

# U.S. Drought Monitor

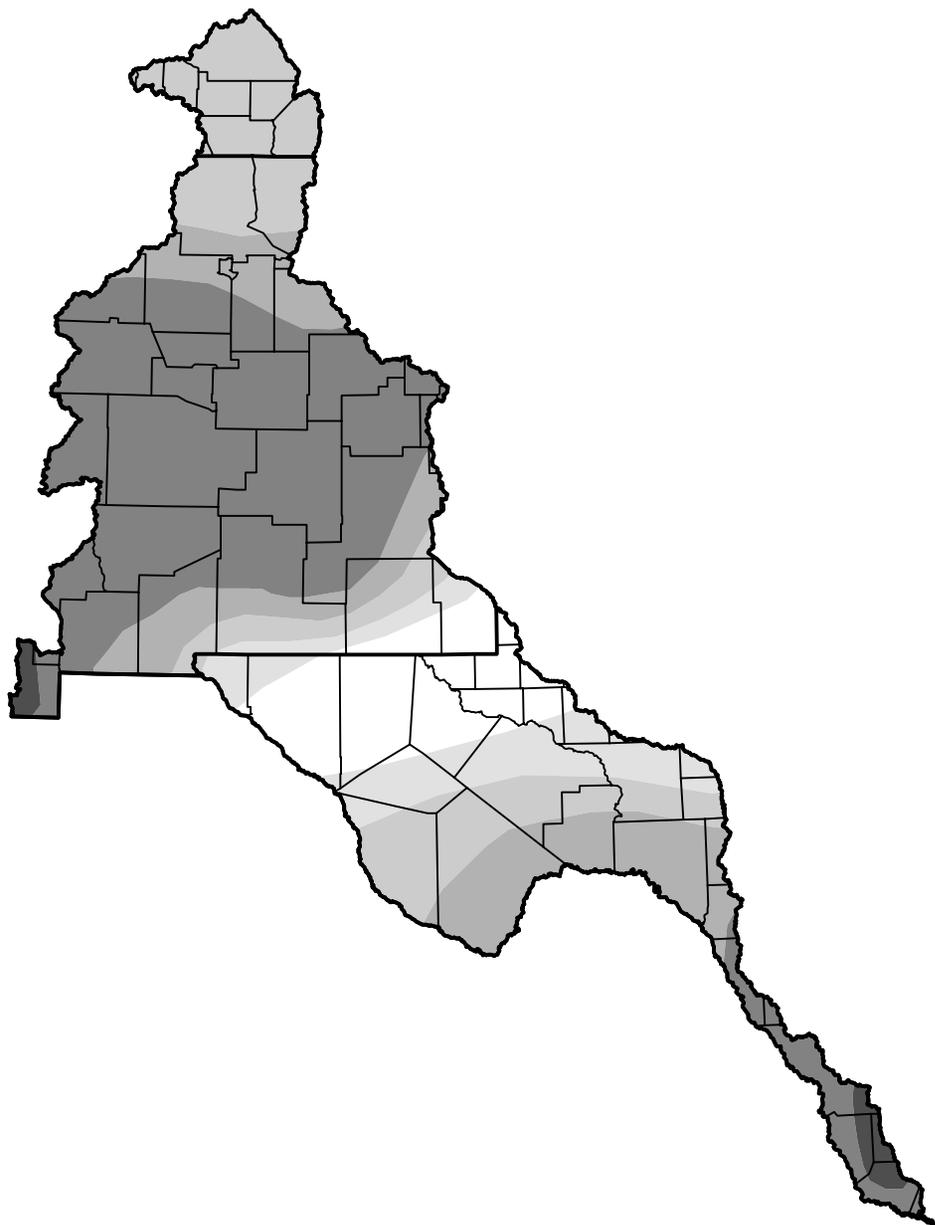
## Rio Grande Watershed

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*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	12.23	87.77	78.39	59.20	41.95	1.56
<b>Last Week</b> <i>05-11-2006</i>	12.23	87.77	79.63	61.24	44.95	4.18
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>02-16-2006</i>	0.00	100.00	99.25	24.52	4.59	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>01-05-2006</i>	23.03	76.97	12.30	3.54	0.39	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>09-29-2005</i>	50.33	49.67	15.28	1.37	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>05-19-2005</i>	64.52	35.48	11.33	0.07	0.00	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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