

DEER PERMIT AREA 234 HUNTING INFORMATION

2025 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: One-deer limit: antlerless permit lottery (100)

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: N/A

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	1
Grassland and Wetlands	13
Annual Row Crops	79
Open Water	0
Developed	6

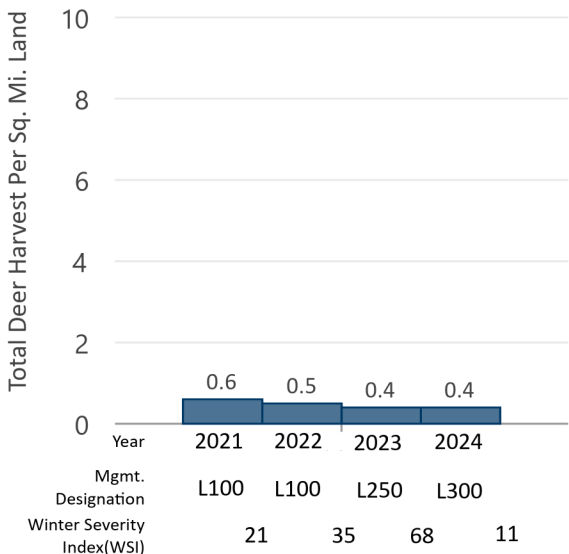
Total Land Area in 2024 (Non-water)

636 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Access Hunting

Publicly Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	2
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	3
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	2
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	1
Total for Public Hunting	8

Harvest, Designation and Winter Severity Index (WSI)



Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 234 is dominated by row crop agriculture. The Rock River and its tributaries along with other river drainages provide the majority of the deer habitat in this permit area. After years of conservative antlerless harvest, antlerless permits increased incrementally 2021 through 2023. Harvest data trends inform us to remain conservative with antlerless permits and will be offering 100 permits in a Lottery again in 2025.

DNR Wildlife Contact(s): Bill Schuna, 507-873-5650

Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing

2024 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 1

Hunter Success: 23%

2024 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	160	5	21	3	189
Archery	28	0	16	1	45
Muzzleloader	17	0	6	0	23
Total Harvest	205	5	43	4	257

2025 Designations

