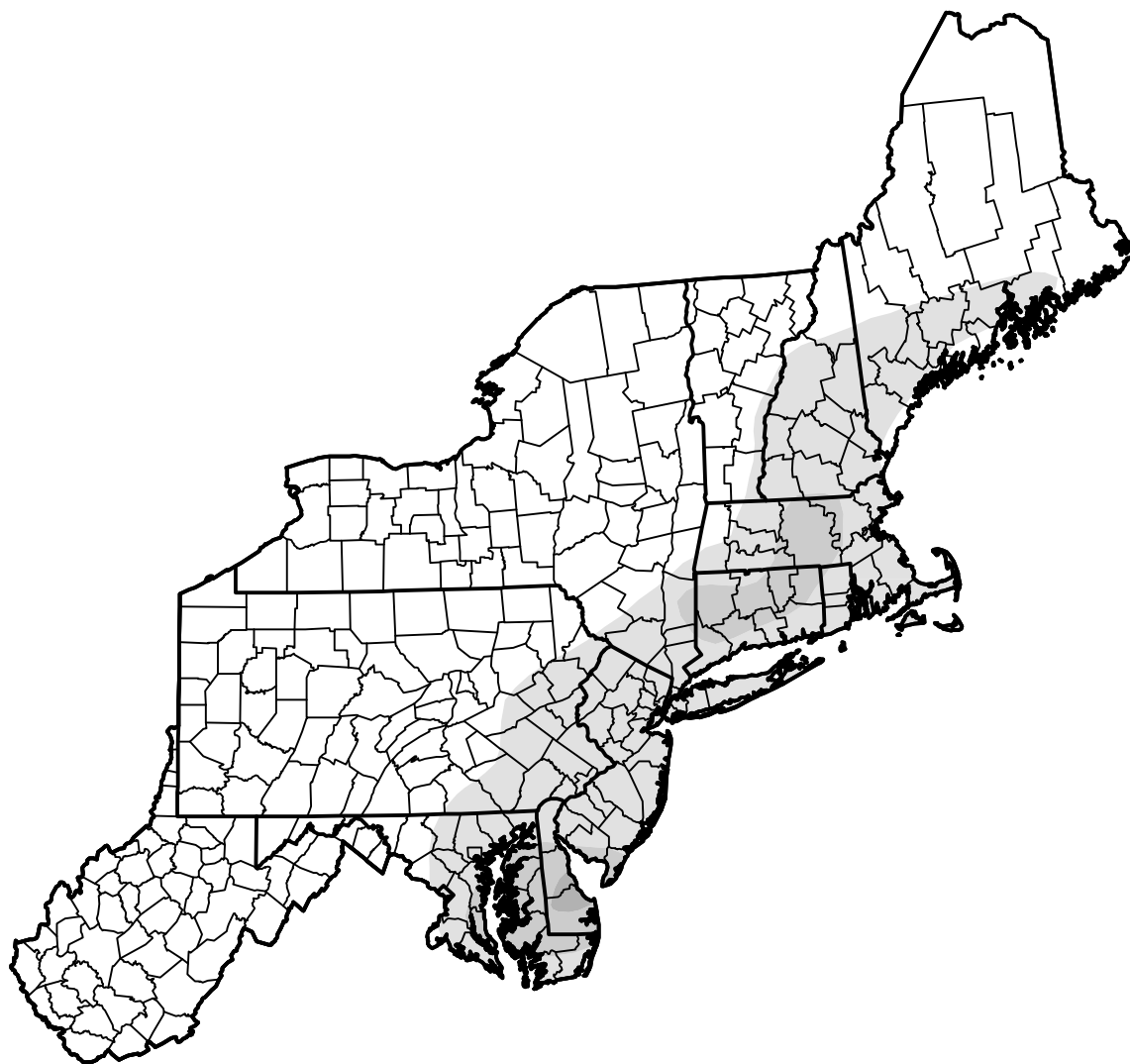


# U.S. Drought Monitor Northeast

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 72.09 | 22.89 | 4.78  | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>05-15-2012</i>              | 70.07 | 14.79 | 14.90 | 0.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>02-21-2012</i>           | 81.08 | 18.47 | 0.45  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2012</i> | 97.77 | 2.23  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2011</i>    | 97.23 | 2.77  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>05-24-2011</i>           | 98.37 | 1.09  | 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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