



Development of R Shiny APPs for assessing and visualizing water quality standards attainment data

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Continually improve our capacity to monitor and assess the effects of the management actions being taken to implement the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (Bay TMDL) and improve water quality. Use monitoring results to report annual progress being made in attaining water quality standards and trends in reducing nutrients and sediment in the watershed.

<https://www.chesapeakeprogress.com/clean-water/water-quality>

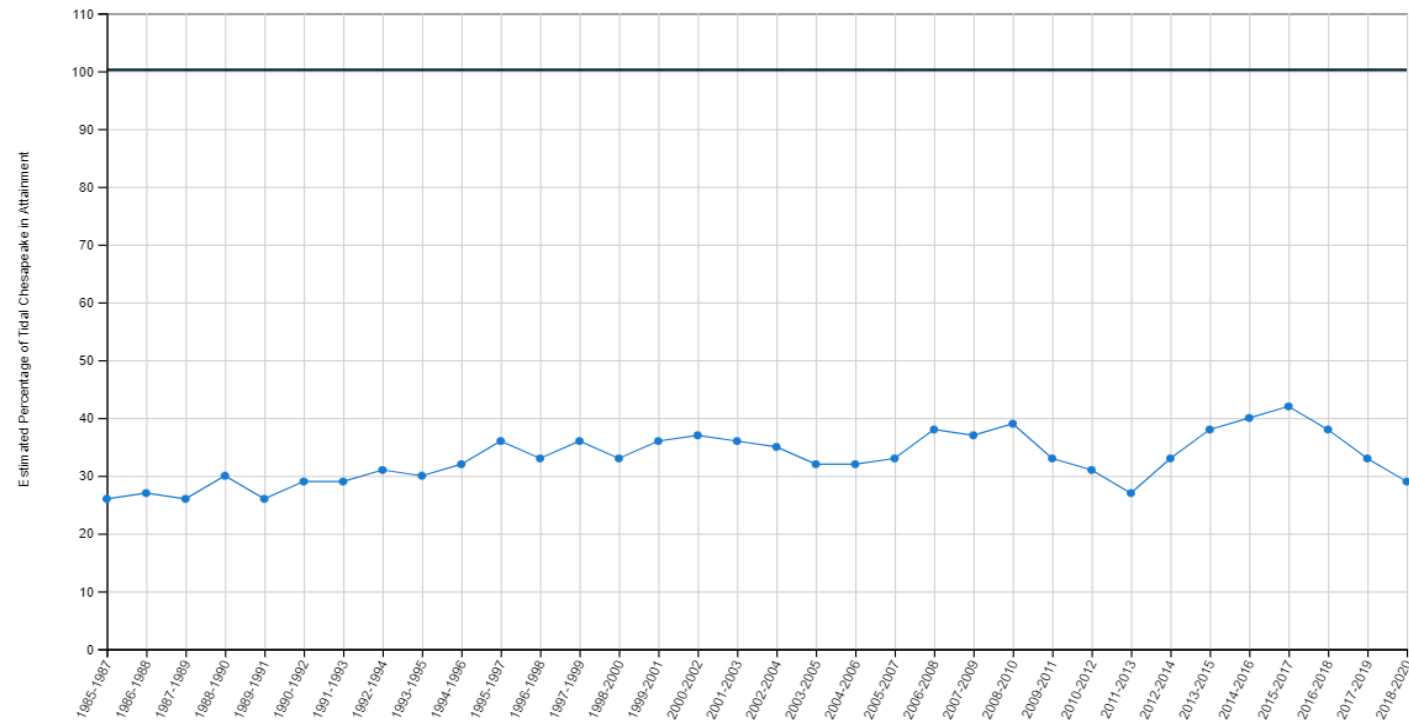
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Water Quality Standards Attainment (1985-2020)

Water quality is evaluated using three parameters: dissolved oxygen, water clarity or underwater grass abundance, and chlorophyll a (a measure of algae growth).

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The overall attainment indicator provides a useful estimate of the integrated condition of the Bay in terms of attainment of the three water-quality standards. However, reporting of the overall indicator alone does not:

- provide segment or designated use (DU) specific information,
- provide a quick comparison between different assessment periods,
- provide maps or timeseries for pre-identified segments and/or DUs,
- identify segments and/or DUs that show improving or degrading trends.

Making such detailed information accessible to the partnership (state managers, academic researchers, CBP analysts/staffs) may promote the overall effort of characterizing & explaining the Bay's progress toward WQS attainment.

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WQS Attainment Indicator or Attainment Deficit

different assessment periods

different designated uses

different segments

different criterion

different tidal systems

different states

long-term and short-term trends

Illustrations

Maps

Timeseries Plots

Tables

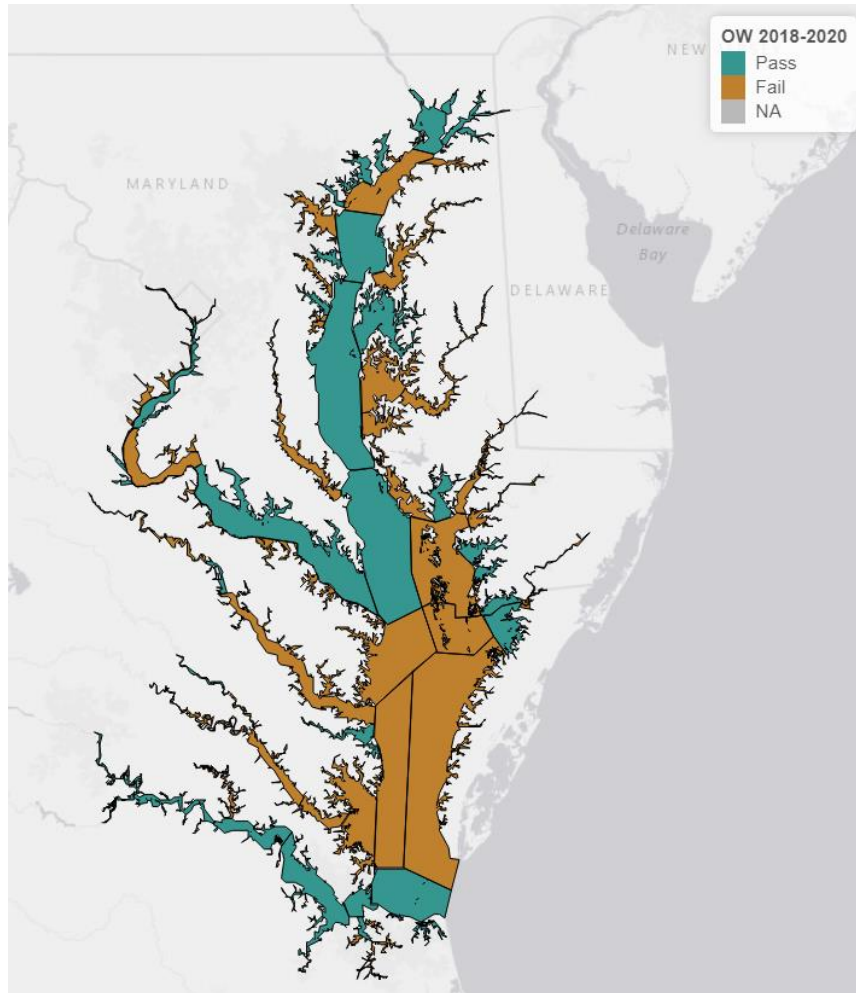
Text Summaries

**Interactive, i.e.,
updated based on
user inputs**

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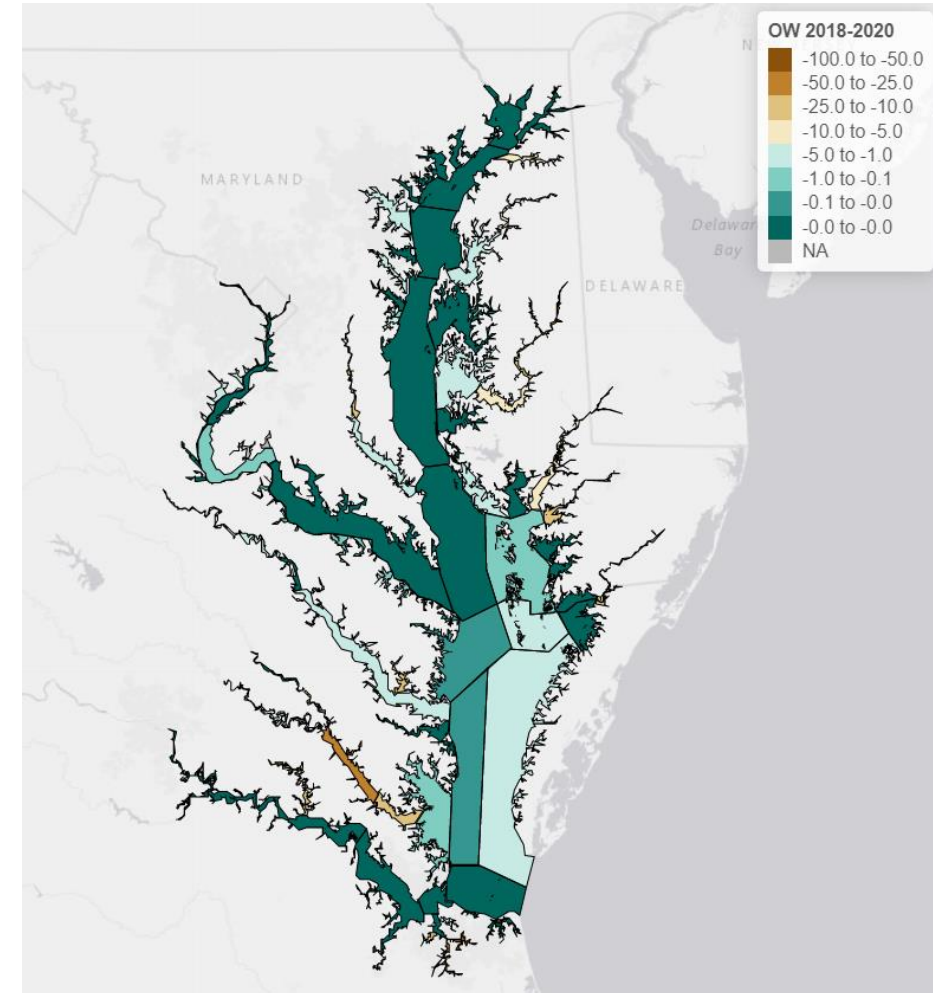
WQS Attainment Indicator

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