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14th and 15th CSO Permittees
to Exit the CSO Program



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Attached is a copy of the Maine Combined Sewer Overflow 2024 Status Report. This report is being distributed to CSO Permittee contacts, municipal officials, consulting engineers, and other interested people. The report documents the efforts and progress that have been made by each CSO Permittee to eliminate or abate combined sewer overflows within their system.

Although 2024 was not as wet as 2023, large rain events did occur again between the months of January and March and in December, when the ground is frozen and any rainfall runs overland into catch basins and the combined sewer. The frozen ground acts like a force multiplier for CSO discharge, with the same size storm producing much higher CSO discharge if the storm occurs when the ground is frozen.

For example, 78.8% of Portland’s CSO discharge for 2024, or 228.8 MG, came because of two large rain events in January, five rain events in March and three rain events in December, all when the ground was frozen.

A similar pattern played out in Lewiston (90.3%), LACWA (77.3%), Biddeford (99.0%), South Portland (99.9%) and Saco (96.1%), where winter rainfall combined with snowmelt and frozen ground conditions generated the vast majority of annual discharge. So, it’s not only how large the rain event is, but when it occurs that determines overall discharge.

There were also exciting developments in 2024, as both **Paris Utility District (PUD)**, which serves South Paris and Paris, and the **Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District (KSTD)**, which serves Fairfield, Waterville, Benton, Winslow, Oakland, and Vassalboro, achieved the necessary level of control to safely exit the CSO program. They are the first two CSO permittees to complete their CSO abatement plan and exit the program in over ten years, since Sanford left in 2014. Congratulations to the staff of both Districts for many years of dedication in removing excess water from their collection systems.

For a more detailed discussion on the factors which determine whether a CSO permittee is ready to exit the CSO program, please see the new section titled *Pathway to Exit from the CSO Program* contained in the Introduction to this year’s report.

The Department’s CSO website has a downloadable version of the current report as well as copies of each report from the last three years. The website also contains links to other State and Federal documents that may be of interest. The report and other CSO materials may be found at: <http://www.maine.gov/dep/water/cso/index.html>.

The report is meant to be a snapshot of the CSO program status in Maine. We welcome any comments that you might have to improve the report. Thanks to all of you who have

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Introduction

The purpose of this annual report is to inform the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Permittees and the general public on the status of CSO abatement efforts in the State of Maine. The drive to reduce CSO discharge began in the early 1990s with the development of CSO Master Plans by 47 Maine CSO Permittees, with DEP approvals of the Master Plans starting in 1993. As such, the overall CSO abatement effort has been waged for 33 years in Maine. Over those three decades, fifteen CSO Permittees have completed their CSO abatement plan, conducted post construction monitoring, closed their CSO locations, and exited the CSO program. At this point, the remaining 32 CSO Permittees have completed the less difficult CSO abatement projects, with the majority of the remaining projects being of a more complex and more expensive nature.

The CSO program compiles information from various documents and reports submitted to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (Department) by the CSO Permittees (City/Town/District/Authority) or their consultants on their behalf. The majority of information comes from the CSO Master Plans (a.k.a. Long-Term Control Plans), Sewer System Evaluation Studies, Inflow/Infiltration Reports, Annual CSO Progress Reports, Annual CSO Activity and Volume Reports, and general correspondence.

At the start of each CSO Permittee's abatement program, initial flow data was collected to estimate the discharge volumes and frequencies, define the scale of the problem, and establish a corrective course of action. Since then, CSO flow monitoring plans have continued to improve, Permittees have a better understanding of their collection system's response to wet weather, and overall data reliability has increased.

The CSO program works because it provides an exchange of value between the permittee and the regulatory agency. The permittee receives legal protection for what would otherwise be prohibited discharges, and in return agrees to keep working on implementing their CSO abatement Master Plan with the goal of eliminating CSO activity.

What is a CSS and What are CSOs?

- Combined Sewer Systems (CSS) are defined as collection systems which carry a combination of sanitary wastewater and storm water within the same pipes. They are typically older collection systems designed and installed prior to the advent of wastewater treatment facilities. Newer collection systems are no longer being designed in this manner and no new CSO locations are being licensed.
- Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO) are discharges of untreated wastewater from municipal CSSs. CSOs can be considered hydraulic relief points in a CSS which discharge to a receiving water during wet weather to protect property and prevent sewer backups into people's basements. CSOs typically consist of two components; a CSO Regulator where the untreated wastewater exits the sewer system, and a CSO outfall where the wastewater is discharged to the receiving water. Maine Pollution Discharge Elimination System (MePDES) permits issued by the State license the CSO outfalls, not the CSO regulators. Although uncommon, there can be more than one regulator discharging to a given CSO outfall.

- Difference between a CSO Outfall and a CSO Regulator:
 - CSO Outfall – a licensed pipe or structure that discharges untreated combined wastewater from an overwhelmed collection system to the receiving water during wet weather events in compliance with requirements of the MePDES permit and waste discharge license.
 - CSO Regulator – this is where combined wastewater exits the sewer collection system, prior to reaching the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). Think of it as leakage on the way to the WWTF. This happens when flows are high enough to exceed a regulator weir elevation thereby diverting that portion of the flow to a CSO outfall. CSO regulators are not permitted structures, CSO outfalls are. There can be more than one CSO regulator per CSO outfall. For example, Portland/PWD currently have 26 CSO regulators for 23 CSO outfalls.
- Large volumes of water entering the CSS through catch basins, old and leaky pipes, roof drains, cellar drains, sump pumps, and other sources can cause the capacity of the system to be exceeded, resulting in discharges. Most Permittees distinguish between inflow and infiltration (I&I) from public sources (catch basins and pipe located within the public right of way) and private sources (roof drains, perimeter drains, sump pumps, and service pipes located on private property). Abatement of private sources of I&I are generally tackled last due to the expensive, difficult, and time consuming nature of the work.
- CSO discharges occur mostly during and after rain events and/or snowmelt. Depending on the amount of inflow (catch basins, sump pumps, roof drains) and infiltration (high groundwater leaking into sewer via cracks, loose joints) entering a CSS, flows during wet weather events can be as high as fifty (50) times the normal dry weather flows. This ratio of wet weather flow to dry weather flow is referred to as the **peaking factor**. For CSO Permittees in Maine, wet weather peaking factors range from about three, for Permittees that have implemented an effective sewer separation program, to over ten, for Permittees whose separation efforts have been less effective. Peaking factors are an indication of the sensitivity of a CSS to precipitation and also a good indicator of how combined the CSS still is.
- CSOs were originally added as hydraulic relief points within the CSS to allow the excess flows to be discharged in a controlled manner. These relief points are generally at topographic low points, near pump stations and river crossings.
- A CSO discharge is considered a legally allowable discharge under the MePDES permit program subject to the following two conditions:
 - The CSO Permittee must be pursuing a DEP approved CSO abatement plan.
 - The abatement plan must be on schedule.

If either condition is not met, the legal protection for CSO discharge goes away. Subsequent discharges are treated as illicit sanitary sewer overflows until the two conditions are once again met.

- Sewer separation projects are designed to separate out the stormwater collection system from the wastewater collection system so that the sewers only carry wastewater and all stormwater is handled separately. If enough separation work is completed, CSO locations are no longer needed and can be permanently closed.
- For CSO permittees who have reached the end of the construction phase for CSO abatement and are entering the 5-year post construction monitoring phase (PCMP), the DEP will often engage in discussions on converting the last active CSO, which is typically located closest to the WWTF, to an Emergency Overflow (EO) to prevent flooding at the treatment plant and to protect nearby residences if a 25+ year storm rolls through. The EO has to be electronically monitored on a continuous basis with any discharge being treated as an illicit discharge and reported as a sanitary sewer overflow (SSO), subject to enforcement and fines. In this manner, the sewer collection system will still have one hydraulic circuit breaker to prevent flooding when the storms are of a 25-year return frequency and above.
- For those not familiar with Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO), they are defined as illegal discharges subject to DEP fines and enforcement. SSOs can occur for a variety of reasons, including pipe blockages, maintenance issues, mechanical failures, and wet weather, and can occur at any point in the collection system.

What are the Impacts of CSOs?

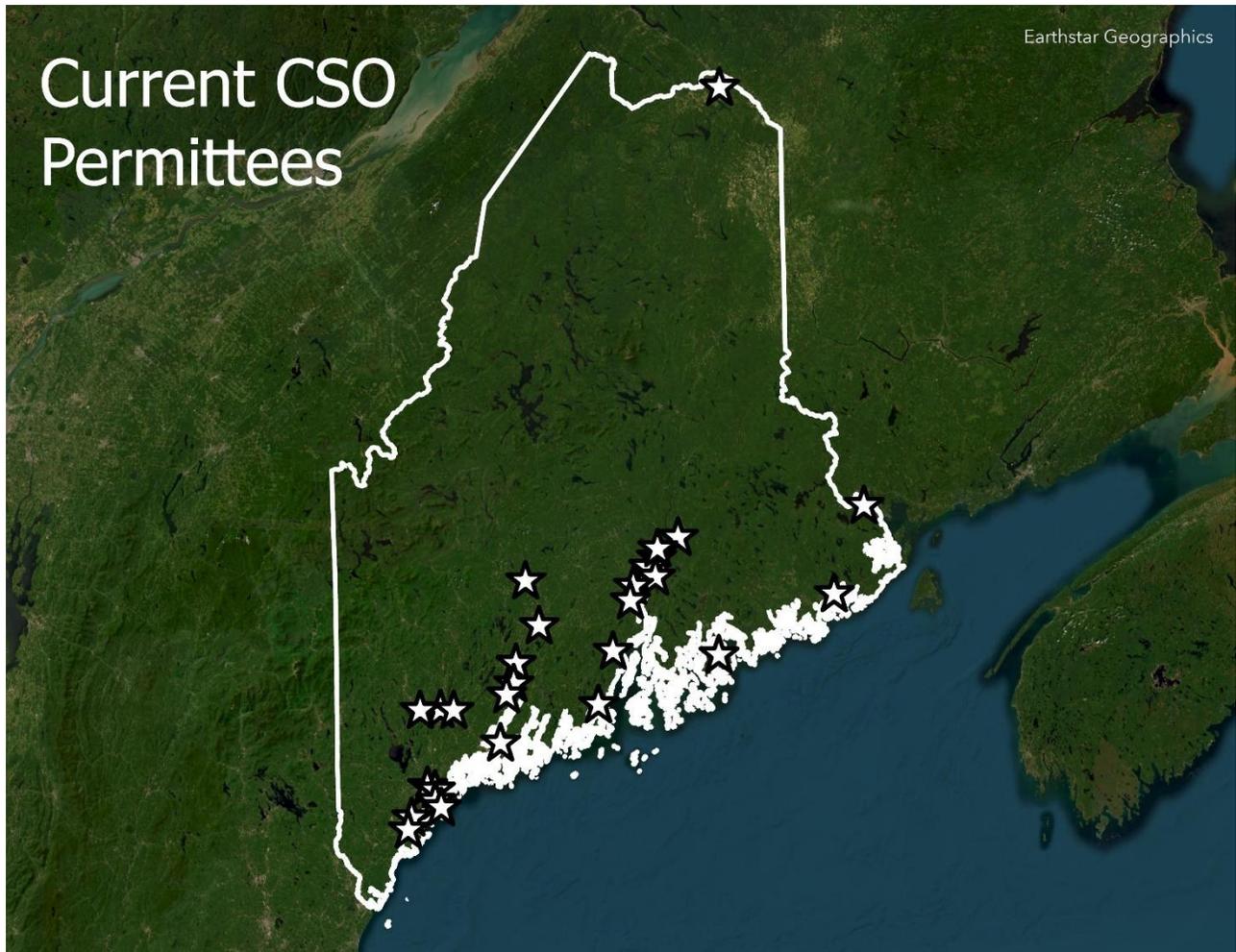
- At the end of 2024, there were 32 Maine CSO Permittees (Towns, Cities, Utility Districts, Authorities) located in 29 Maine communities with CSO discharge points in their sewer collection systems. At the end of 2024, these Permittees collectively had 108 individual CSO discharge points (reduced from the original 340). Statewide, three CSO locations were permanently closed in 2024 with KSTD closing CSO003 and CSO005 and converting them to Emergency Overflows as part of their exit from the CSO program and GAUD closing CSO008. Totals for the State at the end of 2024 include 108 active CSO outfalls and 114 active CSO regulators.
- The frequency of discharges varies greatly amongst Permittees, ranging from seldom, all the way to discharging in response to the smallest rainstorms. Dry weather CSO discharges are prohibited, as are CSO discharges due to mechanical failure, or inadequate operation and maintenance. In addition, no discharges should occur at flow rates below the design capacity of the collection system.
- In large communities, tens of millions of gallons per year of untreated combined sanitary sewage and storm water may be discharged. In the past five years statewide, total annual CSO discharges have ranged from approximately 305 to 745 million gallons. For comparison, the estimated volume from 1989, when most CSO abatement programs were just starting, was 6.2 billion gallons.
- CSOs discharge untreated combined sewage into ten major watersheds in Maine. The watersheds include seven (7) rivers and their tributaries (Androscoggin, Kennebec, Machias, Penobscot, St. Croix, St. John, and Saco) and three (3) bays (Casco Bay, Frenchman Bay, and Penobscot Bay). The receiving waters vary in size from the Atlantic Ocean all the way down to a handful of small streams. The latter are the focus of DEP's effort to eliminate CSO discharge to sensitive receiving waters. Sensitive

receiving waters tend to be smaller streams, brooks, or tidal estuaries with low dilution factors.

- CSOs have wide variability of impacts depending on discharge volume, frequency, and the size and sensitivity of the receiving water. Water quality can be impaired by the addition of floatable solids, bacteria, and sometimes industrial pollutants that may be present in CSO discharges.
- Potential public health impacts from CSO discharges include the closure of beaches and shell fishing areas due to bacterial contamination, and the potential for drinking water supplies to be threatened/contaminated.
- Why is CSO abatement important? During wet weather, flows in a CSS can hydraulically overload the capacity of the collection system leading to CSOs, SSOs, street flooding, back-ups into basements, and treatment facility upsets.

What is a CSO Permittee?

- CSO Permittee – a Town, City, Sewer District, or regional Wastewater Treatment Authority that has active CSO locations in their collection system which must be licensed.
- CSO Permittees are authorized to discharge untreated combined sanitary and storm waters subject to the conditions and requirements included in the Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MePDES) permit. In simple terms, a CSO Permittee receives legal protection for CSO discharges while they work to implement an approved CSO Master Plan to abate and eliminate said discharges.
- The Department issues CSO Permittees a wastewater discharge license that requires them to implement the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Nine Minimum Control Best Management Practices (BMP) for CSOs and develop, maintain, and implement a CSO Master Plan (aka the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP)) to eliminate or abate their overflows. These actions are intended to bring them into compliance with EPA's April 19, 1994 CSO Control Policy, the Clean Water Act, and State law (Maine DEP Chapter 570).
- Special Conditions in a MePDES permit/Waste Discharge License require all CSO Permittees to submit an Annual CSO Progress Report to the Department, by March 1st of the following year for the previous calendar year.
- The Annual CSO Progress Report documents each Permittee's efforts to implement CSO abatement in a given year and collects pertinent fiscal and logistical information about their CSO abatement program. This information is used to track their CSO abatement progress and gather state-wide information on the CSO program and fiscal needs.



Map Showing the Location of Current CSO Permittees

Where Did We Start?

- The CSO abatement movement began in 1989 with the publication of the National CSO Control Strategy by the EPA.
- At that time, the State of Maine had about 50 CSO Permittees that discharged an estimated 6.2 billion gallons of untreated wastewater and storm water into the surface waters of the State, primarily during wet weather events.
- At the start of the program in the late 1980s, CSO Permittees reported that over 1,700 individual CSO discharge events were occurring each year, through approximately 340 CSO outfall locations (an average of 5 discharge events per CSO location per year).
- On April 19, 1994, EPA issued a national policy statement entitled “Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Control Policy.” This policy provided guidance to State permitting authorities and CSO Permittees on coordinating the planning, selection, and implementation of CSO controls that, once implemented, would allow CSO Permittees to achieve compliance with the requirements of the Clean Water Act (CWA).
- In February 2000, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection Chapter 570 Rules, entitled “Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement,” took effect. This chapter established procedures for CSO evaluation, preparation of an abatement plan, and set

forth minimum controls to reduce CSOs while long-term plans are completed. The main difference between Chapter 570 and EPA's CSO Control Policy is that Chapter 570 requires Maine CSO permittees to include total elimination/closure of the CSO outfall as one of the options that must be evaluated in the Alternatives Analysis. If outright closure is technically feasible and not cost prohibitive then DEP supports this pathway. Chapter 570 also discussed the conditions under which new sources of wastewater could be added to a CSS with active CSOs.

- In December 2000, as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (P.L. 106-554), Congress amended the Clean Water Act (CWA) by adding Section 402(q), commonly referred to as the Wet Weather Water Quality Act of 2000. Section 402(q) requires that each permit, order, or decree issued pursuant to the CWA for a discharge from a municipal combined sewer system shall conform to the 1994 EPA CSO Control Policy.

What is Being Done to Eliminate/Abate CSO Discharges?

- All of Maine's CSO Permittees have completed or are currently working on implementing their CSO Master Plan, often referred to as a Long-Term Control Plan. These documents define the magnitude of the CSO discharges, their impacts on the environment, evaluate a range of abatement control alternatives and their financial impacts, and recommend a set of CSO controls that will eliminate/abate the CSO discharges.
- CSO abatement projects have reduced the discharge of untreated, combined sewage to receiving waters for all the CSO Permittees. Fifteen Permittees have eliminated their CSO discharges entirely, have left the CSO program, and are no longer licensed to discharge untreated combined sewage during wet weather. This includes two permittees that left the CSO program in 2024; Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District and Paris Utility District.
- Statewide, **currently licensed** CSO Permittees have reported investing approximately \$870.8 million in CSO abatement since the program started (Note: this number has been adjusted to reflect recent audit). Of the total invested to date, the Maine Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) has contributed approximately \$360.8 million (41.4% of total expenditure on CSO abatement by current CSO Permittees).
- Anticipated infrastructure needs of current CSO Permittees over the next five years are estimated to be approximately \$298.5 million.



Partially (left) and Fully (right) Restored Site of Force Main Installation under the Kennebec River in Winslow at CSO #003

Where are We Now?

2024 Status

- 1) In 2024, the 32 currently licensed CSO Permittees reduced the total number of CSO discharge locations by three, from 111 to 108, (a complete listing of Maine's CSO Permittees, the number of CSO locations, and the corresponding receiving waters are listed on page 16). Two CSOs were closed and converted to Emergency Overflows in the community of Waterville by Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District as part of their exit from the CSO program, and one CSO was closed in the community of Augusta by Greater Augusta Utility District. With the addition of 2024 data, the chart on page 22, **Maine – Statewide Number of Combined Sewer Overflow Outfalls**, shows a 68.0% reduction in the overall number of CSO locations in Maine since the start of Maine's CSO Abatement Program.
- 2) In 2024, the CSO Permittees reported a total of 254 overflow event-days which is the lowest annual total on record for the State, in response to slightly higher than average annual rainfall. An overflow event is any calendar day that one or more CSO locations within a community experiences a discharge. The table on page 18, **Maine CSO Permittee Annual Number of CSO Discharge Events**, contains a historic listing of the annual number of CSO discharge events for each CSO Permittee.
- 3) The maximum number of overflow event days reported in 2024 from a single CSO Permittee was forty-eight (48). The average (mean) number of discharge event days per year for all Permittees was eight and one half (8.5) event days and the median was five (5) event days. Additional information can be found in the table on page 18, **Maine CSO Permittee Annual Number of CSO Discharge Events**.
- 4) Since 1989, the statewide flow weighted average annual precipitation for CSO Permittees in Maine has been 47.02 inches. In 2024, the annual precipitation measured by CSO Permittees varied significantly from 34.89 inches in Aroostook County to 57.21 inches in Penobscot County, with a statewide flow weighted average of 48.54 inches. Comparatively speaking, 2024 was slightly above average for precipitation in Maine.
- 5) The **Maine – Yearly CSO Volumes and Precipitation** chart on page 24 compares annual CSO discharge volume to annual precipitation. The chart illustrates that CSO discharge volumes tend to mirror the annual upward and downward trends in precipitation totals, but also shows that the peaks have become less pronounced as the CSO abatement effort has progressed. The chart also shows a progressive widening of the gap between the annual precipitation trend line and the annual CSO discharge volume trend line. This widening gap illustrates that as CSO abatement projects continue to be implemented, collection systems are becoming **less sensitive to precipitation events**.
- 6) The CSO volume discharged statewide in 2024 was reported to be approximately 532.5 million gallons (MG). That level of discharge is similar to 2015 and 2016, but it was in response to 48.54 inches of rainfall whereas 2015 and 2016 had 39.07 and 41.94 inches respectively. This indicates that progress continues to be made.

- 7) The table on page 17, **Maine CSO Permittee Flow Data**, contains a historic listing of the annual overflows from each CSO Permittee. The **Maine 2024 CSO Flow Comparison** pie chart on page 25 and the **Maine 2024 CSO Flow Comparison by Permittee** bar chart on page 26 show graphical comparisons of these overflow volumes between the CSO Permittees.
- 8) In 2024 the top five (5) CSO Permittees, ranked by discharge volume, accounted for approximately 89.3% of the total CSO volume discharged in the State. The top ten (10) CSO Permittees accounted for approximately 95.9% of the total CSO discharge volume. The remaining CSO Permittees accounted for 4.1% of the total CSO discharge volume. See the **Maine 2024 CSO Flow Comparison** pie chart on page 25 for a graphical comparison of CSO dischargers.



Construction of the City of Portland's Back Cove South Storage Tank Project at CSOs #017, 018, and 019 (photo credit to Maine Imaging for left side photo)

- 9) CSO discharges by the City of Portland and the Portland Water District totaled 290.2 MG and accounted for approximately 54.5% of Maine's total CSO discharge volume in 2024; see the **Maine 2024 CSO Flow Comparison** pie chart on page 25. We're happy to report that the Back Cove West Storage Conduit, which officially went on line in the spring of 2023, has reduced CSO discharge into Back Cove by over 29 million gallons. The Back Cove South Storage Facility is scheduled to go into service in summer of 2025. If the tank had been on line in 2024, we estimate CSO discharge at CSO #017 would have dropped 53.3 MG from 91.57 MG to 38.29 MG, a 58.2% reduction. The number of CSO events at CSO #017 would have dropped from 28 to 8.
- 10) CSO discharges by the City of Lewiston and Lewiston-Auburn Clean Water Authority (LACWA) totaled 91.6 MG in 2024, accounting for 17.2% of the overall statewide CSO discharge. LACWA, which contributed 57.9 MG of that total, is currently in the process of constructing a 2.1 MG storage tank to reduce CSO discharge from Structure B at the LACWA treatment facility. If the tank had been on line in 2024, we estimate CSO discharge at LACWA would have been reduced by 15.93 MG and the number of CSO events would have decreased substantially from 21 to 5.



Construction of New Process Building at the Saco Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF)

- 11) In 2024, the State of Maine saw an intensification of the trend towards more high intensity rain events which can overwhelm any combined sewer collection system.¹ This trend of high intensity storms has worked against the progress made by Maine CSO communities.
- 12) The pie chart on page 27 – **Maine 2024 CSO Volume Discharged by Watershed**, is a graphical representation of the CSO volumes discharged by major watershed. In 2024, Casco Bay received approximately 56.9% of the statewide CSO volume discharged, followed by the Androscoggin River at 17.4%, the Penobscot River at 15.2%, the Kennebec River at 4.8%, the Saco River at 4.6%, and Frenchman Bay at 0.6%. Discharges to the St. John River, St. Croix River, Machias River and Penobscot Bay account for the remaining ~0.5% of combined sewer overflow volumes.
- 13) The table on page 28 – **Maine Annual CSO Volume Discharged by Watershed**, shows the reported CSO discharge volumes for each CSO Permittee grouped by the receiving watersheds, both for 2024 and the previous five years.
- 14) CSO discharges are well documented contributors to beach and shellfish closures. Stating with certainty that specific CSO events are **solely** responsible for specific closures is more difficult and is beyond the scope of this report. In some areas of the State, there may be other factors that contribute to a beach or shell fishing area closure. These may include but are not necessarily limited to: urban storm water runoff, malfunctioning septic systems, domestic and non-domestic animal waste, agricultural runoff, and bathers. This Annual Report attempts to identify which beaches and shell fishing areas **may have** been impacted by CSO discharges in 2024.
- 15) In 2024, there was one beach closure due to CSO discharge and that again was in Portland at East End Beach. There were also potential impacts on thirteen (13) beach areas from CSO discharges. They were: Bar Harbor (Town Beach off Town Pier & Hulls Cove); Biddeford/Saco (Hills Beach, Biddeford Pool, Middle Beach, Fortunes Rock Beach & Camp Ellis); Cape Elizabeth (Cliff House Beach, Casino Beach & Fort

¹ Fernandez, I., S. Birkel, C. Schmitt, J. Simonson, B. Lyon, A. Pershing, E. Stancioff, G. Jacobson, and P. Mayewski. 2020. Maine's Climate Future 2020 Update. Orono, ME: University of Maine. climatechange.umaine.edu/climate-matters/maines-climate-future/

Williams Park); Portland (East End Beach); South Portland (Willard Beach); and Calais (Red Beach – though not considered a swimming beach).

- 16) In 2024 three (3) CSO Permittees reported that shell fishing areas were impacted by their CSO discharges (Machias, Calais, and Portland). All three reported shell fishing area closures, including eleven in Machias, which were attributed to CSO activity. The upgrades to the river crossing and construction of the pump station in Machias were completed in early 2025, with pump station startup occurring in late March/early April. Early results are promising as Machias has had several significant rain events since startup with no CSO events.



Pump Station and Force Main Under the Machias River in Machias at CSO #002

Overall Trends and Considerations

- 1) The volume and frequency of CSO discharges vary from one wet weather event to the next based on existing groundwater levels, frozen or thawed ground, snowmelt, saturated soil conditions, and rainfall volume, duration, and intensity.
- 2) To evaluate CSO abatement progress it is best to look for a historical trend in reductions, rather than totals from year to year. The chart on page 20, **Maine – Statewide Combined Sewer Overflow Volume Discharged**, illustrates the continuing overall downward trend in the CSO volume discharged annually. Since the start of the CSO Abatement Program the cumulative reduction in CSO volume discharged annually has decreased by approximately 91.3% statewide. Recent progress has slowed as Permittees tackle the more difficult abatement projects and the frequency of larger and more intense storms has increased.²
- 3) Similarly, the chart on page 21, **Maine – Statewide Combined Sewer Overflow Annual Number of Discharge Events**, shows an overall downward trend in the number of overflow event days per year. Since the start of the CSO Abatement Program, the cumulative number of overflow event days experienced per year has decreased by approximately 85.5% statewide from 1,753 events in 1989 to 254 events in 2024.

² MCC STS. 2020. Scientific Assessment of Climate Change and Its Effects in Maine. A Report by the Scientific and Technical Subcommittee (STS) of the Maine Climate Council (MCC). Augusta, Maine. 370 pp.

- 4) CSO abatement progress should not be measured solely by comparing the volumes discharged from one year to the next, because the volume discharged is influenced by variations in precipitation amounts, intensity and timing, the total area drained by the collection system, the rate of snow melt, frozen or thawed ground, and existing groundwater levels. Even given the same annual precipitation, it is highly unlikely that any two years would result in the same volume of CSO discharges because of the complex relationship between these variables.
- 5) Trying to compare CSO abatement progress from year to year is difficult due to the varying conditions that influence the volume and frequency of overflows, not the least of which is annual precipitation patterns. To partially compensate for the fluctuation in annual precipitation patterns, the total volume of untreated combined sewage discharged can be unitized by taking into consideration the average annual precipitation received by each CSO Permittee. Just divide CSO volume by annual precipitation reported in inches to obtain a volume discharged per inch of precipitation. The chart on page 23, **Maine Combined Sewer Overflows Annual Volume Discharged per Inch of Precipitation**, illustrates the unitized CSO discharge volume per year. This chart shows a continuing downward trend in the volume of combined sewage discharged per inch of annual precipitation, despite upticks in 2023 and 2024. Since the start of the CSO Abatement Program, overflow volumes have decreased from approximately **128** million gallons per inch of precipitation to **11.0** million gallons per inch of precipitation, a reduction of 91.4%. The reduction in CSO discharge per inch of rain mirrors the overall reduction in annual CSO discharge volume achieved statewide since the CSO Abatement Program started (91.3%). This analysis is useful as a general indicator of the CSO abatement progress that is being accomplished.
- 6) Precipitation and the CSO volume discharged does not have a simple linear relationship. Still, generally, as precipitation levels increase, the volume of combined sewage being discharged per inch of precipitation would increase, because of the sewers finite capacity to capture more storm water. Once the capacity of the combined sewer system is reached, any additional rainfall or snowmelt would overflow the already inundated system.



Replacement of Vitrified Clay Pipes and Old Manholes in the City of Belfast

- 7) The susceptibility of a CSO Permittee's sewer collection system to excessive inflow and infiltration (I&I) is dependent on many factors including age and condition of pipe, degree of separation, quality of the original installation, how well the system has been maintained, etc. Therefore, wet weather conditions and precipitation patterns affect individual CSO Permittees differently. Systems with a large number of catch basins or roof drains still connected, or with a high percentage of impermeable surfaces, may be influenced to a greater degree by the inflow generated by intense summer storms. In communities where the sanitary and storm systems are largely separated and inflow is not the main challenge, the cause of wet weather discharges might be more infiltration based. In these systems a high ground water table, often occurring in the spring, can promote infiltration into the collection system via leaky pipes and manholes. Therefore, direct comparisons between Permittees regarding their CSO abatement progress could be misleading.
- 8) Starting in 2018 the Annual Maine Combined Sewer Overflow Status Report has included a new section which summarizes the level of treatment provided by each of the thirty-two (32) Maine CSO Permittees. The **Maine CSO Permittee Level of Treatment** summary included on page 29 provides the total annual volume of wastewater collected by each of CSO communities, the percentage which receives secondary treatment, the percentage which receives only primary treatment (the bypass volume, for communities that have a permitted bypass of secondary treatment), and the percentage which receives no treatment (CSO volume). The summary is a good indication of which CSO Permittees are maximizing the percentage of flows which receive secondary treatment, and whether certain systems are overly reliant on their bypass of secondary treatment.
- 9) In addition to the CSO storage facilities mentioned previously, Lewiston/Auburn are currently constructing 2.1 MG of off-line storage at their LACWA treatment plant. The project will also increase the peak flow capacity of LACWA from 32 to 38 MGD. The storage tank at LACWA is scheduled to be on line by the end of 2026.

Pathway to Exit from the CSO Program

Once a permittee has completed the construction phase of their CSO abatement effort, they enter a 3-to-5-year post construction monitoring phase (PCMP) to assess whether they have an adequate level of control to safely leave the program or whether they need to do additional CSO abatement projects to increase their level of control further.

From experience, the CSO Group has concluded that an 8-to-10-year period with no CSO activity, which equates to controlling a 24-hour storm with an 8-to-10-year return interval, is the practical threshold that a permittee should be able to meet to leave the CSO program without causing themselves a regulatory burden.

CSO permittees with only one remaining CSO often transition the CSO to an Emergency Overflow (EO) once they've obtained an 8-to-10-year level of control. Obtaining this level of control before being eligible to transition to an EO is not a statutory requirement, but rather a practical consideration to prevent the former CSO permittee from getting into regulatory trouble by leaving prematurely without a sufficient level of control.

Why are EOs desirable?

The DEP believes in maintaining at least one hydraulic relief point for a collection system of any size as a safeguard in case a large storm rolls through. The EO performs this function, protecting critical infrastructure, preventing street flooding, and preventing basements from being filled.

In return for providing permanent hydraulic relief from big storms, the EO must be monitored electronically 24/7 year-round with any discharge treated as a prohibited discharge subject to 24-hour reporting rules, fines, and enforcement action.



Map Showing the Location of Former CSO Permittees

Recognitions

Yes, there were some bright spots in 2024.

- 1) As mentioned previously, Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District (KSTD) and Paris Utility District (PUD) completed their CSO abatement programs and exited the CSO program in 2024. They are the fourteenth and fifteenth CSO permittees to exit the program, and the first since 2014.

- a. KSTD developed their CSO Master Plan in 2001 and have spent \$4.6M closing two CSO locations and transitioning three other CSO locations to Emergency Overflows to provide permanent hydraulic relief along their 13-mile interceptor. Their current level of control is approximately a 25-year storm.
- b. PUD developed their original CSO Master Plan in 1995 and have spent \$1.01M to eliminate excess water from their collection system. As a result they now have a level of control which exceeds a 25-year storm. Their one CSO, located at the WWTF, has been converted to an emergency overflow to prevent flooding at the plant.

Congratulations to both utilities on this achievement!

2) Five Year Award of Merit – Greater Augusta Utility District (GAUD)

This recognition goes to CSO permittees who exceed expectations over a sustained five-year period, whether it be reducing CSO discharge volume, reducing the number of annual CSO events, or decreasing the number of CSO outfalls or regulators in the system.

Over the last five years, GAUD has closed nine (9) CSO outfalls and their associated regulators and an additional six (6) CSO regulators for a total decrease of fifteen (15) regulators. The latter were located on CSO outfalls which have multiple regulators where the outfall is still active.

Over the same five-year period from the beginning of 2020 to the end of 2024, GAUD reduced the number of CSO events from twenty-four (24) in 2020 to five (5) in 2024.

Congratulations to GAUD and staff on sustained excellence in CSO abatement over the past five years.



Shoring and Sheeting for Construction of the New Wet Well at Greater Augusta Utility District's Front Street Pump Station in Augusta

- 3) The following two (2) CSO permittees had zero CSO events and thus zero CSO discharge: Town of Bucksport and the City of Rockland.
- 4) In 2024, the City of Biddeford (13) and Greater Augusta Utility District (5) had their lowest number of CSO events on record. Auburn Sewerage District (2) and the City of Gardiner (1) tied their lowest number of CSO events on record.

- 5) CSO permittees that are currently in the Post Construction Monitoring Phase (PCMP) of their CSO abatement program include: Town of Bucksport and Town of Cape Elizabeth – Ottawa Road
- 6) CSO Permittees nearing the completion of their construction phase of CSO abatement, and the start of post construction monitoring, include: City of Belfast, City of Calais.
- 7) We'd also like to recognize those CSO Permittees that treated more than 99% of their total flow volume to secondary treatment standards. They include: Bar Harbor, Belfast, Machias, Madawaska, Mechanic Falls, and PWD/Westbrook. Congratulations on this achievement!
- 8) CSO permittees separated an additional 41 catch basins from their sewer collection systems in 2024 with the City of Lewiston leading the way with 18, followed by Bath with 8, Biddeford with 7, and Portland with 4.
- 9) Cleaning sewers reestablishes lost capacity and allows for a detailed condition assessment of the pipe and manholes. CSO communities cleaned over 315 miles of sewer mains in 2024 led by Portland (150 miles), Bangor (46.6 miles) and Madawaska (20.6 miles).



Construction of New Pump Station and Storage Tank at LACWA

- 10) Closed circuit TV inspection (CCTV) of sewer mains is one of the best tools available to determine pipe condition. In 2024, CSO communities CCTVed 120 miles of sewer mains with Lewiston (29.3 miles), Bangor (27.6 miles), and GAUD (17.0 miles) leading the charge. I/I investigations were conducted on a total of 90.8 miles of sewers in 2024.

Maine Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Permittee List

(As of December 31, 2024)



| COMMUNITY/PERMITTEE | Outfalls | Regulators | No. of CSO Outfalls & Receiving Water |
|---|----------|------------|--|
| 1. AUBURN SEWERAGE DISTRICT | 1 | 1 | 1-Androscoggin R. |
| 2. BANGOR | 8 | 10 | 5-Kenduskeag Str., 3-Penobscot R. |
| 3. BAR HARBOR (Hulls Cove) | 1 | 1 | 1-Frenchman Bay |
| 4. BAR HARBOR (Main Plant) | 3 | 3 | 2-Frenchman Bay, 1-Eddie Brook |
| 5. BATH | 4 | 4 | 4-Kennebec R. |
| 6. BELFAST | 2 | 2 | 2-Passagassawakeag R./Belfast Hbr. |
| 7. BIDDEFORD | 7 | 7 | 7-Saco R. |
| 8. BREWER | 4 | 4 | 3-Penobscot R., 1-Sedgeunkendunk Str. |
| 9. BUCKSPORT | 0 | 0 | SWIRL to Penobscot R. |
| 10. CALAIS | 3 | 3 | 2-St. Croix R., 1-Landing Bk. |
| 11. CAPE ELIZABETH – Ottawa Road PS (Co-Permittees; So. Portland, PWD, & Cape Elizabeth) | 1 | 1 | 1-Atlantic O. |
| 12. GARDINER | 1 | 1 | 1-Kennebec R. |
| 13. GREATER AUGUSTA UTILITY DISTRICT (GAUD) & Hallowell Sanitary Sewers & CSO | 9 | 9 | 9-Kennebec R. |
| 14. HAMPDEN | 1 | 1 | 1-Souadabscook Str. |
| 15. LEWISTON | 8 | 9 | 3-Androscoggin R., 1-Goff Bk./Hart Bk., 4-Jepson Bk. |
| 16. LEWISTON-AUBURN Clean Water Authority (LACWA) | 1 | 1 | 1-Androscoggin R. |
| 17. MACHIAS | 2 | 2 | 2-Machias R. |
| 18. MADAWASKA | 2 | 2 | 2-St. John R. |
| 19. MECHANIC FALLS SANITARY DISTRICT | 2 | 2 | 2-Little Androscoggin R. |
| 20. MILFORD | 1 | 1 | 1-Penobscot R. |
| 21. OLD TOWN | 3 | 3 | 2-Penobscot R., 1-Stillwater R. |
| 22. ORONO | 1 | 1 | 1-Penobscot R. |
| 23. PORTLAND – CITY | 7 | 10 | 3-Back C., 1-Capisc Bk., 2-Portland Hbr., 1-Nason Bk. to Fore R. (marsh) |
| 24. PORTLAND – PORTLAND WATER DISTRICT (PWD) .. | 16 | 16 | 5-Back C., 3-Casco B., 4-Fore R., 4-Portland Hbr. |
| 25. RANDOLPH | 1 | 1 | 1-Kennebec R. |
| 26. ROCKLAND | 1 | 1 | 1-Rockland Hbr. |
| 27. SACO | 1 | 1 | 1-Saco R. |
| 28. SKOWHEGAN | 5 | 5 | 5-Kennebec R. |
| 29. SOUTH PORTLAND | 4 | 4 | 1-Barberry Ck., 1-Fore R., 1-Calvery P., 1-Portland Hbr. |
| 30. WESTBROOK | 5 | 5 | 5-Presumpscot R. |
| 31. WINSLOW | 2 | 2 | 1-Sebasticook R., 1-Kennebec R. |
| 32. WINTERPORT SEWERAGE DISTRICT | 1 | 1 | 1-Penobscot R. |
| TOTAL CSOs | 108 | 114 | |

32 CSO Permits, permitting 29 CSO Towns/Cities/Districts/Authorities

Two or more permits in one CSO Town/City

Two CSO Towns/Cities covered in one permit

Permittee has entered post-construction monitoring period prior to exiting the CSO program

CSO Outfall – where wastewater is discharged to the receiving water

CSO Regulator – where wastewater exits the sanitary sewer system

Bold = 9 Permittees with sewer system only. Sewers discharge to a POTW controlled by another entity.



Maine CSO Permittee Flow Data

| Permittee | NPDES Permit No. | 1987 | 1988 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Auburn S.D. | ME0100005 | 99,720,000 | 99,720,000 | 12,952,500 | 19,234,856 | 12,404,500 | 3,717,000 | 1,286,000 | 2,928,519 | 814,738 | 1,117,809 | 1,656,736 | 997,100 | 219,600 | 439,796 | 286,954 | 967,864 | 348,684 |
| Bangor | ME0100781 | 635,000,000 | 635,000,000 | 389,300,000 | 146,000,000 | 69,940,000 | 32,140,000 | 87,748,000 | 40,109,000 | 48,586,000 | 13,310,000 | 50,547,000 | 96,009,000 | 58,745,000 | 77,720,893 | 52,468,359 | 62,551,149 | 72,999,979 |
| Bar Harbor | ME0101214 & ME0102466 | 32,000,000 | 32,000,000 | 6,930,405 | 2,563,669 | 3,776,092 | 407,010 | 1,561,139 | 2,335,692 | 277,000 | 225,200 | 562,221 | 2,757,979 | 971,376 | 3,816,271 | 3,141,462 | 7,478,224 | 3,179,664 |
| Bath | ME0100021 | 600,000,000 | 600,000,000 | 12,930,203 | 10,067,181 | 12,199,904 | 3,297,259 | 4,990,910 | 2,727,901 | 1,608,037 | 1,697,081 | 3,753,899 | 2,800,232 | 2,874,579 | 1,806,487 | 1,583,361 | 3,522,034 | 2,645,771 |
| Belfast | ME0101532 | 736,000 | 736,000 | 486,919 | 490,495 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 305,071 | 330,905 | 96,444 | 264,774 | 444,090 | 504,877 | 207,301 |
| Biddeford | ME0100048 | 400,000,000 | 400,000,000 | 381,853,242 | 113,907,851 | 141,198,828 | 90,581,675 | 194,302,147 | 95,830,208 | 99,492,656 | 49,504,091 | 70,814,300 | 69,451,000 | 34,644,000 | 26,649,500 | 14,543,300 | 30,003,000 | 20,631,322 |
| Brewer | ME0100072 | 750,000,000 | 750,000,000 | 227,139,515 | 140,065,515 | 435,548 | 58,310 | 139,280 | 465,000 | 87,374 | 0 | 366,687 | 868,060 | 76,188 | 4,235,000 | 783,656 | 3,557,124 | 1,979,681 |
| Bucksport | ME0100111 | 53,000,000 | 53,000,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Calais | ME0100129 | 42,000,000 | 42,000,000 | 31,134,915 | 16,860,000 | 18,210,000 | 18,311,206 | 20,775,288 | 5,292,778 | 4,624,354 | 4,512,300 | 10,000,030 | 2,403,000 | 1,839,927 | 587,400 | 3,848,188 | 2,937,000 | 1,975,800 |
| Cape Elizabeth | ME0102806 | 5,400,000 | 5,400,000 | 3,955,292 | 1,072,000 | 2,735,000 | 41,000 | 1,440,000 | 277,000 | 251,000 | 277,000 | 375,000 | 432,000 | 2,000 | 230,000 | 3,300 | 254,900 | 492,425 |
| Corinna S.D. | ME0100153 | 40,000,000 | 40,000,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dover-Foxcroft | ME0100501 | 16,000 | 16,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| East Millinocket | ME0100196 | 1,200,000 | 1,200,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fairfield | ME0102393 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Kent U.D. | ME0102369 | 3,000 | 3,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gardiner | ME0101702 | 44,000,000 | 44,000,000 | 10,453,761 | 4,655,000 | 4,455,400 | 1,287,000 | 1,950,000 | 2,299,300 | 665,000 | 2,877,000 | 6,100,000 | 6,336,000 | 9,932,000 | 1,993,000 | 61,000 | 18,240,000 | 2,200,000 |
| Greater Augusta U.D. | ME0100013 | 72,554,000 | 72,554,000 | 49,670,000 | 31,589,000 | 38,408,000 | 26,901,000 | 17,646,000 | 21,680,000 | 7,120,000 | 3,680,000 | 3,771,000 | 3,482,000 | 6,074,000 | 3,082,000 | 1,989,200 | 2,509,450 | 10,679,193 |
| Hallowell W.D. - 2008 GAUD | ME0101010 | 350,000 | 350,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hampden | ME0102512 | 1,201,000 | 39,600 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24,105 | 151,055 | 0 | 1,250,000 | 1,933,080 | 244,200 | 319,902 | 205,128 | 117,216 | 158,730 |
| Kennebec S.T.D. | ME0100854 | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 0 | 0 | 135,444 | 0 | 0 | 1,797,554 | 0 | 0 | 324,228 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kittery | ME0100285 | 350,000 | 350,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lewiston | ME0100994 | 208,900,000 | 208,900,000 | 113,285,042 | 78,521,909 | 90,103,658 | 32,772,894 | 21,355,331 | 30,574,217 | 25,477,213 | 12,808,039 | 18,552,725 | 21,743,196 | 22,923,950 | 8,480,003 | 20,781,523 | 83,310,342 | 33,696,254 |
| Lewiston-Auburn C.W.A. | ME0101478 | 480,000,000 | 480,000,000 | 156,986,000 | 108,278,048 | 113,380,000 | 63,567,000 | 68,569,000 | 27,838,000 | 18,694,000 | 21,856,000 | 25,735,000 | 28,518,000 | 33,659,000 | 14,531,000 | 31,190,000 | 112,566,000 | 57,861,000 |
| Lincoln S.D. | ME0101796 | 2,400,000 | 2,400,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lisbon | ME0100307 | 600,000 | 600,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Livermore Falls | ME0100315 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Machias | ME0100323 | 7,000,000 | 7,000,000 | 2,791,962 | 1,180,678 | 938,330 | 1,857,988 | 2,202,444 | 1,067,647 | 910,259 | 203,815 | 603,687 | 145,425 | 100,035 | 122,833 | 418,811 | 291,295 | 220,129 |
| Madawaska | ME 0101681 | 3,200,000 | 3,200,000 | 1,107,610 | 1,490,000 | 377,488 | 349,400 | 1,830,563 | 0 | 0 | 1,562,430 | 3,988,640 | 8,205,821 | 10,242 | 422,838 | 616,123 | 423,493 | 789,394 |
| Mechanic Falls S.D. | ME0100391 | 18,000,000 | 18,000,000 | 9,250,000 | 5,033,002 | 9,638,035 | 3,663,997 | 1,385,675 | 1,013,807 | 927,473 | 603,528 | 194,728 | 616,537 | 379,608 | 63,330 | 131,488 | 232,081 | 711,433 |
| Milford | ME0102695 | 220,000 | 220,000 | 52,006 | 407,151 | 26,970 | 0 | 10,000 | 25,000 | 20,000 | 0 | 0 | 29,781 | 8,638 | 0 | 43,153 | 86,791 | 46,267 |
| Milo W.D. | ME0100439 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Old Town | ME0100471 | 6,300,000 | 6,300,000 | 125,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30,000 | 10,000 | 0 | 270,801 | 61,508 | 20,698 | 12,128 | 7,608 | 79,695 | 93,715 |
| Orono | ME0100498 | 31,000,000 | 31,000,000 | 2,416,910 | 1,260,837 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,320,000 | 1,461,000 | 0 | 1,460,000 | 698,817 | 1,192,467 | 905,504 | 1,102,236 | 3,981,896 | 5,386,128 |
| Paris U.D. | ME 0100951 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 110,000 | 0 | 1,020,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 442,000 | |
| Portland & PWD | City-ME0101435 / PWD-ME0102075 | 1,800,000,000 | 1,800,000,000 | 780,188,153 | 496,288,000 | 704,319,257 | 179,403,901 | 414,421,500 | 254,663,330 | 318,359,691 | 175,675,000 | 283,612,831 | 184,453,600 | 178,744,981 | 194,468,501 | 163,964,790 | 368,662,200 | 290,214,400 |
| Presque Isle | ME0100561 | 27,500,000 | 27,500,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Randolph | ME0102423 | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 | 285,719 | 223,934 | 988,434 | 50,054 | 101,183 | 0 | 515,240 | 0 | 105,695 | 3,500 | 67,300 | 1,400 | 8,900 | 25,700 | 50,000 |
| Rockland | ME0100595 | 47,000,000 | 47,000,000 | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Saco | ME 0101117 | 176,000,000 | 176,000,000 | 924,014 | 1,372,128 | 2,964,929 | 1,100,985 | 1,739,425 | 1,057,000 | 599,000 | 304,000 | 2,139,000 | 2,675,000 | 978,000 | 2,487,000 | 242,000 | 1,860,000 | 4,027,000 |
| Sanford S.D. | ME0100617 | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Skowhegan | ME0100625 | 48,000,000 | 48,000,000 | 7,550,855 | 4,757,994 | 4,238,875 | 4,746,538 | 3,861,193 | 6,786,698 | 4,168,672 | 738,844 | 4,379,019 | 1,711,809 | 1,073,711 | 252,870 | 1,742,309 | 7,928,889 | 2,448,510 |
| South Portland | ME0100633 | 500,000,000 | 500,000,000 | 42,095,393 | 14,906,594 | 37,134,882 | 1,858,579 | 15,531,600 | 11,161,602 | 6,240,350 | 2,033,229 | 3,533,710 | 8,651,990 | 859,095 | 2,511,052 | 1,561,258 | 1,191,467 | 4,242,992 |
| Westbrook | ME0100846 | 50,000,000 | 50,000,000 | 14,105,989 | 12,202,000 | 18,903,485 | 6,222,000 | 11,932,000 | 4,423,000 | 7,447,100 | 1,285,000 | 1,631,000 | 9,816,000 | 3,227,000 | 1,038,000 | 926,156 | 4,906,800 | 7,843,700 |
| Winslow | ME0102628 | 1,300,000 | 1,300,000 | 200,000 | 63,354 | 1,327,119 | 7,070 | 0 | 164,549 | 70,144 | 237,400 | 601,045 | 3,654,519 | 876,296 | 193,076 | 3,196,000 | 26,473,369 | 7,361,250 |
| Winterport S.D. | ME0100749 | 680,000 | 680,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 60,000 | 90,000 | 0 | 0 | 138,000 | 0 | 0 | 108,000 | 54,000 | 96,000 | 48,000 |
| Yarmouth | ME0100765 | 1,000 | 1,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Annual Discharge Volume (Gallons) | | 6,203,441,000 | 6,202,279,600 | 2,258,781,405 | 1,212,991,196 | 1,289,260,178 | 472,341,866 | 874,838,678 | 515,981,907 | 548,577,356 | 294,507,766 | 496,772,053 | 458,785,859 | 359,840,335 | 346,742,558 | 305,344,353 | 745,200,856 | 532,538,722 |
| Total Annual Discharge Volume (Billion Gallons) | | 6.20 | 6.20 | 2.26 | 1.21 | 1.29 | 0.47 | 0.87 | 0.52 | 0.55 | 0.29 | 0.50 | 0.46 | 0.36 | 0.35 | 0.31 | 0.75 | 0.53 |

Notes: For legibility, discharge volume data for years 1989-2008 are not shown. Permittees highlighted in gray no longer maintain a CSO permit. Numbers in blue are estimated from LTCP/MP or subsequent high flow. Biddeford CSO volumes 2005-2016 have been adjusted due to under-estimation of flows. On the 2022 and 2023 Annual Reports the data for the years prior to the reporting year were incorrect (the data didn't match up correctly with the year shown at the top of the chart). This issue has been corrected as part of this report.



Maine CSO Permittee Annual Number of CSO Discharge Events

| Permittee | NPDES Permit No. | 1987 | 1988 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Auburn S.D. | ME0100005 | 80 | 80 | 37 | 11 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 2 |
| Bangor | ME0100781 | 53 | 53 | 73 | 54 | 29 | 27 | 34 | 20 | 28 | 21 | 23 | 34 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 18 | 18 |
| Bar Harbor | ME0101214 & ME0102466 | 155 | 155 | 19 | 6 | 13 | 6 | 17 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 14 | 5 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 8 |
| Bath | ME0100021 | 64 | 64 | 20 | 12 | 23 | 18 | 18 | 8 | 14 | 10 | 14 | 15 | 17 | 14 | 20 | 17 | 11 |
| Belfast | ME0101532 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 1 |
| Biddeford | ME0100048 | 180 | 180 | 28 | 100 | 146 | 77 | 88 | 48 | 57 | 55 | 41 | 45 | 43 | 43 | 40 | 21 | 13 |
| Brewer | ME0100072 | 95 | 95 | 50 | 45 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 9 |
| Bucksport | ME0100111 | 53 | 53 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Calais | ME0100129 | 15 | 15 | 8 | 6 | 14 | 8 | 14 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 7 | 4 |
| Cape Elizabeth | ME0102806 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 11 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 7 |
| Corinna S.D. | ME0100153 | 30 | 30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dover-Foxcroft | ME0100501 | 8 | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| East Millinocket | ME0100196 | 11 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fairfield | ME0102393 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Kent U.D. | ME0102369 | 10 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gardiner | ME0101702 | 40 | 40 | 12 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Greater Augusta U.D. | ME0100013 | 80 | 80 | 32 | 37 | 29 | 22 | 29 | 17 | 17 | 29 | 35 | 26 | 24 | 11 | 14 | 18 | 5 |
| Hallowell W.D. - 2008 GAUD | ME0101010 | 14 | 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hampden | ME0102512 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Kennebec S.T.D. | ME0100854 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Kittery | ME0100285 | 7 | 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lewiston | ME0100994 | 80 | 80 | 68 | 45 | 38 | 27 | 23 | 37 | 35 | 28 | 24 | 27 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 18 | 17 |
| Lewiston-Auburn C.W.A. | ME0101478 | 80 | 80 | 44 | 37 | 22 | 32 | 26 | 17 | 17 | 10 | 20 | 19 | 23 | 14 | 22 | 19 | 27 |
| Lincoln S.D. | ME0101796 | 10 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lisbon | ME0100307 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Livermore Falls | ME0100315 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Machias | ME0100323 | 15 | 15 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 6 | 13 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 11 | 5 |
| Madawaska | ME 0101681 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 10 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 6 | 2 |
| Mechanic Falls S.D. | ME0100391 | 42 | 42 | 18 | 39 | 28 | 17 | 30 | 17 | 25 | 12 | 12 | 16 | 12 | 6 | 11 | 11 | 18 |
| Milford | ME0102695 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Milo W.D. | ME0100439 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Old Town | ME0100471 | 25 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Orono | ME0100498 | 30 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| Paris U.D. | ME 0100951 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| Portland & PWD | City-ME0101435 / PWD-ME0102075 | 100 | 100 | 79 | 88 | 70 | 63 | 75 | 58 | 56 | 38 | 49 | 46 | 41 | 61 | 52 | 37 | 48 |
| Presque Isle | ME0100561 | 26 | 26 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Randolph | ME0102423 | 23 | 23 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Rockland | ME0100595 | 23 | 23 | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Saco | ME 0101117 | 44 | 44 | 10 | 4 | 21 | 15 | 19 | 13 | 12 | 7 | 15 | 6 | 17 | 15 | 9 | 23 | 14 |
| Sanford S.D. | ME0100617 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Skowhegan | ME0100625 | 160 | 160 | 23 | 21 | 25 | 36 | 28 | 20 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 23 | 21 | 16 | 4 | 7 | 6 |
| South Portland | ME0100633 | 23 | 23 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Westbrook (PWD) | ME0100846 | 50 | 50 | 12 | 16 | 13 | 60 | 70 | 49 | 38 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| Winslow | ME0102628 | 20 | 20 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 8 |
| Winterport S.D. | ME0100749 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Yarmouth | ME0100765 | 4 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Number of CSO Discharge Events | | 1748 | 1750 | 606 | 576 | 547 | 439 | 527 | 341 | 372 | 269 | 326 | 322 | 278 | 262 | 295 | 276 | 254 |

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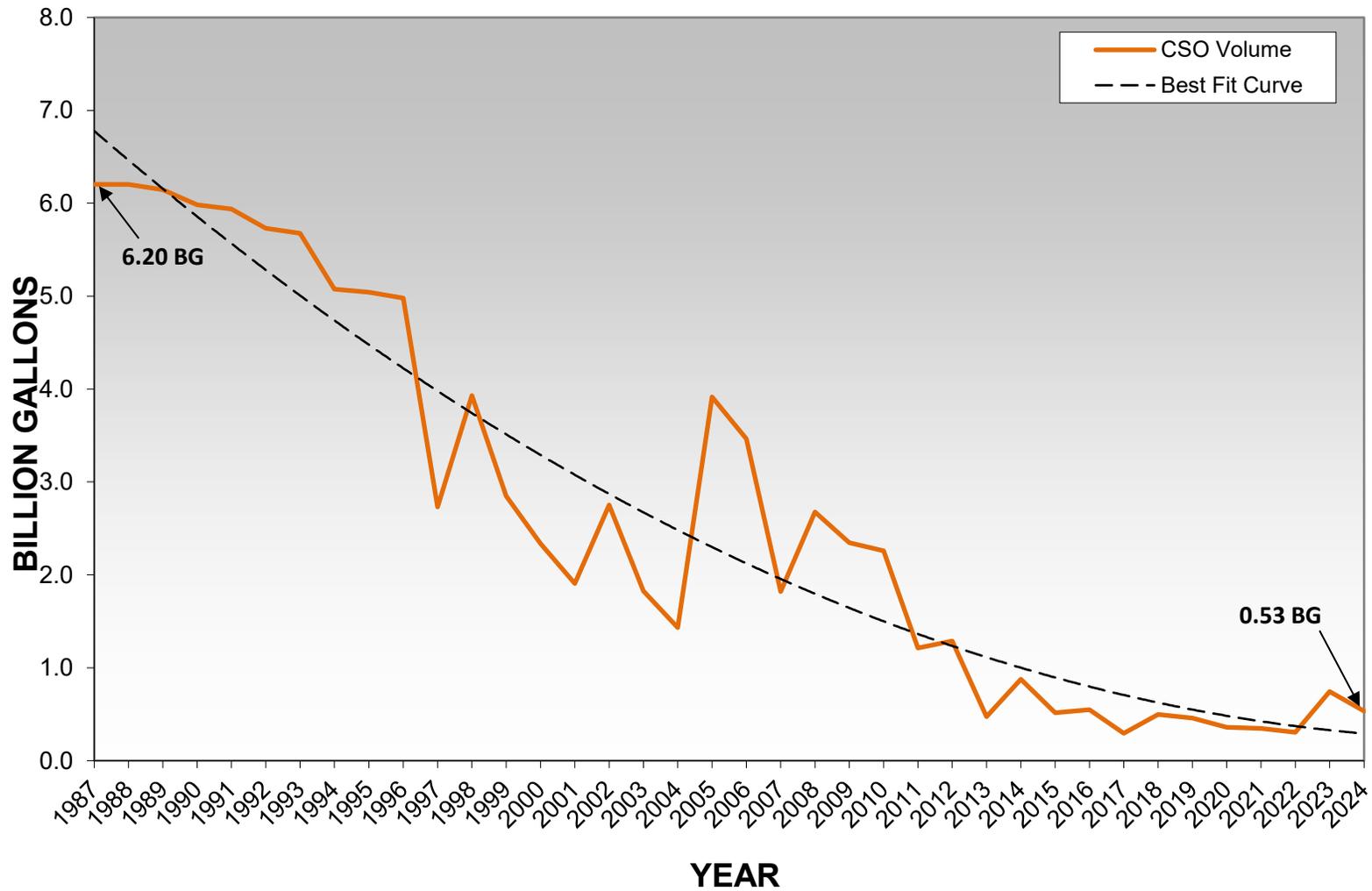
Maine CSO Permittee Annual Number of CSO Outfalls

| Permittee | NPDES Permit No. | Year Unknown | 1987 | 1988 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Auburn S.D. | ME0100005 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bangor | ME0100781 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Bar Harbor | ME0101214 & ME0102466 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Bath | ME0100021 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Belfast | ME0101532 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Biddeford | ME0100048 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Brewer | ME0100072 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Bucksport | ME0100111 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Calais | ME0100129 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Cape Elizabeth | ME0102806 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Corinna S.D. | ME0100153 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dover-Foxcroft | ME0100501 | 15 | 15 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| East Millinocket | ME0100196 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fairfield | ME0102393 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fort Kent U.D. | ME0102369 | 6 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gardiner | ME0101702 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Greater Augusta U.D. | ME0100013 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 22 | 22 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 9 |
| Hallowell W.D. – 2008 GAUD | ME0101010 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hampden | ME0102512 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Kennebec S.T.D. | ME0100854 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Kittery | ME0100285 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lewiston | ME0100994 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| Lewiston-Auburn C.W.A. | ME0101478 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Lincoln S.D. | ME0101796 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lisbon | ME0100307 | 6 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Livermore Falls | ME0100315 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Machias | ME0100323 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Madawaska | ME 0101681 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Mechanic Falls S.D. | ME0100391 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Milford | ME0102695 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Milo W.D. | ME0100439 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Old Town | ME0100471 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Orono | ME0100498 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Paris U.D. | ME 0100951 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Portland & PWD | City-ME0101435 / PWD-ME0102075 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 32 | 32 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 24 | 23 | 23 |
| Presque Isle | ME0100561 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Randolph | ME0102423 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Rockland | ME0100595 | 8 | 8 | 8 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Saco | ME 0101117 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Sanford S.D. | ME0100617 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Skowhegan | ME0100625 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| South Portland | ME0100633 | 35 | 28 | 28 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Westbrook (PWD) | ME0100846 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Winslow | ME0102628 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Winterport S.D. | ME0100749 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Yarmouth | ME0100765 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Annual CSO Discharge Outfalls | | 350 | 338 | 338 | 164 | 163 | 159 | 149 | 145 | 143 | 142 | 140 | 133 | 131 | 130 | 123 | 115 | 111 | 108 |

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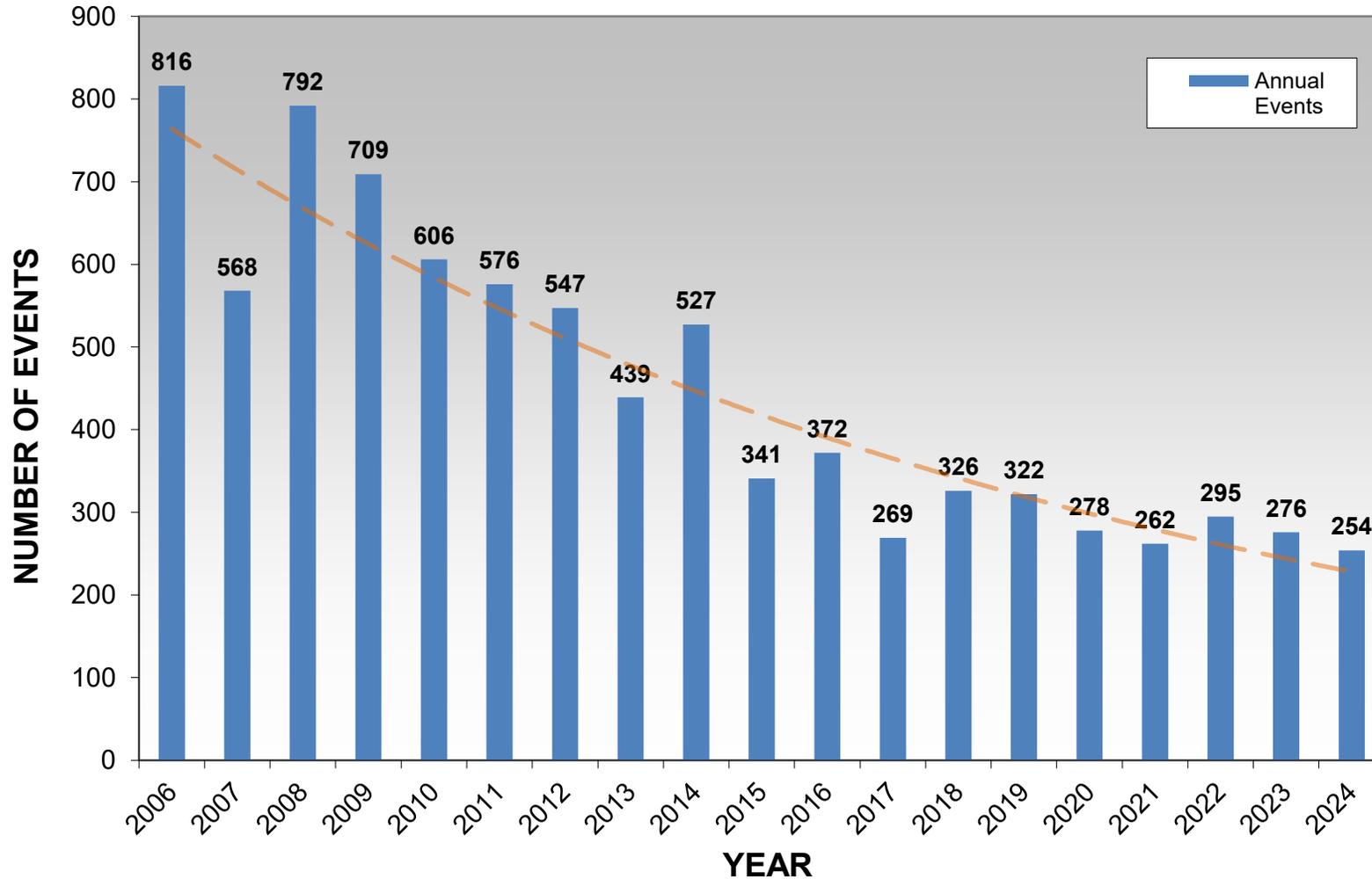


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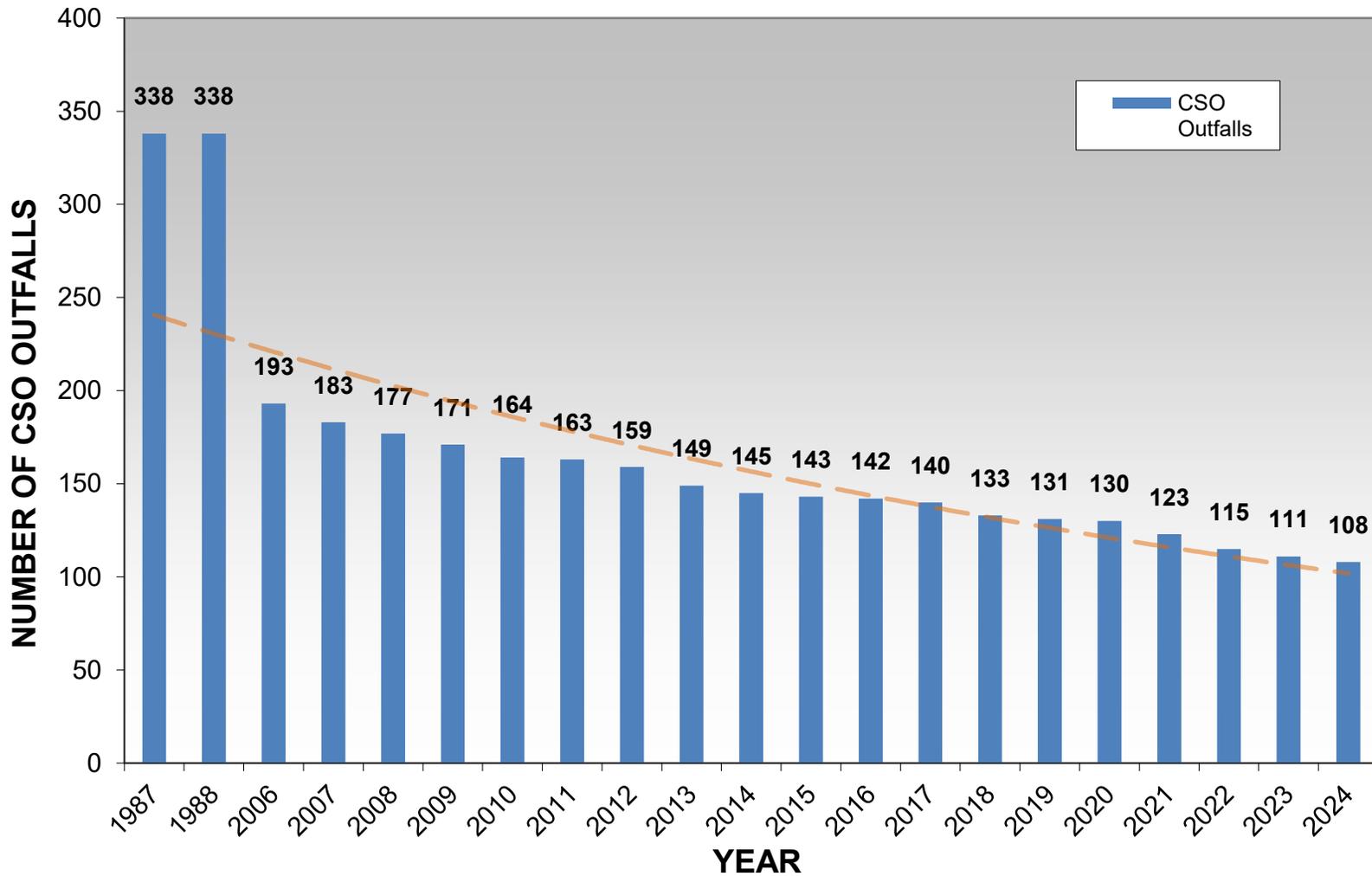




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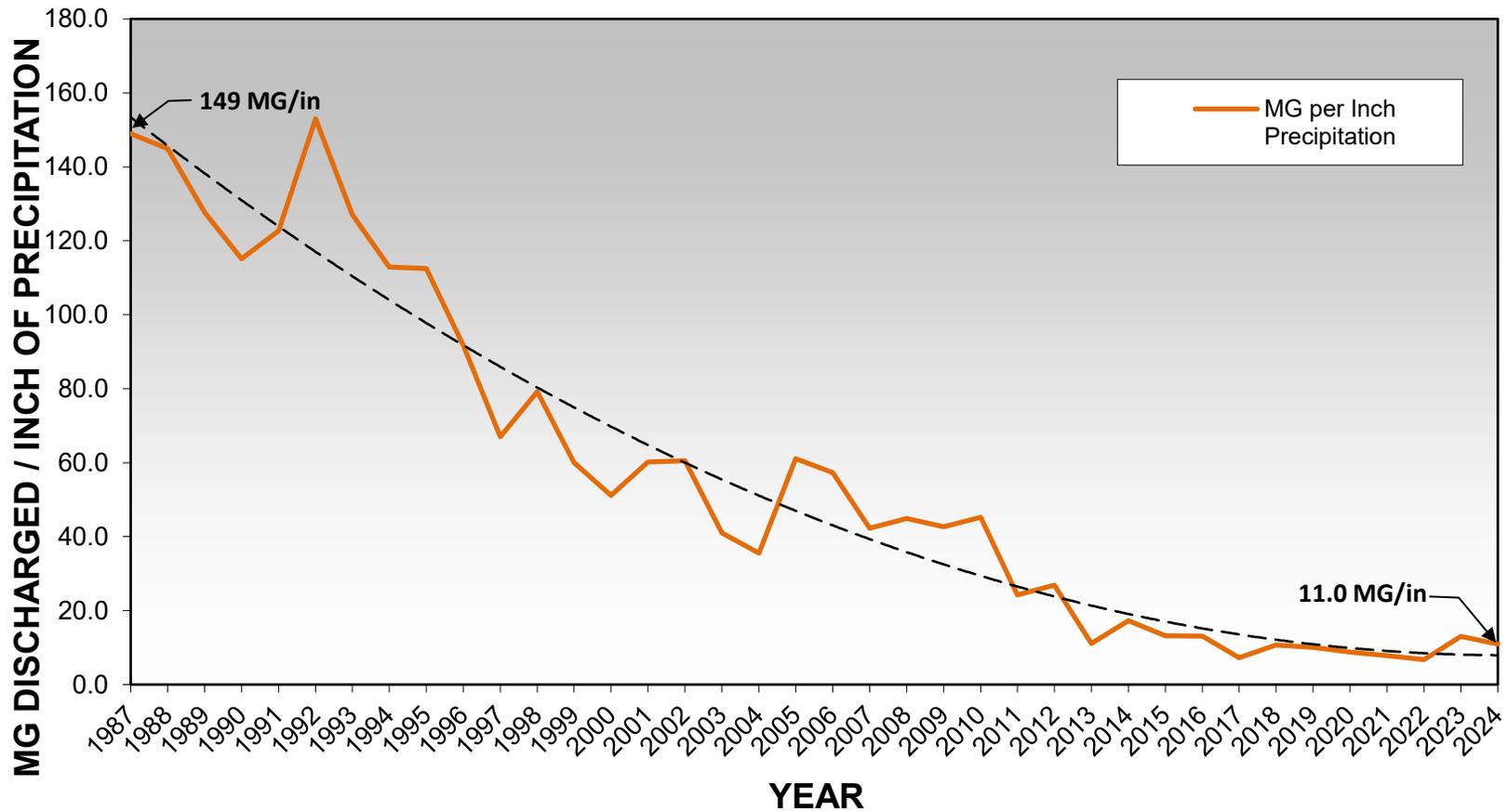


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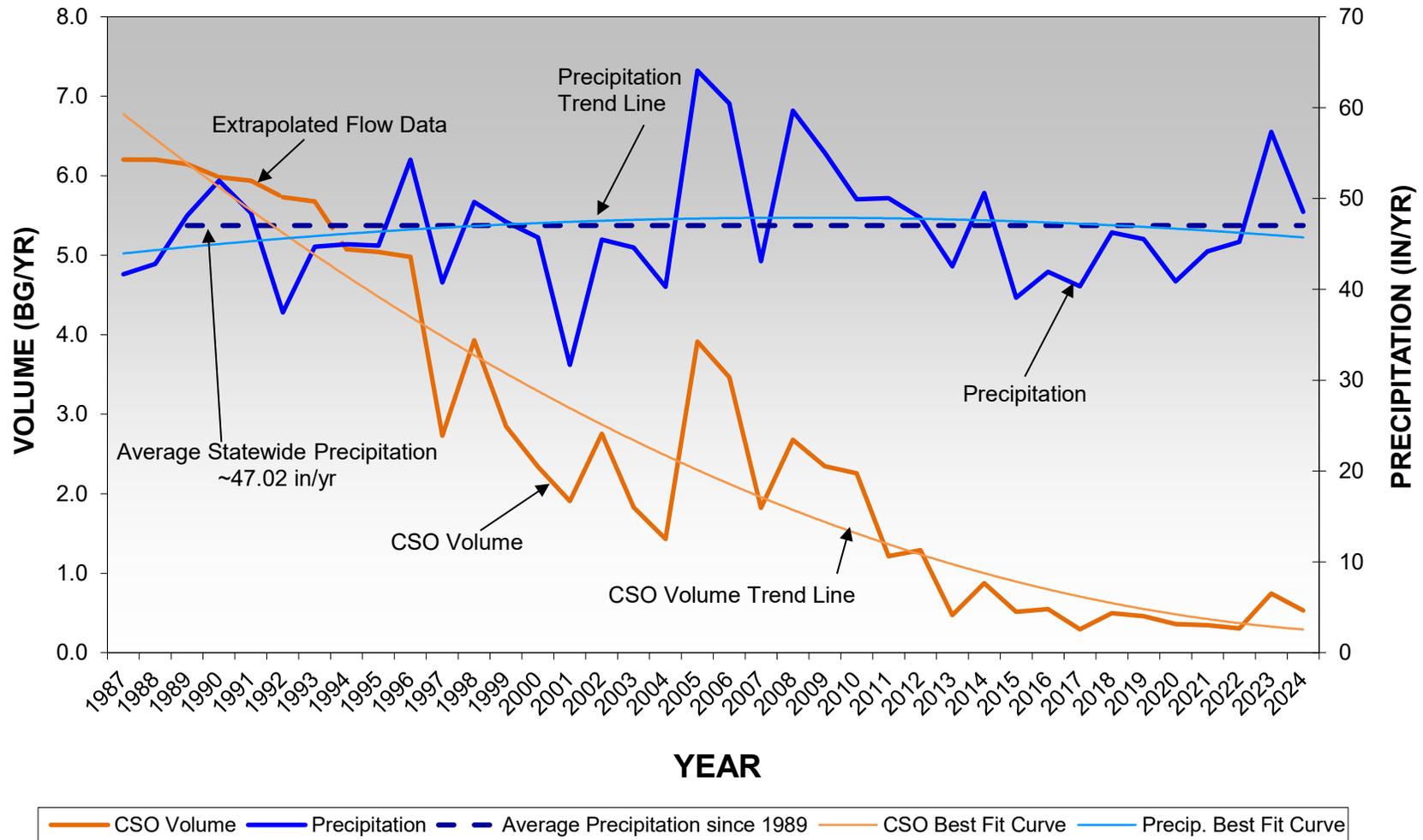


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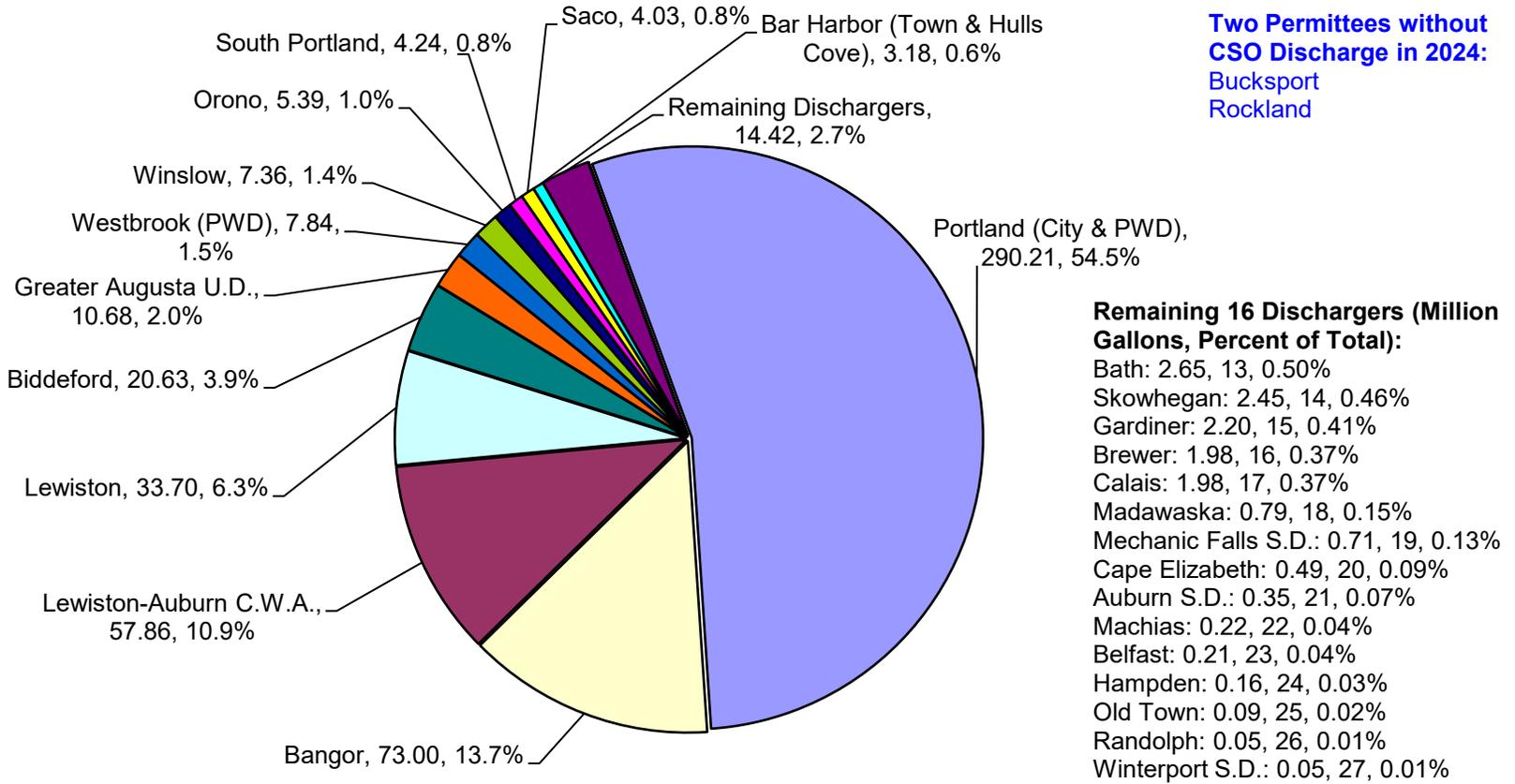




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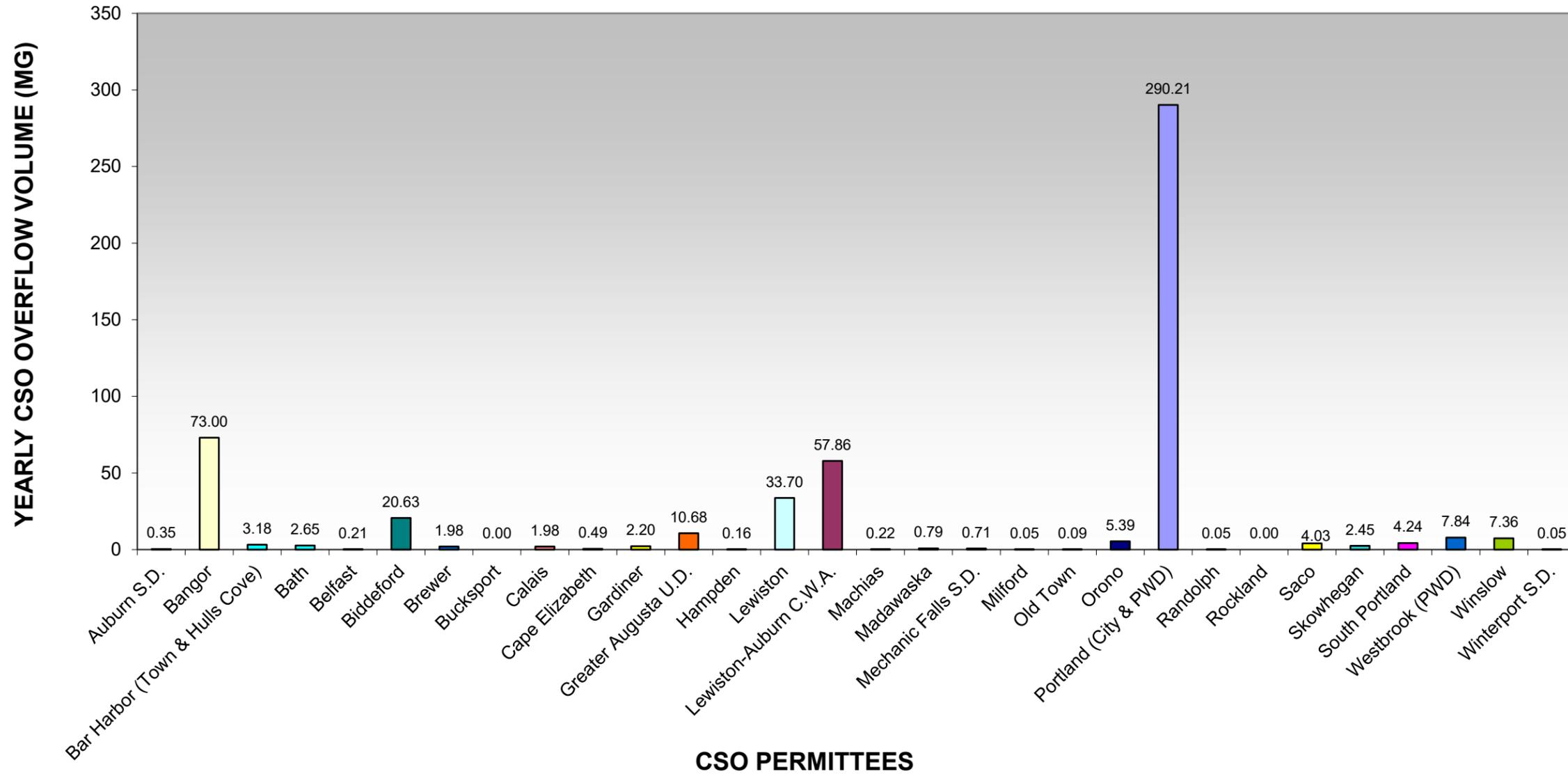


MAINE 2024 CSO FLOW COMPARISON 32 CSO PERMITTEES 30 DISCHARGERS - 0.53 BILLION GALLONS

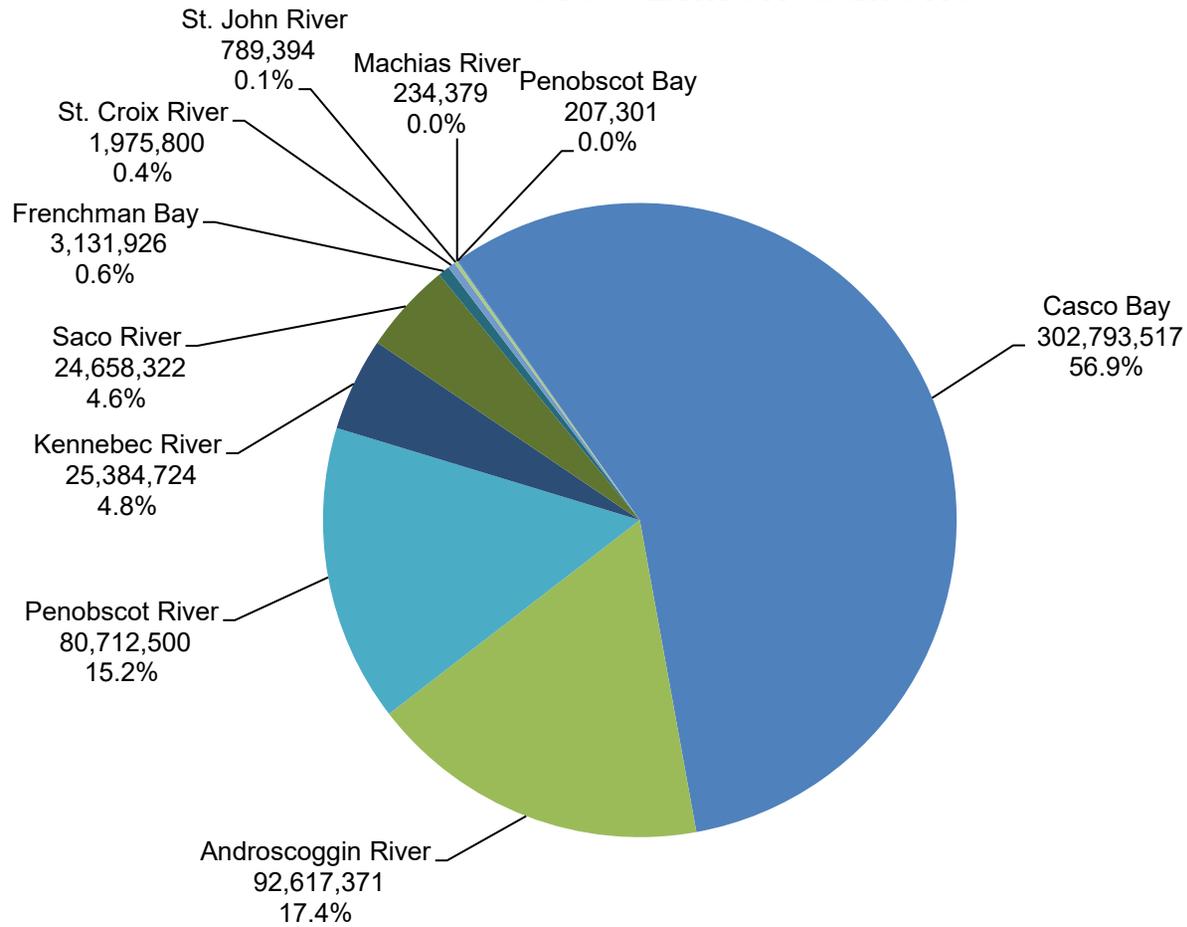


Discharger, Overflow in Million Gallons (MG), Percent of

Maine 2024 CSO Flow Comparison by Permittee 0.53 Billion Gallons



Maine 2024 CSO Volume Discharged by Watershed 0.53 Billion Gallons



Receiving Waterbody, Overflow in Million Gallons (MG), Percent of Total



Maine Annual CSO Volume Discharged by Watershed

| | | Annual Discharge Volume (Gallons) | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Permittee | | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Androscoggin River | Auburn SD | 997,100 | 219,600 | 439,796 | 286,954 | 967,864 | 348,684 |
| | Lewiston-Auburn CWA | 28,518,000 | 33,659,000 | 14,531,000 | 31,190,000 | 112,566,000 | 57,861,000 |
| | Lewiston | 21,743,196 | 22,923,950 | 8,480,003 | 20,781,523 | 83,310,342 | 33,696,254 |
| | Mechanic Falls SD | 616,537 | 379,608 | 63,330 | 131,488 | 232,081 | 711,433 |
| | Sub Total | 51,874,833 | 57,182,158 | 23,514,129 | 52,389,965 | 197,067,287 | 92,617,371 |
| Casco Bay | Cape Elizabeth | 432,000 | 2,000 | 230,000 | 3,300 | 254,900 | 492,425 |
| | Portland-City & PWD | 184,453,600 | 178,744,981 | 194,468,501 | 163,964,790 | 368,662,200 | 290,214,400 |
| | South Portland | 8,651,990 | 859,095 | 2,511,052 | 1,561,258 | 1,191,467 | 4,242,992 |
| | Westbrook | 9,816,000 | 3,227,000 | 1,038,000 | 926,156 | 4,906,800 | 7,843,700 |
| | Sub Total | 203,353,590 | 182,833,076 | 198,247,553 | 166,455,504 | 375,015,367 | 302,793,517 |
| Frenchman Bay | Bar Harbor | 2,757,979 | 971,376 | 3,816,271 | 3,141,462 | 7,478,224 | 3,179,664 |
| | Sub Total | 2,757,979 | 971,376 | 3,816,271 | 3,141,462 | 7,478,224 | 3,179,664 |
| Kennebec River | Bath | 2,800,232 | 2,874,579 | 1,806,487 | 1,583,361 | 3,522,034 | 2,645,771 |
| | Gardiner | 2,877,000 | 9,932,000 | 1,993,000 | 61,000 | 18,240,000 | 2,200,000 |
| | Greater Augusta UD | 3,482,000 | 6,074,000 | 3,082,000 | 1,989,200 | 2,509,450 | 10,679,193 |
| | Randolph | 3,500 | 67,300 | 1,400 | 8,900 | 25,700 | 50,000 |
| | Skowhegan | 1,711,809 | 1,073,711 | 252,870 | 1,742,309 | 7,928,889 | 2,448,510 |
| | Winslow | 3,654,519 | 876,296 | 193,076 | 3,196,000 | 26,473,369 | 7,361,250 |
| | Sub Total | 14,529,060 | 20,897,886 | 7,328,833 | 8,580,770 | 58,699,442 | 25,384,724 |
| Machias River | Machias | 145,425 | 100,035 | 122,833 | 418,811 | 291,295 | 220,129 |
| | Sub Total | 145,425 | 100,035 | 122,833 | 418,811 | 291,295 | 220,129 |
| Penobscot Bay | Belfast | 330,905 | 96,444 | 264,774 | 444,090 | 504,877 | 207,301 |
| | Rockland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Sub Total | 330,905 | 96,444 | 264,774 | 444,090 | 504,877 | 207,301 |
| Penobscot River | Bangor | 96,009,000 | 58,745,000 | 77,720,893 | 52,468,359 | 62,551,149 | 72,999,979 |
| | Brewer | 868,060 | 76,188 | 4,235,000 | 783,656 | 3,557,124 | 1,979,681 |
| | Bucksport | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | Hampden | 1,933,080 | 244,200 | 319,902 | 205,128 | 117,216 | 158,730 |
| | Milford | 0 | 0 | 0 | 43,153 | 86,791 | 46,267 |
| | Old Town | 61,508 | 20,698 | 12,128 | 7,608 | 79,695 | 93,715 |
| | Orono | 698,817 | 1,192,467 | 905,504 | 1,102,236 | 3,981,896 | 5,386,128 |
| | Winterport SD | 0 | 0 | 108,000 | 54,000 | 96,000 | 48,000 |
| Sub Total | 99,570,465 | 60,278,553 | 83,301,427 | 54,664,140 | 70,469,871 | 80,712,500 | |
| Saco River | Biddeford | 69,451,000 | 34,644,000 | 26,649,500 | 14,543,300 | 30,003,000 | 20,631,322 |
| | Saco | 2,675,000 | 978,000 | 2,487,000 | 242,000 | 1,860,000 | 4,027,000 |
| | Sub Total | 72,126,000 | 35,622,000 | 29,136,500 | 14,785,300 | 31,863,000 | 24,658,322 |
| St. Croix River | Calais | 2,403,000 | 1,839,927 | 587,400 | 3,848,188 | 2,937,000 | 1,975,800 |
| | Sub Total | 2,403,000 | 1,839,927 | 587,400 | 3,848,188 | 2,937,000 | 1,975,800 |
| St. John River | Madawaska | 8,205,821 | 10,242 | 422,838 | 616,123 | 423,493 | 789,394 |
| | Sub Total | 8,205,821 | 10,242 | 422,838 | 616,123 | 423,493 | 789,394 |
| | Total Annual Volume | 455,297,078 | 359,831,697 | 346,742,558 | 305,344,353 | 745,200,856 | 532,538,722 |

Maine CSO Permittee Level of Treatment

| CSO Permittees | 2020 Average Annual Rainfall (Inches): 40.88 | | | | 2021 Average Annual Rainfall (Inches): 44.19 | | | | 2022 Average Annual Rainfall (Inches): 45.24 | | | | 2023 Average Annual Rainfall (Inches): 57.31 | | | | 2024 Average Annual Rainfall (Inches): 48.54 | | | |
|--|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| | Total Volume ^{1,2} (MG) | Secondary Treatment | Primary Treatment | CSO | Total Volume ^{1,2} (MG) | Secondary Treatment | Primary Treatment | CSO | Total Volume ^{1,2} (MG) | Secondary Treatment | Primary Treatment | CSO | Total Volume ^{1,2} (MG) | Secondary Treatment | Primary Treatment | CSO | Total Volume ^{1,2} (MG) | Secondary Treatment | Primary Treatment | CSO |
| Bangor & Hampden | 2,851.3 | 96.44% | 1.49% | 2.07% | 2,932.3 | 96.25% | 1.09% | 2.66% | 3,319.0 | 96.87% | 1.54% | 1.59% | 3513.0 | 97.26% | 0.95% | 1.78% | 2926.9 | 95.86% | 1.64% | 2.50% |
| Bar Harbor | 349.9 | 99.72% | | 0.28% | 380.3 | 99.00% | | 1.00% | 415.9 | 99.24% | | 0.76% | 429.5 | 98.26% | | 1.74% | 367.5 | 99.13% | | 0.87% |
| Bath | 728.7 | 92.89% | 6.72% | 0.39% | 711.4 | 92.36% | 7.39% | 0.25% | 711.4 | 95.69% | 4.08% | 0.22% | 818.4 | 94.02% | 5.55% | 0.43% | 692.3 | 93.36% | 6.25% | 0.38% |
| Belfast | 202.0 | 99.95% | | 0.05% | 231.4 | 99.89% | | 0.11% | 227.0 | 99.80% | | 0.20% | 289.7 | 99.83% | | 0.17% | 238.8 | 99.91% | | 0.09% |
| Biddeford | 1,011.6 | 96.58% | | 3.42% | 869.1 | 96.93% | | 3.07% | 849.6 | 98.29% | | 1.71% | 1084.3 | 97.23% | | 2.77% | 891.4 | 97.69% | | 2.31% |
| Brewer | 680.4 | 99.99% | 0.00% | 0.01% | 724.7 | 99.42% | 0.00% | 0.58% | 854.9 | 99.91% | 0.00% | 0.09% | 845.2 | 99.58% | 0.00% | 0.42% | 649.5 | 98.32% | 1.37% | 0.30% |
| Bucksport | 107.1 | 98.19% | 1.81% | 0.00% | 120.5 | 96.52% | 3.48% | 0.00% | 125.8 | 96.09% | 3.91% | 0.00% | 137.0 | 97.75% | 2.25% | 0.00% | 121.3 | 97.40% | 2.60% | 0.00% |
| Calais | 202.2 | 92.15% | 6.94% | 0.91% | 190.0 | 96.91% | 2.78% | 0.31% | 235.4 | 94.98% | 3.38% | 1.63% | 269.6 | 94.98% | 3.93% | 1.09% | 221.9 | 95.97% | 3.14% | 0.89% |
| Gardiner & Randolph | 371.1 | 95.00% | 2.31% | 2.69% | 349.5 | 98.98% | 0.45% | 0.57% | 399.4 | 99.37% | 0.61% | 0.02% | 552.0 | 95.32% | 1.37% | 3.31% | 432.8 | 98.97% | 0.51% | 0.52% |
| GAUD & Hallowell | 1,650.3 | 98.22% | 1.41% | 0.37% | 1,311.0 | 99.22% | 0.54% | 0.24% | 2,213.8 | 99.26% | 0.65% | 0.09% | 2099.5 | 98.60% | 1.28% | 0.12% | 1821.6 | 97.14% | 2.28% | 0.59% |
| KSTD & Winslow ³ | 2,184.0 | 99.96% | | 0.04% | 2,074.0 | 99.99% | | 0.01% | 2,262.3 | 99.86% | | 0.14% | 2623.0 | 98.99% | | 1.01% | 2256.8 | 99.67% | | 0.33% |
| LACWA, Lewiston & Auburn | 3,434.3 | 97.53% | 0.82% | 1.65% | 3,196.0 | 96.26% | 3.01% | 0.73% | 3,419.2 | 98.41% | 0.06% | 1.53% | 4256.7 | 94.81% | 0.56% | 4.62% | 3530.4 | 97.31% | 0.09% | 2.60% |
| Machias | 62.7 | 99.84% | | 0.16% | 65.2 | 99.81% | | 0.19% | 84.3 | 99.50% | | 0.50% | 92.1 | 99.68% | | 0.32% | 78.0 | 99.72% | | 0.28% |
| Madawaska | 123.9 | 99.99% | | 0.01% | 105.8 | 99.60% | | 0.40% | 145.4 | 99.58% | | 0.42% | 140.4 | 99.70% | | 0.30% | 112.0 | 99.30% | | 0.70% |
| Mechanic Falls | 79.7 | 99.52% | | 0.48% | 64.0 | 99.90% | | 0.10% | 70.4 | 99.81% | | 0.19% | 108.9 | 99.79% | | 0.21% | 82.3 | 99.14% | | 0.86% |
| Old Town & Milford | 448.8 | 98.95% | 1.04% | 0.01% | 471.8 | 99.05% | 0.95% | 0.00% | 537.4 | 99.20% | 0.79% | 0.01% | 579.2 | 98.61% | 1.36% | 0.03% | 453.7 | 97.13% | 2.83% | 0.03% |
| Orono | 400.1 | 99.70% | | 0.30% | 419.9 | 99.78% | | 0.22% | 455.5 | 99.76% | | 0.24% | 507.4 | 99.22% | | 0.78% | 452.8 | 98.81% | | 1.19% |
| Paris UD ⁴ | 110.3 | 100.00% | | 0.00% | 96.3 | 100.00% | | 0.00% | 108.2 | 100.00% | | 0.00% | 134.2 | 99.67% | | 0.33% | | | | |
| Portland & PWD ⁵ | 5,938.0 | 92.75% | 4.24% | 3.01% | 5,552.8 | 92.92% | 3.58% | 3.50% | 5,218.8 | 92.22% | 4.64% | 3.14% | 6360.0 | 89.19% | 5.02% | 5.80% | 5155.8 | 88.86% | 5.51% | 5.63% |
| Rockland | 820.4 | 84.74% | 15.26% | 0.00% | 868.0 | 87.31% | 12.69% | 0.00% | 816.1 | 91.81% | 8.19% | 0.00% | 1059.5 | 93.54% | 6.46% | 0.00% | 940.4 | 90.66% | 9.34% | 0.00% |
| Saco | 784.0 | 99.51% | 0.36% | 0.12% | 800.9 | 99.18% | 0.51% | 0.31% | 762.3 | 99.69% | 0.28% | 0.03% | 975.8 | 98.72% | 1.09% | 0.19% | 819.6 | 98.25% | 1.26% | 0.49% |
| Skowhegan | 262.8 | 95.65% | 3.94% | 0.41% | 223.6 | 99.47% | 0.37% | 0.16% | 247.0 | 98.39% | 0.91% | 0.71% | 316.4 | 96.45% | 1.05% | 2.51% | 281.5 | 97.93% | 1.20% | 0.87% |
| South Portland & Cape Elizabeth ⁶ | 2,001.5 | 99.81% | 0.14% | 0.04% | 1,909.5 | 99.48% | 0.37% | 0.14% | 1,967.4 | 99.87% | 0.05% | 0.08% | 2277.7 | 99.57% | 0.36% | 0.06% | 2051.5 | 98.13% | 1.64% | 0.23% |
| Westbrook & PWD | 1,115.1 | 99.71% | | 0.29% | 1,081.8 | 99.90% | | 0.10% | 1,122.7 | 99.92% | | 0.08% | 1308.1 | 99.62% | | 0.38% | 1192.7 | 99.34% | | 0.66% |
| SUM | 25,920.2 | | | | 24,750.0 | | | | 26,569.1 | | | | 30,777.5 | | | | 25,771.7 | | | |
| MEAN | 1,080.0 | 97.37% | 3.32% | 0.70% | 1,031.2 | 97.84% | 2.66% | 0.61% | 1,107.0 | 98.23% | 2.08% | 0.56% | 1,282.4 | 97.52% | 2.23% | 1.18% | 1,120.5 | 97.30% | 2.83% | 0.97% |
| MEDIAN | 564.6 | 99.23% | 1.65% | 0.28% | 591.6 | 99.20% | 1.02% | 0.23% | 624.4 | 99.32% | 0.85% | 0.19% | 698.8 | 98.61% | 1.32% | 0.40% | 649.5 | 98.13% | 1.96% | 0.59% |

Notes: ¹Volume data was obtained from monthly Discharge Monitoring Reports entered and submitted through NetDMR by each Facility

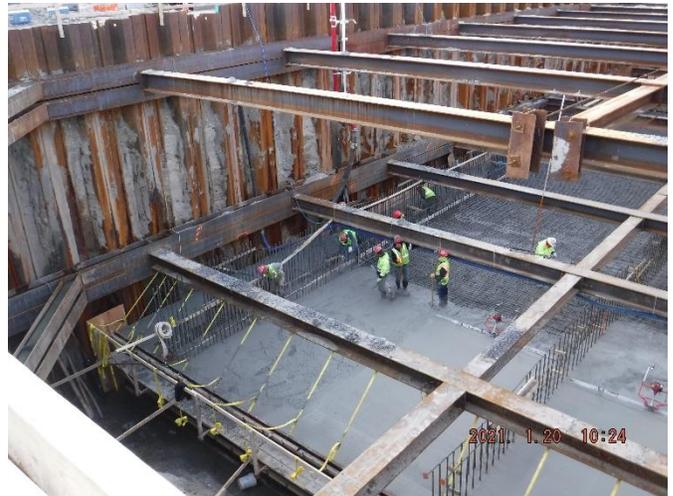
²Total Volume: Total Volume Taken on by System = Secondary Treatment Volume + Primary Treatment Volume + CSO Volume + SSO Volume (SSO Volumes too small to affect Percentages, therefore not displayed)

³Although KSTD is no longer in the CSO program as of 2024, it is shown on this chart since Winslow remains a CSO community and treats all of Winslow's non-CSO flow. All CSO flow in 2024 was in Winslow.

⁴As of 2024 Paris is no longer in the CSO program and is no longer being included in the annual totals.

⁵Updates were made to treatment volumes and percentages for 2020-2021 for Portland & PWD

⁶A calculation error for South Portland & Cape Elizabeth's 2022 data was corrected. The Sum, Mean, and Median data for 2022 was also corrected.



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