

DEER PERMIT AREA 234 HUNTING INFORMATION

2024 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. 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	1
Grassland and Wetlands	13
Annual Row Crops	79
Open Water	0
Developed	6

Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

636 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically 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

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 since 2021. After looking at harvest data trends and new fawn survival research data we decided to reduce antlerless permits and will be offering 100 permits in 2024.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
 Optional CWD testing - <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html>

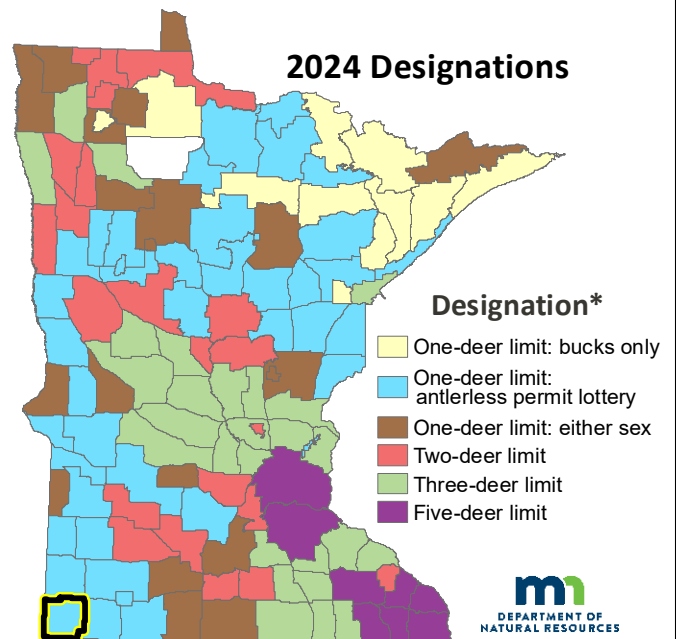
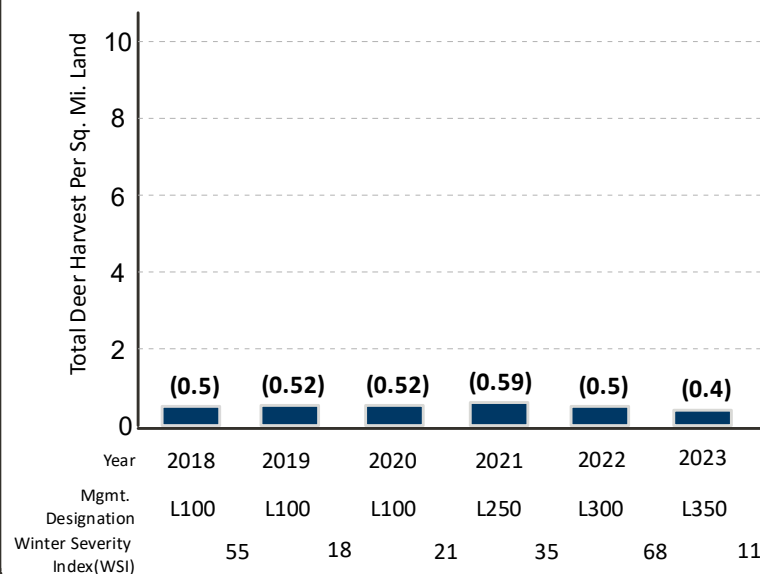
2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 1
 Hunter Success: 27%

2023 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	148	9	60	4	221
Archery	34	0	10	0	44
Muzzleloader	12	0	6	0	18
Total Harvest	194	9	76	4	283

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



* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details