

Table 14. Microbial Safety Associated With 16 Dropped Fruit from One Orchard and Seven Woodland Sites Collected in 2025.

Site	Location and Type	Rep	Microbial Load (CFU/g pulp)			
			Yeast	Mold	Aerobic Bacteria	Coliform Bacteria
1	Columbus, OH Orchard	1	20	70	10	<10
		2	100	20	40	<10
2	Columbus, OH Woodland	1	<10	20	30	<10
		2	<10	500	<10	<10
3	Columbus, OH Woodland	1	1.5 X 10 ⁵	10	2,000	<10
		2	5,500	<10	4,200	<10
4	Columbus, OH Woodland	1	800	400	30	<10
		2	1.2 X 10 ⁶	3,000	1.6 X 10 ⁵	<10
5	Piketon, OH Woodland	1	<10	160	1,100	<10
		2	<10	60	2,700	<10
6	Piketon, OH Woodland	1	8,000	<10	9.0 X 10 ⁶	<10
		2	4.7 X 10 ⁵	50	>2.5 X 10 ⁷	10
7	Belmont, OH Woodland	1	<10	370	7.7 X 10 ⁵	<10
		2	1,700	80	6.4 X 10 ⁶	10
8	Belmont, OH Woodland	1	40	10	1,400	<10
		2	20	110	1.6 X 10 ⁵	70