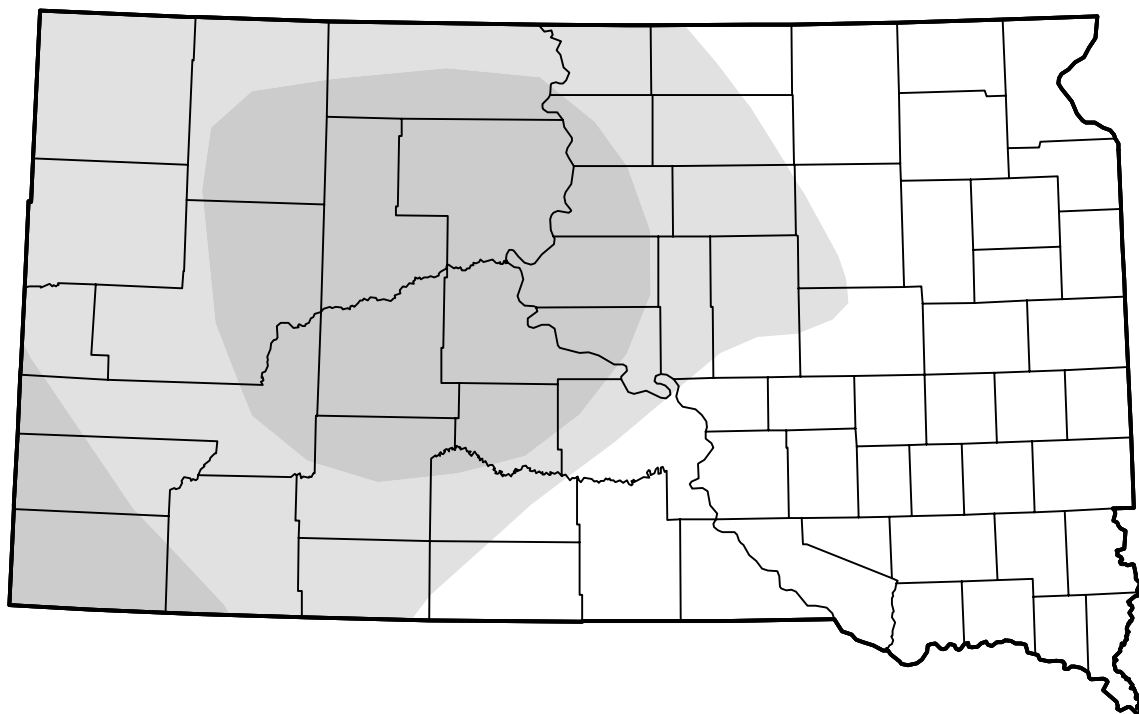


U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	40.82	32.38	26.81	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week <i>04-13-2006</i>	41.15	32.08	26.78	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago <i>01-19-2006</i>	42.64	21.01	36.35	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2006</i>	42.79	21.72	35.49	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-29-2005</i>	40.38	38.64	20.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago <i>04-21-2005</i>	34.00	21.85	17.28	14.03	9.16	3.67

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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