

Top Ten Highest Historical Crests: Potomac River Wisconsin Ave, Washington, DC

Latitude: 38.902

Period of Record: 1877-Present

Longitude: -77.063

Flood Stage: 6

Last Flood: 2/4/2016

Total Number of Floods: 39

Date of Flood	Crest (ft)	Streamflow (cfs)	Wx Comments
10/17/1942	17.72	-9,999	The remnants of the eighth tropical storm of the year produced torrential rains and caused the worst river flooding in the history of Virginia.
3/19/1936	17.30	-9,999	Two successive rainstorms combined with snowmelt flooded the Eastern Seaboard from Virginia to Maine. A total of 150 to 200 lives were lost and damage estimates were over \$1 million.
6/24/1972	15.45	-9,999	Hurricane Agnes made landfall again over southeastern New York on June 22 and moved westward into Pennsylvania. Rainfall totals from June 20-25 range from 2-3 inches in the Upper Potomac to 18 inches near Shamokin, Pennsylvania.
4/28/1937	14.30	-9,999	Heavy rains caused widespread flooding across most of Virginia. The Rappahannock basin was hit the hardest, but the Potomac River at Wisconsin Avenue rose to 14.3 feet. Six people died and total damages were well over \$1.5 million.
11/26/1877	14.05	-9,999	Actual date unknown.
1/21/1996	13.88	-9,999	Southerly winds, high dewpoints and intense rainfall caused a rapid snowmelt. The resultant flooding was the worst to hit the entire MARFC area since 1972.
2/14/1918	13.80	-9,999	Ice
9/9/1996	13.75	-9,999	Hurricane Fran produced up to 16 inches of rain in the western part of Virginia and up to 7 inches in the Juniata Basin in Pennsylvania. Fran was the worst flood even to hit Maryland since Hurricane Hazel and the January 1996 Flood.
2/12/1881	13.63	-9,999	An ice flood carried away 2 spans of the Mifflintown Bridge and 2 spans of the Newport Bridge.

Drainage Area: 0 sq mi

Gage Datum: 0 ft MSL

Potomac Basin

County of Gage: Dist. of Columbia

County of Forecast Point: Dist. of Columbia

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5/14/1924	12.80	-9,999	The weather summary is unavailable at this time.

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