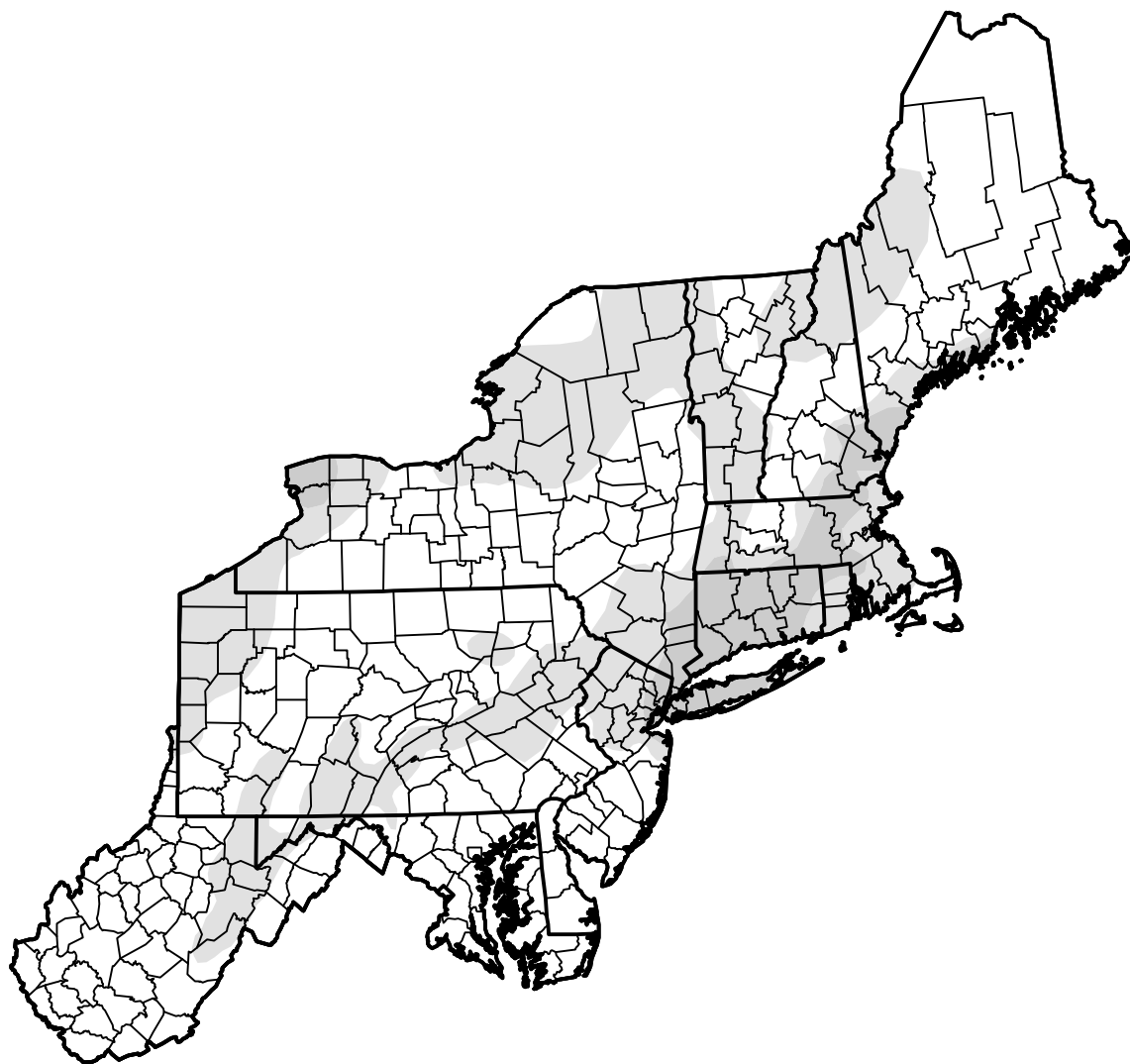


# U.S. Drought Monitor Northeast

**December 29, 2015**  
(Released Thursday, Dec. 31, 2015)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                        | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                         | 62.11 | 37.89 | 6.60  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-22-2015</i>                  | 62.11 | 37.89 | 7.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>               | 42.43 | 57.57 | 9.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i> | 86.72 | 13.28 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of<br/>Water Year</b><br><i>09-29-2015</i>    | 42.43 | 57.57 | 9.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-30-2014</i>               | 86.72 | 13.28 | 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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