

U.S. Drought Monitor

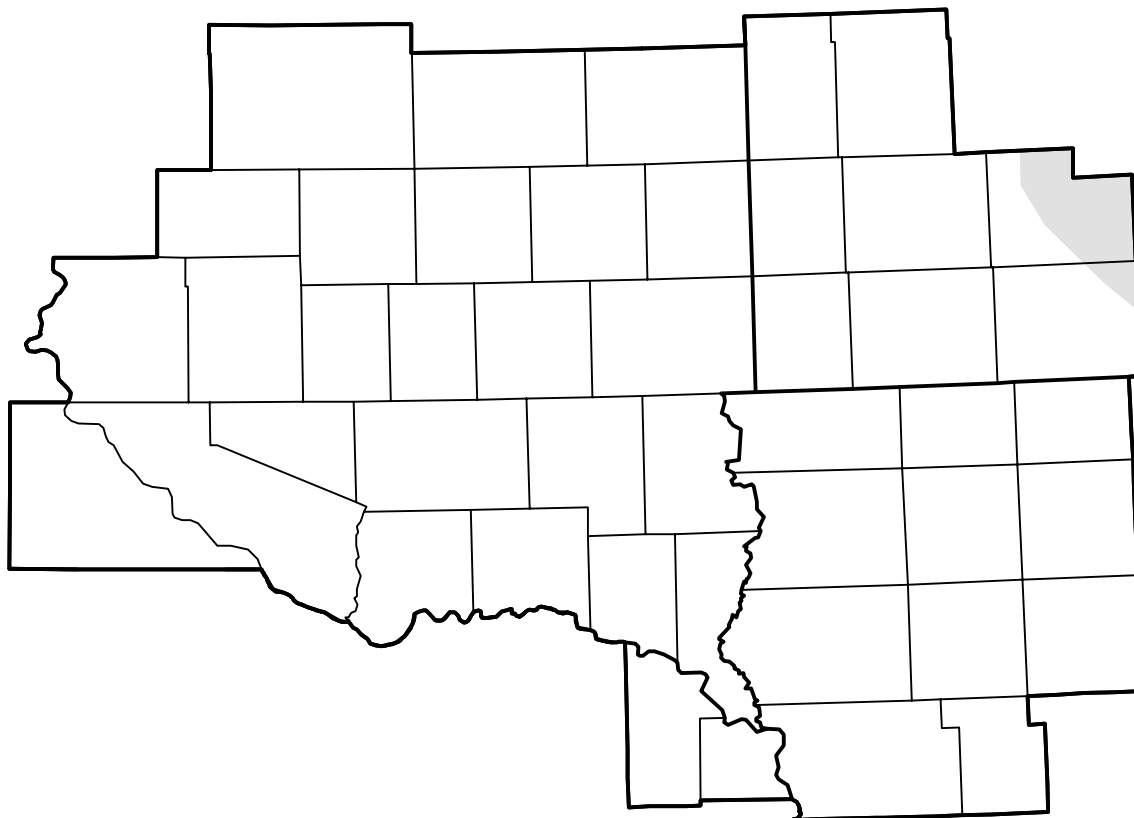
Sioux Falls, SD WFO

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Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 98.43 | 1.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>12-11-2008</i> | 98.43 | 1.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>09-18-2008</i> | 43.16 | 56.84 | 20.89 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2008</i> | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>10-02-2008</i> | 31.38 | 68.62 | 23.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>12-20-2007</i> | 100.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 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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