

# U.S. Drought Monitor

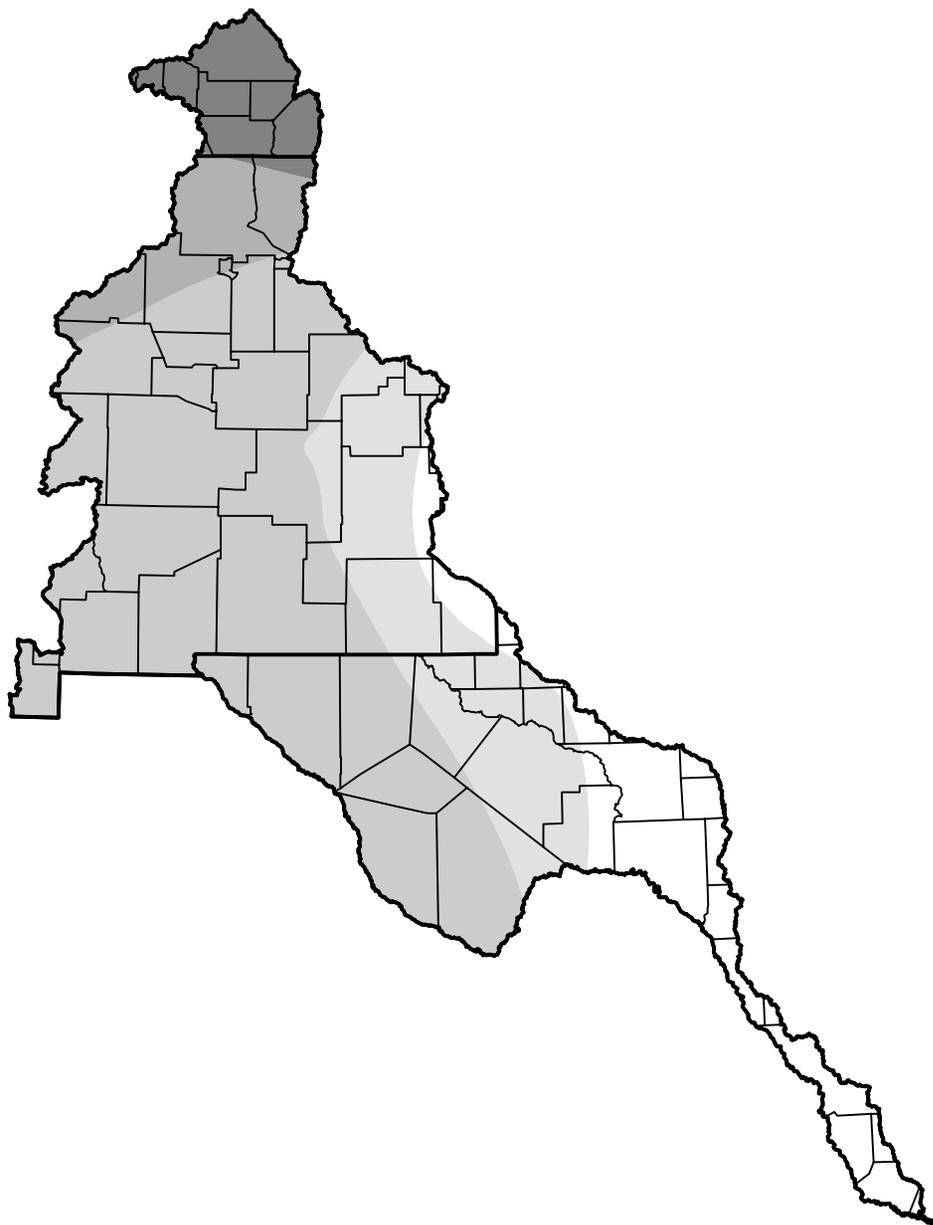
## Rio Grande Watershed

**December 17, 2002**  
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Valid 7 a.m. EST

*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
<b>Current</b>	14.10	19.32	53.65	6.86	6.08	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-12-2002</i>	14.40	19.94	52.77	6.77	6.11	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-19-2002</i>	1.51	6.65	53.18	24.72	3.58	10.35
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-03-2002</i>	0.01	28.50	30.81	17.75	22.92	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-03-2002</i>	1.37	7.82	64.13	19.65	2.22	4.81
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-20-2001</i>	0.25	28.47	30.80	17.88	22.60	0.00



***Intensity:***

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme 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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