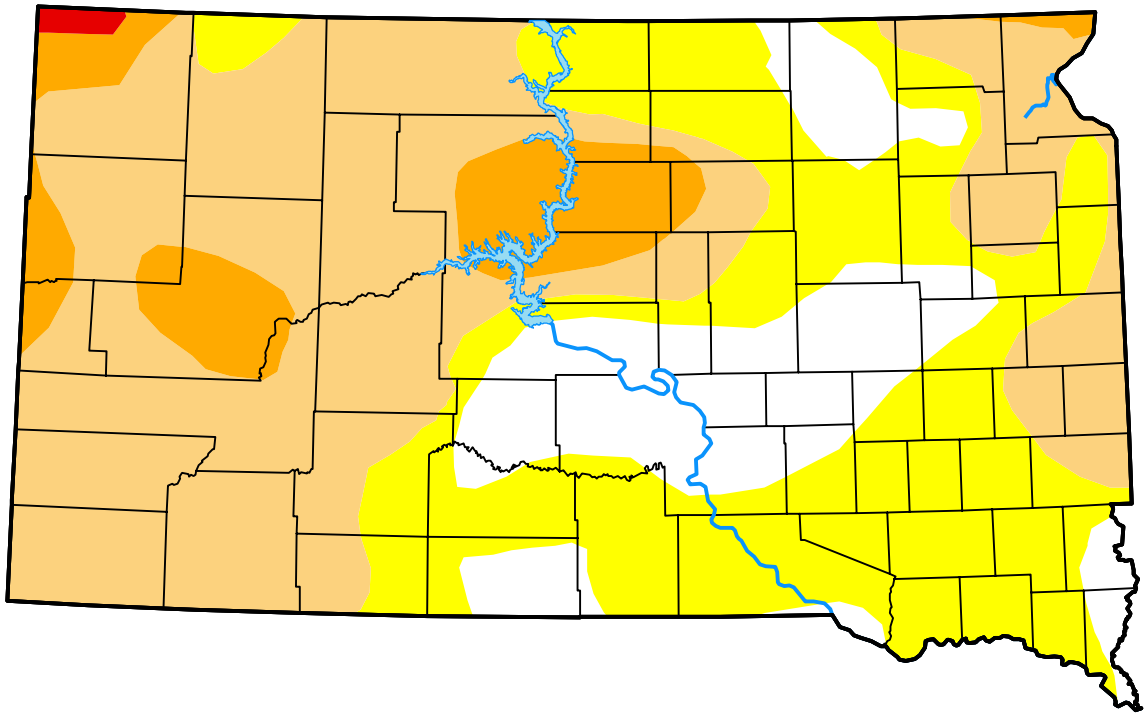
U.S. Drought Monitor

South Dakota



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	15.67	32.26	43.12	8.62	0.33	0.00
Last Week *10-20-2026*	15.34	23.36	52.35	8.62	0.33	0.00
3 Months Ago *07-28-2026*	10.83	16.10	40.13	24.35	8.58	0.00
Start of Calendar Year *01-06-2026*	61.87	30.72	7.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year *09-29-2026*	15.26	21.97	52.20	10.24	0.33	0.00
One Year Ago *10-28-2025*	61.24	32.32	6.44	0.00	0.00	0.00

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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