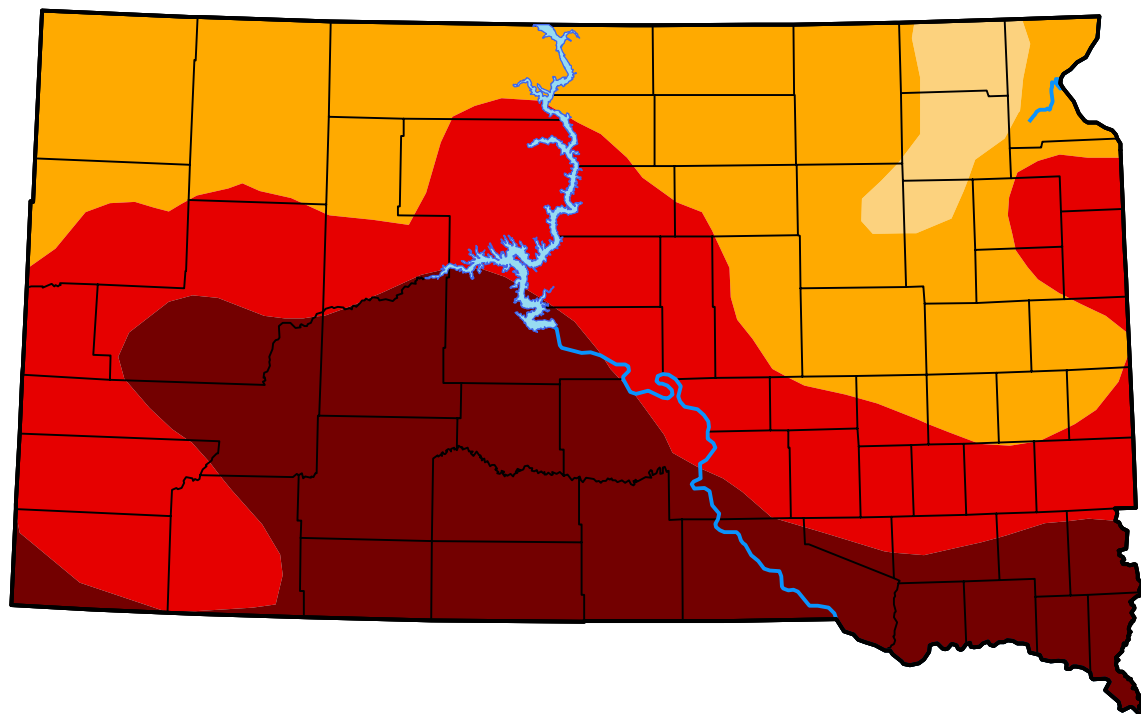


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	0.00	100.00	100.00	96.95	63.17	30.68
Last Week 12-13-2012	0.00	100.00	100.00	96.45	63.32	30.68
3 Months Ago 09-20-2012	0.00	100.00	96.07	68.27	50.61	4.77
Start of Calendar Year 01-05-2012	48.14	51.86	13.86	2.11	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2012	0.00	100.00	100.00	74.69	50.53	6.72
One Year Ago 12-22-2011	48.14	51.86	13.86	2.11	0.00	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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