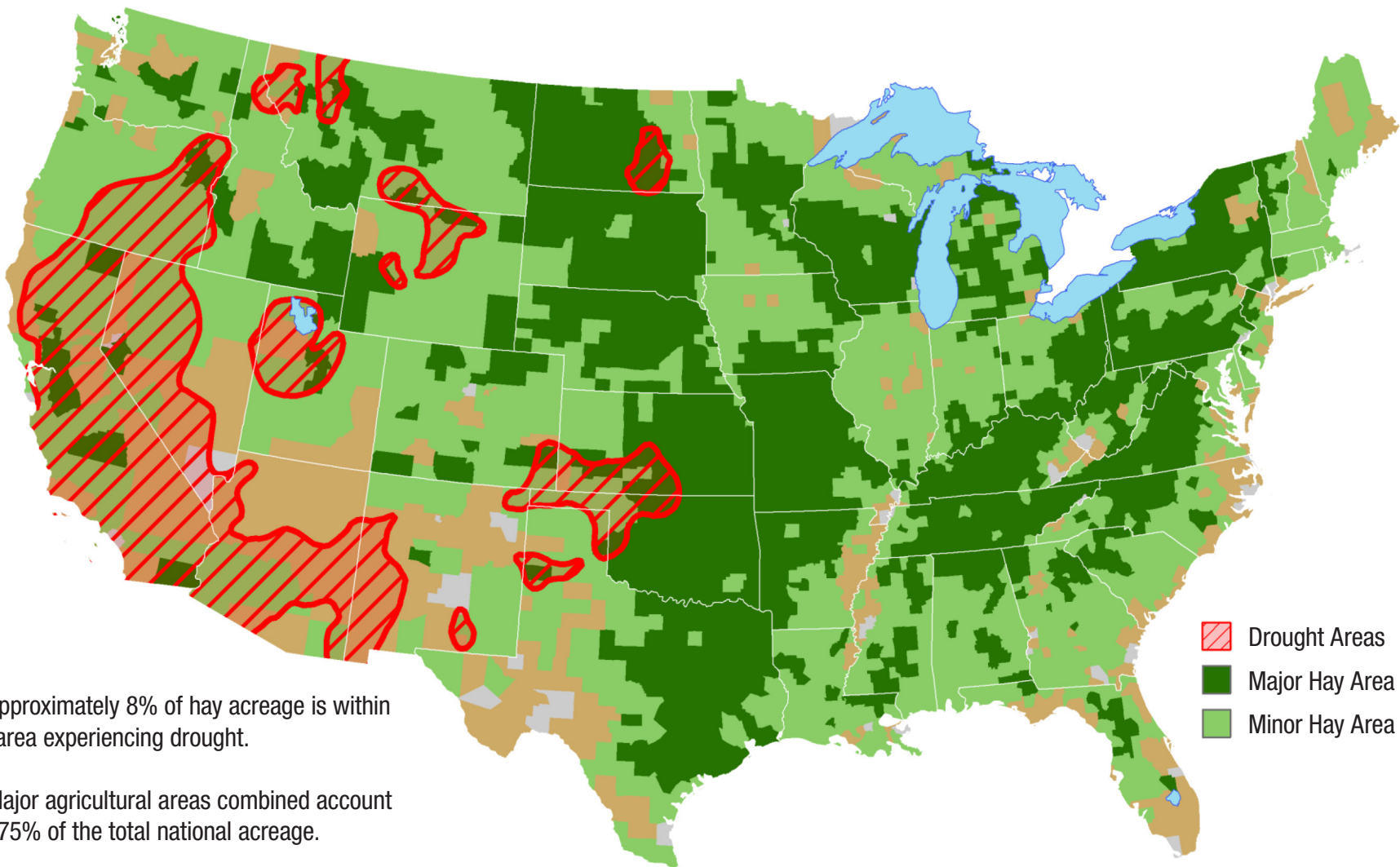


**Figure 1****U.S. Hay Areas Experiencing Drought - Reflects March 29, 2016 U.S. Drought Monitor Data**

- Approximately 8% of hay acreage is within an area experiencing drought.
- Major agricultural areas combined account for 75% of the total national acreage.
- Major and minor agricultural areas combined account for 99% of the total national acreage.

 Drought Areas  
 Major Hay Area  
 Minor Hay Area

This product was prepared by the USDA Office of the Chief Economist World Agricultural Outlook Board. Mapped drought areas are derived from the U.S. Drought Monitor product and do not depict the intensity of drought in any particular location. More information on the Drought Monitor can be found at: <http://droughtmonitor.uni.edu/>