

# DEER PERMIT AREA 229 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2024 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Three-deer limit

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

**Special Regulations:** N/A

**Seasons:**

- Archery: Sept. 14 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 17 - 20
- Early Antlerless: Oct. 17 - 20
- Firearm A: Nov. 9 - 17
- Firearm B: N/A
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 30 - Dec. 15
- Late CWD Hunts: N/A

## Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	17
Grassland and Wetlands	27
Annual Row Crops	28
Open Water	12
Developed	16

## Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

284 Sq. Mi.

## Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	3
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	2
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	2
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>7</b>

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 229 includes much of eastern Wright County with a landscape of rolling hardwood and agricultural land interspersed with rivers and lakes. Historically, deer harvest management has alternated between conservative and more liberal management strategies. There are numerous small private land tracts that are off limits to hunting, due to landowner preferences, so a more aggressive hunting strategy for the entire permit area is often required to accomplish harvest goals. DPA 229 also borders DPA 701, the Twin Cities metropolitan area, where there is a five-deer limit. A Three-deer limit with an early antlerless harvest designation will be in place this year to work towards a 25% herd reduction.

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**Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information**  
 Optional CWD testing - <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html>

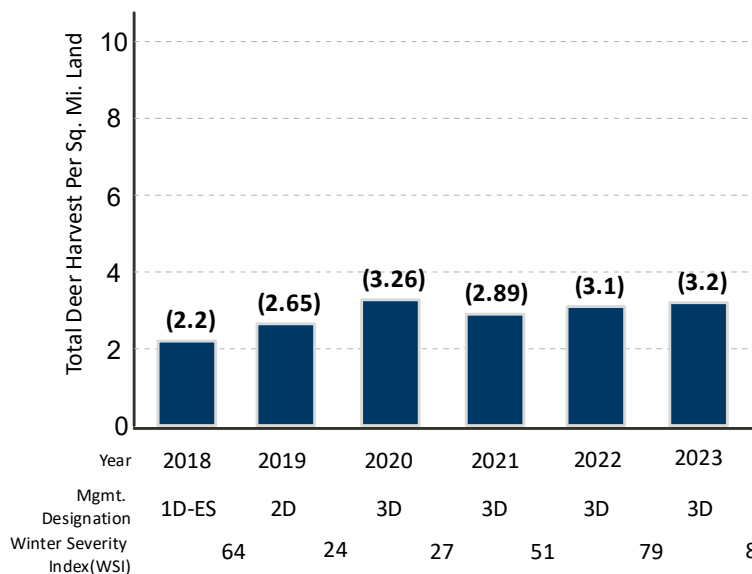
## 2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 6  
 Hunter Success: 38%

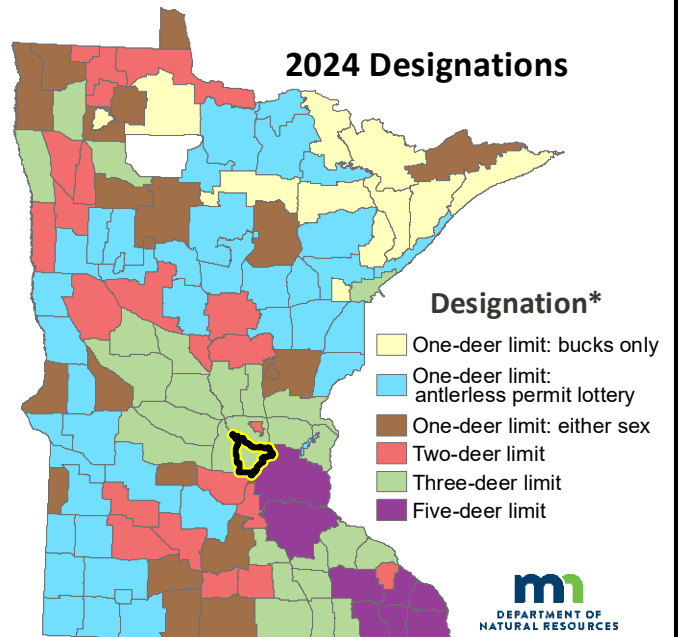
## 2023 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms</b>	352	44	172	37	605
<b>Archery</b>	112	20	96	12	240
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	19	9	26	1	55
<b>Total Harvest</b>	483	73	294	50	900

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



## 2024 Designations



\* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details