

DEER PERMIT AREA 285 HUNTING INFORMATION

2023 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Two-deer limit

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

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 16 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 19 - 22

Early Antlerless: N/A

Firearm A: Nov. 4 - 12

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 25 - Dec. 10

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	9
Grassland and Wetlands	20
Annual Row Crops	58
Open Water	7
Developed	6

Total Land Area in 2022 (Non-water)

549 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	4
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	1
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0.2
Total for Public Hunting	5

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 285 includes much of northern McLeod and southern Meeker counties with smaller portions of western Carver and Wright counties. The mix of agricultural land use and wooded areas associated with lakes and wetlands provides excellent deer habitat within this DPA. Population modeling indicates the deer herd in this area is capable of rapid growth, however it remains at the recently established population goal. The current bag limit of 2 deer per season will be continued to maintain this population status.

DNR Wildlife Contact(s): Stein Innvaer, 507-386-3922

Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information

See mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html for CWD testing options

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

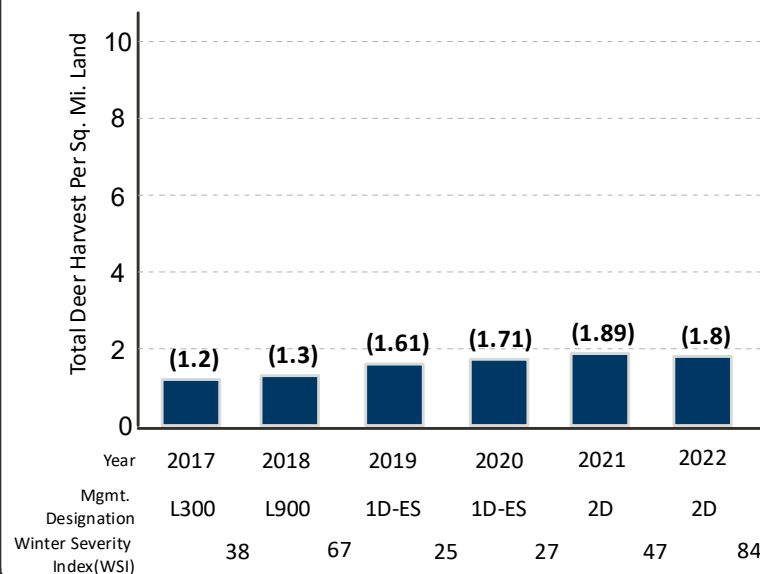
2022 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 4
Hunter Success: 31%

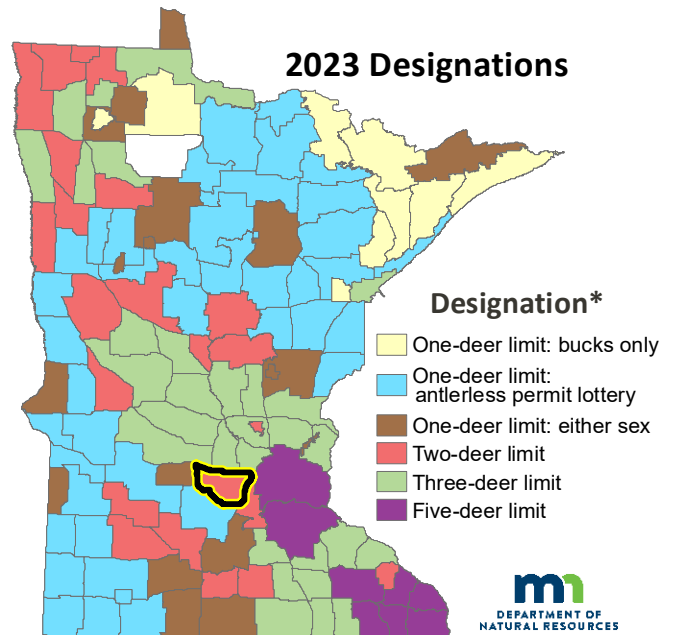
2022 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	437	56	232	26	751
Archery	80	4	88	7	179
Muzzleloader	27	2	32	3	64
Total Harvest	544	62	352	36	994

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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