

YOUTH DEER

There were 7,800 single-tag antlerless licenses issued for the 2008 Youth Deer hunting season (7,394 resident, 406 nonresident). Approximately 59% of hunters were sampled and 1,816 responses (73%) were received. Approximately 39% of responding hunters used the Internet response site.

The Youth season ran from September 13, 2008 through January 31, 2009, a total of 141 days. Respondents reported hunting an average of 6.36 days each, which projected to 26,757 recreation days for the season.

Projections for the season estimated that a total of 558 whitetail bucks, 3,081 whitetail does, 76 mule deer bucks, and 558 mule deer does were harvested. The total harvest for the Youth Deer season was 4,274, and the overall success rate was 55%. The five counties with the highest reported harvest were Pennington, Custer, Meade, Brown, and Hamlin. Projected harvest for the Black Hills region was 786 deer.

The average satisfaction rating for those responding (1 being very dissatisfied and 7 very satisfied) was 5.45.

Comparison of the 1997 - 2008 Youth Deer hunting seasons

YEAR	Licenses Sold	Harvest						Avg Days Hunted	Average Satisfctn
		Bucks		Does		Total	Success		
		WT	Mule	WT	Mule				
1997	2,210	167	37	811	237	1,252	57%	NA	5.40
1998	2,321	217	20	860	185	1,371	56%	4.13	5.16
1999	2,490	224	26	862	227	1,339	54%	4.04	5.20
2000	2,609	288	11	1,026	180	1,505	58%	3.42	5.36
2001	2,662	251	25	974	211	1,461	55%	3.76	5.39
2002	2,767	198	16	1,031	245	1,490	54%	3.96	5.48
2003	3,256	264	30	1,234	243	1,771	54%	4.05	5.48
2004	3,119	195	25	998	210	1,428	45%	4.13	5.36
2005	3,525	363	36	1,330	246	1,975	56%	3.67	5.42
2006	3,762	228	34	1,204	276	1,742	46%	4.72	5.01
2007	4,670	296	42	1,612	389	2,339	50%	5.39	5.35
2008	7,800	558	76	3,081	558	4,274	55%	6.36	5.45

2008 Youth Deer Hunting Harvest Projections

Last Revised: 17-Apr-09

Unit/Type	Hunters	Harvest Projections														Total Deer Harvest	Average Satisfaction Score **	Avg Days Hunted
		Licenses				Response Rate	Unit/Subunit Success	Whitetail			Mule Deer							
		Available	Sold	Available	Sold			Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns	Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns					
ST1-03	4,207	Unlimited	7,394	unlimited	406	73%	#	55%	558	2,569	512	76	468	90	4,274	5.45	6.36	

Harvest projections were developed for units where response rate was less than 85% and may not be within +/- 15% of the sample statistic.

** Refers to a satisfaction scale of 1=very dissatisfied to 7=very satisfied.

2008 Youth Deer Harvest Distribution by County Hunted Most

County	Reported Harvest							Projected Harvest										
	Whitetail			Mule Deer				Total	Whitetail			Mule Deer				Black Hills Estimate	Total Estimate	%
	Bucks	Does	Fawn	Bucks	Does	Fawn	Bucks		Does	Fawn	Bucks	Does	Fawn					
	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Fawn		Adult	Fawn	Fawn	Adult	Fawn					
Minnehaha	11	29	10	0	2	0	52	26	69	23	0	5	0	2	122	2.9%		
Pennington	11	96	17	5	27	7	163	26	227	39	12	64	17	276	385	9.0%		
Brown	12	46	13	0	2	0	73	28	109	30	0	5	0	0	172	4.0%		
Beadle	3	17	5	0	2	0	27	7	40	12	0	5	0	0	64	1.5%		
Codington	3	22	4	2	1	0	32	7	52	9	5	2	0	0	75	1.8%		
Brookings	4	22	5	0	0	1	32	9	52	12	0	0	2	0	75	1.8%		
Yankton	6	26	6	0	2	0	40	14	61	14	0	5	0	2	94	2.2%		
Davison	3	24	1	1	1	0	30	7	57	2	2	2	0	0	71	1.7%		
Lawrence	6	40	7	2	12	0	67	14	95	16	5	29	0	142	158	3.7%		
Aurora	3	10	0	0	0	0	13	7	24	0	0	0	0	0	31	0.7%		
Bennett	1	2	0	0	2	0	5	2	5	0	0	5	0	0	12	0.3%		
Bon Homme	3	30	5	0	2	0	40	7	71	12	0	5	0	5	94	2.2%		
Brule	5	13	3	0	3	0	24	12	31	7	0	7	0	2	56	1.3%		
Buffalo	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.1%		
Butte	4	14	5	1	4	0	28	9	33	12	2	10	0	12	66	1.5%		
Campbell	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	5	0.1%		
Charles Mix	9	34	5	0	11	0	59	21	80	12	0	26	0	2	139	3.3%		
Clark	3	13	4	0	0	0	20	7	31	9	0	0	0	2	47	1.1%		
Clay	5	6	0	0	0	0	11	12	14	0	0	0	0	5	26	0.6%		
Corson	0	6	0	1	3	0	10	0	14	0	2	7	0	0	24	0.6%		
Custer	11	44	11	4	15	0	85	26	104	25	10	36	0	172	200	4.7%		
Day	7	26	8	0	1	1	43	16	61	19	0	2	2	0	101	2.4%		
Deuel	5	12	1	0	0	0	18	12	28	2	0	0	0	0	42	1.0%		
Dewey	0	4	0	0	1	2	7	0	9	0	0	2	5	2	17	0.4%		
Douglas	2	9	1	1	0	0	13	5	21	2	2	0	0	0	31	0.7%		
Edmunds	2	7	1	0	0	0	10	5	17	2	0	0	0	0	24	0.6%		
Fall River	0	6	0	0	5	0	11	0	14	0	0	12	0	12	26	0.6%		
Faulk	2	18	6	0	0	0	26	5	43	14	0	0	0	2	61	1.4%		
Grant	7	29	7	0	0	0	43	16	69	16	0	0	0	0	101	2.4%		
Gregory	6	18	2	0	12	3	41	14	43	5	0	29	7	0	97	2.3%		
Haakon	0	3	0	1	1	3	8	0	7	0	2	2	7	0	19	0.4%		
Hamlin	12	48	9	0	0	0	69	28	113	21	0	0	0	0	162	3.8%		
Hand	4	11	2	1	1	0	19	9	26	5	2	2	0	0	45	1.0%		
Hanson	0	10	3	0	0	0	13	0	24	7	0	0	0	0	31	0.7%		
Harding	0	4	0	0	4	2	10	0	9	0	0	10	5	0	24	0.6%		
Hughes	1	6	0	0	2	0	9	2	14	0	0	5	0	0	21	0.5%		
Hutchinson	3	25	2	0	0	0	30	7	59	5	0	0	0	2	71	1.7%		
Hyde	2	8	2	0	0	0	12	5	19	5	0	0	0	0	28	0.7%		
Jackson	0	0	1	1	2	0	4	0	0	2	2	5	0	0	9	0.2%		
Jerauld	3	14	1	0	1	0	19	7	33	2	0	2	0	0	45	1.0%		
Jones	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	0.2%		
Kingsbury	5	23	8	0	0	0	36	12	54	19	0	0	0	0	85	2.0%		
Lake	9	26	2	0	0	0	37	21	61	5	0	0	0	0	87	2.0%		
Lincoln	6	20	4	0	0	0	30	14	47	9	0	0	0	7	71	1.7%		
Lyman	0	4	2	2	9	3	20	0	9	5	5	21	7	2	48	1.1%		
McCook	6	31	5	0	2	1	45	14	73	12	0	5	2	0	106	2.5%		
McPherson	3	15	2	0	0	0	20	7	35	5	0	0	0	0	47	1.1%		
Marshall	3	19	0	0	1	0	23	7	45	0	0	2	0	12	54	1.3%		
Meade	7	37	13	0	18	3	78	16	87	30	0	43	7	109	184	4.3%		
Mellette	0	1	0	1	4	2	8	0	2	0	2	10	5	0	19	0.4%		
Miner	0	11	4	0	0	0	15	0	26	9	0	0	0	0	35	0.8%		
Moody	5	19	6	0	2	1	33	12	45	14	0	5	2	5	78	1.8%		
Perkins	4	18	2	0	13	3	40	9	43	5	0	31	7	7	95	2.2%		
Potter	5	4	1	0	0	0	10	12	9	2	0	0	0	0	23	0.5%		
Roberts	5	24	5	0	0	0	34	12	57	12	0	0	0	0	80	1.9%		
Sanborn	4	6	2	0	0	0	12	9	14	5	0	0	0	0	28	0.7%		
Spink	7	17	5	0	0	0	29	16	40	12	0	0	0	0	68	1.6%		
Stanley	0	8	0	5	9	0	22	0	19	0	12	21	0	0	52	1.2%		
Sully	4	5	1	1	4	2	17	9	12	2	2	10	5	2	40	0.9%		
Tripp	0	6	4	2	4	2	18	0	14	9	5	10	5	0	43	1.0%		
Turner	1	11	5	1	0	0	18	2	26	12	2	0	0	0	42	1.0%		
Union	4	18	2	0	1	0	25	9	43	5	0	2	0	0	59	1.4%		
Walworth	0	2	1	0	3	0	6	0	5	2	0	7	0	0	14	0.3%		
Ziebach	0	6	0	0	2	1	9	0	14	0	0	5	2	0	21	0.5%		
Shannon	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0.1%		
Todd	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	7	0.2%		
Unknown	2	22	0	1	5	2	32											
TOTALS	241	1,109	221	33	202	39	1,845	558	2,569	512	76	468	90	786	4,274			

Any by county projected harvest values will differ from by unit projected harvest values due to incorrect sampling proportions within counties.
Use these figures for approximations only!

Youth Deer 1990-2008

