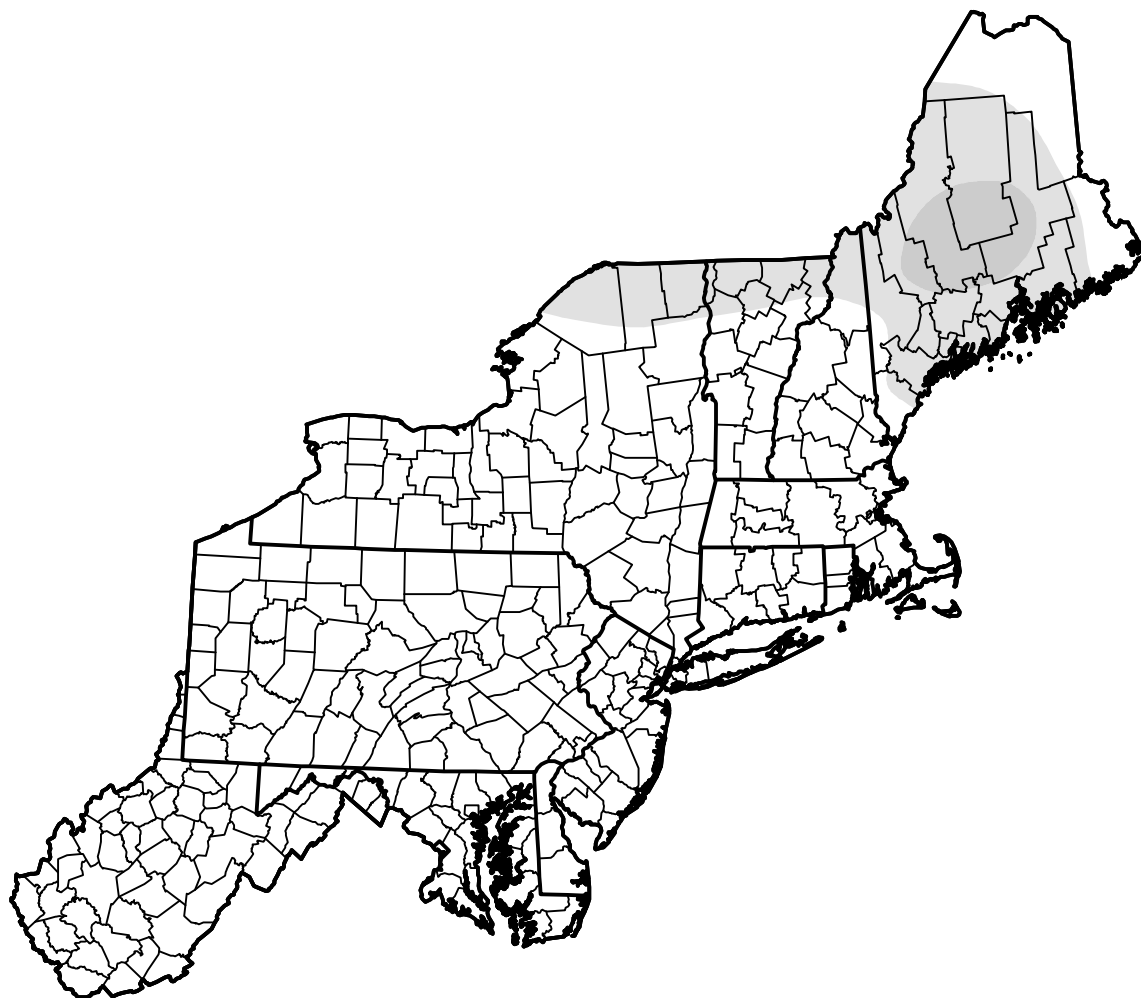


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northeast Climate Hub

**September 23, 2003**  
*(Released Thursday, Sep. 25, 2003)*  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 84.34 | 15.66 | 2.95  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>09-16-2003</i>              | 86.92 | 13.08 | 3.14  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-24-2003</i>           | 88.54 | 11.46 | 4.09  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2002</i> | 91.22 | 8.78  | 2.38  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 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>09-24-2002</i>           | 7.38  | 92.62 | 62.08 | 25.14 | 3.52  | 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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