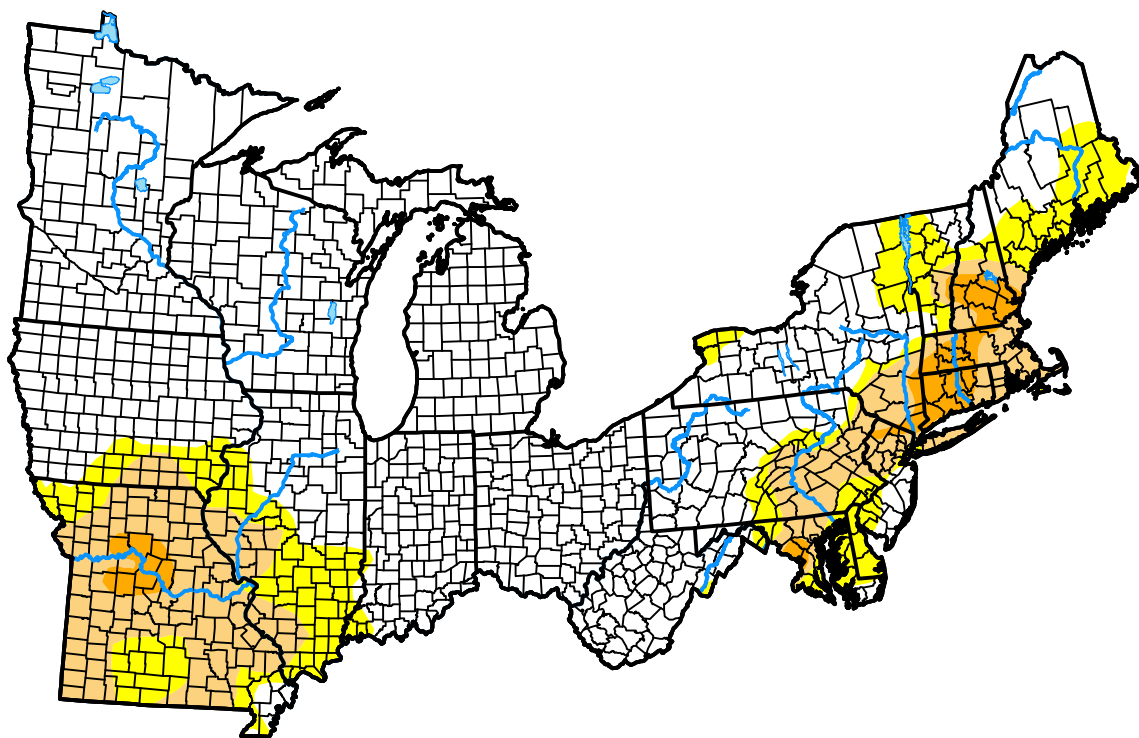


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## USDA Northern Forests

### Climate Hub



**March 14, 2017**

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Valid 8 a.m. EDT

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2   | D3   | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 69.81 | 13.21 | 13.98 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>03-07-2017</i>              | 68.80 | 12.93 | 15.27 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>12-13-2016</i>           | 58.95 | 23.04 | 12.25 | 4.72 | 1.04 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2017</i> | 63.05 | 20.19 | 13.17 | 3.16 | 0.43 | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2016</i>    | 69.73 | 17.38 | 6.89  | 3.96 | 2.05 | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>03-15-2016</i>           | 97.07 | 2.93  | 0.00  | 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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