

Regional Findings: West



- Findings for West worse than other ecoregions
- **61% of wetland area in poor condition (21% good condition)**
- Greater percentage of wetland area at high levels of stress
 - **Ditching 76%**
 - **Nonnative plants 72% (high or very high)**
 - **Hardening 70%**
 - **Vegetation removal 61%**
- **Heavy metals** at moderate stressor levels for **47%** of wetland area

Regional Findings: Interior Plains



- **44% of wetland area in good condition (19% in poor condition)**
- **Vegetation removal (44%), hardening (35%), and ditching (28%)** are predominant stressors at high levels
 - All physical stressors except filling/erosion above 20%
- **Nonnative plants** at high or very high stressor levels for **46%** of wetland area
 - **Only 4% inland herbaceous** wetland area at low stressor levels

Regional Findings: Coastal Plains



- Half of assessed wetland area nationally occurs in ecoregion
- **50% of wetland area in good condition (29% in poor condition)**
- **Vegetation removal (25%), hardening (23%), and ditching (21%)** are predominant stressors at high levels
- Inland herbaceous wetlands far worse than inland woody wetlands
 - **59% of wetland area in poor condition**
 - **Vegetation removal 61%**
 - **Hardening 57%**
 - **Ditching 52%**

Regional Findings: Eastern Mountains and Upper Midwest



- **52% of wetland area in good condition (37% in poor condition)**
- **Hardening (22%), vegetation removal (17%), ditching (15%)** are predominant stressors at high levels
- Larger percentage of wetland area with high stress levels for **soil phosphorus (13%)** than other ecoregions
 - **35% for inland herbaceous**
- **Heavy metals** at moderate stressor levels for **31%** of wetland area

Regional Findings: Estuarine



- Estuarine wetlands are reported nationally by wetland type (herbaceous or woody)
 - Estuarine herbaceous wetland area comprises 90% of total
- Estuarine herbaceous wetlands
 - **58% of wetland area in good condition (26% in poor)**
 - **Ditching (18%), hardening (11%), and damming (10%)** were predominant stressors at high levels
 - **Nonnative plants** at high and very high levels for **24%** of wetland area
- Estuarine woody wetlands
 - **59% of wetland area in good condition (22% in poor)**
 - **Ditching (18%), hardening (13%), and soil phosphorus (9%)** were predominant stressors at high levels