

DEER PERMIT AREA 296 HUNTING INFORMATION

2022 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: One-deer limit: antlerless permit lottery (550)

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

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	2
Grassland and Wetlands	12
Annual Row Crops	79
Open Water	2
Developed	6

Total Land Area in 2021 (Non-water)

667 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	7
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0.5
Total for Public Hunting	8

Wildlife Manager Report

Land Cover in Deer Permit Area (DPA) 296 is largely agricultural row crops. There are riparian river/creek corridors, such as the Cottonwood, Little Cottonwood and Watonwan that provide good deer habitat. There are also public hunting areas (state WMA, and federal WPA) that provide good deer hunting opportunities. Deer populations in DPA 296 are at or slightly above the population goal established through the 2021 public goal setting process. An increase to Lottery 550 designation will help reduce and maintain stable numbers within the population goal.

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

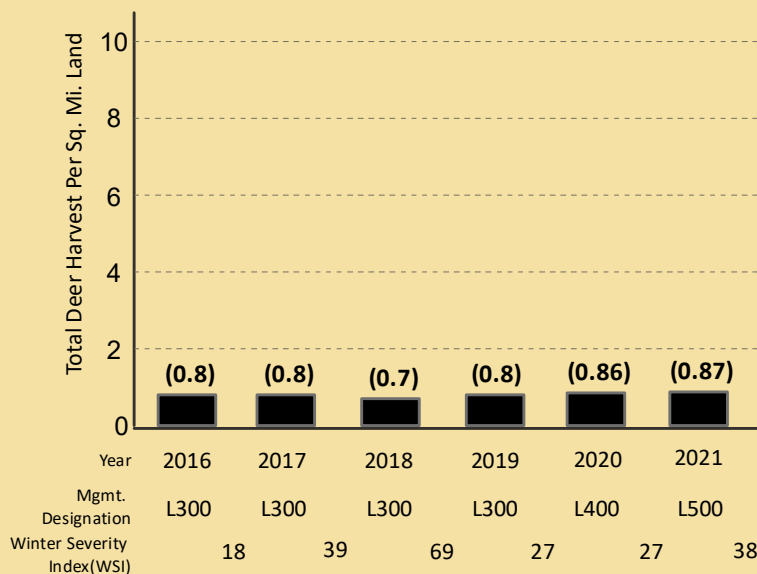
2021 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 2
Hunter Success: 30%

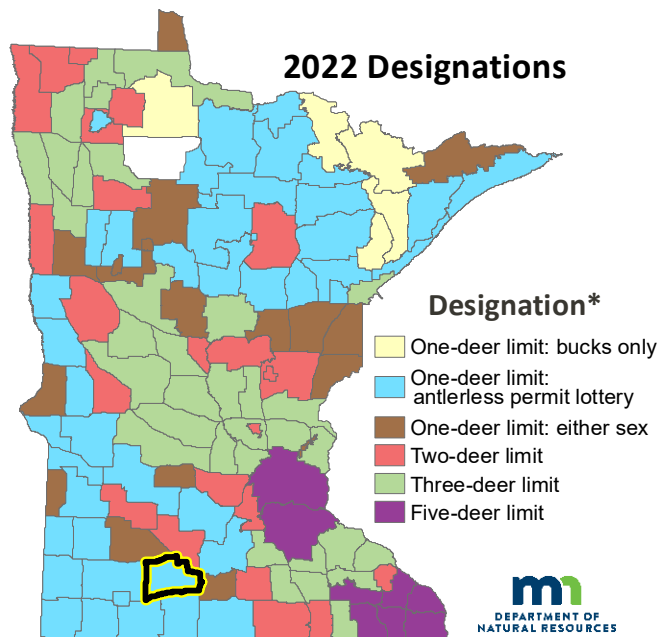
2021 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	347	14	91	9	461
Archery	43	0	16	0	59
Muzzleloader	36	1	25	0	62
Total Harvest	426	15	132	9	582

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



2022 Designations



* see page 67 in the hunting regulations for details