

# Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Sunday, October 04, 2026

## Weather Forecast

Today..... Cloudy. Mountain highs in the mid 50's, river & desert highs in the upper 70's.  
Northeast winds 10 - 15 mph. 20% chance of rain.

Tonight..... Mostly cloudy. Lows 59 - 64. Northeast winds 10 mph. 20% chance of rain.

Tomorrow ..... Mostly cloudy. Mountain highs in the upper 50's, river & desert highs in the lower 80's.  
Northeast winds 10 - 15 mph. Evening lows 60 - 65.

Extended..... Tuesday - Saturday: Partly to mostly cloudy. Chance of rain all week.  
Highs: lower 60's to low 90's                      Lows: upper 50's to upper 60's

Sunset tonight: 7:34 p.m. .... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:48 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'                        | 67   | 61  | 64   | 0.52                | 0.81  | 13.48 |
| Chisos Basin       | 5400'                        | 79   | 55  | 61   | 0.24                | 0.57  | 15.21 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850'                        | 74   | 68  | 73   | 0.00                | 0.10  | 6.79  |
| Castolon           | 2170'                        | 79   | 66  | 71   | 0.00                | 0.00  | 6.82  |
| Persimmon Gap      | 2970'                        | 74   | 65  | 67   | 0.00                | 0.06  | 12.44 |
| Lajitas            | 2340'                        | 71   | 61  | 67   | 0.00                | 0.24  | 7.79  |

## River Levels

|                               | Flood Stage | Today              | Yesterday          |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50       | 4.06 ft / 0 cfs    | 4.23 ft / 0 cfs    |
| Castolon                      | 15.50       | 2.61 ft / 43 cfs   | 2.80 ft / 82 cfs   |
| Johnson Ranch                 | 15.50       | 4.88 ft / 50 cfs   | 4.92 ft / 54 cfs   |
| Rio Grande Village            | 13.00       | 5.19 ft / 1750 cfs | 7.26 ft / 3560 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing               | 59.00       | 5.42 ft / 592 cfs  | 5.56 ft / 652 cfs  |

## Current Park Conditions:

\*\*\* Heat safety tips: Avoid strenuous activity between 12 PM and 8 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. (Heat Index 90-115, add 15 degrees for the sun; 105-130)

\*\*\* Hot Springs, Black Gap Road, Old Ore, Glenn Springs south of Rice Tank, River Road, Old Mav and RT 16 (Santa Elena) are closed. Obey all posted signs on all other roads, do not drive around closed gates or road cones—they are there for your safety. Do not attempt to cross or go around flooded or muddy roadways., You are fully responsible for the recovery of your own vehicle. Expect rough and/or muddy conditions on all gravel and/or dirt roads. Vehicles that get stuck will need to arrange their own rescue. High clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicles are required on Maverick Road, Old Ore Road, River Road, and Terlingua Ranch Road, and recommended on all other primitive roads. Please watch for debris in roadways.

\*\*\*\* 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.