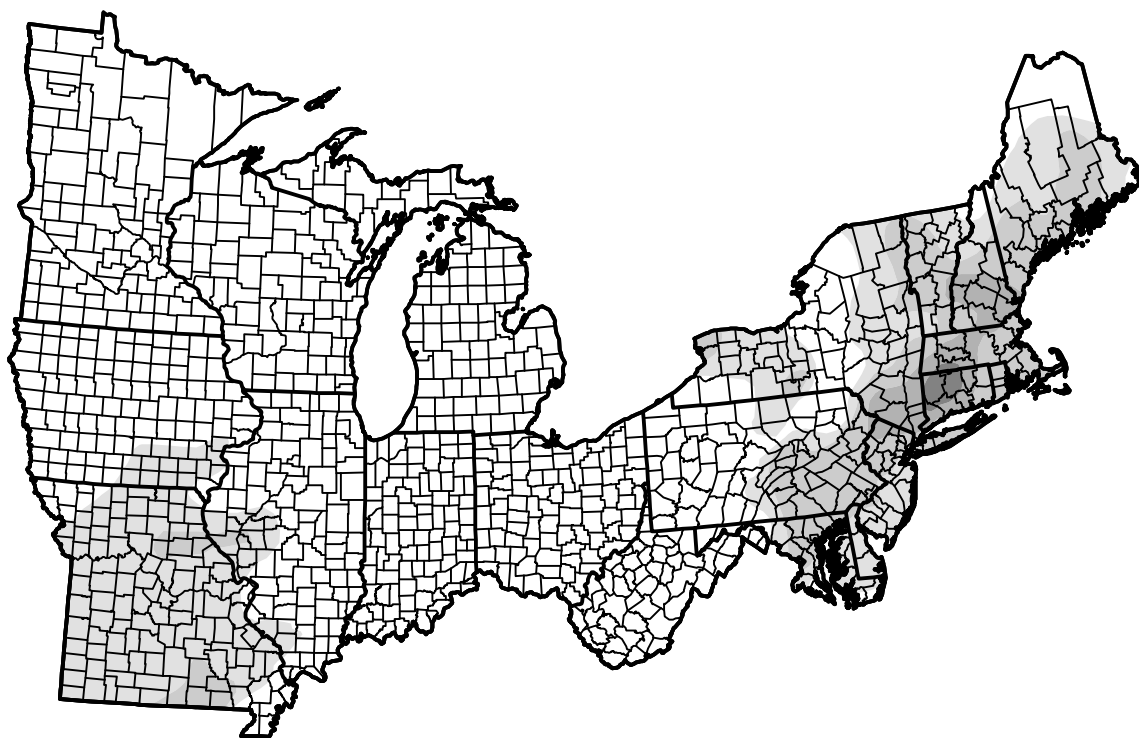


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Forests

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**January 31, 2017**  
*(Released Thursday, Feb. 2, 2017)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST

#### Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 69.81 | 18.47 | 9.30  | 2.08 | 0.34 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-24-2017</i>              | 68.95 | 13.91 | 14.70 | 2.01 | 0.43 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>11-01-2016</i>           | 75.62 | 7.94  | 10.35 | 5.68 | 0.42 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2017</i> | 63.05 | 20.19 | 13.17 | 3.16 | 0.43 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2016</i>    | 69.73 | 17.38 | 6.89  | 3.96 | 2.05 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>02-02-2016</i>           | 89.85 | 9.15  | 1.01  | 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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