

# DEER PERMIT AREA 157 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2023 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** One-deer limit: either sex

**Firearm Options:** All Legal Firearms

**Special Regulations:** N/A

### Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 16 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 19 - 22

Early Antlerless: N/A

Firearm A: Nov. 4 - 19

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 25 - Dec. 10

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

## Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	53
Grassland and Wetlands	35
Annual Row Crops	6
Open Water	2
Developed	5

## Total Land Area in 2022 (Non-water)

888 Sq. Mi.

## Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	11
State Forest	34
Misc. State Land	14
County Managed Land	42
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0.3
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>101</b>

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 157 lies in Aitkin, Kanabec, Mille Lacs and Pine County. Mixture of large wooded tracts of public land in the north and agriculture to the south. Deer numbers in DPA 157 are near the goal established during the 2023 public goal setting process. The management designation of Either Sex is expected to maintain deer population goals while providing hunters with harvest opportunities. The designation also aligns with adjacent DPA 152 (Mille Lacs WMA).

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### Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information

See [mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html](http://mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html) for CWD testing options

## 2022 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

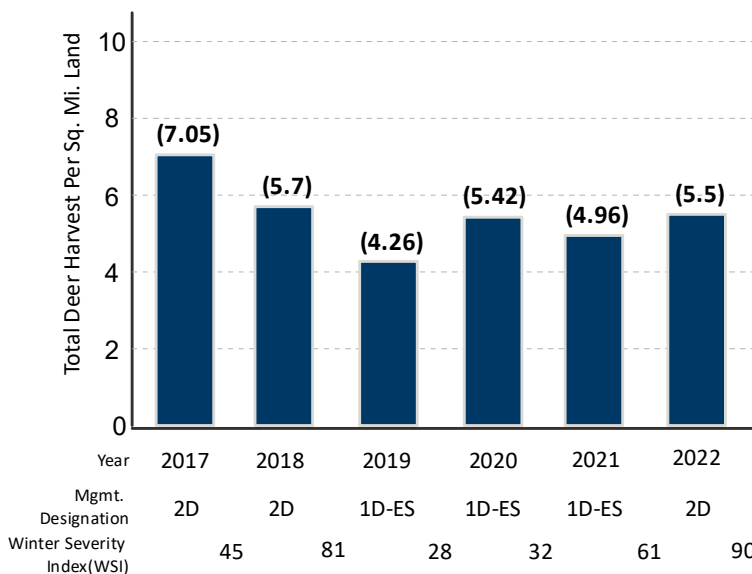
Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 14

Hunter Success: 35%

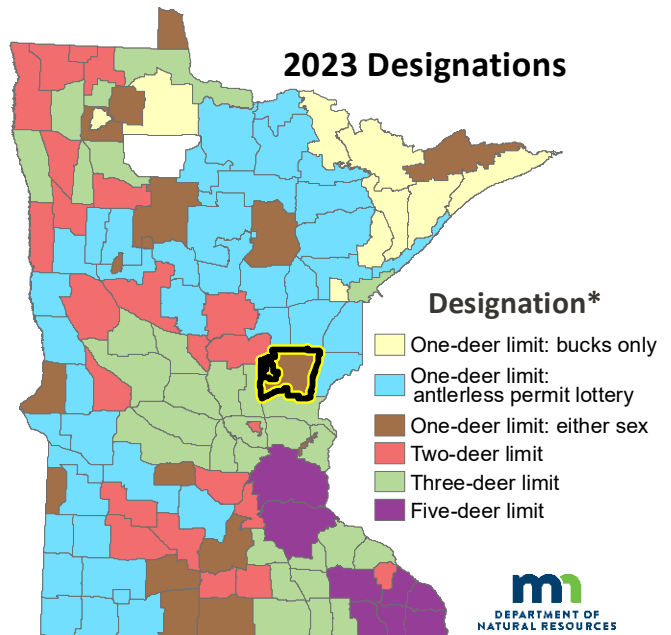
## 2022 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms</b>	2282	393	1379	324	4378
<b>Archery</b>	136	35	175	23	369
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	44	8	69	10	131
<b>Total Harvest</b>	2462	436	1623	357	4878

## Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2017 - 2022/23



## 2023 Designations



\* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details

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