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FURBEARER HARVEST PROJECTIONS

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PREFACE

Harvest estimates reported herein for the 2023-24 furbearer seasons were developed as described for other species in Wildlife Survey Manual, 2009-2015, South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks. If species specific methodologies are not reported there, they are presented within this report.

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FURBEARER HARVEST SUMMARY

Individual furbearer seasons had different season dates, license requirements, and open areas within the state and are discussed later in separate sections. This report only includes harvest from furbearer license holders, therefore harvest for coyotes, red fox, skunks, raccoons, and badgers are minimum estimates. Any resident or nonresident with a predator/varmint license or any type of hunting license was eligible to hunt those species. All hunters/trappers aged 18 and older were also required to have a habitat stamp. Residents under age 18 were not required to have a license or habitat stamp. Rules restricted nonresidents to taking raccoon, beaver, and muskrat from only December 1 - March 15, and bobcats from January 14 – February 15, and mink and weasel from December 1 – January 31. Nonresidents were restricted from using dogs to aid in taking raccoon.

In the 2023-2024 seasons, there were approximately 220,000 resident and 129,000 nonresident licenses issued that allowed holders to hunt furbearers. Of those, only 4,007 residents and 6 nonresidents had licenses that allowed trapping of furbearers. Some 2023 furbearer license holders also purchased 2024 licenses that were valid during the 2023 seasons. In addition to those who had both 2023 and 2024 licenses, 624 residents and 4 nonresidents purchased 2023 licenses prior to April 15, 2024, making them eligible to hunt or trap the 2023-24 seasons and be included in the sample.

Harvest survey requests were sent by email to resident and nonresident furbearer license holders who had a 2023 license or a 2024 license that was purchased prior to April 15, 2024. Response rates were 35% for residents and 50% for nonresidents. Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons.

Approximately 3% (59) of active furbearer license holders trapped/hunted river otters during the season. Approximately 6% (115) of active furbearer license holders hunted/trapped bobcats in the Black Hills. Two respondents said they attempted to trap beaver in the Black Hills.

When asked their satisfaction on the seasons, (1 being least satisfied, 7 being most satisfied), resident hunters/trappers reported an average satisfaction level of 5.09, and nonresident hunters/trappers reported an average satisfaction level of 6.00.

The five counties with the highest total reported furbearer harvest densities per square mile were Yankton, Hanson, Minnehaha, Clay, and Bon Homme.

FURBEARER HARVEST PROJECTIONS FOR 2023-24

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	Resident	Nonresident	Totals
Licenses Sold*	4,007	6	4,013
Projected ACTIVE TRAPPERS/HUNTERS	1,888	5	1,892

Trapping Harvest

Coyote	6,668	36	6,704
Red Fox	694	0	694
River Otter	19	0	19
Bobcat	204	0	204
Raccoon	18,220	0	18,220
Beaver	3,676	5	3,681
Muskrat	8,207	17	8,223
Mink	148	0	148
Weasel	24	0	24
Badger	712	0	712
Opossum	3,755	0	3,755
Striped Skunk	5,567	9	5,576
Spotted Skunk	51	0	51

Hunting Harvest

Coyote	9,382	0	9,382
Red Fox	163	0	163
River Otter	1	0	1
Bobcat	34	0	34
Raccoon	6,921	0	6,921
Beaver	461	0	461
Muskrat	220	0	220
Mink	0	0	0
Weasel	0	0	0
Badger	344	0	344
Opossum	389	0	389
Striped Skunk	1,212	0	1,212
Spotted Skunk	27	0	27

Total Harvest

Coyote	16,051	36	16,087
Red Fox	857	0	857
River Otter	20	0	20
Bobcat	238	0	238
Raccoon	25,141	0	25,141
Beaver	4,138	5	4,142
Muskrat	8,427	17	8,443
Mink	148	0	148
Weasel	24	0	24
Badger	1,056	0	1,056
Opossum	4,144	0	4,144
Striped Skunk	6,780	9	6,789
Spotted Skunk	78	0	78

Furbearer Mean Satisfaction Score ** 5.09 6.00

* Licenses sold for the 2023 licensing year (15 Dec 2022 - 31 Jan 2024) and the 2024 licensing year (15 Dec 2023 - 31 Jan 2025) purchased prior to 16 April 2024

** Based on scale of 1-7 with 1="very dissatisfied" and 7="very satisfied"

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Total Furbearer Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24																
COUNTY	River											Striped Skunk	Spotted Skunk	Total Harvest	% of Total	
	Coyote	Red Fox	Otter	Bobcat	Raccoon	Beaver	Muskrat	Mink	Weasel	Badger	Opossum					
Minnehaha	560	67	4	0	1,652	198	24	7	0	24	616	531	0	3,683	5.5	
Pennington	426	13	0	16	102	159	43	16	7	21	0	72	0	875	1.3	
Brown	392	67	1	0	649	52	1,154	3	0	28	3	98	0	2,447	3.6	
Beadle	319	18	0	0	188	15	0	0	0	3	38	25	0	606	0.9	
Codington	118	39	1	0	361	186	1,777	36	0	7	61	66	0	2,652	3.9	
Brookings	588	112	0	0	989	134	85	26	0	31	296	343	0	2,605	3.9	
Yankton	467	37	0	1	1,086	0	0	0	0	94	285	201	0	2,171	3.2	
Davison	6	0	0	0	293	0	0	0	0	27	110	222	0	658	1.0	
Lawrence	32	3	0	2	81	3	21	0	0	20	0	76	0	238	0.4	
Aurora	58	0	0	0	394	3	36	0	0	0	48	164	0	703	1.0	
Bennett	188	0	0	6	32	0	0	0	0	3	0	16	0	245	0.4	
Bon Homme	288	0	1	2	954	198	459	3	0	35	358	327	0	2,624	3.9	
Brule	335	0	0	7	238	0	0	0	0	31	79	135	0	824	1.2	
Buffalo	148	0	0	2	79	24	0	0	0	10	16	25	5	310	0.5	
Butte	122	12	0	8	503	152	55	7	0	3	0	9	0	871	1.3	
Campbell	19	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	17	0	13	0	64	0.1	
Charles Mix	99	10	0	16	474	155	33	3	0	27	229	176	20	1,243	1.9	
Clark	157	17	0	0	593	82	30	0	0	10	82	148	17	1,136	1.7	
Clay	782	44	0	0	1,174	356	0	16	0	52	275	76	0	2,775	4.1	
Corson	221	0	0	2	117	82	0	0	0	0	0	63	0	486	0.7	
Custer	254	27	0	22	26	0	0	0	0	3	0	107	0	439	0.7	
Day	216	34	0	0	312	76	759	0	0	21	0	113	0	1,532	2.3	
Deuel	200	23	5	0	793	152	0	3	7	10	32	157	0	1,384	2.1	
Dewey	702	0	0	2	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	779	1.2	
Douglas	230	10	0	0	245	0	0	3	7	44	48	72	9	669	1.0	
Edmunds	19	0	0	0	1,158	12	209	0	0	0	0	85	23	1,507	2.2	
Fall River	399	4	0	19	22	70	3	3	0	14	0	41	0	576	0.9	
Faulk	87	4	0	0	396	27	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	524	0.8	
Grant	139	0	1	0	366	43	0	0	0	0	26	41	0	615	0.9	
Gregory	734	7	0	23	510	94	21	0	0	21	137	192	0	1,739	2.6	
Haakon	711	47	0	5	700	61	0	0	0	44	0	439	0	2,008	3.0	
Hamlin	58	23	0	0	466	3	12	0	0	21	32	104	0	720	1.1	
Hand	112	22	0	0	184	0	0	0	0	17	0	72	0	406	0.6	
Hanson	366	0	0	0	971	95	151	0	0	23	156	156	5	1,924	2.9	
Harding	404	46	0	22	74	52	3	0	0	10	0	63	0	674	1.0	
Hughes	141	0	0	1	48	30	0	3	0	17	0	53	0	294	0.4	
Hutchinson	74	0	0	0	425	15	6	0	0	10	115	201	0	846	1.3	
Hyde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	287	0	0	29	175	0	0	0	0	13	0	41	0	546	0.8	
Jerauld	194	4	0	0	183	0	0	0	0	0	26	19	0	426	0.6	
Jones	93	0	0	1	29	9	33	0	0	0	0	47	0	212	0.3	
Kingsbury	71	7	0	0	231	6	0	0	0	7	6	0	0	328	0.5	
Lake	221	3	2	0	395	15	0	3	3	0	13	78	0	735	1.1	
Lincoln	316	10	0	0	419	107	9	0	0	35	170	57	0	1,122	1.7	
Lyman	420	11	0	7	219	122	15	0	0	57	0	44	0	895	1.3	
McCook	26	17	0	0	600	0	0	0	0	17	96	142	0	897	1.3	
McPherson	96	0	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	193	0.3	
Marshall	151	0	0	0	283	152	759	0	0	0	0	13	0	1,358	2.0	
Meade	388	0	0	25	357	94	0	7	0	17	0	189	0	1,077	1.6	
Mellette	109	3	0	6	222	0	0	0	0	20	0	101	0	462	0.7	
Miner	217	20	0	0	293	0	608	0	0	0	236	154	0	1,529	2.3	
Moody	128	18	0	0	1,107	55	0	0	0	0	96	214	0	1,618	2.4	
Perkins	276	0	0	9	128	100	103	0	0	27	0	22	0	665	1.0	
Potter	0	0	0	0	63	27	52	0	0	3	0	0	0	146	0.2	
Roberts	190	0	4	0	601	128	1,018	3	0	14	16	361	0	2,335	3.5	
Sanborn	3	3	0	0	155	0	0	0	0	14	22	25	0	223	0.3	
Spink	128	21	0	0	495	205	911	0	0	24	6	47	0	1,838	2.7	
Stanley	1,004	3	0	0	83	156	0	0	0	21	0	44	0	1,312	2.0	
Sully	148	4	0	0	70	0	12	0	0	14	0	101	0	349	0.5	
Tripp	372	8	0	0	932	225	6	0	0	14	16	160	0	1,733	2.6	
Turner	77	37	0	0	138	116	0	0	0	0	110	113	0	591	0.9	
Union	246	0	1	3	978	52	12	0	0	37	292	79	0	1,700	2.5	
Walworth	271	0	0	0	53	12	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	339	0.5	
Ziebach	305	0	0	1	109	0	18	0	0	7	0	19	0	459	0.7	
Oglala Lakota	77	0	0	1	3	15	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	106	0.2	
Todd	102	0	0	0	6	12	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	127	0.2	
TOTALS:	16,087	857	20	238	25,141	4,142	8,443	148	24	1,056	4,144	6,789	78	67,167	100%	

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COYOTE

The 2023-24 coyote season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt coyotes and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap coyotes. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt coyotes. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt coyotes, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap coyotes.

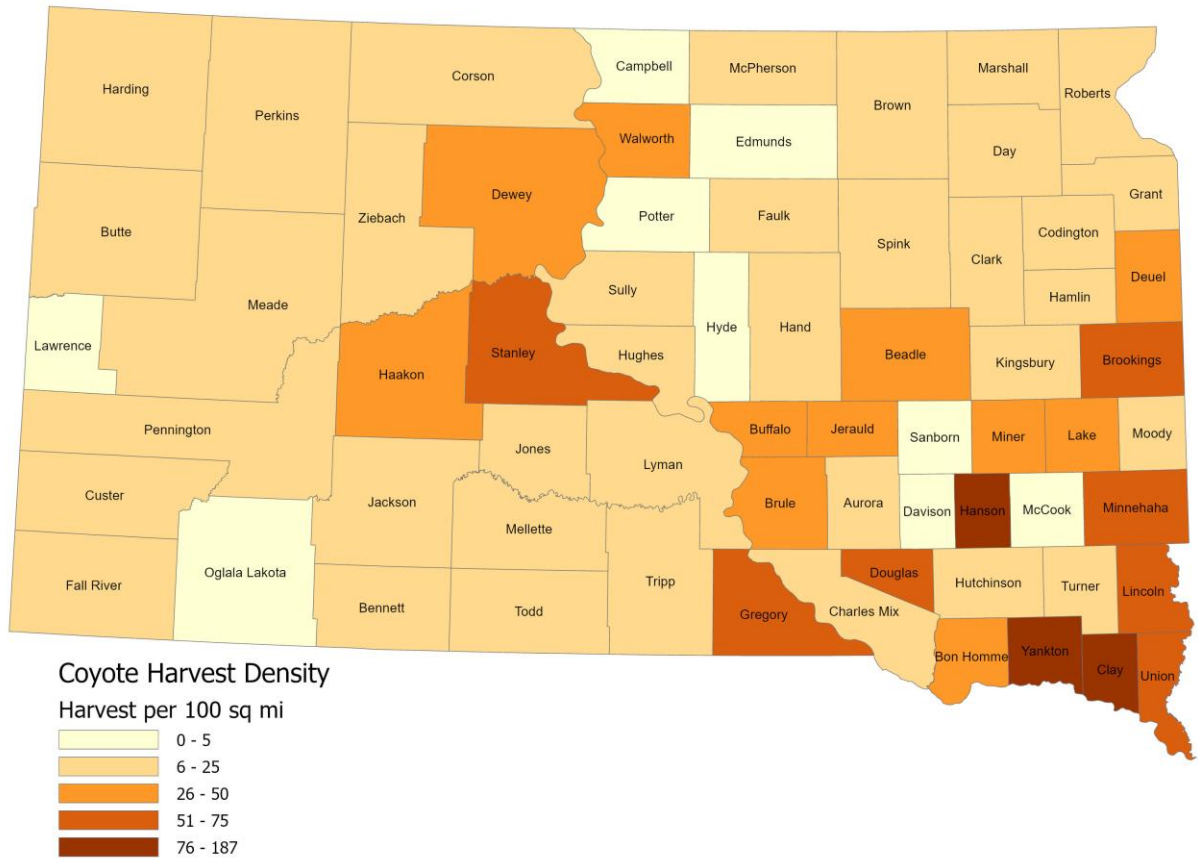
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 16,087 coyotes were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported coyote harvest densities were Clay, Yankton, Brookings, Gregory, and Hanson.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Coyote seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	10,199	8,417	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	15,448	13,741	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	6,701	6,801	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	16,282	8,217	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	9,356	8,066	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	7,072	7,196	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	14,292	11,031	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	9,691	10,246	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	10,113	5,605	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	6,704	9,382	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Coyote Harvest



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Coyote Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *			
Minnehaha	63	190	2.1	201	111	335	5.4	360	560	3.5	
Pennington	95	287	3.2	303	38	115	1.8	123	426	2.6	
Brown	57	172	1.9	182	65	196	3.1	211	392	2.4	
Beadle	39	118	1.3	124	60	181	2.9	194	319	2.0	
Codington	28	84	1.0	89	9	27	0.4	29	118	0.7	
Brookings	96	290	3.3	306	87	262	4.2	282	588	3.7	
Yankton	108	326	3.7	344	38	115	1.8	123	467	2.9	
Davison	2	6	0.1	6	0	0	0.0	0	6	0.0	
Lawrence	7	21	0.2	22	3	9	0.1	10	32	0.2	
Aurora	9	27	0.3	29	9	27	0.4	29	58	0.4	
Bennett	59	178	2.0	188	0	0	0.0	0	188	1.2	
Bon Homme	13	39	0.4	41	76	229	3.7	246	288	1.8	
Brule	43	130	1.5	137	61	184	2.9	198	335	2.1	
Buffalo	26	78	0.9	83	20	60	1.0	65	148	0.9	
Butte	23	69	0.8	73	15	45	0.7	49	122	0.8	
Campbell	4	12	0.1	13	2	6	0.1	6	19	0.1	
Charles Mix	28	84	1.0	89	3	9	0.1	10	99	0.6	
Clark	33	100	1.1	105	16	48	0.8	52	157	1.0	
Clay	100	302	3.4	319	143	431	6.9	463	782	4.9	
Corson	45	136	1.5	143	24	72	1.2	78	221	1.4	
Custer	39	118	1.3	124	40	121	1.9	130	254	1.6	
Day	24	72	0.8	76	43	130	2.1	139	216	1.3	
Deuel	14	42	0.5	45	48	145	2.3	156	200	1.2	
Dewey	202	609	6.9	644	18	54	0.9	58	702	4.4	
Douglas	55	166	1.9	175	17	51	0.8	55	230	1.4	
Edmunds	3	9	0.1	10	3	9	0.1	10	19	0.1	
Fall River	45	136	1.5	143	79	238	3.8	256	399	2.5	
Faulk	15	45	0.5	48	12	36	0.6	39	87	0.5	
Grant	3	9	0.1	10	40	121	1.9	130	139	0.9	
Gregory	143	431	4.9	456	86	259	4.2	279	734	4.6	
Haakon	102	308	3.5	325	119	359	5.8	386	711	4.4	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	18	54	0.9	58	58	0.4	
Hand	31	93	1.1	99	4	12	0.2	13	112	0.7	
Hanson	72	217	2.4	229	42	127	2.0	136	366	2.3	
Harding	77	232	2.6	245	49	148	2.4	159	404	2.5	
Hughes	38	115	1.3	121	6	18	0.3	19	141	0.9	
Hutchinson	10	30	0.3	32	13	39	0.6	42	74	0.5	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	85	256	2.9	271	5	15	0.2	16	287	1.8	
Jerauld	61	184	2.1	194	0	0	0.0	0	194	1.2	
Jones	25	75	0.8	80	4	12	0.2	13	93	0.6	
Kingsbury	6	18	0.2	19	16	48	0.8	52	71	0.4	
Lake	47	142	1.6	150	22	66	1.1	71	221	1.4	
Lincoln	27	81	0.9	86	71	214	3.4	230	316	2.0	
Lyman	90	271	3.1	287	41	124	2.0	133	420	2.6	
McCook	6	18	0.2	19	2	6	0.1	6	26	0.2	
McPherson	30	90	1.0	96	0	0	0.0	0	96	0.6	
Marshall	29	87	1.0	92	18	54	0.9	58	151	0.9	
Meade	72	217	2.4	229	49	148	2.4	159	388	2.4	
Mellette	14	42	0.5	45	20	60	1.0	65	109	0.7	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	67	202	3.2	217	217	1.3	
Moody	29	87	1.0	92	11	33	0.5	36	128	0.8	
Perkins	58	175	2.0	185	28	84	1.4	91	276	1.7	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	18	54	0.6	57	41	124	2.0	133	190	1.2	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.0	3	3	0.0	
Spink	26	78	0.9	83	14	42	0.7	45	128	0.8	
Stanley	184	555	6.3	586	129	389	6.2	418	1,004	6.2	
Sully	22	66	0.7	70	24	72	1.2	78	148	0.9	
Tripp	79	238	2.7	252	37	112	1.8	120	372	2.3	
Turner	23	69	0.8	73	1	3	0.0	3	77	0.5	
Union	71	214	2.4	226	6	18	0.3	19	246	1.5	
Walworth	85	256	2.9	271	0	0	0.0	0	271	1.7	
Ziebach	57	172	1.9	182	38	115	1.8	123	305	1.9	
Oglala Lakota	20	60	0.7	64	4	12	0.2	13	77	0.5	
Todd	29	87	1.0	92	3	9	0.1	10	102	0.6	
Unknown	167	504	-	-	154	464	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	3,111	9,382	100%	9,382	2,223	6,704	100%	6,704	16,087	100%	

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* Includes unknown county projection values by assuming unknown county values are distributed the same as reported county values. Total values may be different due to rounding.

BOBCAT

The 2023-24 resident bobcat season was open statewide from December 26, 2023, through February 15, 2024. The nonresident bobcat season was open from January 13 – February 15, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt and trap bobcats. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt bobcats. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt and trap bobcats. Hunters and trappers were restricted to a season limit of 1 bobcat east of the Missouri River.

Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. A total of 238 bobcats were checked in during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders, landowners, or youth trappers and hunters.

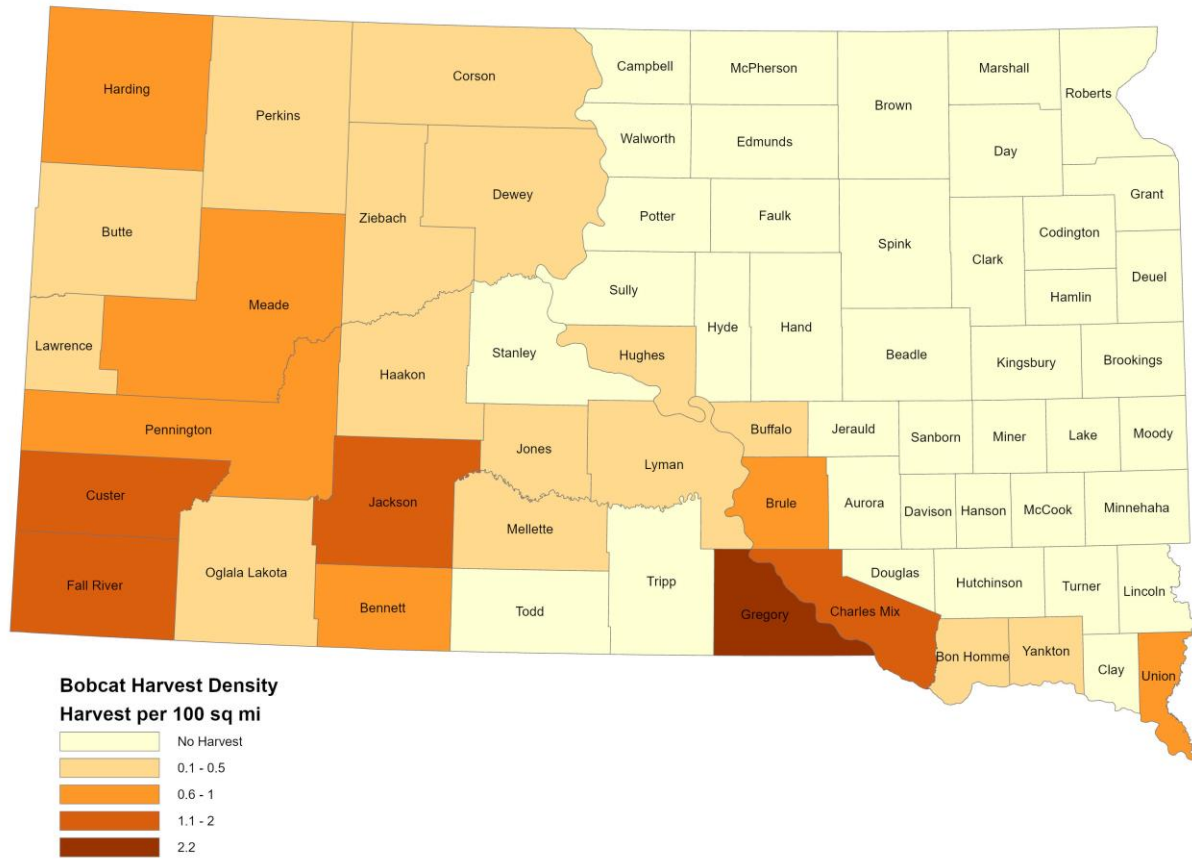
A total of 164 respondents reported trapping/hunting bobcats an average of 15.3 days (SE=1.11). Of those responding, 38 reported hunting/trapping for bobcats in the Black Hills which projected to 115 hunters/trappers. Check station results showed a total Black Hills harvest of 41 bobcats.

The five counties with the highest reported bobcat harvest densities were Gregory, Charles Mix, Fall River, Custer, and Jackson.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Bobcat seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10		214	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14		254	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5		218	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	367	95	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	264	71	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	209	58	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	243	61	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	212	49	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	122	47	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	204	34	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Bobcat Harvest



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Bobcat Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24						
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION		TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION		Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	% of Total	# Reported	% of Total		
Minnehaha	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Pennington	2	5.9	14	6.9	16	6.7
Brown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Beadle	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Codington	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Brookings	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Yankton	1	2.9	0	0.0	1	0.4
Davison	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lawrence	1	2.9	1	0.5	2	0.8
Aurora	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Bennett	2	5.9	4	2.0	6	2.5
Bon Homme	0	0.0	2	1.0	2	0.8
Brule	0	0.0	7	3.4	7	2.9
Buffalo	0	0.0	2	1.0	2	0.8
Butte	2	5.9	6	2.9	8	3.4
Campbell	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Charles Mix	2	5.9	14	6.9	16	6.7
Clark	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Clay	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Corson	0	0.0	2	1.0	2	0.8
Custer	1	2.9	21	10.3	22	9.2
Day	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Deuel	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Dewey	1	2.9	1	0.5	2	0.8
Douglas	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Edmunds	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fall River	0	0.0	19	9.3	19	8.0
Faulk	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Gregory	9	26.5	14	6.9	23	9.7
Haakon	1	2.9	4	2.0	5	2.1
Hamlin	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hand	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hanson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Harding	1	2.9	21	10.3	22	9.2
Hughes	0	0.0	1	0.5	1	0.4
Hutchinson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hyde	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Jackson	4	11.8	25	12.3	29	12.2
Jerauld	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0.0	1	0.5	1	0.4
Kingsbury	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lake	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lincoln	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lyman	3	8.8	4	2.0	7	2.9
McCook	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
McPherson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Meade	3	8.8	22	10.8	25	10.5
Mellette	0	0.0	6	2.9	6	2.5
Miner	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Perkins	0	0.0	9	4.4	9	3.8
Potter	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Roberts	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Sanborn	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Spink	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Stanley	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Sully	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Tripp	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Turner	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Union	1	2.9	2	1.0	3	1.3
Walworth	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Ziebach	0	0.0	1	0.5	1	0.4
Oglala Lakota	0	0.0	1	0.5	1	0.4
Todd	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	-	0	-	-	-
TOTALS:	34	100%	204	100%	238	100%

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RIVER OTTER

The 2023 resident river otter season was open east of the Missouri River from November 1-18, closing when the harvest limit of 20 was reached. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt and trap river otters. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt river otters. Hunters and trappers were restricted to a season bag limit of 1 river otter.

Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons.

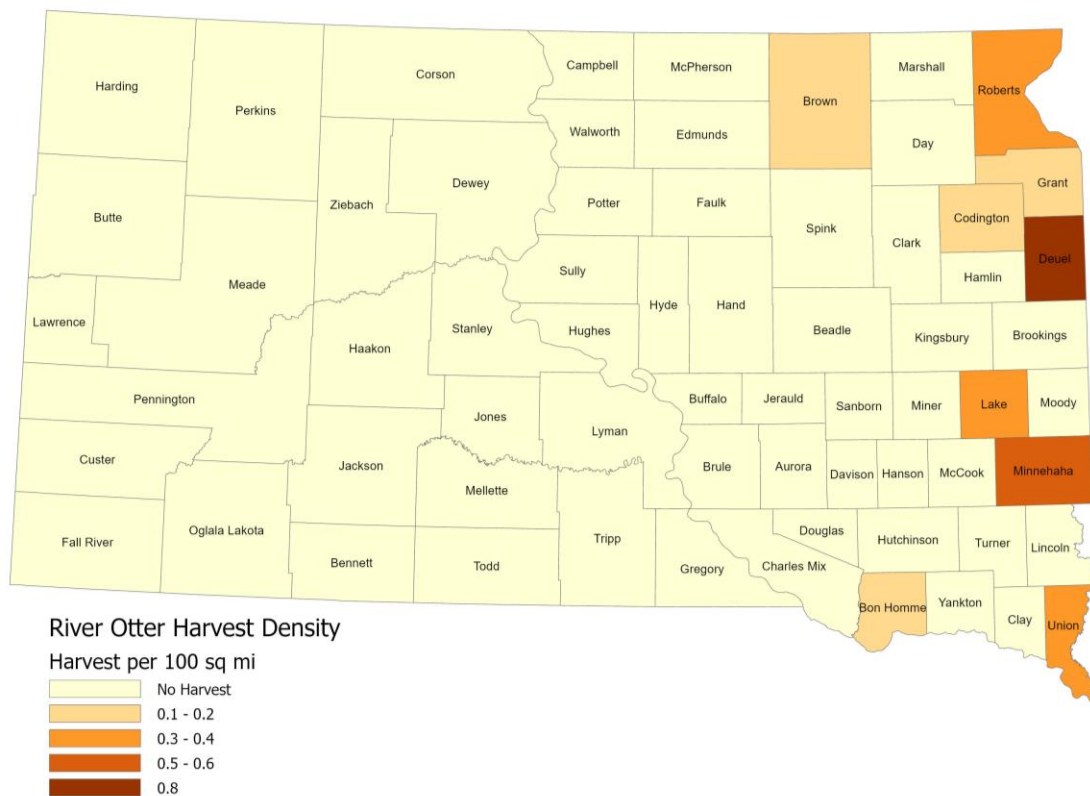
A total of 20 respondents reported trapping/hunting river otters, which projects to 59 active trappers/hunters, and reported an average of 6.4 days (SE=0.82) of effort. Check station results showed a total season harvest of 20 river otters.

The five counties with the highest reported river otter harvest densities were Minnehaha, Deuel, Roberts, Lake, and Union.

Comparison of the 2020-2023 River Otter seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	
2020	4,689	15	NA	0	14	1	NA
2021	4,726	13	NA	0	19	2	NA
2022	4,024	4	53	0	20	1	5.11
2023	4,007	6	59	0	19	1	5.09

2023-24 River Otter Harvest



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River Otter Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24						
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION		TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION		Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	% of Total	# Reported	% of Total		
Minnehaha	0	0.0	4	21.1	4	20.0
Brown	0	0.0	1	5.3	1	5.0
Beadle	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Codington	0	0.0	1	5.3	1	5.0
Brookings	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Yankton	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Davison	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Aurora	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Bon Homme	0	0.0	1	5.3	1	5.0
Charles Mix	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Clark	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Clay	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Day	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Deuel	1	100.0	4	21.1	5	25.0
Douglas	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0.0	1	5.3	1	5.0
Hamlin	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hanson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hutchinson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Jerauld	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Kingsbury	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lake	0	0.0	2	10.5	2	10.0
Lincoln	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
McCook	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Miner	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Roberts	0	0.0	4	21.1	4	20.0
Sanborn	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Spink	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Turner	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Union	0	0.0	1	5.3	1	5.0
TOTALS:	1	100%	19	79%	20	80%

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RED FOX

The 2023-24 red fox season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt fox and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap fox. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt fox. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt fox, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap fox.

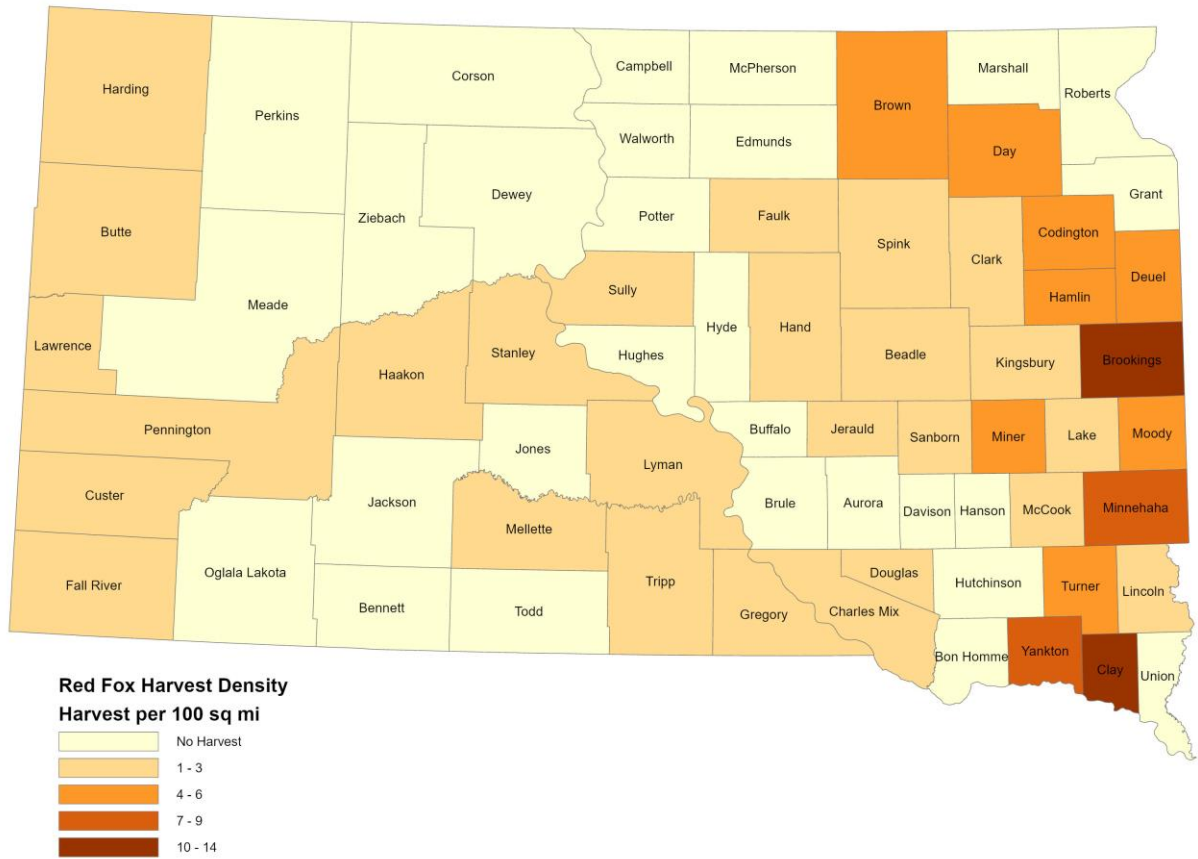
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 857 red fox were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported red fox harvest densities were Yankton, Clay, Turner, Minnehaha, and Brookings.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Red Fox seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	1,599	354	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	1,882	426	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	679	283	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	1,535	346	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	889	151	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	541	194	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	1,377	239	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	771	180	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	592	241	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	694	163	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Red Fox Harvest



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Red Fox Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *			
Minnehaha	0	0	0.0	0	20	60	9.7	67	67	7.8	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	1.9	13	13	1.6	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	20	60	9.7	67	67	7.8	
Beadle	1	3	2.6	4	4	12	1.9	13	18	2.1	
Codington	2	6	5.1	8	9	27	4.3	30	39	4.5	
Brookings	10	30	25.6	42	21	63	10.1	70	112	13.1	
Yankton	4	12	10.3	17	6	18	2.9	20	37	4.3	
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Butte	2	6	5.1	8	1	3	0.5	3	12	1.4	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.4	10	10	1.2	
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	2.4	17	17	2.0	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	13	39	6.3	44	44	5.1	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	3.9	27	27	3.1	
Day	1	3	2.6	4	9	27	4.3	30	34	4.0	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	3.4	23	23	2.7	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.4	10	10	1.2	
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	1	3	2.6	4	0	0	0.0	0	4	0.5	
Faulk	1	3	2.6	4	0	0	0.0	0	4	0.5	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.8	
Haakon	4	12	10.3	17	9	27	4.3	30	47	5.5	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	3.4	23	23	2.7	
Hand	2	6	5.1	8	4	12	1.9	13	22	2.5	
Hanson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Harding	3	9	7.7	13	10	30	4.8	34	46	5.4	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jerauld	1	3	2.6	4	0	0	0.0	0	4	0.5	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.8	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.4	10	10	1.2	
Lyman	1	3	2.6	4	2	6	1.0	7	11	1.3	
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	2.4	17	17	2.0	
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	20	20	2.3	
Moody	2	6	5.1	8	3	9	1.4	10	18	2.1	
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Spink	1	3	2.6	4	5	15	2.4	17	21	2.4	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Sully	1	3	2.6	4	0	0	0.0	0	4	0.5	
Tripp	2	6	5.1	8	0	0	0.0	0	8	1.0	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	11	33	5.3	37	37	4.3	
Union	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Unknown	15	45	-	-	23	69	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	54	163	100%	163	230	694	100%	694	857	100%	

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RACCOON

The 2023-24 resident raccoon season was open statewide and year-round. The nonresident raccoon season was restricted to December 1, 2023 - March 15, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt raccoons and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap raccoons. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt raccoons. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt raccoons, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap raccoons.

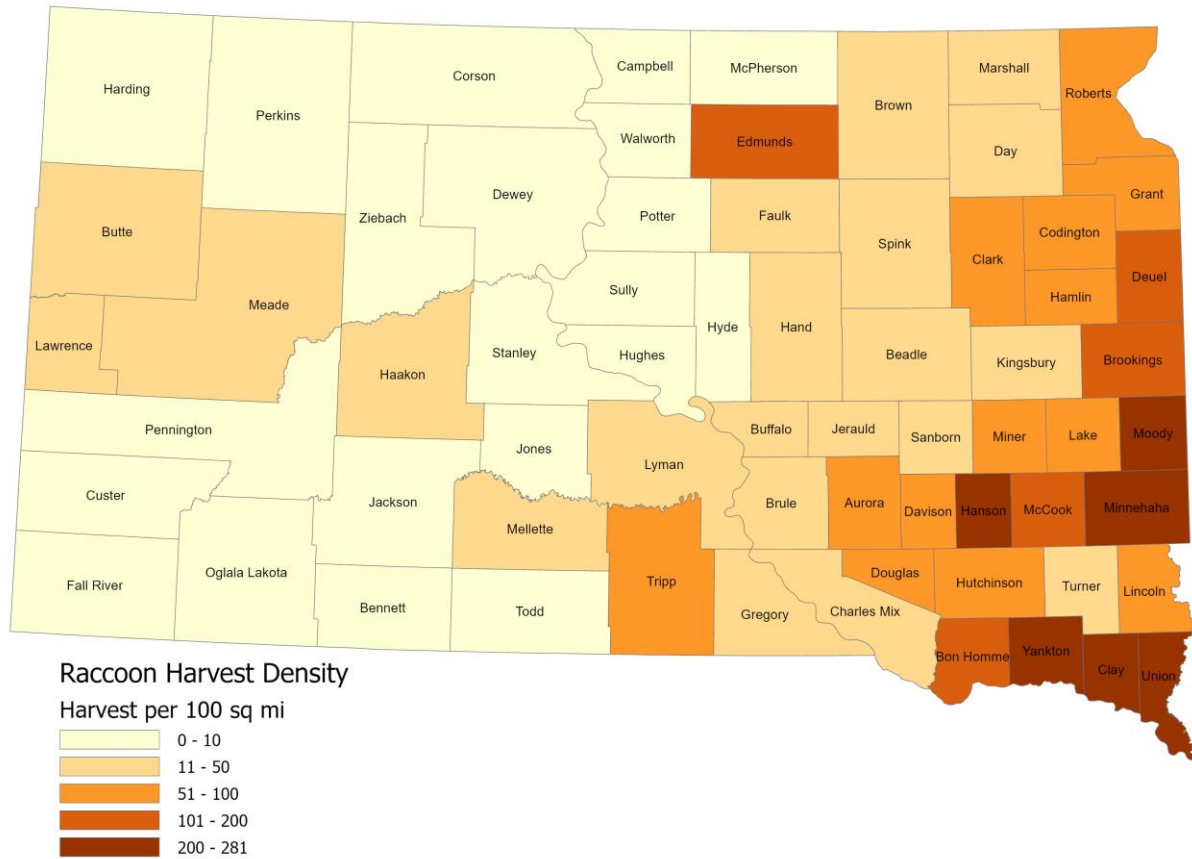
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 25,141 raccoons were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported raccoon harvest densities were Yankton, Moody, Union, Clay, and Hanson.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Raccoon seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	38,620	12,493	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	29,936	8,290	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	16,672	5,873	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	21,754	5,850	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	19,247	5,665	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	22,520	5,937	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	21,529	4,746	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	22,775	5,553	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	15,843	6,548	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	18,220	6,921	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Raccoon Harvest



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Raccoon Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *			
Minnehaha	67	202	3.2	222	451	1,360	7.8	1,430	1,652	6.6	
Pennington	4	12	0.2	13	28	84	0.5	89	102	0.4	
Brown	105	317	5.0	347	95	287	1.7	301	649	2.6	
Beadle	8	24	0.4	26	51	154	0.9	162	188	0.7	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	114	344	2.0	361	361	1.4	
Brookings	22	66	1.1	73	289	872	5.0	916	989	3.9	
Yankton	198	597	9.5	655	136	410	2.4	431	1,086	4.3	
Davison	30	90	1.4	99	61	184	1.1	193	293	1.2	
Lawrence	11	33	0.5	36	14	42	0.2	44	81	0.3	
Aurora	73	220	3.5	242	48	145	0.8	152	394	1.6	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	0.2	32	32	0.1	
Bon Homme	42	127	2.0	139	257	775	4.5	815	954	3.8	
Brule	24	72	1.1	79	50	151	0.9	159	238	0.9	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	25	75	0.4	79	79	0.3	
Butte	129	389	6.2	427	24	72	0.4	76	503	2.0	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	0.1	16	16	0.1	
Charles Mix	32	97	1.5	106	116	350	2.0	368	474	1.9	
Clark	66	199	3.2	218	118	356	2.1	374	593	2.4	
Clay	32	97	1.5	106	337	1,016	5.9	1,069	1,174	4.7	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	37	112	0.6	117	117	0.5	
Custer	2	6	0.1	7	6	18	0.1	19	26	0.1	
Day	8	24	0.4	26	90	271	1.6	285	312	1.2	
Deuel	3	9	0.1	10	247	745	4.3	783	793	3.2	
Dewey	14	42	0.7	46	9	27	0.2	29	75	0.3	
Douglas	30	90	1.4	99	46	139	0.8	146	245	1.0	
Edmunds	283	853	13.5	936	70	211	1.2	222	1,158	4.6	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	0.1	22	22	0.1	
Faulk	20	60	1.0	66	104	314	1.8	330	396	1.6	
Grant	11	33	0.5	36	104	314	1.8	330	366	1.5	
Gregory	20	60	1.0	66	140	422	2.4	444	510	2.0	
Haakon	89	268	4.3	294	128	386	2.2	406	700	2.8	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	147	443	2.6	466	466	1.9	
Hand	46	139	2.2	152	10	30	0.2	32	184	0.7	
Hanson	100	302	4.8	331	202	609	3.5	641	971	3.9	
Harding	5	15	0.2	17	18	54	0.3	57	74	0.3	
Hughes	2	6	0.1	7	13	39	0.2	41	48	0.2	
Hutchinson	47	142	2.2	155	85	256	1.5	270	425	1.7	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	31	93	1.5	103	23	69	0.4	73	175	0.7	
Jerauld	15	45	0.7	50	42	127	0.7	133	183	0.7	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	9	27	0.2	29	29	0.1	
Kingsbury	20	60	1.0	66	52	157	0.9	165	231	0.9	
Lake	13	39	0.6	43	111	335	1.9	352	395	1.6	
Lincoln	25	75	1.2	83	106	320	1.8	336	419	1.7	
Lyman	45	136	2.2	149	22	66	0.4	70	219	0.9	
McCook	27	81	1.3	89	161	486	2.8	511	600	2.4	
McPherson	20	60	1.0	66	0	0	0.0	0	66	0.3	
Marshall	6	18	0.3	20	83	250	1.4	263	283	1.1	
Meade	12	36	0.6	40	100	302	1.7	317	357	1.4	
Mellette	3	9	0.1	10	67	202	1.2	212	222	0.9	
Miner	12	36	0.6	40	80	241	1.4	254	293	1.2	
Moody	73	220	3.5	242	273	823	4.8	866	1,107	4.4	
Perkins	9	27	0.4	30	31	93	0.5	98	128	0.5	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	20	60	0.3	63	63	0.3	
Roberts	36	109	1.7	119	152	458	2.6	482	601	2.4	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	49	148	0.9	155	155	0.6	
Spink	52	157	2.5	172	102	308	1.8	323	495	2.0	
Stanley	5	15	0.2	17	21	63	0.4	67	83	0.3	
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	22	66	0.4	70	70	0.3	
Tripp	91	274	4.3	301	199	600	3.5	631	932	3.7	
Turner	15	45	0.7	50	28	84	0.5	89	138	0.6	
Union	31	93	1.5	103	276	832	4.8	875	978	3.9	
Walworth	15	45	0.7	50	1	3	0.0	3	53	0.2	
Ziebach	12	36	0.6	40	22	66	0.4	70	109	0.4	
Oglala Lakota	1	3	0.0	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.0	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.0	6	6	0.0	
Unknown	203	612	-	-	295	890	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	2,295	6,921	100%	6,921	6,041	18,220	100%	18,220	25,141	100%	

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BADGER

The 2023-24 badger season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt badgers and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap badgers. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt badgers. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt badgers, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap badgers.

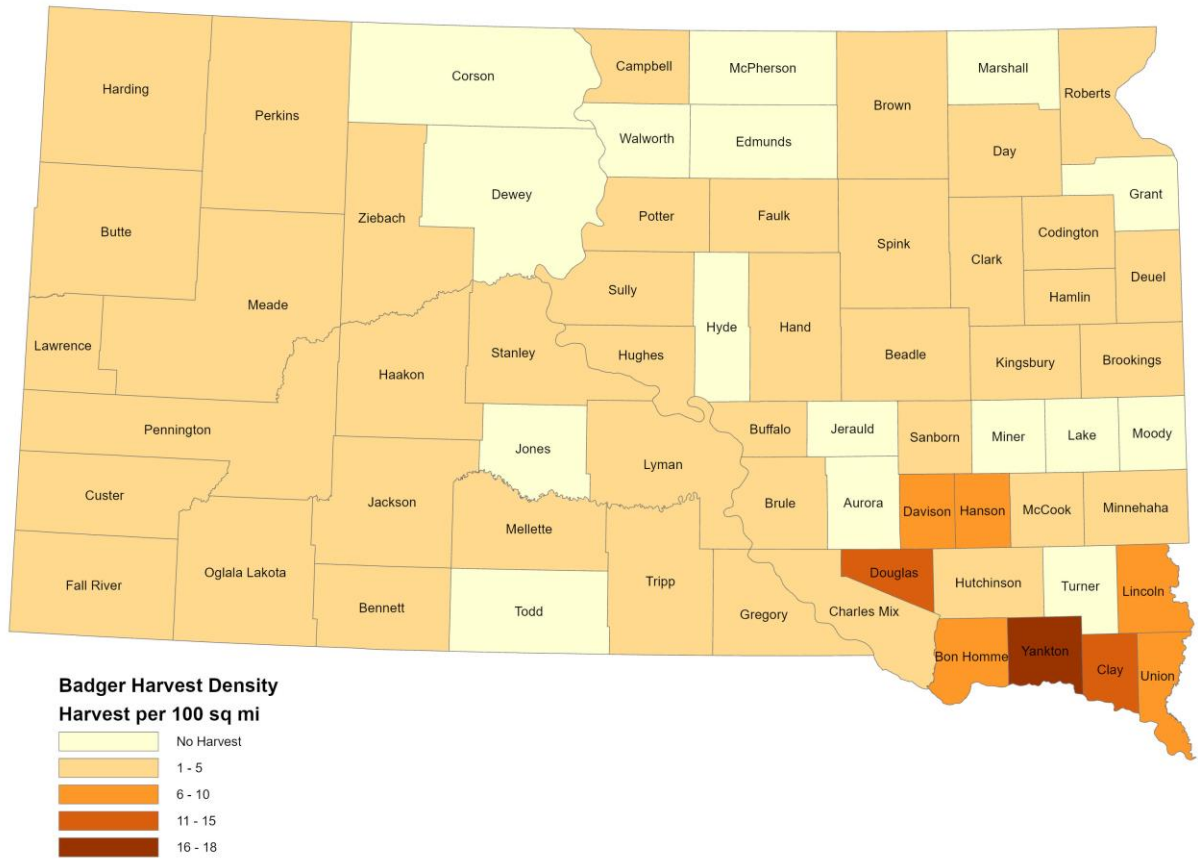
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 1,056 badgers were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported badger harvest densities were Union, Yankton, Clay, Douglas, and Davison.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Badger seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	1,400	294	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	1,937	361	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	881	303	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	1,515	372	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	1,090	290	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	941	281	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	1,344	296	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	1,104	239	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	683	252	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	712	344	5.09	6.00

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COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *		
Minnehaha	1	3	1.0	3	6	18	2.9	21	24	2.3
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	21	21	2.0
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	3.9	28	28	2.6
Beadle	1	3	1.0	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.3
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	9	27	4.4	31	31	3.0
Yankton	18	54	17.3	59	10	30	4.9	35	94	8.9
Davison	3	9	2.9	10	5	15	2.4	17	27	2.6
Lawrence	4	12	3.8	13	2	6	1.0	7	20	1.9
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Bennett	1	3	1.0	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.3
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	4.9	35	35	3.3
Brule	4	12	3.8	13	5	15	2.4	17	31	2.9
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.5	10	10	1.0
Butte	1	3	1.0	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.3
Campbell	4	12	3.8	13	1	3	0.5	3	17	1.6
Charles Mix	2	6	1.9	7	6	18	2.9	21	27	2.6
Clark	1	3	1.0	3	2	6	1.0	7	10	1.0
Clay	1	3	1.0	3	14	42	6.8	49	52	4.9
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.3
Day	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	21	21	2.0
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.5	10	10	1.0
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	8	24	7.7	26	5	15	2.4	17	44	4.1
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	2.0	14	14	1.3
Faulk	1	3	1.0	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.3
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	21	21	2.0
Haakon	4	12	3.8	13	9	27	4.4	31	44	4.2
Hamiin	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	21	21	2.0
Hand	3	9	2.9	10	2	6	1.0	7	17	1.6
Hanson	6	18	5.8	20	1	3	0.5	3	23	2.2
Harding	2	6	1.9	7	1	3	0.5	3	10	1.0
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	2.4	17	17	1.6
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	1.5	10	10	1.0
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jackson	4	12	3.8	13	0	0	0.0	0	13	1.3
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Kingsbury	2	6	1.9	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.6
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	4.9	35	35	3.3
Lyman	10	30	9.6	33	7	21	3.4	24	57	5.4
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	2.4	17	17	1.6
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Meade	2	6	1.9	7	3	9	1.5	10	17	1.6
Mellette	2	6	1.9	7	4	12	2.0	14	20	1.9
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Perkins	7	21	6.7	23	1	3	0.5	3	27	2.5
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.3
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	2.0	14	14	1.3
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	2.0	14	14	1.3
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	3.4	24	24	2.3
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	2.9	21	21	2.0
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	2.0	14	14	1.3
Tripp	2	6	1.9	7	2	6	1.0	7	14	1.3
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Union	5	15	4.8	17	6	18	2.9	21	37	3.5
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Ziebach	2	6	1.9	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.6
Oglala Lakota	3	9	2.9	10	0	0	0.0	0	10	0.9
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	10	30	-	-	31	93	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	114	344	100%	344	236	712	100%	712	1,056	100%

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OPOSSUM

The 2023-24 opossum season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap opossums. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt opossums. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap opossums.

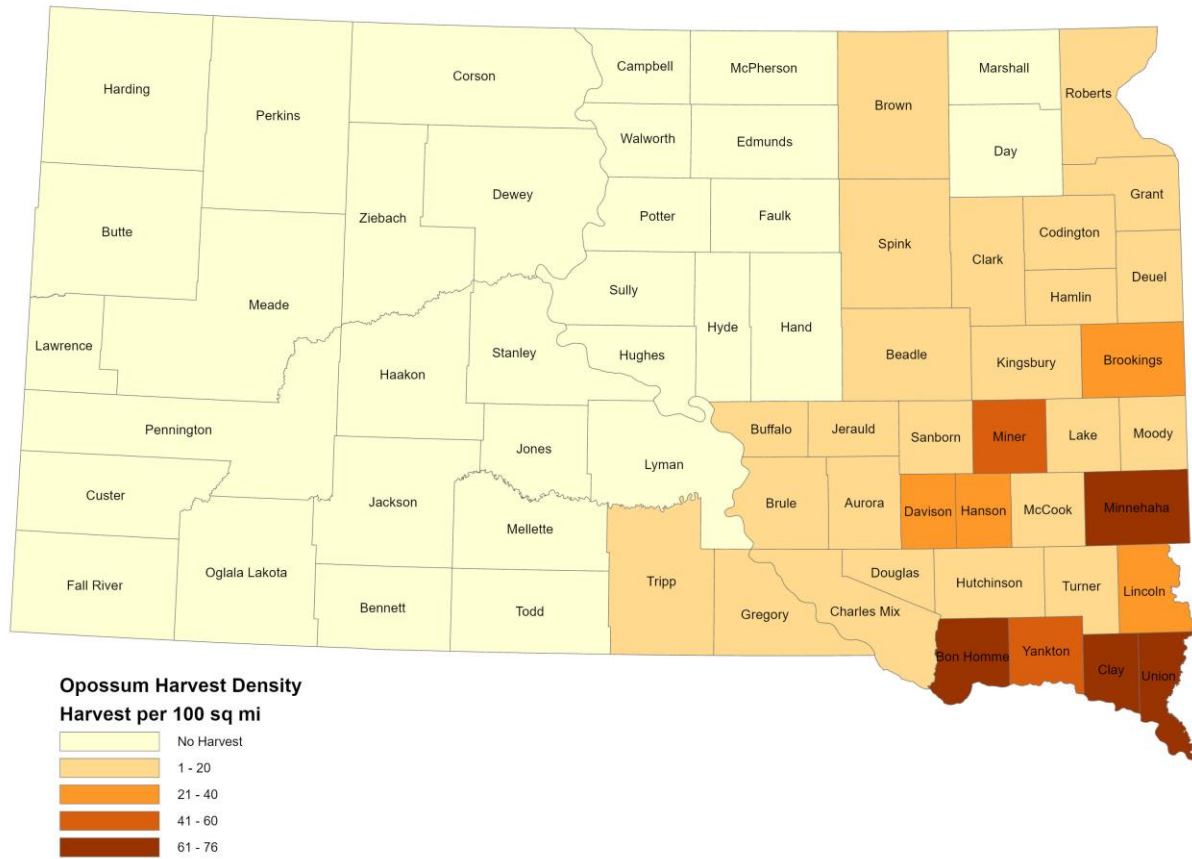
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 4,144 opossums were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported opossum harvest densities were Union, Minnehaha, Yankton, Clay, and Bon Homme.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Opossum seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	2,505	387	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	3,024	351	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	3,496	843	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	4,499	372	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	3,980	664	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	3,003	401	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	3,321	369	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	4,295	559	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	2,687	367	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	3,755	389	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Opossum Harvest



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Opossum Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *			
Minnehaha	4	12	3.1	12	189	570	16.1	603	616	14.9	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	12	36	1.0	38	38	0.9	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	19	57	1.6	61	61	1.5	
Brookings	5	15	3.9	15	88	265	7.5	281	296	7.1	
Yankton	31	94	24.0	94	60	181	5.1	192	285	6.9	
Davison	12	36	9.3	36	23	69	2.0	73	110	2.6	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	15	45	1.3	48	48	1.2	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	112	338	9.5	358	358	8.6	
Brule	6	18	4.7	18	19	57	1.6	61	79	1.9	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	0.4	16	16	0.4	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Charles Mix	7	21	5.4	21	65	196	5.5	208	229	5.5	
Clark	6	18	4.7	18	20	60	1.7	64	82	2.0	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	86	259	7.3	275	275	6.6	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Day	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	0.9	32	32	0.8	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	15	45	1.3	48	48	1.2	
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.7	26	26	0.6	
Gregory	3	9	2.3	9	40	121	3.4	128	137	3.3	
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	0.9	32	32	0.8	
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hanson	21	63	16.3	63	29	87	2.5	93	156	3.8	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	36	109	3.1	115	115	2.8	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.7	26	26	0.6	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.2	6	6	0.2	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.3	13	13	0.3	
Lincoln	15	45	11.6	45	39	118	3.3	125	170	4.1	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
McCook	1	3	0.8	3	29	87	2.5	93	96	2.3	
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	74	223	6.3	236	236	5.7	
Moody	1	3	0.8	3	29	87	2.5	93	96	2.3	
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	0.4	16	16	0.4	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	0.6	22	22	0.5	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.2	6	6	0.2	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Tripp	1	3	0.8	3	4	12	0.3	13	16	0.4	
Turner	8	24	6.2	24	27	81	2.3	86	110	2.7	
Union	8	24	6.2	24	84	253	7.1	268	292	7.1	
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Unknown	0	0	-	-	69	208	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	129	389	100%	389	1,245	3,755	100%	3,755	4,144	100%	

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STRIPED SKUNK

The 2023-24 striped skunk season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt striped skunks and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap striped skunks. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt striped skunks. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt striped skunks, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap striped skunks.

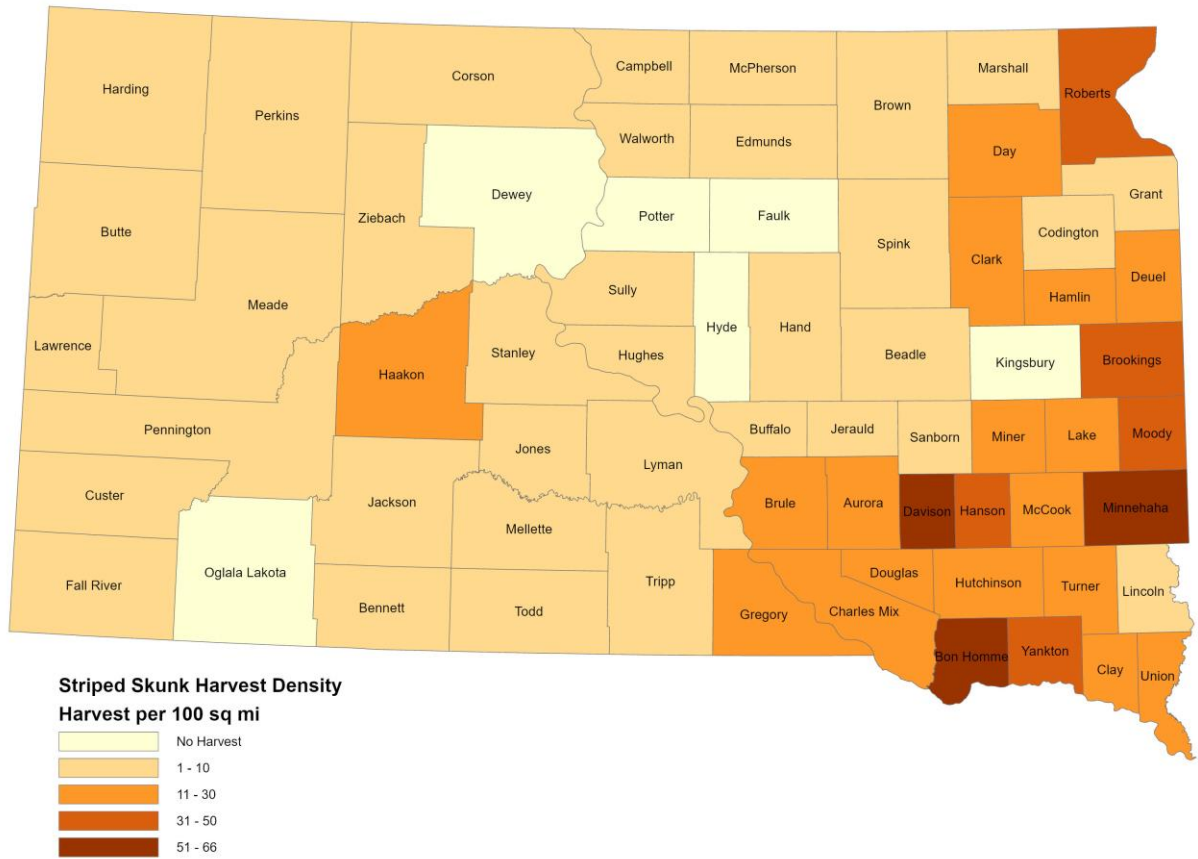
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 6,789 striped skunks were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported striped skunk harvest densities were Davison, Bon Homme, Moody, Minnehaha, and Brookings.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Striped Skunk seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	9,913	2,055	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	10,336	2,238	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	5,366	1,478	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	6,712	1,071	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	5,173	1,272	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	5,673	1,315	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	8,024	1,435	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	10,145	1,763	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	5,388	1,106	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	5,576	1,212	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Striped Skunk Harvest



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Striped Skunk Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *			
Minnehaha	22	66	5.7	69	147	443	8.3	463	531	7.8	
Pennington	1	3	0.3	3	22	66	1.2	69	72	1.1	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	31	93	1.7	98	98	1.4	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.5	25	25	0.4	
Codington	1	3	0.3	3	20	60	1.1	63	66	1.0	
Brookings	6	18	1.5	19	103	311	5.8	324	343	5.0	
Yankton	27	81	6.9	84	37	112	2.1	116	201	3.0	
Davison	33	100	8.5	103	38	115	2.1	120	222	3.3	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	24	72	1.4	76	76	1.1	
Aurora	4	12	1.0	12	48	145	2.7	151	164	2.4	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	0.3	16	16	0.2	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	104	314	5.9	327	327	4.8	
Brule	6	18	1.5	19	37	112	2.1	116	135	2.0	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.5	25	25	0.4	
Butte	3	9	0.8	9	0	0	0.0	0	9	0.1	
Campbell	1	3	0.3	3	3	9	0.2	9	13	0.2	
Charles Mix	11	33	2.8	34	45	136	2.5	142	176	2.6	
Clark	6	18	1.5	19	41	124	2.3	129	148	2.2	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	24	72	1.4	76	76	1.1	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	20	60	1.1	63	63	0.9	
Custer	3	9	0.8	9	31	93	1.7	98	107	1.6	
Day	4	12	1.0	12	32	97	1.8	101	113	1.7	
Deuel	2	6	0.5	6	48	145	2.7	151	157	2.3	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	8	24	2.1	25	15	45	0.8	47	72	1.1	
Edmunds	8	24	2.1	25	19	57	1.1	60	85	1.2	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	13	39	0.7	41	41	0.6	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Grant	5	15	1.3	16	8	24	0.5	25	41	0.6	
Gregory	2	6	0.5	6	59	178	3.3	186	192	2.8	
Haakon	44	133	11.3	137	96	290	5.4	302	439	6.5	
Hamlin	5	15	1.3	16	28	84	1.6	88	104	1.5	
Hand	13	39	3.3	41	10	30	0.6	31	72	1.1	
Hanson	35	106	9.0	109	15	45	0.8	47	156	2.3	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	20	60	1.1	63	63	0.9	
Hughes	2	6	0.5	6	15	45	0.8	47	53	0.8	
Hutchinson	30	90	7.7	94	34	103	1.9	107	201	3.0	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	2	6	0.5	6	11	33	0.6	35	41	0.6	
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	6	18	0.3	19	19	0.3	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	15	45	0.8	47	47	0.7	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lake	9	27	2.3	28	16	48	0.9	50	78	1.2	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	18	54	1.0	57	57	0.8	
Lyman	1	3	0.3	3	13	39	0.7	41	44	0.6	
McCook	2	6	0.5	6	43	130	2.4	135	142	2.1	
McPherson	10	30	2.6	31	0	0	0.0	0	31	0.5	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.2	13	13	0.2	
Meade	4	12	1.0	12	56	169	3.2	176	189	2.8	
Mellette	4	12	1.0	12	28	84	1.6	88	101	1.5	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	49	148	2.8	154	154	2.3	
Moody	6	18	1.5	19	62	187	3.5	195	214	3.1	
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	0.4	22	22	0.3	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	36	109	9.3	112	79	238	4.5	249	361	5.3	
Sanborn	1	3	0.3	3	7	21	0.4	22	25	0.4	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	15	45	0.8	47	47	0.7	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	14	42	0.8	44	44	0.6	
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	32	97	1.8	101	101	1.5	
Tripp	14	42	3.6	44	37	112	2.1	116	160	2.4	
Turner	6	18	1.5	19	30	90	1.7	94	113	1.7	
Union	3	9	0.8	9	22	66	1.2	69	79	1.2	
Walworth	1	3	0.3	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.0	
Ziebach	6	18	1.5	19	0	0	0.0	0	19	0.3	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	2	6	0.5	6	0	0	0.0	0	6	0.1	
Unknown	13	39	-	-	77	232	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	402	1,212	100%	1,212	1,849	5,576	100%	5,576	6,789	100%	

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SPOTTED SKUNK

The 2023-24 spotted skunk season was open statewide and year-round. Residents aged 18 and older holding a predator/varmint, furbearer or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt spotted skunks and residents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap spotted skunks. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt spotted skunks. Nonresidents holding a predator/varmint, or any type of hunting license were eligible to hunt spotted skunks, and nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap spotted skunks.

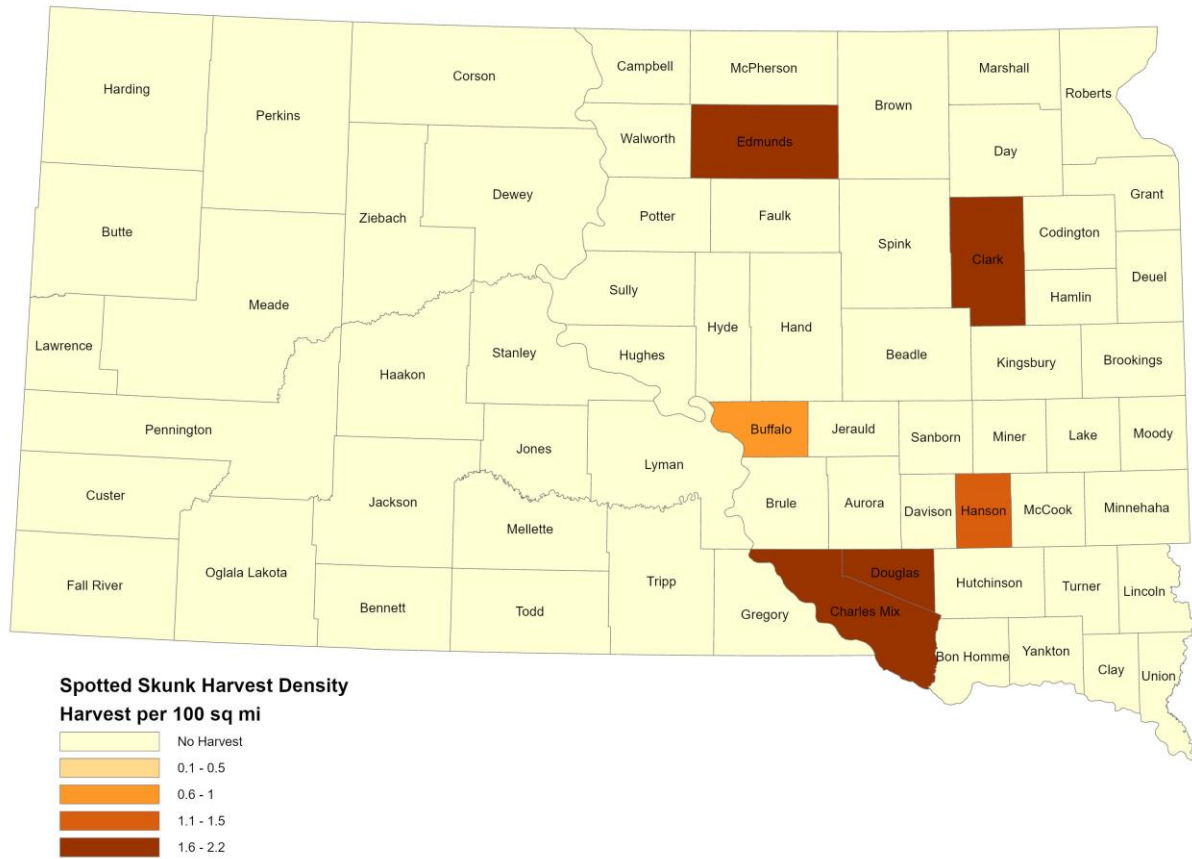
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 78 spotted skunks were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported spotted skunk harvest densities were Douglas, Edmunds, Clark, Charles Mix, and Hanson.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Spotted Skunk seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	248	36	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	301	43	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	194	62	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	174	72	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	122	17	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	49	5	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	81	24	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	33	4	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	71	52	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	51	27	5.09	6.00

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Spotted Skunk Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24										
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *		
Minnehaha	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	1	9.1	5	5	5	5.9
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Charles Mix	2	6	22.2	6	3	27.3	14	20	20	25.5
Clark	4	12	44.4	12	1	9.1	5	17	17	21.3
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Day	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	2	18.2	9	9	9	11.9
Edmunds	3	9	33.3	9	3	27.3	14	23	23	29.4
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hanson	0	0	0.0	0	1	9.1	5	5	5	5.9
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Tripp	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Union	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0	-	-	6	18	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	9	27	100%	27	17	51	100%	51	78	100%

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MUSKRAT

The 2023-24 resident muskrat season was open year-round west of the Missouri River and from November 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024, east of the Missouri River and in the Black Hills Fire Protection District south of Interstate 90 and west of Highway 79. No trapping was allowed on or in muskrat houses of any size east of the Missouri River after March 15. The nonresident muskrat season was restricted to Dec. 1, 2023 - March 15, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap muskrats. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap muskrats. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to trap muskrats. Shooting muskrats was allowed from April 1 through August 31 statewide only by landowners or lessees, including School and Public land surface lease holders, on land they own or operate and state, county, or township highway officials within public road rights-of-way.

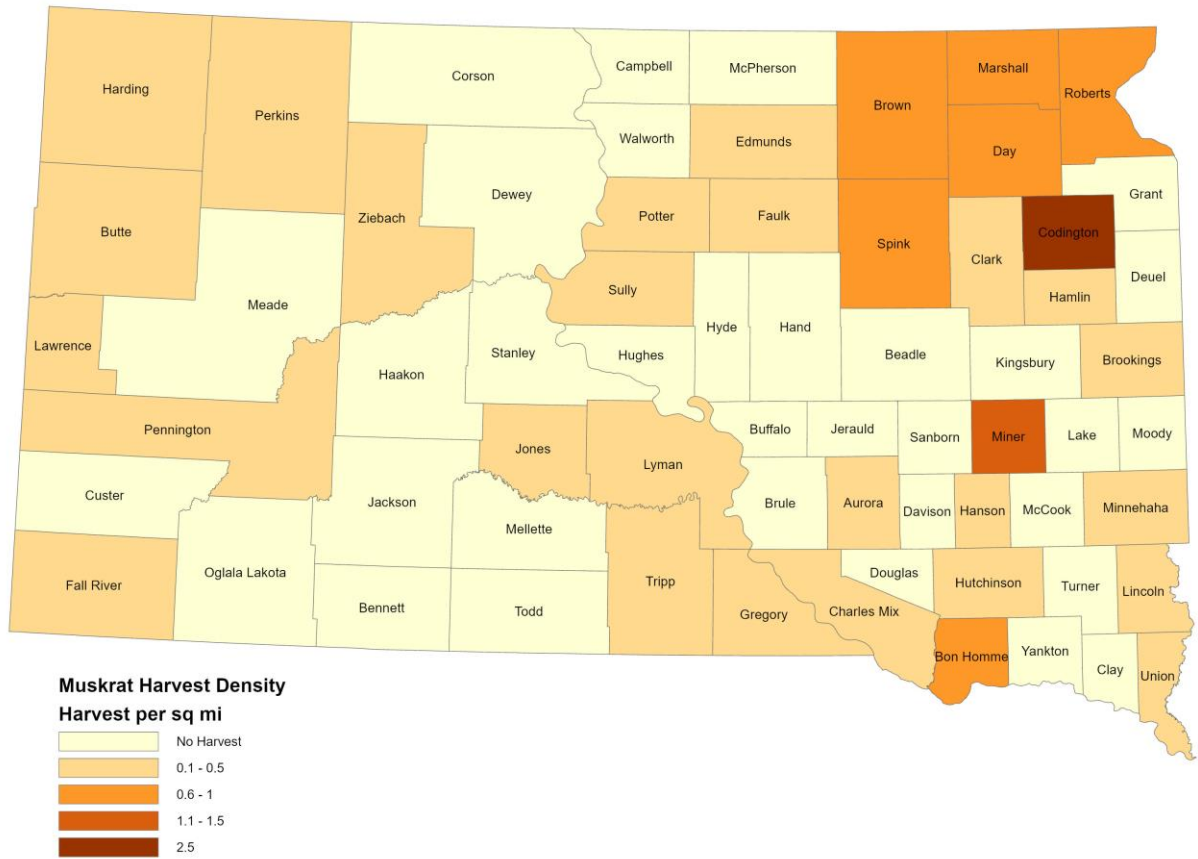
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 8,443 muskrats were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported muskrat harvest densities were Codington, Miner, Roberts, Marshall, and Bon Homme.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Muskrat seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	24,137	452	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	25,256	1,198	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	18,717	255	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	14,382	545	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	20,678	319	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	61,923	318	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	92,477	307	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	25,101	238	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	5,344	252	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	8,223	220	5.09	6.00

2023-24 Muskrat Harvest



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Muskrat Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *			
Minnehaha	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.3	24	24	0.3	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	14	42	0.5	43	43	0.5	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	380	1,144	14.0	1,154	1,154	13.7	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	585	1,761	21.6	1,777	1,777	21.0	
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	28	84	1.0	85	85	1.0	
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	0.3	21	21	0.3	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	12	36	0.4	36	36	0.4	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	151	455	5.6	459	459	5.4	
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	18	54	0.7	55	55	0.6	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	11	33	0.4	33	33	0.4	
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	0.4	30	30	0.4	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Day	0	0	0.0	0	250	752	9.2	759	759	9.0	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Edmunds	20	60	27.4	60	49	147	1.8	149	209	2.5	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.0	3	3	0.0	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.0	3	3	0.0	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	7	21	0.3	21	21	0.3	
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.1	12	12	0.1	
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hanson	20	60	27.4	60	30	90	1.1	91	151	1.8	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.0	3	3	0.0	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.1	6	6	0.1	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	11	33	0.4	33	33	0.4	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	0.1	9	9	0.1	
Lyman	5	15	6.8	15	0	0	0.0	0	15	0.2	
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	250	752	9.2	759	759	9.0	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	200	602	7.4	608	608	7.2	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Perkins	20	60	27.4	60	14	42	0.5	43	103	1.2	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	17	51	0.6	52	52	0.6	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	335	1,008	12.4	1,018	1,018	12.1	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	300	903	11.1	911	911	10.8	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sully	2	6	2.7	6	2	6	0.1	6	12	0.1	
Tripp	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.1	6	6	0.1	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Union	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.1	12	12	0.1	
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Ziebach	6	18	8.2	18	0	0	0.0	0	18	0.2	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Unknown	0	0	-	-	25	75	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	73	220	100%	220	2,732	8,223	100%	8,223	8,443	100%	

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* Includes unknown county projection values by assuming unknown county values are distributed the same as reported county values. Total values may be different due to rounding.

MINK

The 2023-24 resident mink season was open November 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024, statewide. The nonresident mink season was restricted to December 1, 2023 - January 31, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap mink. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt mink. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap mink.

Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 148 mink were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported mink harvest densities were Codington, Clay, Brookings, Minnehaha, and Douglas.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Mink seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	1,482	149	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	1,147	9	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	504	8	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	356	16	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	284	10	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	518	26	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	523	9	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	482	4	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	167	29	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	148	0	5.09	6.00

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Mink Harvest Distribution by County 2023-24											
COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total	
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *			
Minnehaha	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	4.4	7	7	4.4	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	11.1	16	16	11.1	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	11	33	24.4	36	36	24.4	
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	17.8	26	26	17.8	
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	4.4	7	7	4.4	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	11.1	16	16	11.1	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Day	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hanson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	4.4	7	7	4.4	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.2	3	3	2.2	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Tripp	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Union	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Unknown	0	0	-	-	4	12	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	0	0	0%	0	49	148	100%	148	148	100%	

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WEASEL

The 2023-24 resident weasel season was open November 1, 2023, through January 31, 2024, statewide. The nonresident weasel season was restricted to December 1, 2023 - January 31, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap weasels. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt weasels. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap weasels.

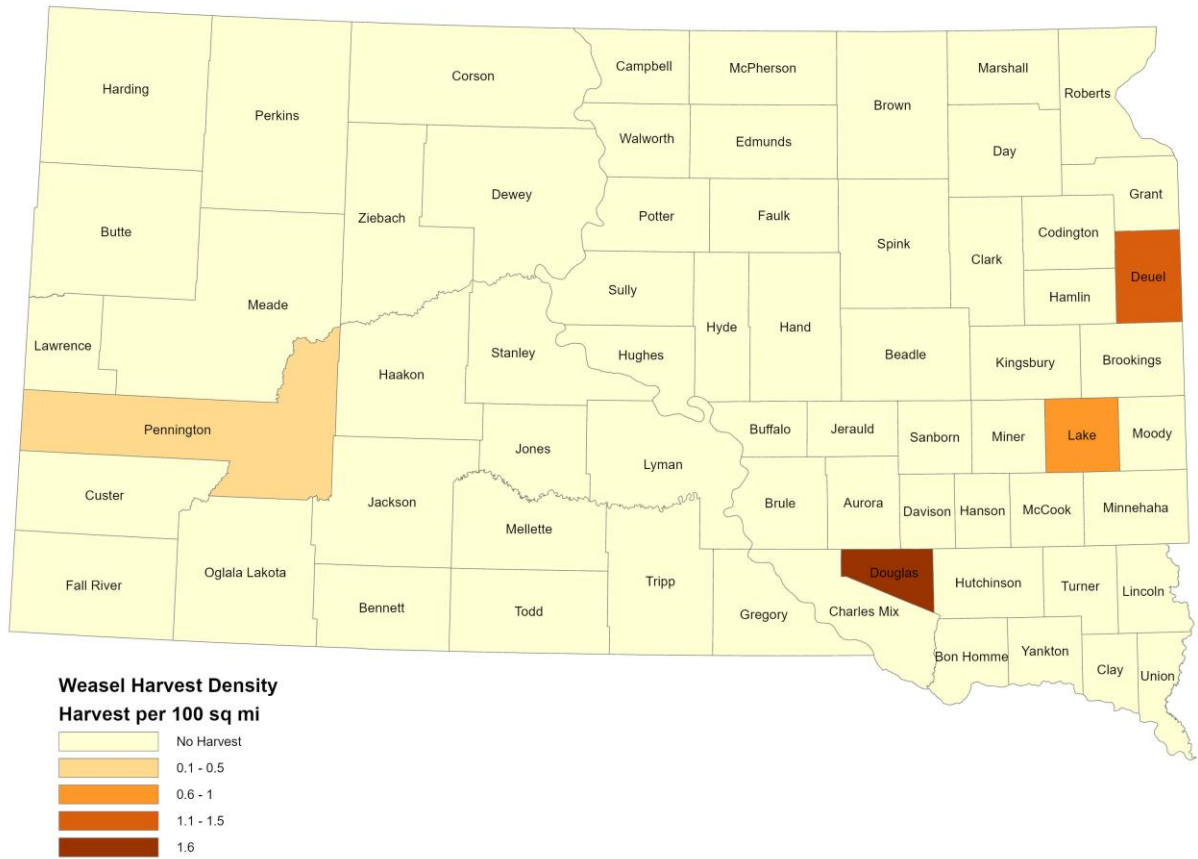
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 71 weasels were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The four counties with any reported weasel harvest were Douglas, Deuel, Lake, and Pennington.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Weasel seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	265	12	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	161	0	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	42	7	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	65	2	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	40	0	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	47	0	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	95	0	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	48	4	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	52	19	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	24	0	5.09	6.00

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COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/ Unk *		
Minnehaha	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	28.6	7	7	28.6
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Day	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	28.6	7	7	28.6
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	28.6	7	7	28.6
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hanson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hutchinson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	14.3	3	3	14.3
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Tripp	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Union	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	0	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	0	0	0%	0	8	24	100%	24	24	100%

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BEAVER

The 2023-24 resident beaver season was open year-round except on U.S. Forest Service land in the Black Hills where the season was open only January 1 through March 31, and non-U.S. Forest Service land in the Black Hills where the season was open only November 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024. The nonresident beaver season was restricted to December 1, 2023 - March 15, 2024. Residents aged 18 and older holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap beaver. Resident youth under age 18 were not required to have any license to trap or hunt beaver. Nonresidents holding a furbearer license were eligible to hunt or trap beaver.

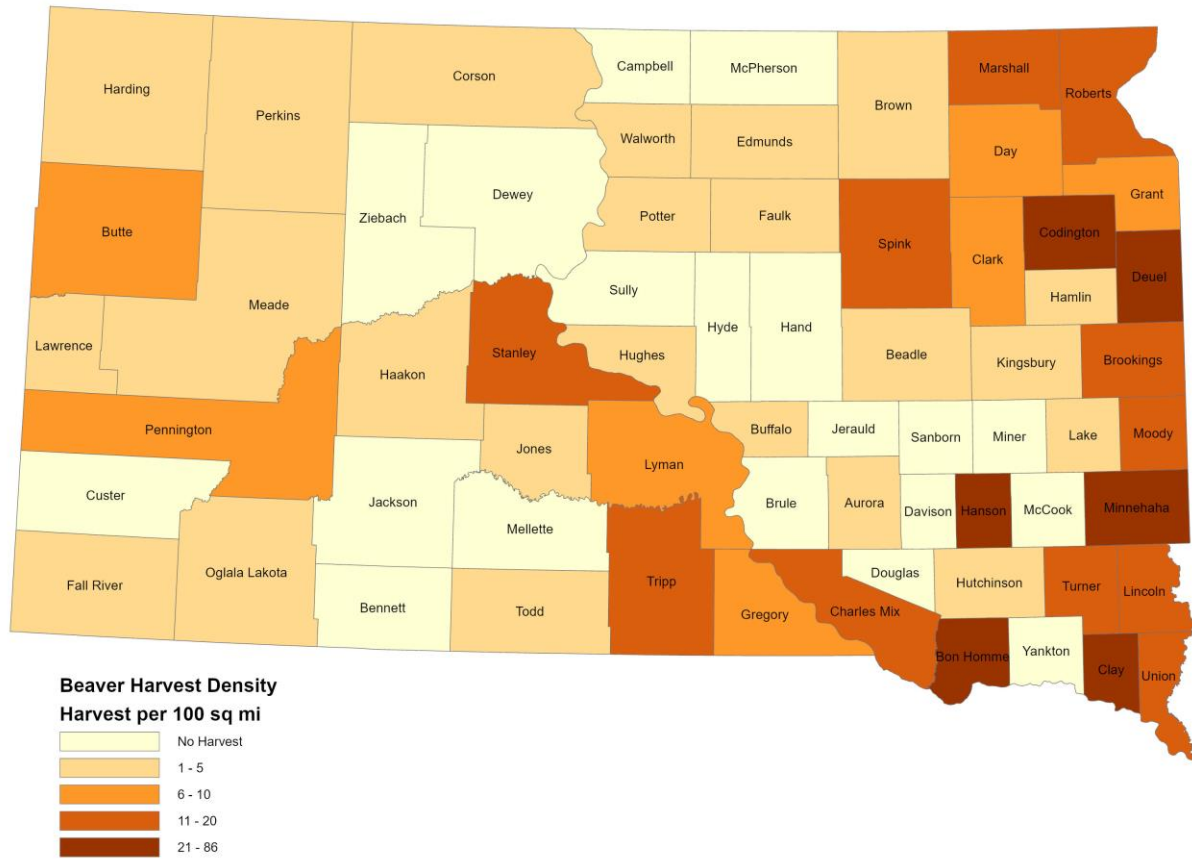
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,888 resident and 5 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2023-24 seasons. An estimated 4,142 beaver were harvested during the 2023-24 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported beaver harvest densities were Clay, Minnehaha, Codington, Bon Homme, and Deuel.

Comparison of the 2014-2023 Beaver seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2014	4,227	12	2,304	10	2,445	343	4.89	5.00
2015	3,940	14	2,065	14	3,806	864	4.93	4.40
2016	3,620	11	1,804	5	1,773	326	4.95	5.00
2017	3,915	17	2,120	15	1,835	603	5.05	5.63
2018	4,154	14	2,168	12	1,201	143	4.97	5.44
2019	4,334	17	2,237	13	2,063	350	5.09	4.43
2020	4,689	15	2,295	15	2,582	274	5.22	5.50
2021	4,726	13	2,200	0	3,395	266	5.21	NA
2022	4,024	4	1,826	0	2,515	750	5.16	NA
2023	4,007	6	1,888	5	3,681	461	5.09	6.00

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COUNTY	HUNTING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				TRAPPING HARVEST DISTRIBUTION				Total Harvest	% of Total
	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *	# Reported	# Projected	% of Total	# Proj w/Unk *		
	Minnehaha	1	3	0.7	3	64	193	5.3		
Pennington	9	27	6.0	28	43	130	3.6	131	159	3.8
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	17	51	1.4	52	52	1.2
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	5	15	0.4	15	15	0.4
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	61	184	5.0	186	186	4.5
Brookings	1	3	0.7	3	43	130	3.6	131	134	3.2
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1
Aurora	1	3	0.7	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.1
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	65	196	5.4	198	198	4.8
Brule	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	8	24	0.7	24	24	0.6
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	50	151	4.1	152	152	3.7
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	51	154	4.2	155	155	3.7
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	27	81	2.2	82	82	2.0
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	117	352	9.7	356	356	8.6
Corson	5	15	3.3	15	22	66	1.8	67	82	2.0
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Day	0	0	0.0	0	25	75	2.1	76	76	1.8
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	50	151	4.1	152	152	3.7
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Edmunds	2	6	1.3	6	2	6	0.2	6	12	0.3
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	23	69	1.9	70	70	1.7
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	9	27	0.7	27	27	0.7
Grant	2	6	1.3	6	12	36	1.0	37	43	1.0
Gregory	3	9	2.0	9	28	84	2.3	85	94	2.3
Haakon	2	6	1.3	6	18	54	1.5	55	61	1.5
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hanson	24	72	16.0	74	7	21	0.6	21	95	2.3
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	17	51	1.4	52	52	1.2
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	10	30	0.8	30	30	0.7
Hutchinson	2	6	1.3	6	3	9	0.2	9	15	0.4
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jackson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	3	9	0.2	9	9	0.2
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.2	6	6	0.1
Lake	5	15	3.3	15	0	0	0.0	0	15	0.4
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	35	105	2.9	107	107	2.6
Lyman	16	48	10.7	49	24	72	2.0	73	122	3.0
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
McPherson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	50	151	4.1	152	152	3.7
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	31	93	2.6	94	94	2.3
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Moody	4	12	2.7	12	14	42	1.2	43	55	1.3
Perkins	0	0	0.0	0	33	99	2.7	100	100	2.4
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	9	27	0.7	27	27	0.7
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	42	127	3.5	128	128	3.1
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Spink	17	51	11.3	52	50	151	4.1	152	205	4.9
Stanley	28	84	18.7	86	23	69	1.9	70	156	3.8
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Tripp	0	0	0.0	0	74	223	6.1	225	225	5.4
Turner	14	42	9.3	43	24	72	2.0	73	116	2.8
Union	10	30	6.7	31	7	21	0.6	21	52	1.3
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.3	12	12	0.3
Ziebach	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Oglala Lakota	4	12	2.7	12	1	3	0.1	3	15	0.4
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	4	12	0.3	12	12	0.3
Unknown	3	9	-	-	13	39	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	153	461	100%	461	1,222	3,681	100%	3,681	4,142	100%

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* Includes unknown county projection values by assuming unknown county values are distributed the same as reported county values. Total values may be different due to rounding.