

Past Sample results

January 29 – Feb 8

Sample Date	<i>E. coli</i> (MPN/100 ml)					
	Old Anglers Inn (upstream of collapse)	Near Drainage Channel @ Overflow (Swainson Island)	Fletcher's Boathouse	Georgetown @ Wisconsin Ave	Anacostia @ S. Cap St	National Harbor
1/29/2026	11	570,000	14,300	18,600	2	<1
1/30/2026	4	60,000	3,000	2,700	11	3
1/31/2026	3	30,000	1,200	5,100	6	2
2/1/2026	27	80,000	488	300	21	4
2/2/2026	6	242,000	397	173	6	31
2/3/2026	4	460,000	68	53	30	15
2/4/2026	5	210,000	49	48	45	178
2/5/2026	1	77,000	38	84	16	33
2/6/2026	22	242,000	108	238	24	10
2/7/2026	15	86,600	79	114	24	16
2/8/2026	15	130,000	260	43	47	27

Note: MPN = most probable number

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February 9 – 15

<i>E. coli</i> (MPN/100 ml)						
Sample Date	Old Anglers Inn (upstream of collapse)	Near Drainage Channel @ Overflow (Swainson Island)	Fletcher's Boathouse	Georgetown @ Wisconsin Ave	Anacostia @ S. Cap St	National Harbor
2/9/2026	16	730,000	20	20	5	<1
2/10/2026	7	600,000	17	20	2	2
2/11/2026	8	155,000	3	19	<1	6
2/12/2026	5	105,000	7	75	8	14
2/13/2026	7	155,000	33	548	23	8
2/14/2026	3	141,000	<100	153	17	2
2/15/2026	2	199,000	58	84	18	3

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February 16 – February 22

*New sampling locations added at Minnie's Island.

<i>E. coli</i> (MPN/100 ml)								
Sample Date	Old Anglers Inn (upstream of collapse)	Near Drainage Channel @ Overflow (Swainson Island)	Between Minnie's Island and north shore of Potomac River	South Side of Minnie's Island	Fletcher's Boathouse	Georgetown @ Wisconsin Ave	Anacostia @ S. Cap St	National Harbor
2/16/2026	76	173,000	N/S	N/S	111	238	1,550	138
2/17/2026	59	16,700	N/S	N/S	3	387	23	88

2/18/2026	43	5,000	3,300	1,600	105	162	40	121
2/19/2026	49	15,200	17,800	14,800	387	435	128	62
2/20/2026	53	7,600	1,550	770	365	4,400	172	326
2/21/2026	135	1,700	727	1200	107	190	205	345
2/22/2026	285	1,000	261	238	365	517	1050	238

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