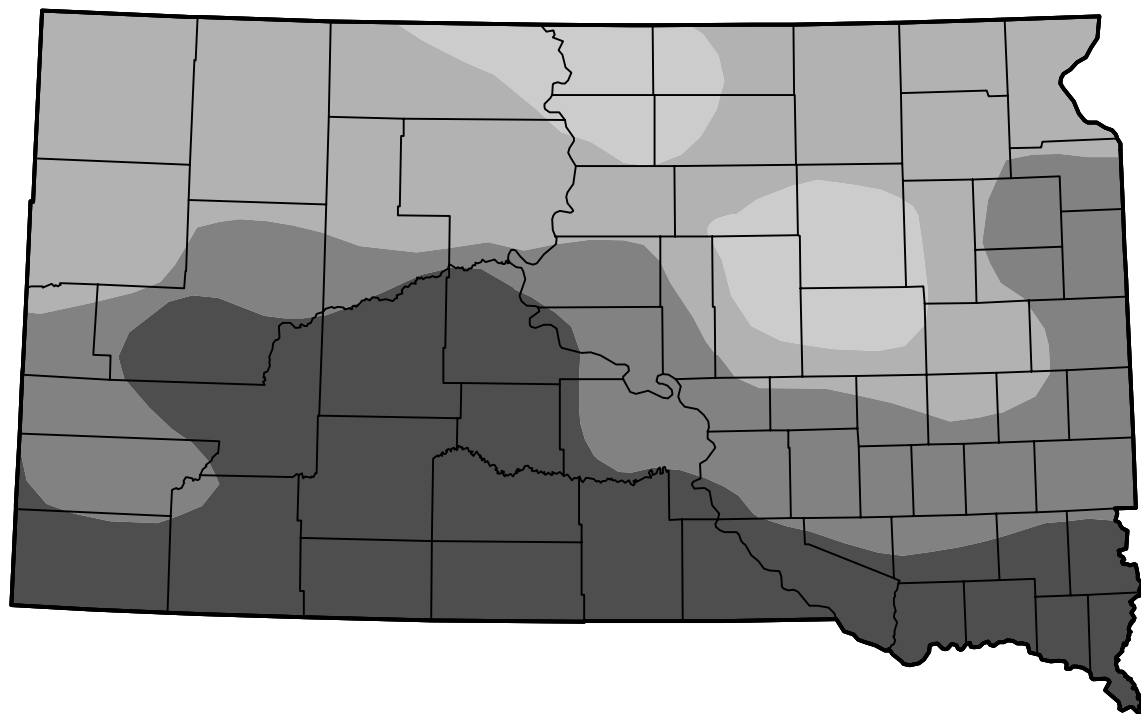


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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	0.00	0.00	8.55	34.24	24.64	32.57
Last Week <i>10-11-2012</i>	0.00	0.00	8.61	38.74	20.09	32.57
3 Months Ago <i>07-19-2012</i>	0.00	9.63	45.43	44.93	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-05-2012</i>	48.14	38.00	11.75	2.11	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2012</i>	0.00	0.00	25.31	24.15	43.82	6.72
One Year Ago <i>10-20-2011</i>	73.44	19.13	7.43	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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