

DEER PERMIT AREA 239 HUNTING INFORMATION

2022 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Two-deer limit

Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 17 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 20 - Oct. 23

Early Antlerless: N/A

Firearm A: Nov. 5 - Nov. 13

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 26 - Dec. 11

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	25
Grassland and Wetlands	23
Annual Row Crops	27
Open Water	19
Developed	6

Total Land Area in 2021 (Non-water)

919 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	4
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	2
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	23
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0.6
Total for Public Hunting	30

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 239 is primarily located within northwestern Otter Tail, southwestern Becker and a small portion of eastern Clay and Wilkin Counties. The goal for this DPA from 2020 goal setting was to stabilize the deer herd at the 2020 level. Like most DPAs, deer density is not consistent across the unit, and there are pockets of higher deer numbers, as well as some areas that have fewer deer. Depredation complaints in 2021-22 were higher than normal for this DPA with most complaints coming from the east-central portion of the unit. We also received some reports of winter fawn mortality in that same area. We are implementing a two-deer limit again for this DPA.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing available. Visit mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html

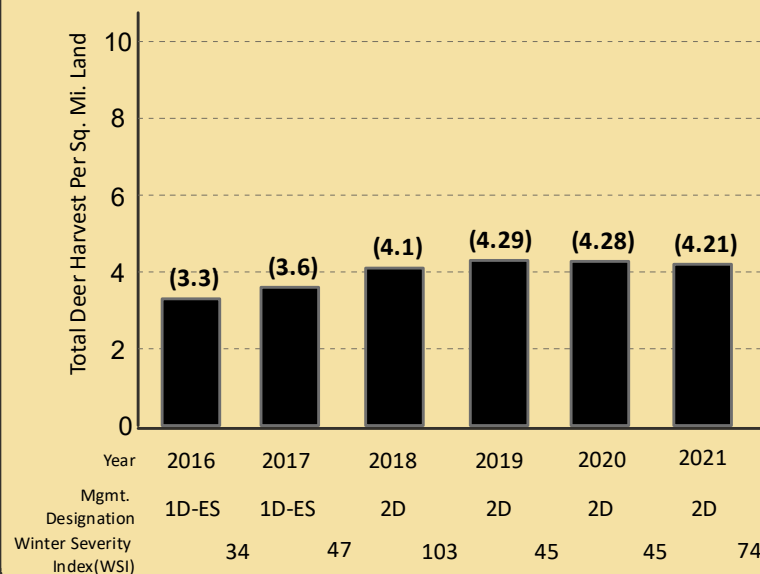
2021 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 9
Hunter Success: 42%

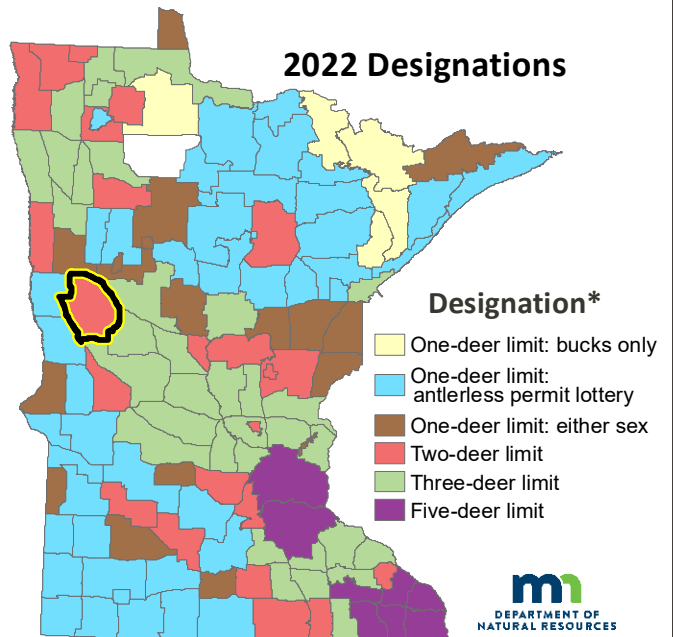
2021 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	1857	269	995	210	3331
Archery	144	27	153	21	345
Muzzleloader	66	20	91	15	192
Total Harvest	2067	316	1239	246	3868

Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2016 - 2021/22



2022 Designations



* see page 67 in the hunting regulations for details