# DEER PERMIT AREA 208 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2023 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** One-deer limit: either sex
**Firearm Options:** All Legal Firearms
**Special Regulations:** Special regulations apply for WMAs in this permit area. See page 109 from the hunting regulations for details.
**Seasons:**

Archery: Sept. 16 - Dec. 31
Youth: Oct. 19 - 22
Early Antlerless: N/A
Firearm A: Nov. 4 - 12
Firearm B: N/A
Muzzleloader: Nov. 25 - Dec. 10
Late CWD Hunts: N/A

| Land Cover Types | % Tot. |
|---|---|
| Woody Cover | 7 |
| Grassland and Wetlands | 24 |
| Annual Row Crops | 65 |
| Open Water | 0 |
| Developed | 4 |

## Total Land Area in 2022 (Non-water)

379 Sq. Mi.

## Lands Open to Public Hunting

| Publically Owned Lands | Sq. Mi. |
|---|---|
| State Wildlife Management Area | 13 |
| State Forest | 0 |
| Misc. State Land | 1 |
| County Managed Land | 0 |
| USFWS Land (WPA and NWR) | 1 |
| USFS Land (National Forest) | 0 |
| **Privately Owned Lands** | |
| Forest Legacy/Forests for Future | 0 |
| Walk-In Access | 0 |
| **Total for Public Hunting** | 15 |

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 208 is located in eastern Marshall County along with a small portion of northern Pennington County. Land use is 65% row crops, 24% grassland/wetlands, and 7% woodlands. Approximately 4% is public Wildlife Management Areas (Moylan, Snowshoe, Sharp, Cedar II, Espelie WMAs). This DPA was included in the 2020 Deer Goal Setting process and consensus was to stabilize deer at 2020 levels. This past winter was similar to 2021/22 (moderately severe) and there was again some winter fawn mortality. However, the current deer population is still in good shape and at or slightly below goal. Considering the back to back harsher winters, the hunting designation has been reduced to a one-deer limit for the 2023 deer seasons to help keep this population stabile at its current level.

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**Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information**
**See mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html for CWD testing options**

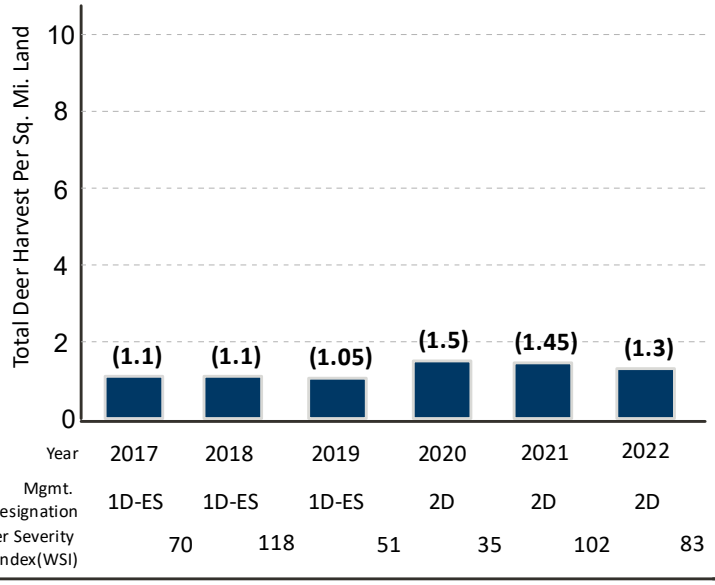
## 2022 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

**Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land:** 3
**Hunter Success:** 35%

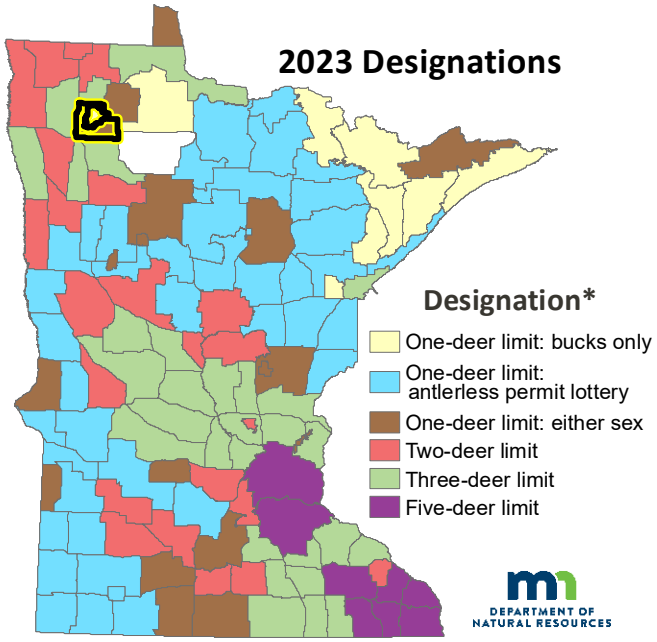
## 2022 Deer Harvest

| | Adult Male | Fawn Male | Adult Female | Fawn Female | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Firearms | 230 | 22 | 141 | 21 | 414 |
| Archery | 6 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 16 |
| Muzzleloader | 32 | 3 | 19 | 0 | 54 |
| Total Harvest | 268 | 25 | 170 | 21 | 484 |

## Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2017 - 2022/23




## 2023 Designations




* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details

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