

Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Monday, January 19, 2026

Weather Forecast

Today..... Sunny. Mountain highs in the upper 50's, river & desert highs in the lower 70's. Light and variable winds becoming east around 10 mph in the evening.

Tonight..... Increasing clouds. Lows in the upper 30's. Northeast winds 10 - 15 mph.

Tomorrow Mostly cloudy. Cooler. Mountain highs in the mid 40's, river & desert highs around 60. Northeast winds 10 - 15 mph. Mostly cloudy night. Evening lows in the lower 40's.

Extended..... Wednesday - Sunday: Sunny becoming mostly cloudy. SW winds around 10 mph.
Highs: mid 50's to lower 70's Lows: upper 30's to low 40's

Sunset tonight: 6:20 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:47 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Low

Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

Temperatures and Precipitation

| Temperatures – Last 24 hours | | | | | Total Precipitation | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|------|-----|------|---------------------|-------|------|
| | Elevation | High | Low | 8 AM | 24 Hours | Month | Year |
| Panther Junction | 3750' | 60 | 30 | 44 | 0.00 | .32 | .32 |
| Chisos Basin | 5400' | 54 | 33 | 44 | 0.00 | .60 | .60 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850' | 65 | 22 | 26 | 0.00 | .17 | .17 |
| Castolon | 2170' | 62 | 33 | 35 | 0.00 | .39 | .39 |
| Persimmon Gap | 2970' | 69 | 21 | 29 | 0.00 | .40 | .40 |
| Lajitas | 2340' | 63 | 25 | 30 | 0.00 | .62 | .62 |

River Levels

| | Flood Stage | Today | Yesterday |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50 | 4.56 ft / 48 cfs | 4.61 ft / 54 cfs |
| Castolon | 15.50 | 2.66 ft / 104 cfs | 2.62 ft / 93 cfs |
| Johnson Ranch | 15.50 | 4.08 ft / 92 cfs | 4.03 ft / 86 cfs |
| Rio Grande Village | 13.00 | 3.12 ft / 100 cfs | 3.18 ft / 114 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing | 59.00 | 5.07 ft / 465 cfs | 5.17 ft / 499 cfs |

Current Park Conditions:

* There is a BURN BAN in effect in the Chisos Basin. No wood or charcoal fires allowed at this time.

* The Port of Entry (POE) at Boquillas will remain operational from Friday-Monday 9:00a-4:00p until further notice.

* High clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicles are required for all dirt roads. Expect rough and/or muddy conditions on all gravel and/or dirt roads. Hot Springs and Black Gap are closed. All others are open & require high clearance 4-wheel drive. Your safety is your responsibility. Visit the website for more safety information.

* Heat safety tips: Avoid strenuous activity between 12 PM & 4 PM. Protect yourself from the sun; wear lightweight, light-colored protective clothing, a hat and sunscreen. Drink plenty of water and supplement with electrolytes. Carry a minimum of 2 liters for short hikes, and 1 gallon or more for full-day hikes. Eat salty snacks and take frequent breaks in the shade to cool down. Your safety is your responsibility.

**** Your safety is your responsibility. Visitors must have the ability to sustain, support, and/or recover themselves.****

All information posted as of 9:00 am this morning; subject to change without notice.