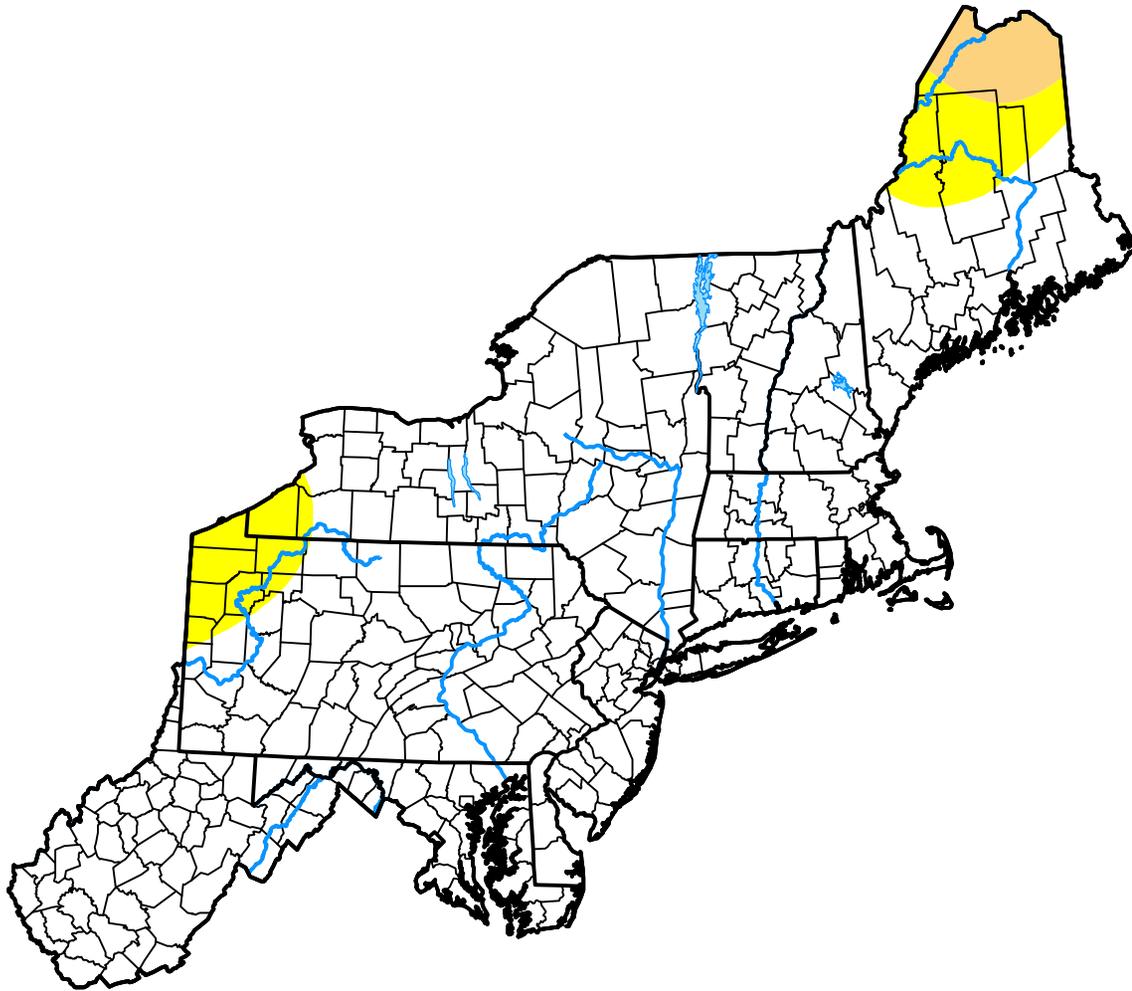


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northeast Climate Hub

**December 24, 2002**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 26, 2002)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|  | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 90.68 | 9.32  | 2.28  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-17-2002</i>              | 89.32 | 10.68 | 2.45  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-24-2002</i>           | 7.38  | 92.62 | 62.08 | 25.14 | 3.52  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-01-2002</i> | 22.27 | 77.73 | 51.44 | 26.77 | 9.36  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>10-01-2002</i>    | 29.79 | 70.21 | 31.93 | 12.04 | 1.64  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-25-2001</i>           | 21.99 | 78.01 | 50.75 | 26.25 | 9.50  | 0.00 |

***Intensity:***



*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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