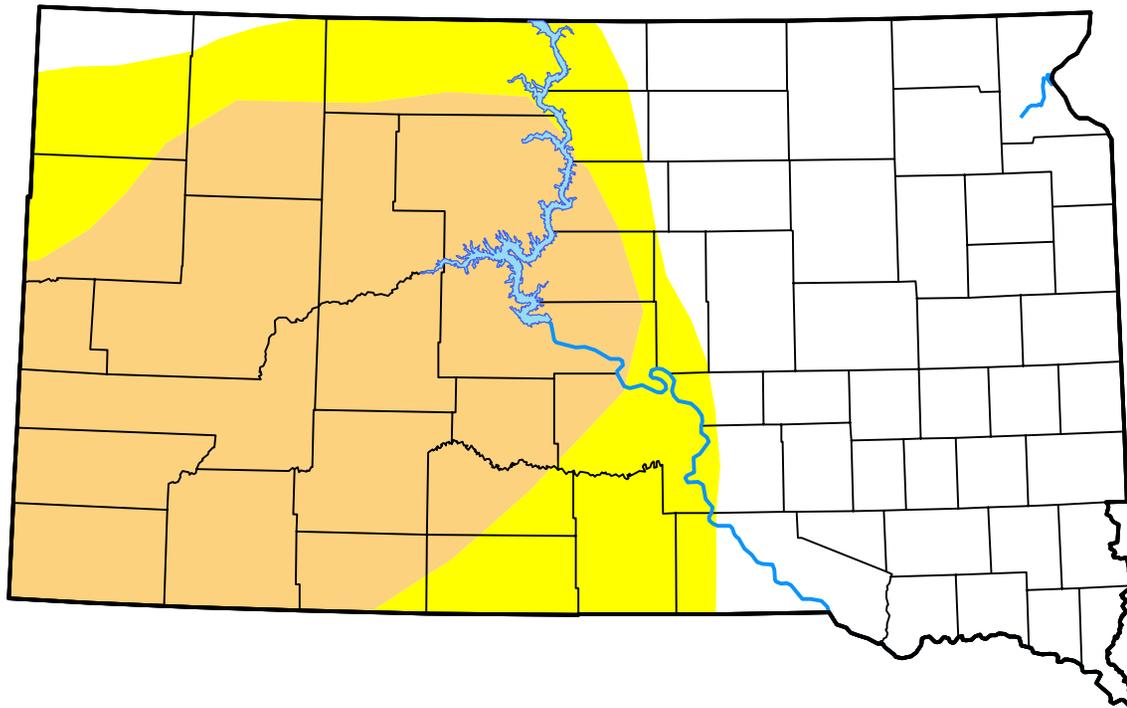


# U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	42.29	17.98	39.73	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>03-09-2006</i>	42.29	18.23	39.48	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>12-15-2005</i>	43.06	21.45	35.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	42.79	21.72	35.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	40.38	38.64	20.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>03-17-2005</i>	26.07	26.28	20.23	16.33	10.45	0.65

***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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