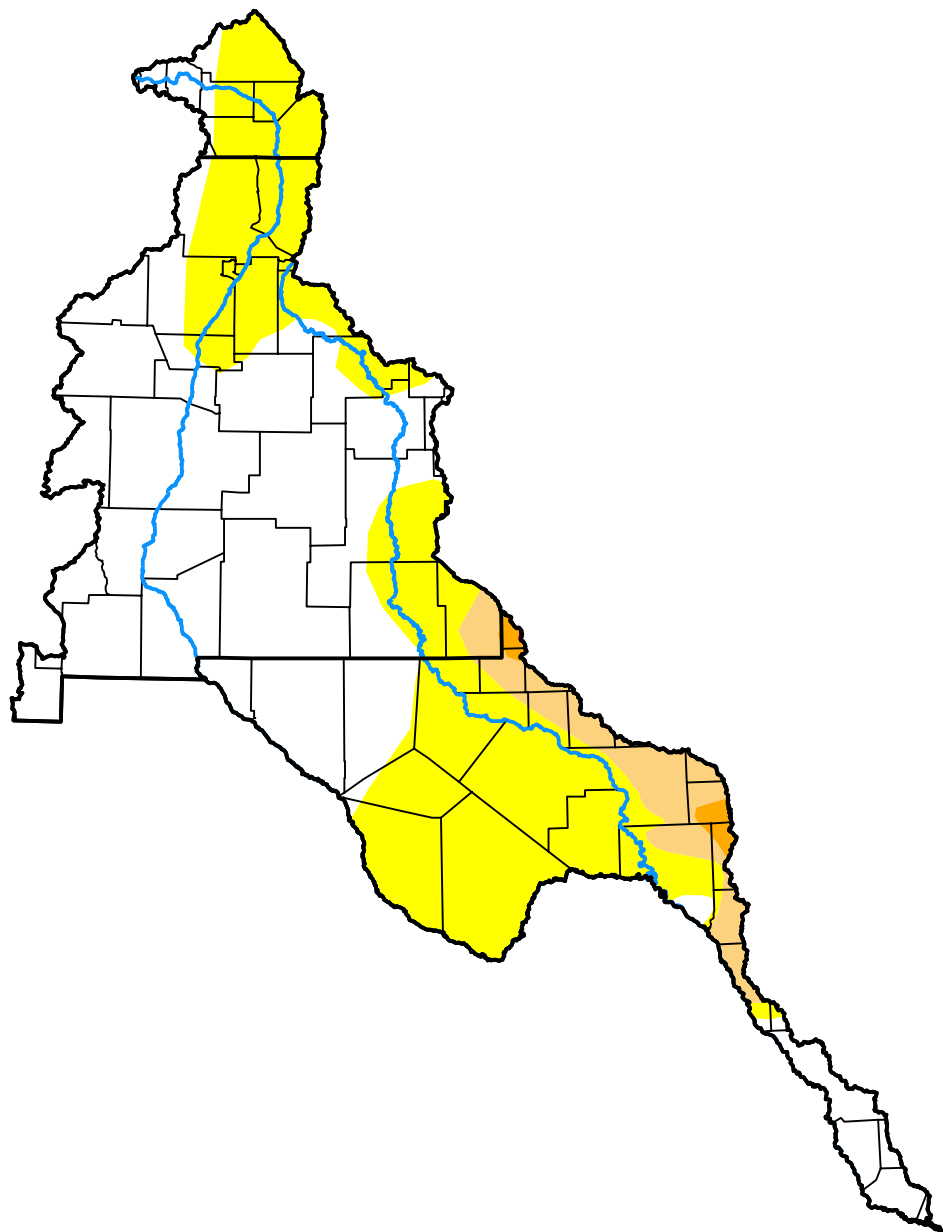


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Rio Grande Watershed

**September 2, 2008**  
 (Released Thursday, Sep. 4, 2008)  
 Valid 8 a.m. EDT



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

|                                                    | None  | D0-D4 | D1-D4 | D2-D4 | D3-D4 | D4   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Current</b>                                     | 54.31 | 45.69 | 6.98  | 0.74  | 0.02  | 0.00 |
| <b>Last Week</b><br><i>08-28-2008</i>              | 53.79 | 46.21 | 9.43  | 2.74  | 0.02  | 0.00 |
| <b>3 Months Ago</b><br><i>06-05-2008</i>           | 20.98 | 79.02 | 64.72 | 37.10 | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Calendar Year</b><br><i>01-03-2008</i> | 64.81 | 35.19 | 3.36  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>Start of Water Year</b><br><i>09-27-2007</i>    | 98.19 | 1.81  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| <b>One Year Ago</b><br><i>09-06-2007</i>           | 95.20 | 4.80  | 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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