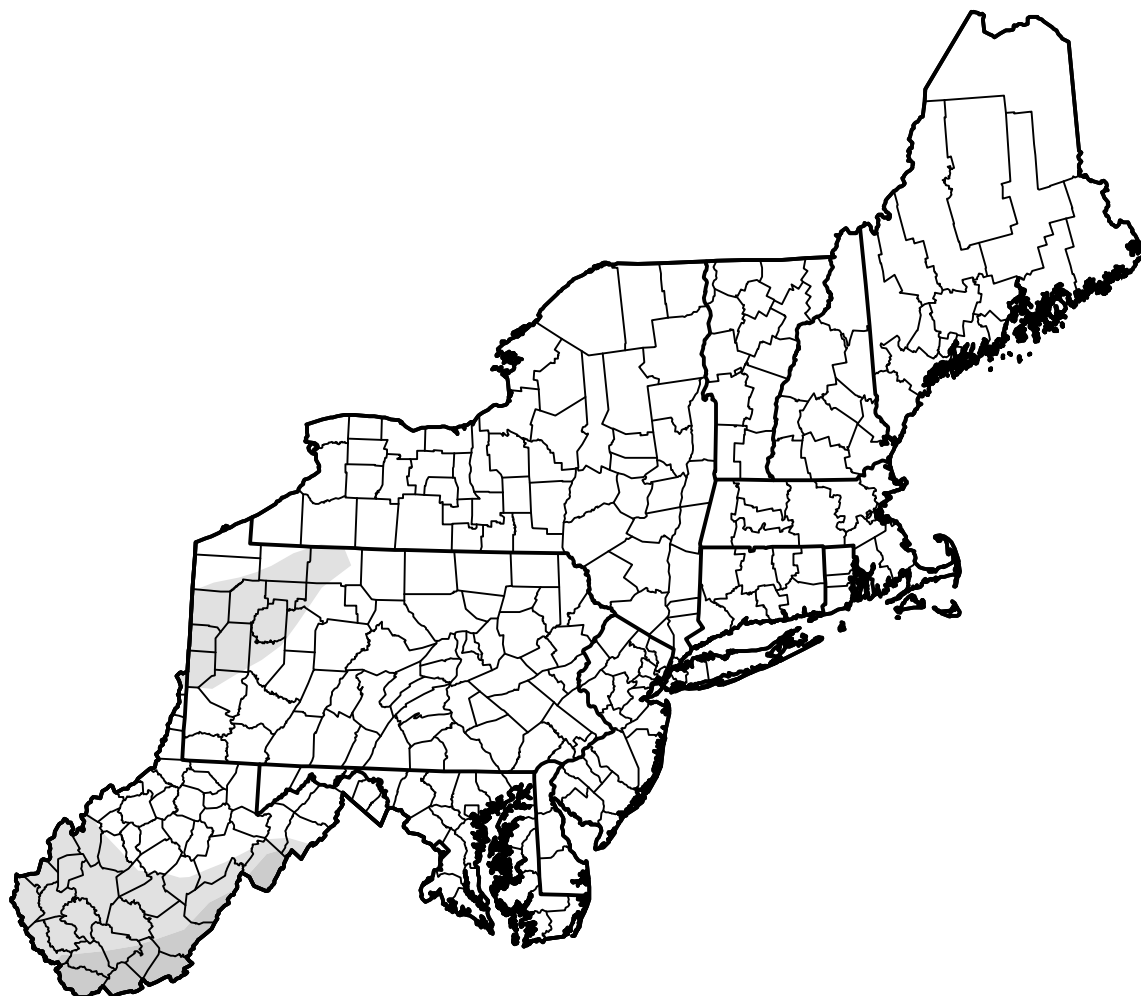


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northeast Climate Hub

**January 20, 2009**  
*(Released Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1   | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 90.36 | 7.80  | 1.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>01-13-2009</i>              | 90.36 | 7.79  | 1.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>10-21-2008</i>           | 74.35 | 20.59 | 3.74 | 1.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-30-2008</i> | 88.72 | 6.59  | 4.69 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2008</i>    | 82.50 | 14.93 | 2.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>01-22-2008</i>           | 93.70 | 2.82  | 2.92 | 0.56 | 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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