

DEER PERMIT AREA 223 HUNTING INFORMATION

2025 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Three-deer limit - Early Antlerless

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

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 13 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 16-19

Early Antlerless: Oct. 16-19

Statewide Firearms: Nov. 8 - 16

Late SE Firearms: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 29 - Dec. 14

Late CWD: N/A

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	28
Grassland and Wetlands	28
Annual Row Crops	28
Open Water	4
Developed	11

Total Land Area in 2024 (Non-water)

376 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Access Hunting

Publicly Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	6
State Forest	8
Misc. State Land	1
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
Total for Public Hunting	15

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 223 contains a mix of great deer habitat interspersed with developed areas, especially in the eastern and western portions. The eastern two-thirds of the DPA has a strong oak forest/agricultural component with small and large wetlands/lakes scattered throughout. The western third of the DPA has a large amount of open agricultural land. DPA 223 has a strong firearms and archery deer hunting heritage, usually allowing for satisfactory deer herd management. More moderate-to-liberal deer season strategies are often selected due to the high recruitment potential of the deer population and areas of private land where deer hunting is not allowed. 2023 deer goal setting calls for a 25% decrease in deer populations relative to 2022 numbers, so a 3-Deer limit with Early Antlerless harvest will be in place for the 2025 season.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing

A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Sherburne County. See mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html for details

2024 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

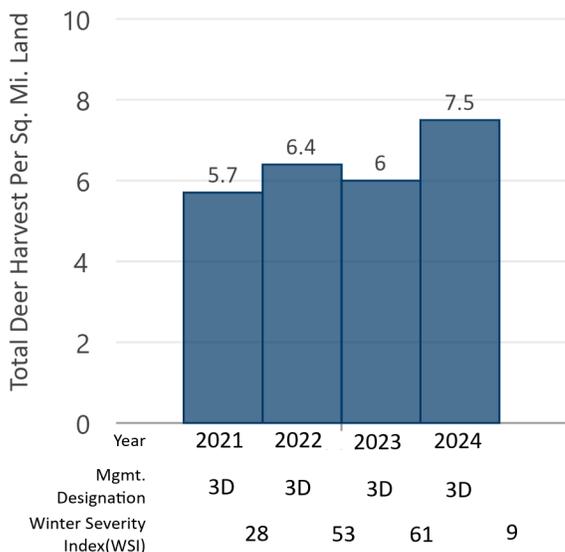
Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 10

Hunter Success: 45%

2024 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	923	147	508	107	1685
Archery	397	74	449	67	987
Muzzleloader	41	13	75	7	136
Total Harvest	1361	234	1032	181	2808

Harvest, Designation and Winter Severity Index (WSI)



2025 Designations

