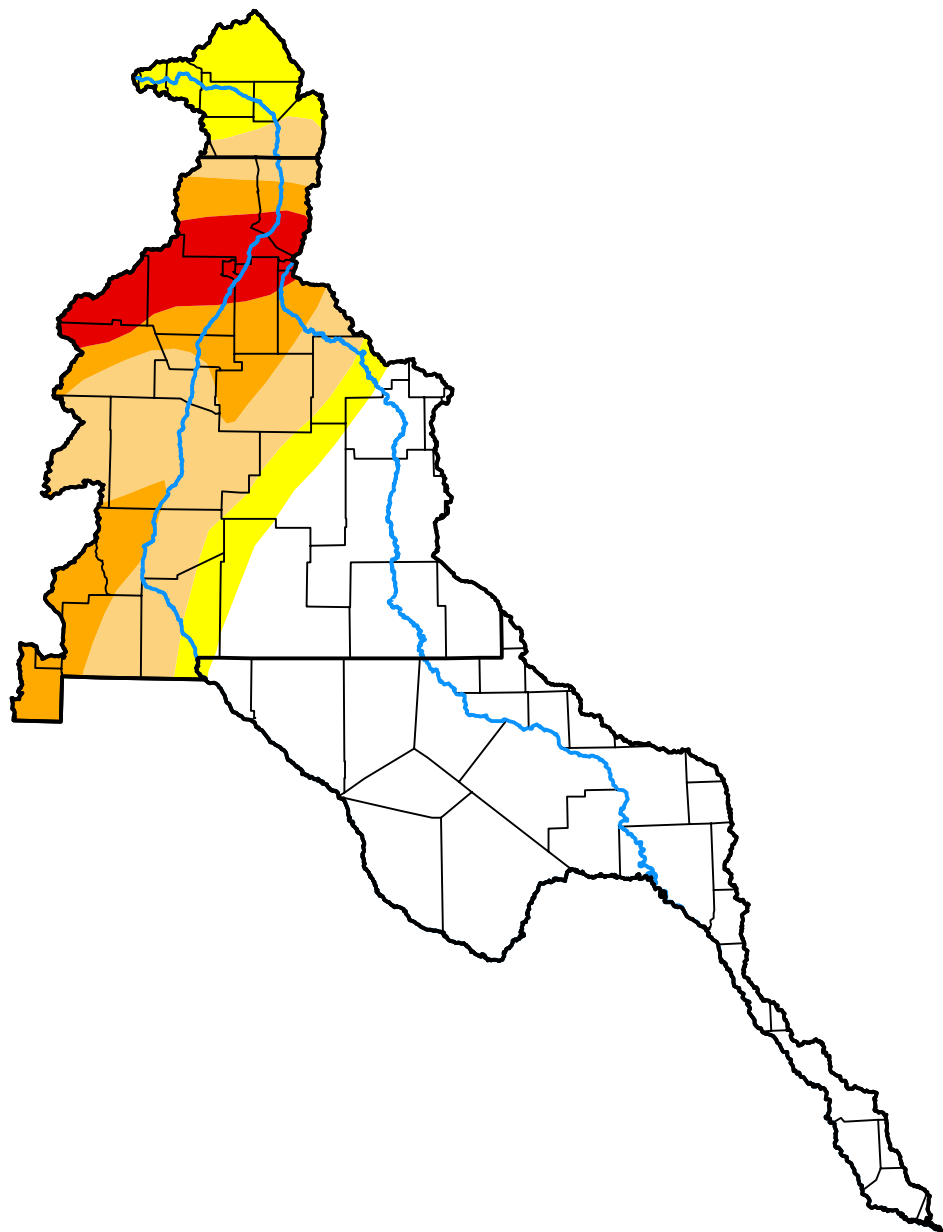


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Rio Grande Watershed

**December 28, 2004**  
*(Released Thursday, Dec. 30, 2004)*  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0    | D1    | D2    | D3    | D4    |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 54.70 | 9.74  | 18.30 | 11.23 | 6.02  | 0.00  |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>12-23-2004</i>              | 54.70 | 9.74  | 18.30 | 11.23 | 6.02  | 0.00  |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>09-30-2004</i>           | 40.50 | 18.49 | 12.10 | 26.02 | 2.89  | 0.00  |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>12-31-2003</i> | 16.66 | 3.29  | 2.62  | 13.16 | 47.72 | 16.54 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-30-2004</i>    | 40.50 | 18.49 | 12.10 | 26.02 | 2.89  | 0.00  |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>12-31-2003</i>           | 16.66 | 3.29  | 2.62  | 13.16 | 47.72 | 16.54 |

**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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