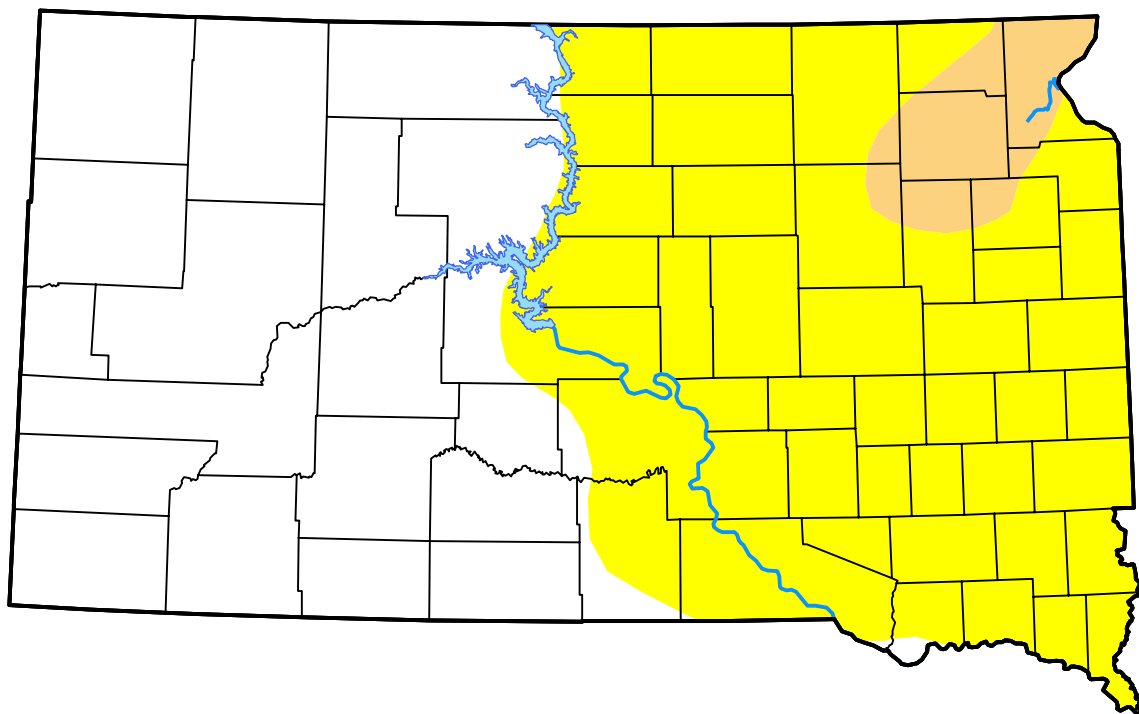


# U.S. Drought Monitor South Dakota

**December 23, 2014**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 48.53 | 51.47 | 4.46  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-18-2014</i>              | 48.53 | 51.47 | 4.46  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-25-2014</i>           | 97.46 | 2.54  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-02-2014</i> | 95.77 | 4.23  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-02-2014</i>    | 97.46 | 2.54  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-26-2013</i>           | 95.77 | 4.23  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 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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