

DEER PERMIT AREA 118 HUNTING INFORMATION

2025 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: One-deer limit: bucks only

Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 13 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 16-19

Early Antlerless: N/A

Statewide Firearms: Nov. 8 - 23

Late SE Firearms: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 29 - Dec. 14

Late CWD: N/A

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	83
Grassland and Wetlands	1
Annual Row Crops	0
Open Water	15
Developed	1

Total Land Area in 2024 (Non-water)

1220 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Access Hunting

Publicly Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	0.1
State Forest	84
Misc. State Land	85
County Managed Land	76
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	798
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
Total for Public Hunting	1043.1

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 118 lies along the Canadian border within the Superior National Forest and is predominately public land on the northwestern edge of moose range. Approximately 50% lies within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area wilderness. It is a heavily forested permit area which is subject to deep snow and long, cold winters. Winter severity is the biggest factor affecting survival. Implementation of a Bucks-Only management strategy will continue in 2025 to move the population towards goal while taking moose into consideration.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing

2024 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

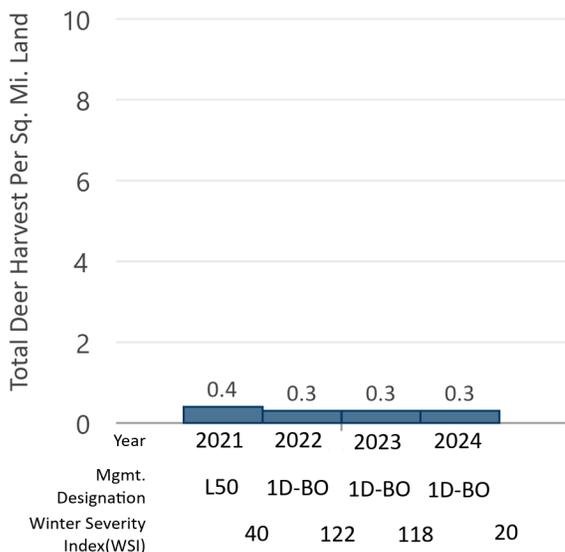
Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 2

Hunter Success: 16%

2024 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	358	2	2	1	363
Archery	26	0	1	0	27
Muzzleloader	13	0	0	0	13
Total Harvest	397	2	3	1	403

Harvest, Designation and Winter Severity Index (WSI)



2025 Designations

