

# DEER PERMIT AREA 219 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2025 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Three-deer limit - Early Antlerless

**Firearm Options:** Shotgun using slugs, muzzleloaders and handguns legal for big game

**Special Regulations:** N/A

### Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 13 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 16-19

Early Antlerless: Oct. 16-19

Statewide Firearms: Nov. 8 - 16

Late SE Firearms: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 29 - Dec. 14

Late CWD: N/A

### Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	20
Grassland and Wetlands	26
Annual Row Crops	35
Open Water	10
Developed	9

### Total Land Area in 2024 (Non-water)

391 Sq. Mi.

### Lands Open to Public Access Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	5
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0.2
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	3
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>8.2</b>

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 219 includes much of western Wright County and the very southeastern portion of Stearns County with a small portion of far eastern Meeker County. This area is interspersed habitats of rolling scattered hardwood forest mixed with agricultural cropland. Two major rivers (North Fork Crow River and Clearwater River) run through this area along with numerous shallow lakes. Deer populations in DPA 219 are currently well above goals established in the public goal setting process, and consecutive mild winters have led to increased herd growth. Utilizing a 3-Deer limit with an Early Antlerless season is anticipated to stabilize deer populations and potentially work towards the 25% population reduction goal, while providing hunters with tools to manage their local deer herds.

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**Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information**  
Optional CWD testing

A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Wright County. See [mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html](http://mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html) for details

## 2024 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

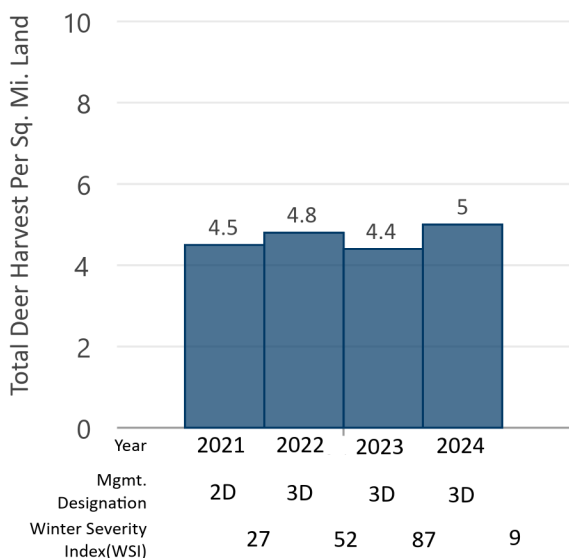
Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 9

Hunter Success: 40%

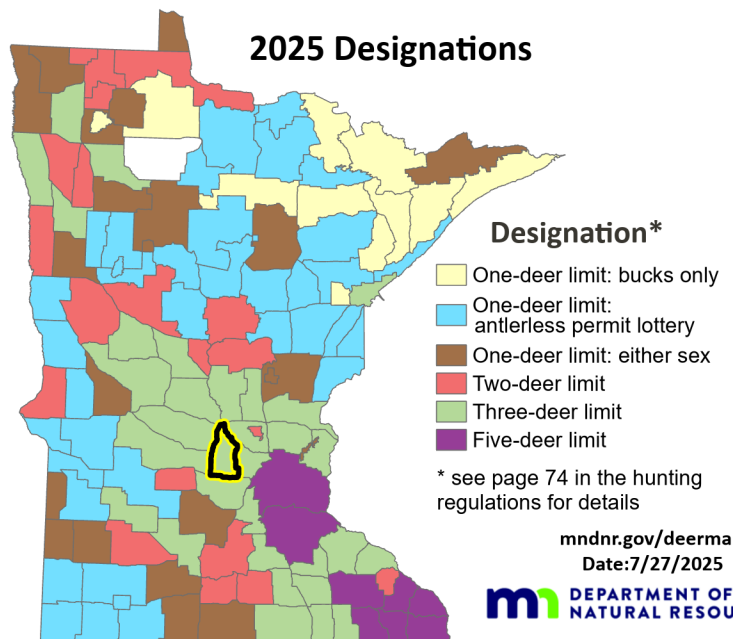
## 2024 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms</b>	726	105	389	92	1312
<b>Archery</b>	223	35	223	29	510
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	45	17	74	15	151
<b>Total Harvest</b>	994	157	686	136	1973

## Harvest, Designation and Winter Severity Index (WSI)



## 2025 Designations



[mndnr.gov/deermap](http://mndnr.gov/deermap)

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