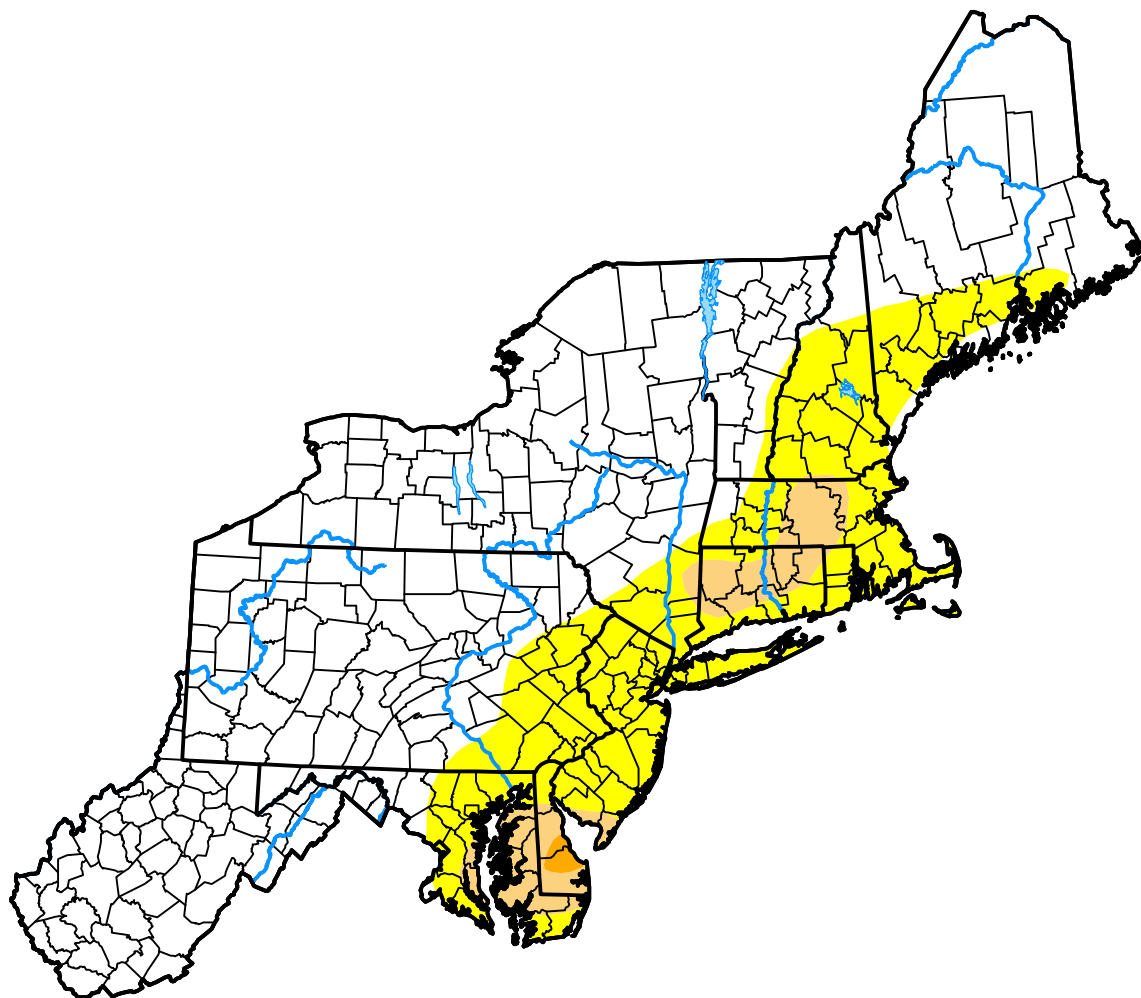


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northeast Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

| | None | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Current | 72.09 | 27.91 | 5.02 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Last Week <i>05-15-2012</i> | 70.07 | 29.93 | 15.14 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 Months Ago <i>02-21-2012</i> | 81.08 | 18.92 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2012</i> | 97.77 | 2.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Start of Water Year <i>09-27-2011</i> | 97.23 | 2.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| One Year Ago <i>05-24-2011</i> | 98.37 | 1.63 | 0.55 | 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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