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2021 Deer Harvest Summary

2021 Deer Harvest by Sex & Season

Season	Adult Male	Female	Button Buck	Total	% Harvest
Para/Youth	33	48	5	86	0.6%
Archery	4,038	1,518	338	5,894	44.1%
Shotgun	2,855	1,726	428	5,009	37.5%
Primitive	1,337	1,113	192	2,377	17.8%
Statewide	8,263	4,405	982	13,366	100.0%

2021 Deer Harvest by Season & Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Para/Youth	Archery	Shotgun	Primitive	Total
1	5	116	176	59	356
2	7	203	235	86	531
3	4	171	282	92	549
4N	10	216	239	109	574
4S	3	160	132	69	364
5	7	269	289	142	707
6	1	80	118	31	230
7	6	256	242	108	612
8	2	284	335	132	753
9	7	577	480	256	1,320
10	7	1,380	612	487	2,486
11	16	1,620	1,071	531	3,238
12	6	84	117	37	244
13	3	222	341	101	667
14	2	256	340	137	735
Statewide	86	5,894	5,009	2,377	13,366

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2021 Deer Harvest: Implement Used by Season

Implement	Para/Youth	Archery	Shotgun	Primitive	Total
Bow/Crossbow*	2	5,894	188	348	6,432
Shotgun	66	-	4,216	-	4,282
Muzzleloader	18	-	605	2,029	2,652
Total	86	5,894	5,009	2,661	13,366

* Crossbow by permit only

2021 Deer Harvest by Sex & Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Buck Fawn	Total	2020
1	266	75	15	356	352
2	478	47	6	531	541
3	390	142	17	549	578
4N	448	114	12	574	611
4S	297	62	5	364	367
5	507	166	34	707	752
6	185	39	6	230	237
7	378	196	38	612	707
8	518	202	33	753	834
9	725	476	119	1,320	1,448
10	1,286	994	206	2,486	2,877
11	1,842	1,142	254	3,238	3,445
12	148	81	15	244	306
13	275	301	91	667	922
14	299	324	112	735	789
Statewide	8,042	4,361	963	13,366	14,766

2021 Para/Youth Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Button Buck	Total
1	1	3	1	5
2	3	4	0	7
3	4	0	0	4
4N	5	5	0	10
4S	1	2	0	3
5	4	2	1	7
6	1	0	0	1
7	2	4	0	6
8	2	0	0	2
9	1	3	3	7
10	0	7	0	7
11	4	12	0	16
12	2	4	0	6
13	2	1	0	3
14	1	1	0	2
Statewide	33	48	5	86

2021 Archery Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Button Buck	Total
1	100	14	2	116
2	190	10	3	203
3	140	28	3	171
4N	190	23	3	216
4S	141	18	1	160
5	232	32	5	269
6	76	3	1	80
7	186	59	11	256
8	248	31	5	284
9	395	155	27	577
10	799	476	105	1,380
11	1,044	473	103	1,620
12	70	12	2	84
13	104	86	32	222
14	123	98	35	256
Statewide	4,038	1518	338	5,894

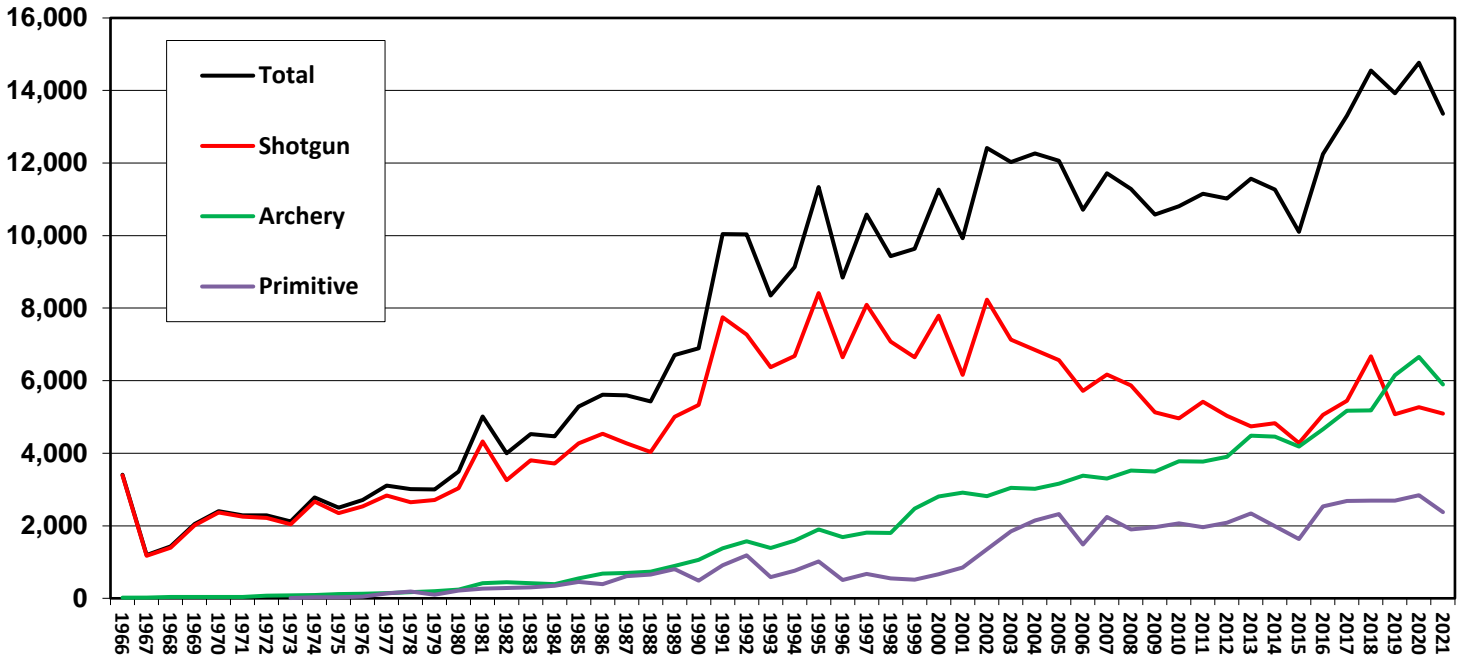
2021 Shotgun Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Button Buck	Total
1	132	34	10	176
2	211	21	3	235
3	200	72	10	282
4N	185	45	9	239
4S	111	17	4	132
5	191	78	20	289
6	87	27	4	118
7	135	87	20	242
8	199	115	21	335
9	239	179	62	480
10	285	276	51	612
11	552	415	104	1,071
12	59	49	9	117
13	143	149	49	341
14	126	162	52	340
Statewide	2,855	1,726	428	5,009

2021 Primitive Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Button Buck	Total
1	33	24	2	59
2	74	12	0	86
3	46	42	4	92
4N	68	41	0	109
4S	44	25	0	69
5	80	54	8	142
6	21	9	1	31
7	55	46	7	108
8	69	56	7	132
9	90	139	27	256
10	202	235	50	487
11	242	242	47	531
12	17	16	4	37
13	26	65	10	101
14	49	63	25	137
Statewide	1,116	1,069	192	2,377

Total Statewide Deer Harvest by Season



2022 Antlerless Deer Permit Allocations by Zone

Zone	2019-2021	Change^o	2022	Deer Management Direction
1	600	200	800	Reduce/Stabilize
2	300	100	400	Stabilize
3	1,600	450	2,050	Reduce/Stabilize
4N	600	200	800	Stabilize
4S	500	100	600	Increase
5	1,500	450	1,950	Stabilize
6	300	100	400	Stabilize
7	2,400	600	3,000	Stabilize
8	2,600	500	3,100	Increase
9	5,500	1,700	7,200	Reduce
10	12,000	No Cap*	No Cap*	Reduce
11	13,000	No Cap*	No Cap*	Reduce
12	1,000	350	1,350	Stabilize
13	2,700	No Cap**	No Cap**	Reduce
14	2,700	No Cap**	No Cap**	Reduce
Statewide	47,300	4,750	21,650 + No Cap Zones	

Allocations are set to align with our deer management goals and take into account hunter success rates, permit demand, and purchase behavior.

^oThe allocation change includes adjustments that are made to compensate for hunters that are awarded ADPs but do not purchase them.

*The cap on ADPs has been removed from Zones 10 & 11. Surplus permits will go on sale at the end of September and will be available for purchase throughout the season. Limit 1 permit per day.

** The cap on ADPs has been removed from Zones 13 & 14. Surplus permits will go on sale at the end of September and will be available for purchase throughout the season. Limit 4 permit per day.