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Appendix G-1. Summary of State Bioassessment Programs (includes 50 States, the Ohio River Valley Sanitation Commission, and District of Columbia)

	Number of States with Program in Place	Number of States with Program Under Development	Number of States Without Program
State Capability			
Use of Bioassessments			
Water Resource Management (Nonregulatory)	41	8	3
Interpret Aquatic Life Use Attainment	31	8	13
Narrative Water Quality Standard	29	11	12
Numeric Water Quality Standard	2	15	35
Organism Group Used			
Fish	29	5	18
Benthic Macroinvertebrates	44	5	3
Algae (Periphyton, Diatoms)	4	3	45
Reference Conditions			
Ecoregional	15	26	11
Site-specific	31	0	21
Statewide, or Basin-specific	6	0	46
Using Multiple Metrics for Data Analysis			
Biology	42	6	4
Habitat	33	6	13

Source: U.S. EPA Office of Policy, Planning, and Evaluation.