

DEER PERMIT AREA 224 HUNTING INFORMATION

2024 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Two-deer limit

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

Special Regulations: See the Sherburne NWR hunting brochure.

<https://www.fws.gov/refuge/sherburne/visit-us/activities/hunting>

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 14 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 17 - 20

Early Antlerless: N/A

Firearm A: Nov. 9 - 17

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 30 - Dec. 15

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	34
Grassland and Wetlands	52
Annual Row Crops	1
Open Water	11
Developed	2

Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

47 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	0
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	46
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
Total for Public Hunting	46

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 224 includes all of the Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge (SNWR). This public area attracts hundreds of archery and firearms hunters and thousands of outdoor enthusiasts throughout the year. Through the past 40 years, many residences have been built next to the refuge border. Generally, deer populations are adequately managed through moderate-to conservative (Either-sex and Lottery) management designations. However, during severe winters, deer tend to move out onto private lands where more high energy foods are present. Deer depredation complaints are usually moderate in DPA 224, but new specialty crop operations close to the refuge have had increased negative interactions in recent years.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information

Optional CWD testing - <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html>

2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

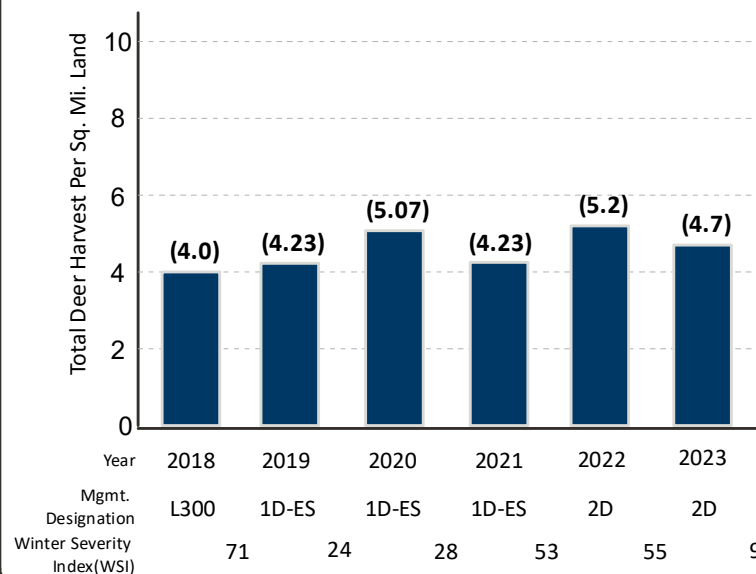
Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 12

Hunter Success: 28%

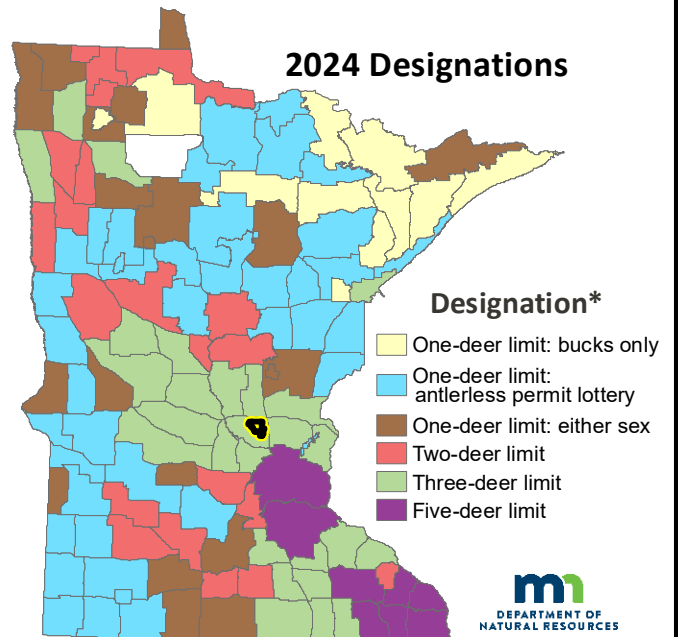
2023 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	100	11	38	8	157
Archery	31	6	16	2	55
Muzzleloader	2	2	4	1	9
Total Harvest	133	19	58	11	221

Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2018 - 2023/24



2024 Designations



* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details

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