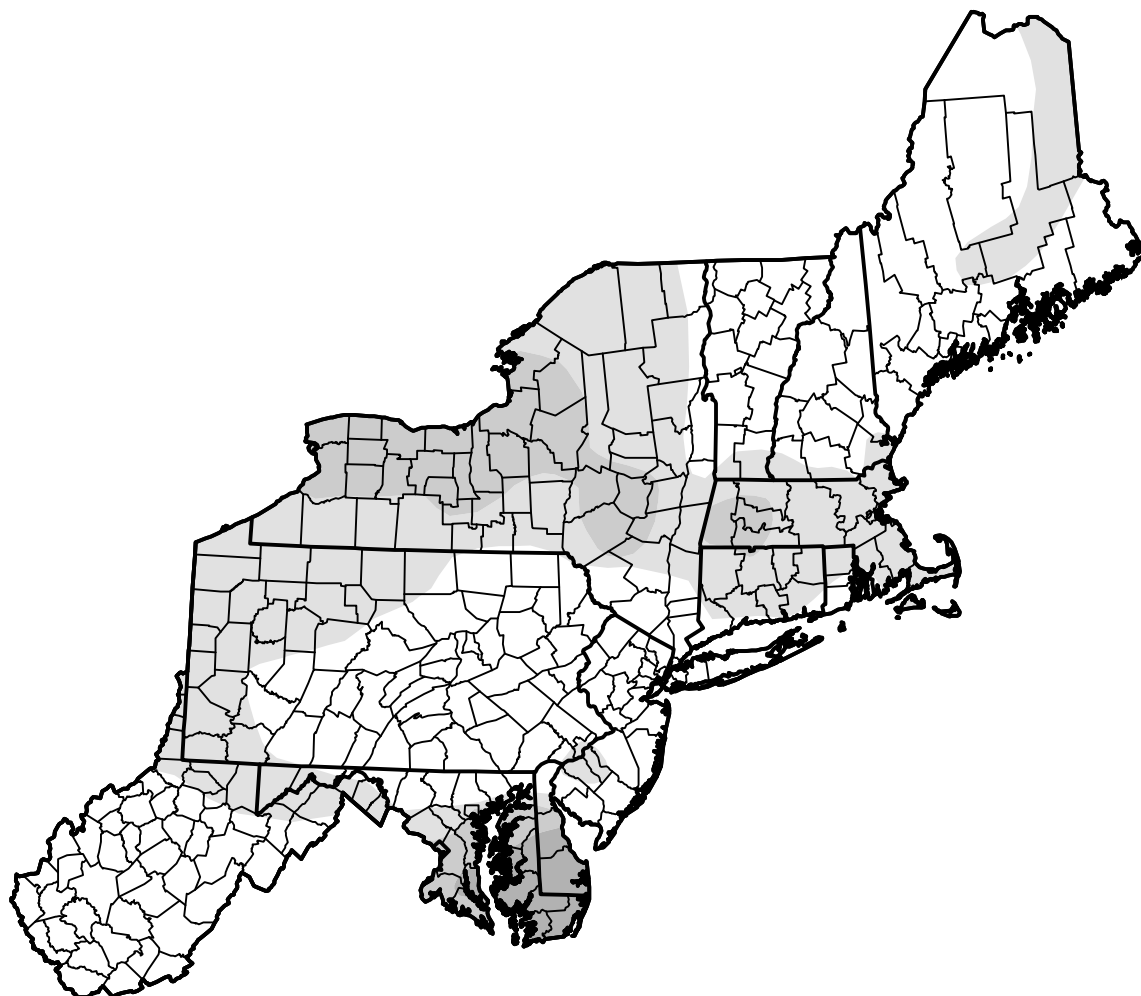


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northeast Climate Hub

**August 21, 2012**  
 (Released Thursday, Aug. 23, 2012)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                             | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                              | 54.75 | 45.25 | 12.06 | 1.94  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br>08-14-2012              | 44.40 | 55.60 | 13.65 | 2.02  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br>05-22-2012           | 72.09 | 27.91 | 5.02  | 0.24  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br>01-03-2012 | 97.77 | 2.23  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br>09-27-2011    | 97.23 | 2.77  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br>08-23-2011           | 70.18 | 29.82 | 4.63  | 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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