

# DEER PERMIT AREA 230 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2024 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Two-deer limit

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

**Special Regulations:** N/A

**Seasons:**

- Archery: Sept. 14 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 17 - 20
- Early Antlerless: N/A
- Firearm A: Nov. 9 - 17
- Firearm B: N/A
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 30 - Dec. 15
- Late CWD Hunts: N/A

### Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	5
Grassland and Wetlands	10
Annual Row Crops	76
Open Water	3
Developed	7

### Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

452 Sq. Mi.

### Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	2
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
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	0.1
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>3.1</b>

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 230 includes much of Waseca, eastern Blue Earth and a small portion of Le Sueur County. The landscape is used primarily for row crop production. Deer habitat is provided by a patchwork of grasslands, marshes, brushy areas, groves, and small forest tracts often associated with rivers, lakes, and large marshes. There is a high percentage of private lands and most hunting access is determined by landowners. Winter conditions were very mild. Indicators suggest deer numbers are robust. In 2021, the limit was liberalized to the Two-deer framework. This framework will be continued in 2024 to provide hunting opportunities to help stabilize deer numbers near goal.

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

Optional CWD testing - <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html>

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

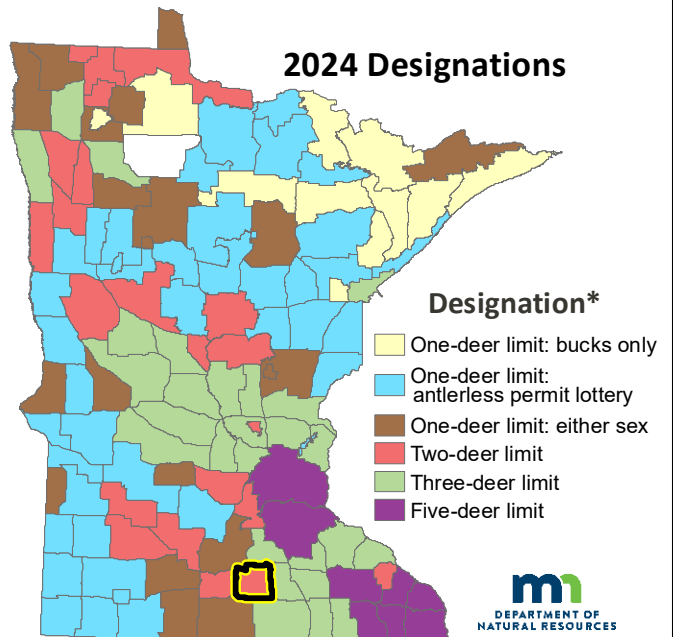
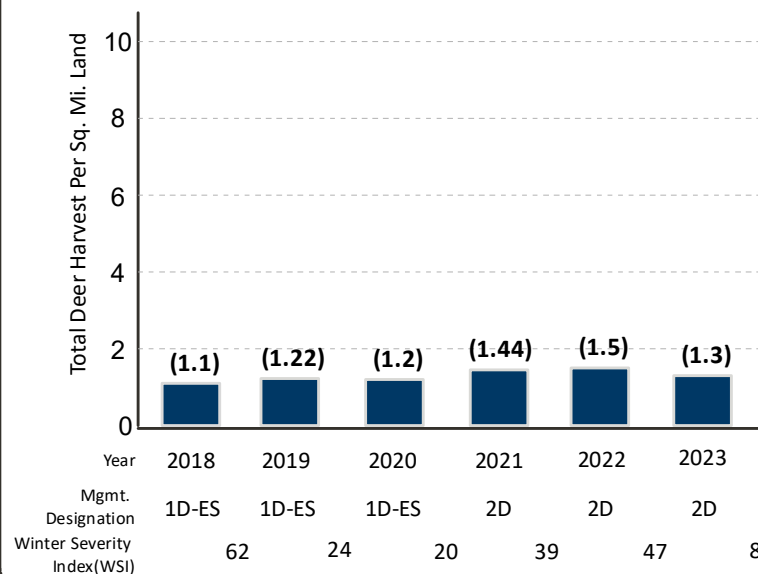
### 2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 3  
Hunter Success: 33%

### 2023 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms</b>	261	43	127	25	456
<b>Archery</b>	43	5	43	3	94
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	22	8	24	2	56
<b>Total Harvest</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>606</b>

### Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2018 - 2023/24



\* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details