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FURBEARER HARVEST PROJECTIONS

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PREFACE

Harvest estimates reported herein for the 2022-23 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 2022-2023 seasons, there were approximately 248,000 resident and 128,000 nonresident licenses issued that allowed holders to hunt furbearers. Of those, only 4,024 residents and 4 nonresidents had licenses that allowed trapping of furbearers. Some 2022 furbearer license holders also purchased 2023 licenses that were valid during the 2022 seasons. In addition to those who had both 2022 and 2023 licenses, 406 residents purchased 2023 licenses prior to April 15, 2023, making them eligible to hunt or trap the 2022-23 seasons.

Harvest surveys were sent to resident and nonresident furbearer license holders who had a 2022 license or a 2023 license that was purchased prior to April 15, 2023. Response rates were 35% for residents and 0% for nonresidents. Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons.

Approximately 3% (53) of active furbearer license holders trapped/hunted river otters during the season. Approximately 6% (108) of active furbearer license holders hunted/trapped bobcats in the Black Hills. Sixty-five (5%) respondents said they hunted or trapped furbearers in the Black Hills and 13 of those reported observing a pine marten.

When asked their satisfaction on the seasons, (1 being least satisfied, 7 being most satisfied), resident hunters/trappers reported an average satisfaction level of 5.16.

The five counties with the highest total reported furbearer harvest densities per square mile were Union, Hamlin, Minnehaha, Brookings, and Bon Homme.

FURBEARER HARVEST PROJECTIONS FOR 2022-23

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	Resident	Nonresident	Totals
Licenses Sold*	4,024	4	4,028
Projected ACTIVE TRAPPERS/HUNTERS	1,826	0	1,826
Trapping Harvest			
Coyote	5,605	0	5,605
Red Fox	592	0	592
River Otter	20	0	20
Bobcat	122	0	122
Raccoon	15,843	0	15,843
Beaver	2,515	0	2,515
Muskrat	5,344	0	5,344
Mink	167	0	167
Weasel	52	0	52
Badger	683	0	683
Opossum	2,687	0	2,687
Striped Skunk	5,388	0	5,388
Spotted Skunk	71	0	71
Hunting Harvest			
Coyote	10,113	0	10,113
Red Fox	241	0	241
River Otter	1	0	1
Bobcat	47	0	47
Raccoon	6,458	0	6,458
Beaver	750	0	750
Muskrat	252	0	252
Mink	29	0	29
Weasel	19	0	19
Badger	252	0	252
Opossum	367	0	367
Striped Skunk	1,106	0	1,106
Spotted Skunk	52	0	52
Total Harvest			
Coyote	15,718	0	15,718
Red Fox	833	0	833
River Otter	21	0	21
Bobcat	169	0	169
Raccoon	22,300	0	22,300
Beaver	3,265	0	3,265
Muskrat	5,596	0	5,596
Mink	196	0	196
Weasel	71	0	71
Badger	934	0	934
Opossum	3,054	0	3,054
Striped Skunk	6,494	0	6,494
Spotted Skunk	123	0	123
Furbearer Mean Satisfaction Score **	5.16	NA	

* Licenses sold for the 2022 licensing year (15 Dec 2021 - 31 Jan 2023) and the 2023 licensing year (15 Dec 2022 - 31 Jan 2024) purchased prior to 16 April 2023

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

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Total Furbearer Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23																
COUNTY	River											Striped Skunk	Spotted Skunk	Total Harvest	% of Total	
	Coyote	Red Fox	Otter	Bobcat	Raccoon	Beaver	Muskrat	Mink	Weasel	Badger	Opossum					
Minnehaha	406	110	0	0	1,452	191	0	7	10	20	358	313	0	2,867	4.9	
Pennington	699	54	0	12	121	30	0	4	0	27	0	60	0	1,006	1.7	
Brown	199	81	0	0	827	43	65	7	0	0	0	145	0	1,366	2.3	
Beadle	156	0	0	0	435	20	0	0	0	13	71	103	0	798	1.4	
Codington	70	3	2	0	73	0	45	0	0	7	3	57	0	260	0.4	
Brookings	741	54	2	0	908	127	151	7	7	37	187	397	0	2,618	4.5	
Yankton	179	10	0	1	1,166	33	0	0	0	10	188	110	0	1,698	2.9	
Davison	80	7	0	0	258	0	0	0	0	13	50	291	0	699	1.2	
Lawrence	73	0	0	9	57	0	17	0	0	0	0	70	0	226	0.4	
Aurora	173	7	0	0	516	3	0	0	0	7	10	50	21	787	1.3	
Bennett	13	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	3	118	17	0	160	0.3	
Bon Homme	754	7	0	1	249	244	510	0	0	40	0	83	0	1,888	3.2	
Brule	236	0	0	1	271	0	35	7	0	24	53	53	0	679	1.2	
Buffalo	30	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	17	17	10	4	104	0.2	
Butte	66	30	0	4	294	130	42	4	0	0	0	17	0	587	1.0	
Campbell	368	27	0	0	134	0	0	0	0	3	0	27	0	559	1.0	
Charles Mix	53	0	0	10	369	107	0	0	0	10	189	197	0	935	1.6	
Clark	155	7	0	0	343	57	490	28	10	0	17	67	0	1,174	2.0	
Clay	154	3	0	0	327	210	0	0	0	3	118	27	0	843	1.4	
Corson	167	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	185	0.3	
Custer	344	10	0	9	0	47	0	0	0	3	0	43	0	457	0.8	
Day	274	0	0	0	273	20	1,264	7	0	20	3	127	0	1,989	3.4	
Deuel	66	0	4	0	847	74	242	4	0	0	34	250	0	1,520	2.6	
Dewey	272	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	296	0.5	
Douglas	279	33	0	0	342	0	0	0	0	13	114	80	37	900	1.5	
Edmunds	66	33	0	0	1,096	0	0	0	0	34	17	359	0	1,605	2.7	
Fall River	429	10	0	29	20	40	10	11	0	24	0	113	0	685	1.2	
Faulk	196	3	0	0	290	267	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	780	1.3	
Grant	46	0	0	0	291	13	0	0	0	3	24	67	0	444	0.8	
Gregory	869	40	0	8	233	50	0	0	0	30	3	30	0	1,263	2.1	
Haakon	524	3	0	7	169	97	200	0	0	37	0	73	0	1,110	1.9	
Hamlin	83	27	2	0	764	120	977	28	0	0	172	63	0	2,236	3.8	
Hand	328	3	0	0	79	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	414	0.7	
Hanson	23	0	0	0	39	20	0	0	0	10	49	23	0	165	0.3	
Harding	246	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	257	0.4	
Hughes	30	0	0	0	48	20	6	4	0	7	10	0	0	125	0.2	
Hutchinson	142	0	0	0	279	0	0	0	0	10	106	76	0	613	1.0	
Hyde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	267	0	0	16	37	0	0	0	0	27	0	30	0	377	0.6	
Jerauld	210	16	0	0	263	23	0	0	0	10	7	0	0	530	0.9	
Jones	316	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	337	0.6	
Kingsbury	102	0	0	0	124	3	0	7	0	0	7	13	0	257	0.4	
Lake	36	7	1	0	196	3	3	15	0	0	64	10	0	335	0.6	
Lincoln	437	3	0	0	586	187	19	0	0	13	126	33	0	1,405	2.4	
Lyman	292	0	0	4	17	60	0	0	0	3	0	23	0	399	0.7	
McCook	26	7	0	0	379	0	0	0	0	3	34	63	0	512	0.9	
McPherson	66	10	0	0	101	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	20	234	0.4	
Marshall	92	0	0	0	296	177	126	0	0	0	0	113	0	804	1.4	
Meade	669	90	0	16	1,326	60	974	18	17	108	0	609	0	3,889	6.6	
Mellette	599	0	0	4	445	33	0	4	0	94	0	396	0	1,575	2.7	
Miner	109	67	0	0	302	0	0	0	3	7	50	80	0	619	1.1	
Moody	3	13	4	0	989	54	0	0	0	0	190	170	0	1,423	2.4	
Perkins	216	0	0	9	324	53	6	0	0	17	0	33	0	660	1.1	
Potter	0	0	0	0	119	37	0	0	0	3	0	50	0	209	0.4	
Roberts	276	30	5	0	866	70	387	18	3	0	3	297	0	1,956	3.3	
Sanborn	3	0	0	0	205	0	0	4	0	10	77	143	0	442	0.8	
Spink	449	3	0	0	310	0	0	0	0	27	0	163	0	952	1.6	
Stanley	740	0	0	2	27	190	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	1,016	1.7	
Sully	240	0	0	0	143	0	0	0	0	71	0	87	6	547	0.9	
Tripp	302	13	0	0	1,056	174	26	15	19	30	187	420	34	2,276	3.9	
Turner	165	7	0	0	510	0	0	0	0	3	67	67	0	819	1.4	
Union	437	3	1	8	911	87	0	0	0	54	331	133	0	1,965	3.3	
Walworth	322	3	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	347	0.6	
Ziebach	307	0	0	2	97	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	456	0.8	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0	4	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0.1	
Todd	47	0	0	0	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	108	0.2	
TOTALS:	15,718	833	21	169	22,300	3,265	5,596	196	71	934	3,054	6,494	123	58,774	100%	

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COYOTE

The 2022-23 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.

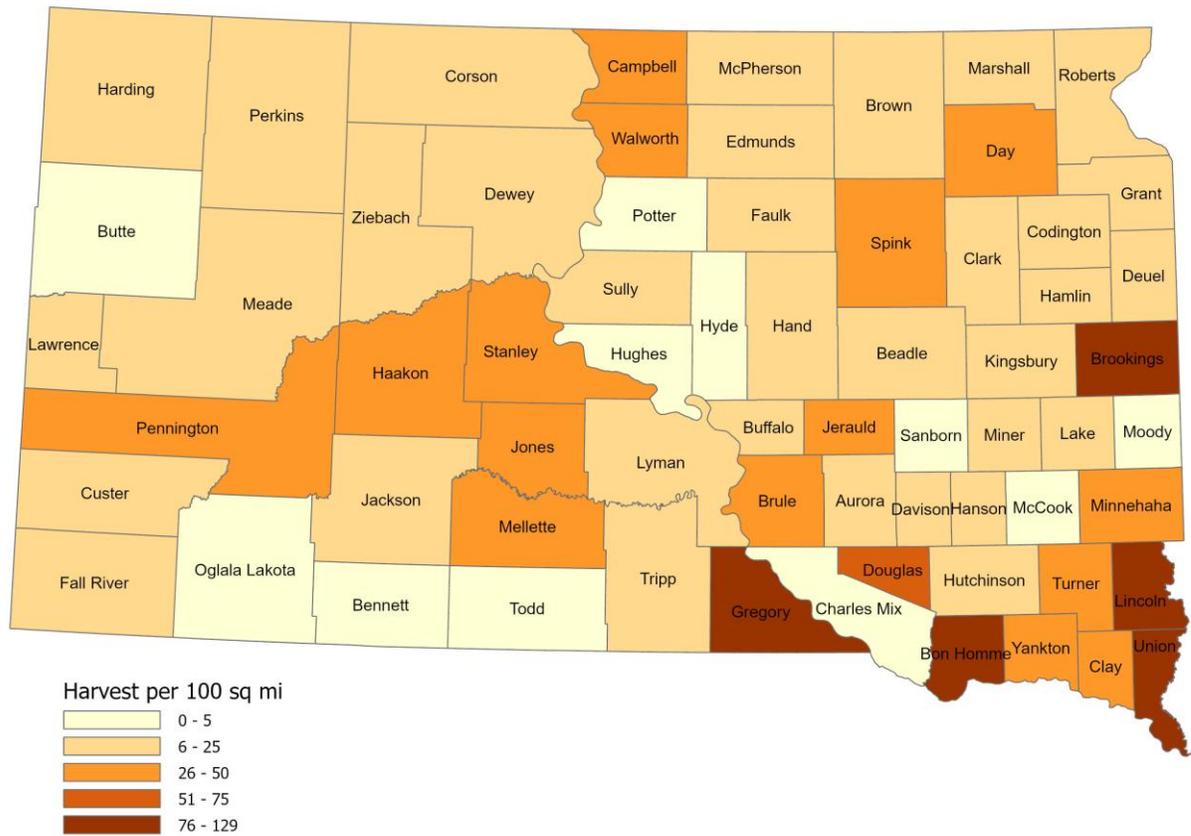
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 15,718 coyotes were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported coyote harvest densities were Union, Lincoln, Brookings, Gregory, and Bon Homme.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Coyote seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	8,419	7,425	4.63	4.44
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

2022-23 Coyote Harvest



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Coyote Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23										
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	57	186	1.9	190	66	213	3.9	216	406	2.6
Pennington	88	287	2.9	293	124	401	7.2	406	699	4.4
Brown	48	156	1.6	160	12	39	0.7	39	199	1.3
Beadle	34	111	1.1	113	13	42	0.8	43	156	1.0
Codington	14	46	0.5	47	7	23	0.4	23	70	0.4
Brookings	186	606	6.1	620	37	120	2.2	121	741	4.7
Yankton	46	150	1.5	153	8	26	0.5	26	179	1.1
Davison	24	78	0.8	80	0	0	0.0	0	80	0.5
Lawrence	14	46	0.5	47	8	26	0.5	26	73	0.5
Aurora	50	163	1.6	167	2	6	0.1	7	173	1.1
Bennett	4	13	0.1	13	0	0	0.0	0	13	0.1
Bon Homme	82	267	2.7	273	147	475	8.6	481	754	4.8
Brule	53	173	1.7	177	18	58	1.1	59	236	1.5
Buffalo	4	13	0.1	13	5	16	0.3	16	30	0.2
Butte	15	49	0.5	50	5	16	0.3	16	66	0.4
Campbell	21	68	0.7	70	91	294	5.3	298	368	2.3
Charles Mix	16	52	0.5	53	0	0	0.0	0	53	0.3
Clark	24	78	0.8	80	23	74	1.3	75	155	1.0
Clay	12	39	0.4	40	35	113	2.0	114	154	1.0
Corson	50	163	1.6	167	0	0	0.0	0	167	1.1
Custer	63	205	2.1	210	41	133	2.4	134	344	2.2
Day	42	137	1.4	140	41	133	2.4	134	274	1.7
Deuel	5	16	0.2	17	15	48	0.9	49	66	0.4
Dewey	63	205	2.1	210	19	61	1.1	62	272	1.7
Douglas	73	238	2.4	243	11	36	0.6	36	279	1.8
Edmunds	10	33	0.3	33	10	32	0.6	33	66	0.4
Fall River	63	205	2.1	210	67	217	3.9	219	429	2.7
Faulk	45	147	1.5	150	14	45	0.8	46	196	1.2
Grant	2	7	0.1	7	12	39	0.7	39	46	0.3
Gregory	186	606	6.1	620	76	246	4.4	249	869	5.5
Haakon	114	372	3.8	380	44	142	2.6	144	524	3.3
Hamlin	19	62	0.6	63	6	19	0.4	20	83	0.5
Hand	67	218	2.2	223	32	103	1.9	105	328	2.1
Hanson	7	23	0.2	23	0	0	0.0	0	23	0.1
Harding	64	209	2.1	213	10	32	0.6	33	246	1.6
Hughes	9	29	0.3	30	0	0	0.0	0	30	0.2
Hutchinson	22	72	0.7	73	21	68	1.2	69	142	0.9
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jackson	80	261	2.6	267	0	0	0.0	0	267	1.7
Jerauld	59	192	1.9	197	4	13	0.2	13	210	1.3
Jones	80	261	2.6	267	15	48	0.9	49	316	2.0
Kingsbury	15	49	0.5	50	16	52	0.9	52	102	0.7
Lake	7	23	0.2	23	4	13	0.2	13	36	0.2
Lincoln	77	251	2.5	257	55	178	3.2	180	437	2.8
Lyman	65	212	2.1	217	23	74	1.3	75	292	1.9
McCook	4	13	0.1	13	4	13	0.2	13	26	0.2
McPherson	17	55	0.6	57	3	10	0.2	10	66	0.4
Marshall	5	16	0.2	17	23	74	1.3	75	92	0.6
Meade	89	290	2.9	297	114	369	6.7	373	669	4.3
Mellette	66	215	2.2	220	116	375	6.8	379	599	3.8
Miner	13	42	0.4	43	20	65	1.2	65	109	0.7
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.0
Perkins	62	202	2.0	207	3	10	0.2	10	216	1.4
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Roberts	22	72	0.7	73	62	200	3.6	203	276	1.8
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.0
Spink	72	235	2.4	240	64	207	3.7	209	449	2.9
Stanley	164	535	5.4	547	59	191	3.4	193	740	4.7
Sully	72	235	2.4	240	0	0	0.0	0	240	1.5
Tripp	74	241	2.4	247	17	55	1.0	56	302	1.9
Turner	30	98	1.0	100	20	65	1.2	65	165	1.1
Union	83	271	2.7	277	49	158	2.9	160	437	2.8
Walworth	76	248	2.5	253	21	68	1.2	69	322	2.0
Ziebach	92	300	3.0	307	0	0	0.0	0	307	2.0
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Todd	14	46	0.5	47	0	0	0.0	0	47	0.3
Unknown	69	225	-	-	20	65	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	3,103	10,113	100%	10,113	1,734	5,605	100%	5,605	15,718	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 2022-23 resident bobcat season was open statewide from December 26, 2022, through February 15, 2023. The nonresident bobcat season was open from January 14 – February 15, 2023. 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 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. A total of 169 bobcats were checked in during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders, landowners, or youth trappers and hunters.

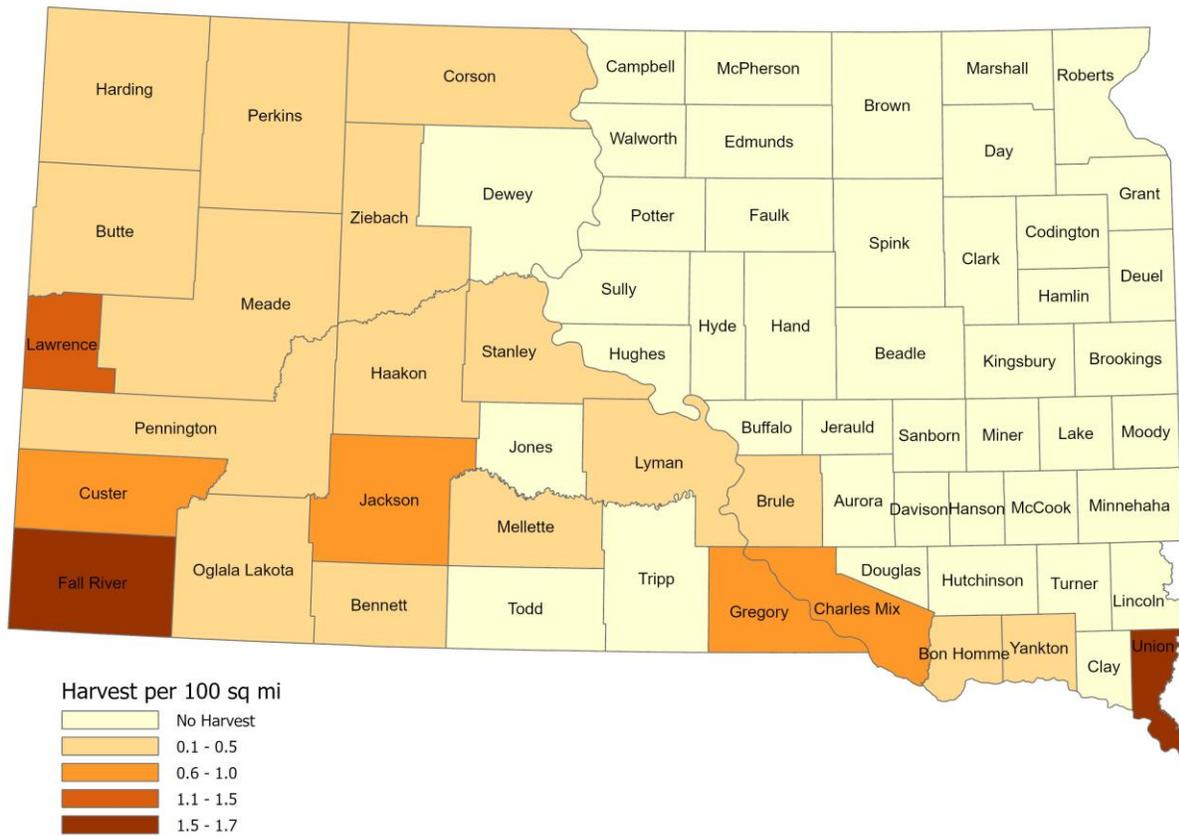
A total of 135 respondents reported trapping/hunting bobcats an average of 13.2 days (SE=1.21). Of those responding, 35 reported hunting/trapping for bobcats in the Black Hills which projected to 108 hunters/trappers. Check station results showed a total Black Hills harvest of 42 bobcats.

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

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Bobcat seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14		347	4.63	4.44
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

2022-23 Bobcat Harvest



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Bobcat Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23						
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	7	14.9	5	4.1	12	7.1
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	2.1	0	0.0	1	0.6
Davison	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Lawrence	4	8.5	5	4.1	9	5.3
Aurora	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Bennett	1	2.1	0	0.0	1	0.6
Bon Homme	0	0.0	1	0.8	1	0.6
Brule	1	2.1	0	0.0	1	0.6
Buffalo	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Butte	1	2.1	3	2.5	4	2.4
Campbell	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Charles Mix	3	6.4	7	5.7	10	5.9
Clark	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Clay	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Corson	1	2.1	0	0.0	1	0.6
Custer	4	8.5	5	4.1	9	5.3
Day	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Deuel	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Dewey	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Douglas	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Edmunds	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fall River	3	6.4	26	21.3	29	17.2
Faulk	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Gregory	4	8.5	4	3.3	8	4.7
Haakon	2	4.3	5	4.1	7	4.1
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	2.1	10	8.2	11	6.5
Hughes	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hutchinson	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hyde	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Jackson	5	10.6	11	9.0	16	9.5
Jerauld	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Jones	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
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	0	0.0	4	3.3	4	2.4
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	7	14.9	9	7.4	16	9.5
Mellette	0	0.0	4	3.3	4	2.4
Miner	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Moody	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Perkins	1	2.1	8	6.6	9	5.3
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	1	2.1	1	0.8	2	1.2
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	0	0.0	8	6.6	8	4.7
Walworth	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Ziebach	0	0.0	2	1.6	2	1.2
Oglala Lakota	0	0.0	4	3.3	4	2.4
Todd	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Unknown	0	-	0	-	-	-
TOTALS:	47	100%	122	100%	169	100%

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RIVER OTTER

The 2022 resident river otter season was open east of the Missouri River from November 1-13, 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 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons.

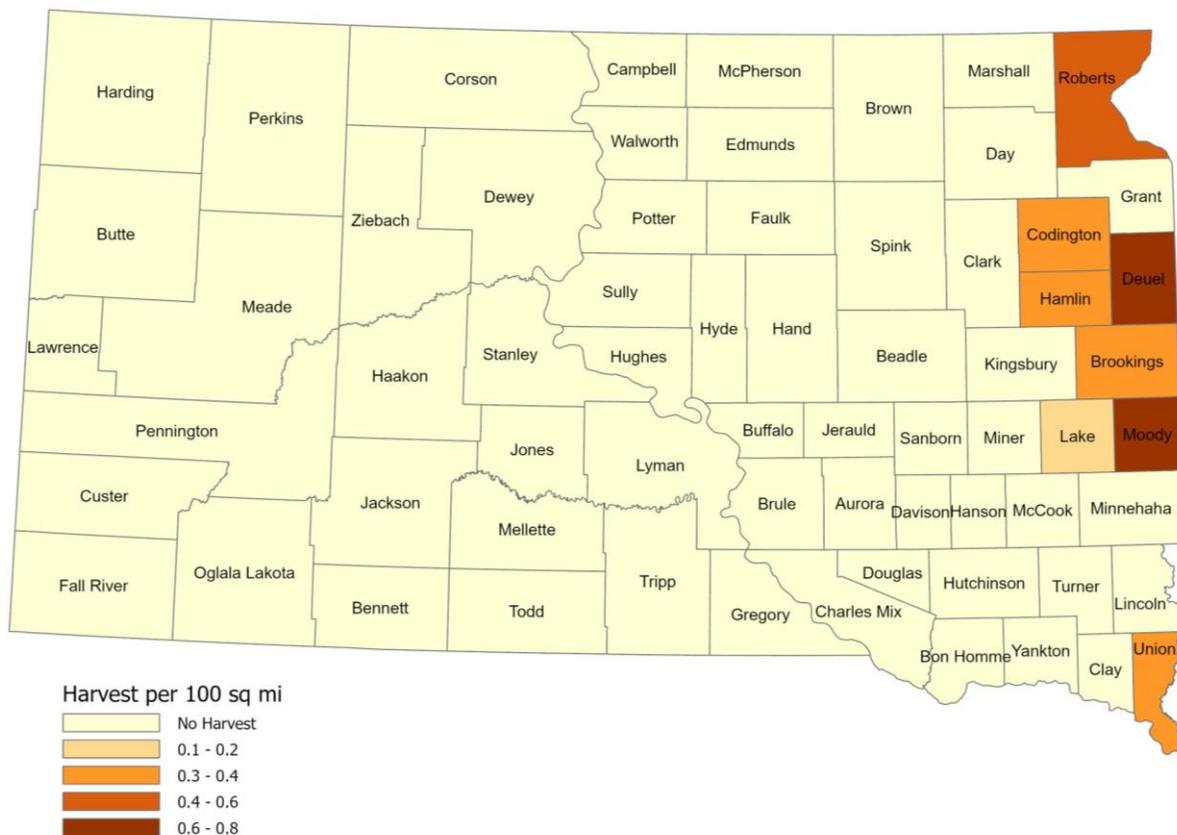
A total of 18 respondents reported trapping/hunting river otters, which projects to 53 active trappers/hunters, and reported an average of 5.5 days (SE=0.92) of effort. Check station results showed a total season harvest of 21 river otters.

The five counties with the highest reported river otter harvest densities were Moody, Deuel, Roberts, Hamlin, and Codington.

Comparison of the 2020-2022 River Otter seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Satisfaction
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

2022-23 River Otter Harvest



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River Otter Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23						
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
Brown	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Beadle	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Codington	0	0.0	2	10.0	2	9.5
Brookings	0	0.0	2	10.0	2	9.5
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	0	0.0	0	0.0
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	0	0.0	4	20.0	4	19.0
Douglas	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Grant	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hamlin	0	0.0	2	10.0	2	9.5
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	1	5.0	1	4.8
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	4	20.0	4	19.0
Roberts	0	0.0	5	25.0	5	23.8
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	1	100.0	0	0.0	1	4.8
TOTALS:	1	100%	20	100%	21	100%

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RED FOX

The 2022-23 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 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 833 red fox were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported red fox harvest densities were Miner, Hamlin, Douglas, Minnehaha, and Brookings.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Red Fox seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	1,629	372	4.63	4.44
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

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Red Fox Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	11	36	14.9	36	22	71	12.5	74	110	13.2	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	16	52	9.1	54	54	6.5	
Brown	2	7	2.7	7	22	71	12.5	74	81	9.7	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Codington	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Brookings	2	7	2.7	7	14	45	8.0	47	54	6.4	
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.7	10	10	1.2	
Davison	2	7	2.7	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.8	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.1	7	7	0.8	
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.1	7	7	0.8	
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	3	10	4.1	10	6	19	3.4	20	30	3.6	
Campbell	1	3	1.4	3	7	23	4.0	24	27	3.2	
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Clark	2	7	2.7	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.8	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.6	3	3	0.4	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.7	10	10	1.2	
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	7	23	9.5	23	3	10	1.7	10	33	3.9	
Edmunds	5	16	6.8	16	5	16	2.8	17	33	4.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.7	10	10	1.2	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.6	3	3	0.4	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Gregory	7	23	9.5	23	5	16	2.8	17	40	4.8	
Haakon	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Hamlin	3	10	4.1	10	5	16	2.8	17	27	3.2	
Hand	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
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	5	16	6.8	16	0	0	0.0	0	16	2.0	
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	2	7	2.7	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.8	
Lincoln	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.1	7	7	0.8	
McPherson	2	7	2.7	7	1	3	0.6	3	10	1.2	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Meade	4	13	5.4	13	23	74	13.1	77	90	10.9	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	20	65	11.4	67	67	8.1	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	4	13	2.3	13	13	1.6	
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	5	16	6.8	16	4	13	2.3	13	30	3.6	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Spink	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
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	4	13	5.4	13	0	0	0.0	0	13	1.6	
Turner	1	3	1.4	3	1	3	0.6	3	7	0.8	
Union	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.6	3	3	0.4	
Walworth	1	3	1.4	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
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	-	-	7	23	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	74	241	100%	241	183	592	100%	592	833	100%	

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RACCOON

The 2022-23 resident raccoon season was open statewide and year-round. The nonresident raccoon season was restricted to December 1, 2022 - March 15, 2023. 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.

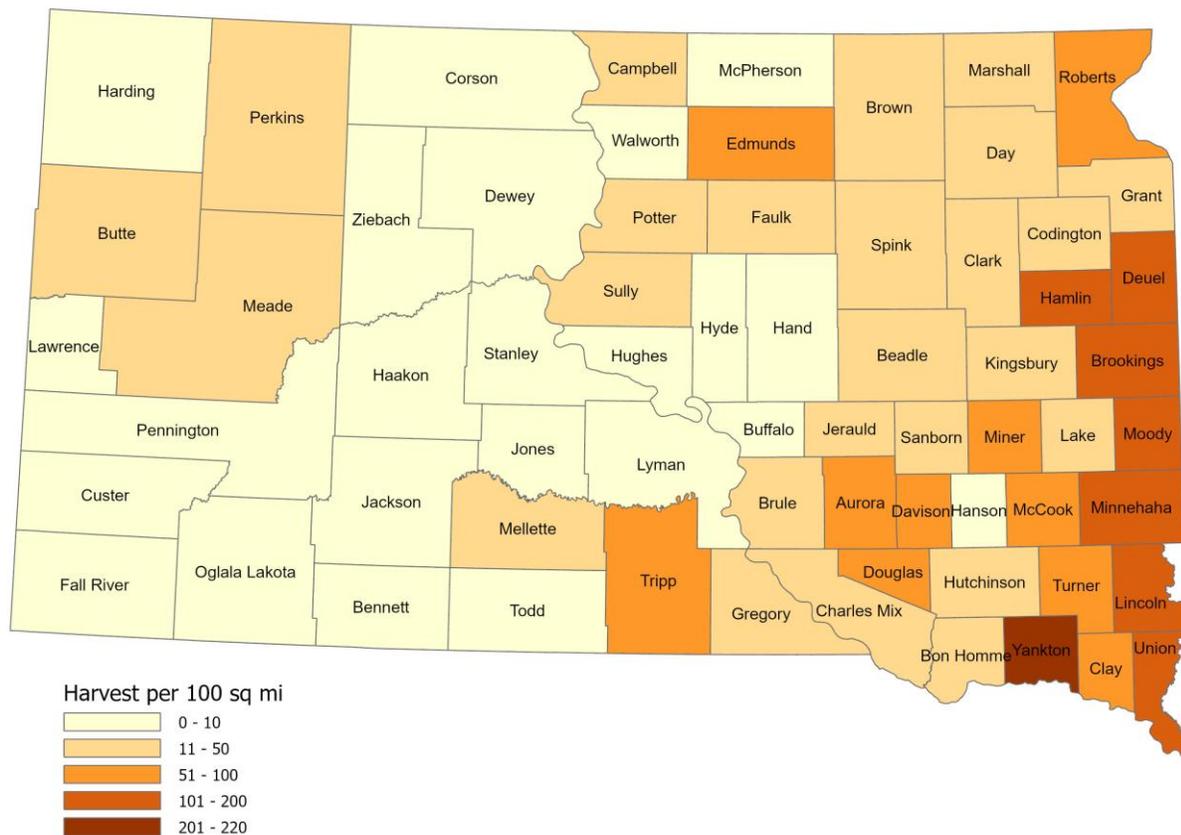
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 22,300 raccoons were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

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

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Raccoon seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	46,054	10,143	4.63	4.44
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

2022-23 Raccoon Harvest



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Raccoon Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	87	284	5.0	325	338	1,098	7.1	1,127	1,452	6.5	
Pennington	2	7	0.1	7	34	110	0.7	113	121	0.5	
Brown	168	548	9.7	627	60	195	1.3	200	827	3.7	
Beadle	28	91	1.6	104	99	322	2.1	330	435	1.9	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	22	71	0.5	73	73	0.3	
Brookings	27	88	1.6	101	242	786	5.1	807	908	4.1	
Yankton	97	317	5.6	362	241	783	5.1	804	1,166	5.2	
Davison	21	69	1.2	78	54	175	1.1	180	258	1.2	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	17	55	0.4	57	57	0.3	
Aurora	100	326	5.8	373	43	140	0.9	143	516	2.3	
Bennett	2	7	0.1	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.0	
Bon Homme	30	98	1.7	112	41	133	0.9	137	249	1.1	
Brule	35	114	2.0	131	42	136	0.9	140	271	1.2	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	8	26	0.2	27	27	0.1	
Butte	61	199	3.5	228	20	65	0.4	67	294	1.3	
Campbell	2	7	0.1	7	38	123	0.8	127	134	0.6	
Charles Mix	14	46	0.8	52	95	309	2.0	317	369	1.7	
Clark	15	49	0.9	56	86	279	1.8	287	343	1.5	
Clay	9	29	0.5	34	88	286	1.9	293	327	1.5	
Corson	2	7	0.1	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.0	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Day	42	137	2.4	157	35	114	0.7	117	273	1.2	
Deuel	26	85	1.5	97	225	731	4.7	750	847	3.8	
Dewey	2	7	0.1	7	3	10	0.1	10	17	0.1	
Douglas	56	183	3.2	209	40	130	0.8	133	342	1.5	
Edmunds	200	653	11.6	746	105	341	2.2	350	1,096	4.9	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	6	19	0.1	20	20	0.1	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	87	283	1.8	290	290	1.3	
Grant	10	33	0.6	37	76	247	1.6	253	291	1.3	
Gregory	33	108	1.9	123	33	107	0.7	110	233	1.0	
Haakon	15	49	0.9	56	34	110	0.7	113	169	0.8	
Hamlin	17	55	1.0	63	210	682	4.4	700	764	3.4	
Hand	15	49	0.9	56	7	23	0.1	23	79	0.4	
Hanson	6	20	0.3	22	5	16	0.1	17	39	0.2	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hughes	4	13	0.2	15	10	32	0.2	33	48	0.2	
Hutchinson	14	46	0.8	52	68	221	1.4	227	279	1.3	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	10	33	0.6	37	0	0	0.0	0	37	0.2	
Jerauld	24	78	1.4	90	52	169	1.1	173	263	1.2	
Jones	2	7	0.1	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.0	
Kingsbury	10	33	0.6	37	26	84	0.5	87	124	0.6	
Lake	32	104	1.8	119	23	75	0.5	77	196	0.9	
Lincoln	23	75	1.3	86	150	487	3.2	500	586	2.6	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	5	16	0.1	17	17	0.1	
McCook	14	46	0.8	52	98	318	2.1	327	379	1.7	
McPherson	10	33	0.6	37	19	62	0.4	63	101	0.5	
Marshall	14	46	0.8	52	73	237	1.5	243	296	1.3	
Meade	74	241	4.3	276	315	1,023	6.6	1,050	1,326	5.9	
Mellette	20	65	1.2	75	111	361	2.3	370	445	2.0	
Miner	30	98	1.7	112	57	185	1.2	190	302	1.4	
Moody	22	72	1.3	82	272	883	5.7	907	989	4.4	
Perkins	35	114	2.0	131	58	188	1.2	193	324	1.5	
Potter	5	16	0.3	19	30	97	0.6	100	119	0.5	
Roberts	40	131	2.3	149	215	698	4.5	717	866	3.9	
Sanborn	3	10	0.2	11	58	188	1.2	193	205	0.9	
Spink	25	82	1.4	93	65	211	1.4	217	310	1.4	
Stanley	2	7	0.1	7	6	19	0.1	20	27	0.1	
Sully	15	49	0.9	56	26	84	0.5	87	143	0.6	
Tripp	47	153	2.7	175	264	857	5.6	880	1,056	4.7	
Turner	50	163	2.9	187	97	315	2.0	323	510	2.3	
Union	52	170	3.0	194	215	698	4.5	717	911	4.1	
Walworth	3	10	0.2	11	0	0	0.0	0	11	0.1	
Ziebach	26	85	1.5	97	0	0	0.0	0	97	0.4	
Oglala Lakota	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Todd	3	10	0.2	11	4	13	0.1	13	25	0.1	
Unknown	248	809	-	-	127	412	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	1,979	6,458	100%	6,458	4,878	15,843	100%	15,843	22,300	100%	

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BADGER

The 2022-23 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.

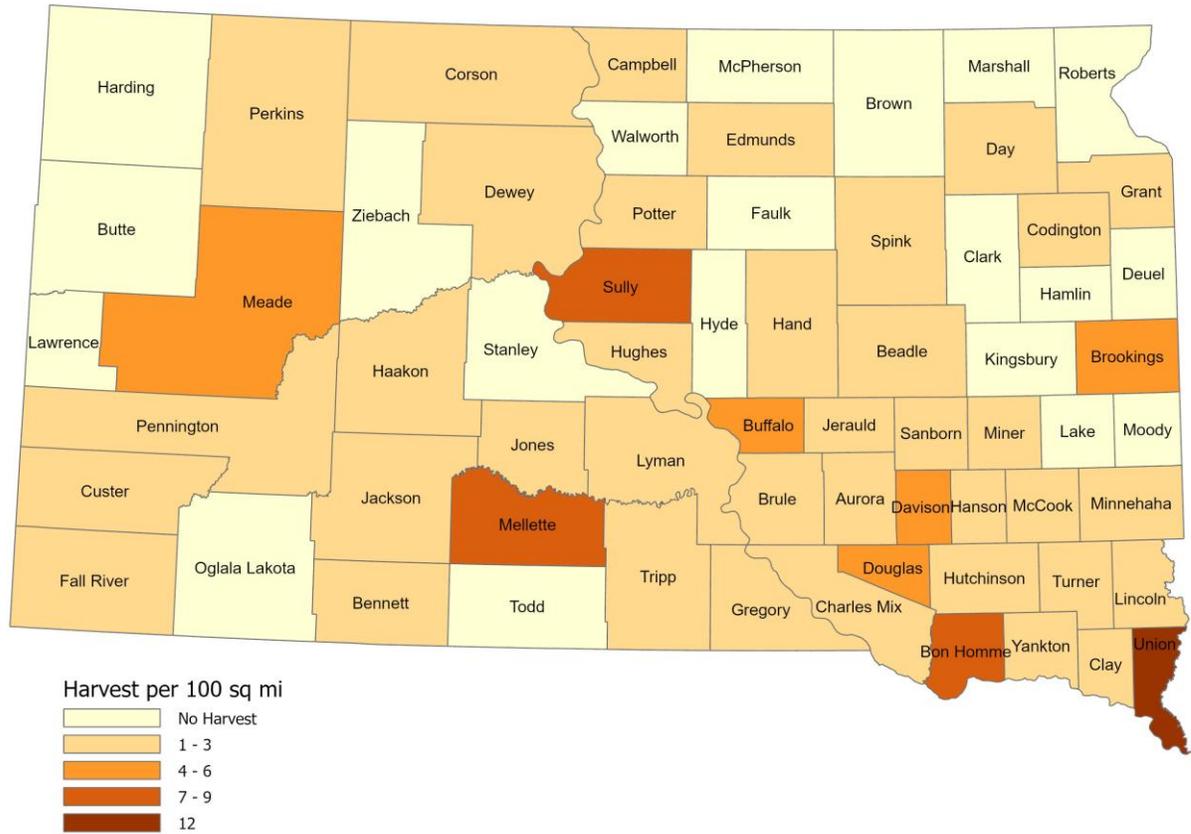
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 934 badgers were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported badger harvest densities were Union, Mellette, Bon Homme, Sully, and Brookings.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Badger seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	1,597	308	4.63	4.44
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

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Badger Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	6	19	3.0	20	20	2.2	
Pennington	1	3	1.3	3	7	23	3.4	24	27	2.9	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	4	13	2.0	13	13	1.4	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7	
Brookings	8	26	10.7	27	3	10	1.5	10	37	4.0	
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.5	10	10	1.1	
Davison	1	3	1.3	3	3	10	1.5	10	13	1.4	
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7	
Bennett	1	3	1.3	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Bon Homme	1	3	1.3	3	11	36	5.4	37	40	4.3	
Brule	4	13	5.3	13	3	10	1.5	10	24	2.5	
Buffalo	1	3	1.3	3	4	13	2.0	13	17	1.8	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Campbell	1	3	1.3	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Charles Mix	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.5	10	10	1.1	
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Corson	3	10	4.0	10	0	0	0.0	0	10	1.1	
Custer	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Day	0	0	0.0	0	6	19	3.0	20	20	2.2	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7	
Douglas	1	3	1.3	3	3	10	1.5	10	13	1.4	
Edmunds	5	16	6.7	17	5	16	2.5	17	34	3.6	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	7	23	3.4	24	24	2.5	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Grant	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	9	29	4.4	30	30	3.2	
Haakon	4	13	5.3	13	7	23	3.4	24	37	4.0	
Hami	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hand	1	3	1.3	3	0	0	0.0	0	3	0.4	
Hanson	3	10	4.0	10	0	0	0.0	0	10	1.1	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7	
Hutchinson	1	3	1.3	3	2	6	1.0	7	10	1.1	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	5	16	6.7	17	3	10	1.5	10	27	2.9	
Jerauld	3	10	4.0	10	0	0	0.0	0	10	1.1	
Jones	2	7	2.7	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.7	
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	4	13	5.3	13	0	0	0.0	0	13	1.4	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
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	3	10	4.0	10	29	94	14.3	98	108	11.5	
Mellette	2	7	2.7	7	26	84	12.8	87	94	10.1	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	1.0	7	7	0.7	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Perkins	5	16	6.7	17	0	0	0.0	0	17	1.8	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	1.5	10	10	1.1	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	8	26	3.9	27	27	2.9	
Stanley	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Sully	6	20	8.0	20	15	49	7.4	50	71	7.6	
Tripp	5	16	6.7	17	4	13	2.0	13	30	3.2	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.5	3	3	0.4	
Union	4	13	5.3	13	12	39	5.9	40	54	5.8	
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	2	7	-	-	8	26	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	77	252	100%	252	211	683	100%	683	934	100%	

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OPOSSUM

The 2022-23 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.

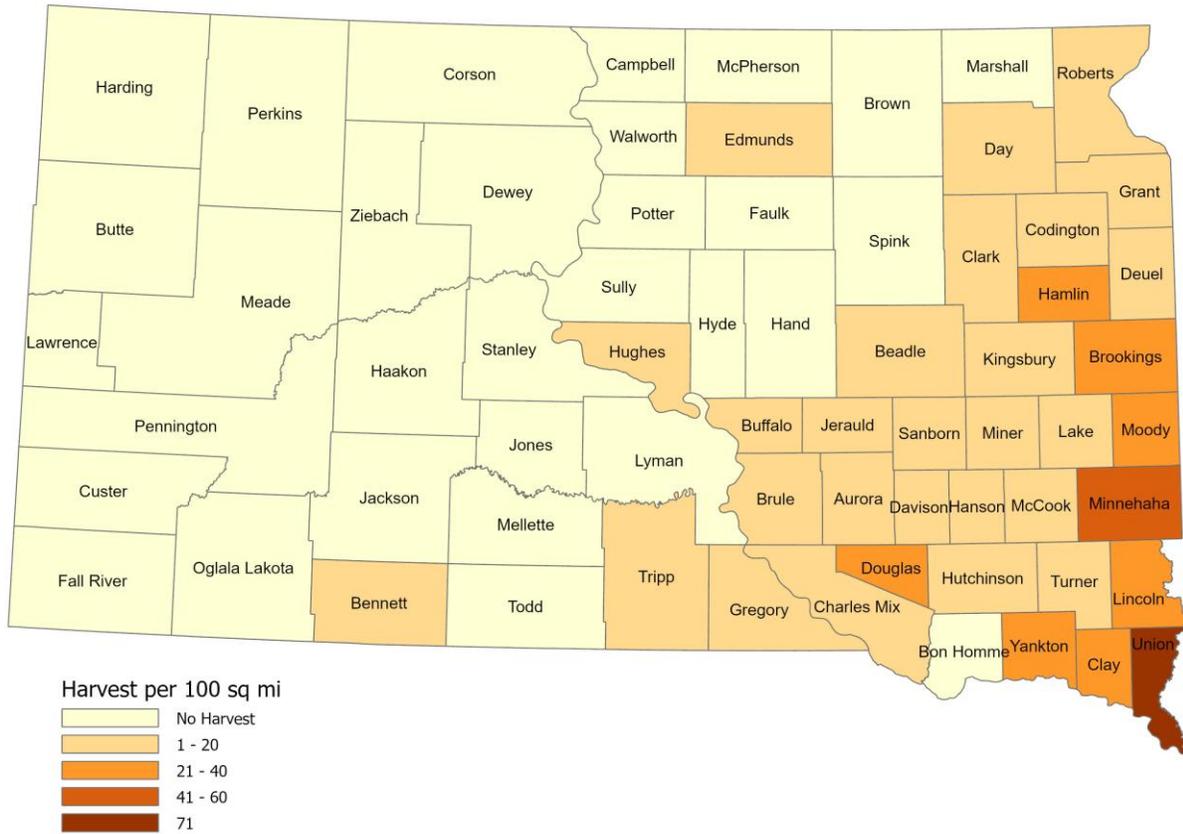
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 3,054 opossums were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported opossum harvest densities were Union, Minnehaha, Yankton, Moody, and Hamlin.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Opossum seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	4,208	381	4.63	4.44
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

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Opossum Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23										
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	10	32	10.4	38	95	307	11.9	319	358	11.7
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	21	68	2.6	71	71	2.3
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1
Brookings	5	16	5.2	19	50	162	6.3	168	187	6.1
Yankton	7	23	7.3	27	48	155	6.0	161	188	6.2
Davison	0	0	0.0	0	15	49	1.9	50	50	1.7
Lawrence	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.4	10	10	0.3
Bennett	0	0	0.0	0	35	113	4.4	118	118	3.9
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Brule	5	16	5.2	19	10	32	1.3	34	53	1.7
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	5	16	0.6	17	17	0.6
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	8	26	8.3	31	47	152	5.9	158	189	6.2
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	5	16	0.6	17	17	0.6
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	35	113	4.4	118	118	3.9
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	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1
Deuel	1	3	1.0	4	9	29	1.1	30	34	1.1
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	14	45	14.6	53	18	58	2.3	61	114	3.7
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	5	16	0.6	17	17	0.6
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	1	3	1.0	4	6	19	0.8	20	24	0.8
Gregory	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1
Haakon	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	51	165	6.4	172	172	5.6
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hanson	4	13	4.2	15	10	32	1.3	34	49	1.6
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.4	10	10	0.3
Hutchinson	3	10	3.1	11	28	91	3.5	94	106	3.5
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	1.0	4	1	3	0.1	3	7	0.2
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	2	6	0.3	7	7	0.2
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	19	61	2.4	64	64	2.1
Lincoln	10	32	10.4	38	26	84	3.3	87	126	4.1
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
McCook	0	0	0.0	0	10	32	1.3	34	34	1.1
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	15	49	1.9	50	50	1.7
Moody	4	13	4.2	15	52	168	6.5	175	190	6.2
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	0.1	3	3	0.1
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	23	74	2.9	77	77	2.5
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	12	39	12.5	46	42	136	5.3	141	187	6.1
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	20	65	2.5	67	67	2.2
Union	11	36	11.5	42	86	278	10.8	289	331	10.8
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	17	55	-	-	32	103	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	113	367	100%	367	831	2,687	100%	2,687	3,054	100%

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STRIPED SKUNK

The 2022-23 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.

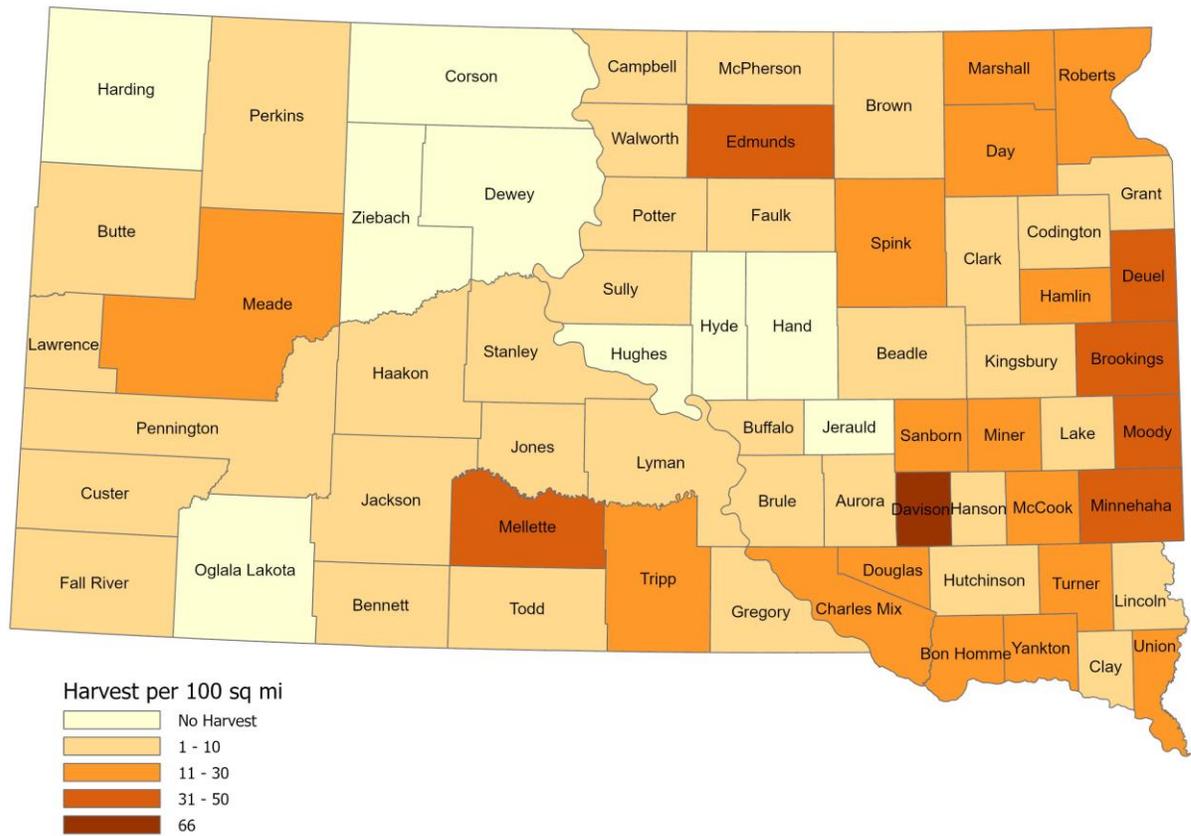
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 6,494 striped skunks were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

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

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Striped Skunk seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	11,624	1,850	4.63	4.44
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

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Striped Skunk Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	17	55	5.2	57	77	249	4.8	256	313	4.8	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	18	58	1.1	60	60	0.9	
Brown	33	107	10.1	111	10	32	0.6	33	145	2.2	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	31	100	1.9	103	103	1.6	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	17	55	1.0	57	57	0.9	
Brookings	20	65	6.1	67	99	320	6.1	329	397	6.1	
Yankton	4	13	1.2	13	29	94	1.8	96	110	1.7	
Davison	27	88	8.2	91	60	194	3.7	200	291	4.5	
Lawrence	10	33	3.0	34	11	36	0.7	37	70	1.1	
Aurora	0	0	0.0	0	15	49	0.9	50	50	0.8	
Bennett	5	16	1.5	17	0	0	0.0	0	17	0.3	
Bon Homme	0	0	0.0	0	25	81	1.5	83	83	1.3	
Brule	6	20	1.8	20	10	32	0.6	33	53	0.8	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.2	10	10	0.2	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	5	16	0.3	17	17	0.3	
Campbell	5	16	1.5	17	3	10	0.2	10	27	0.4	
Charles Mix	11	36	3.4	37	48	155	3.0	160	197	3.0	
Clark	1	3	0.3	3	19	61	1.2	63	67	1.0	
Clay	0	0	0.0	0	8	26	0.5	27	27	0.4	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	4	13	1.2	13	9	29	0.6	30	43	0.7	
Day	9	29	2.7	30	29	94	1.8	96	127	2.0	
Deuel	2	7	0.6	7	73	236	4.5	243	250	3.8	
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Douglas	9	29	2.7	30	15	49	0.9	50	80	1.2	
Edmunds	0	0	0.0	0	108	349	6.7	359	359	5.5	
Fall River	3	10	0.9	10	31	100	1.9	103	113	1.7	
Faulk	0	0	0.0	0	7	23	0.4	23	23	0.4	
Grant	3	10	0.9	10	17	55	1.0	57	67	1.0	
Gregory	6	20	1.8	20	3	10	0.2	10	30	0.5	
Haakon	6	20	1.8	20	16	52	1.0	53	73	1.1	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	19	61	1.2	63	63	1.0	
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hanson	4	13	1.2	13	3	10	0.2	10	23	0.4	
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	23	74	1.4	76	76	1.2	
Hyde	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jackson	5	16	1.5	17	4	13	0.2	13	30	0.5	
Jerauld	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Jones	2	7	0.6	7	0	0	0.0	0	7	0.1	
Kingsbury	1	3	0.3	3	3	10	0.2	10	13	0.2	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.2	10	10	0.2	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	10	32	0.6	33	33	0.5	
Lyman	0	0	0.0	0	7	23	0.4	23	23	0.4	
McCook	1	3	0.3	3	18	58	1.1	60	63	1.0	
McPherson	4	13	1.2	13	7	23	0.4	23	37	0.6	
Marshall	0	0	0.0	0	34	110	2.1	113	113	1.7	
Meade	17	55	5.2	57	166	537	10.2	552	609	9.4	
Mellette	4	13	1.2	13	115	372	7.1	382	396	6.1	
Miner	3	10	0.9	10	21	68	1.3	70	80	1.2	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	51	165	3.1	170	170	2.6	
Perkins	5	16	1.5	17	5	16	0.3	17	33	0.5	
Potter	5	16	1.5	17	10	32	0.6	33	50	0.8	
Roberts	30	98	9.1	101	59	191	3.6	196	297	4.6	
Sanborn	7	23	2.1	24	36	116	2.2	120	143	2.2	
Spink	0	0	0.0	0	49	159	3.0	163	163	2.5	
Stanley	10	33	3.0	34	7	23	0.4	23	57	0.9	
Sully	9	29	2.7	30	17	55	1.0	57	87	1.3	
Tripp	31	101	9.5	105	95	307	5.9	316	420	6.5	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	20	65	1.2	67	67	1.0	
Union	3	10	0.9	10	37	120	2.3	123	133	2.1	
Walworth	3	10	0.9	10	0	0	0.0	0	10	0.2	
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	3	10	0.9	10	5	16	0.3	17	27	0.4	
Unknown	12	39	-	-	45	146	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	340	1,106	100%	1,106	1,665	5,388	100%	5,388	6,494	100%	

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SPOTTED SKUNK

The 2022-23 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.

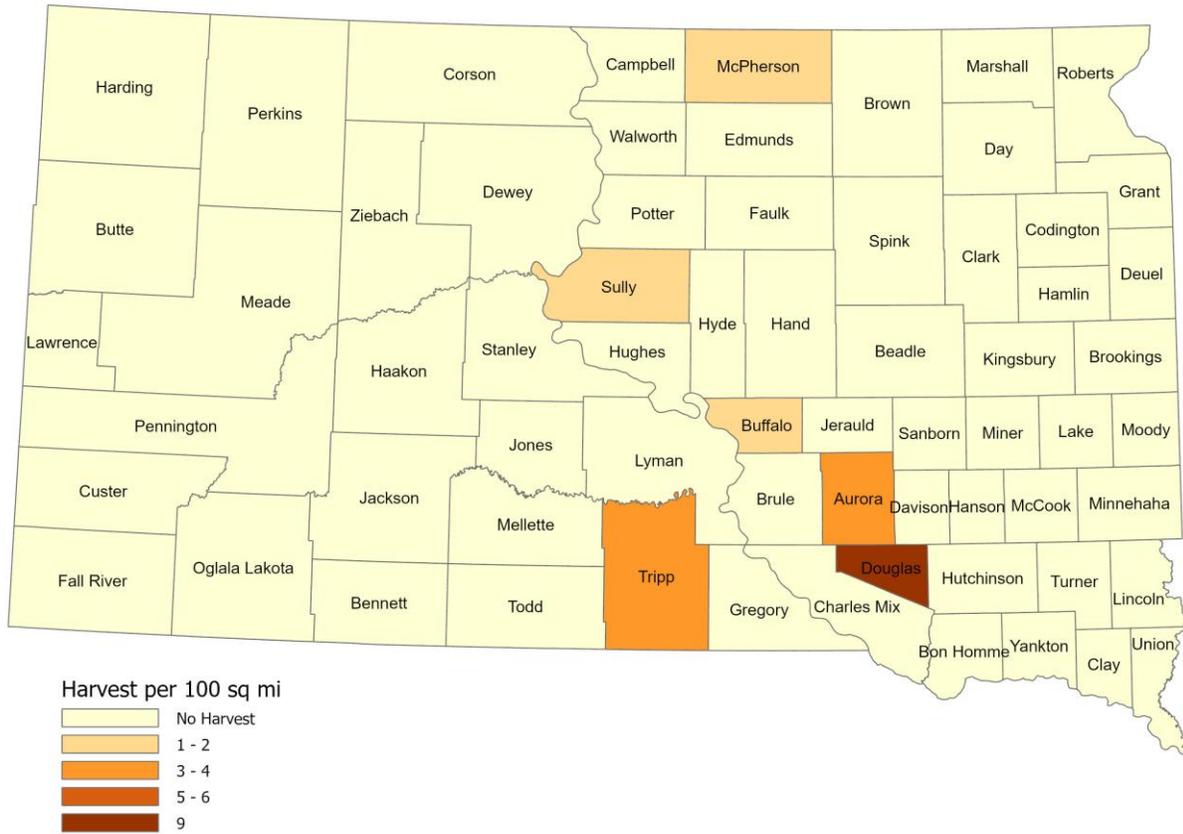
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 123 spotted skunks were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported spotted skunk harvest densities were Douglas, Tripp, Buffalo, McPherson, and Aurora.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Spotted Skunk seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	329	68	4.63	4.44
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

2022-23 Spotted Skunk Harvest



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Spotted Skunk Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23										
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	5	16	29.4	21	21	17.0
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	3	5.9	4	4	3.4
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	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	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Dewey	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Douglas	9	29	56.3	29	2	6	11.8	8	37	30.5
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	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	1	3	6.3	3	4	13	23.5	17	20	16.3
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	2	6	12.5	6	0	0	0.0	0	6	5.3
Tripp	4	13	25.0	13	5	16	29.4	21	34	27.6
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	-	-	5	16	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	16	52	100%	52	22	71	100%	71	123	100%

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MUSKRAT

The 2022-23 resident muskrat season was open year-round west of the Missouri River and from November 1, 2022, through April 30, 2023, 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, 2022 - March 15, 2023. 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.

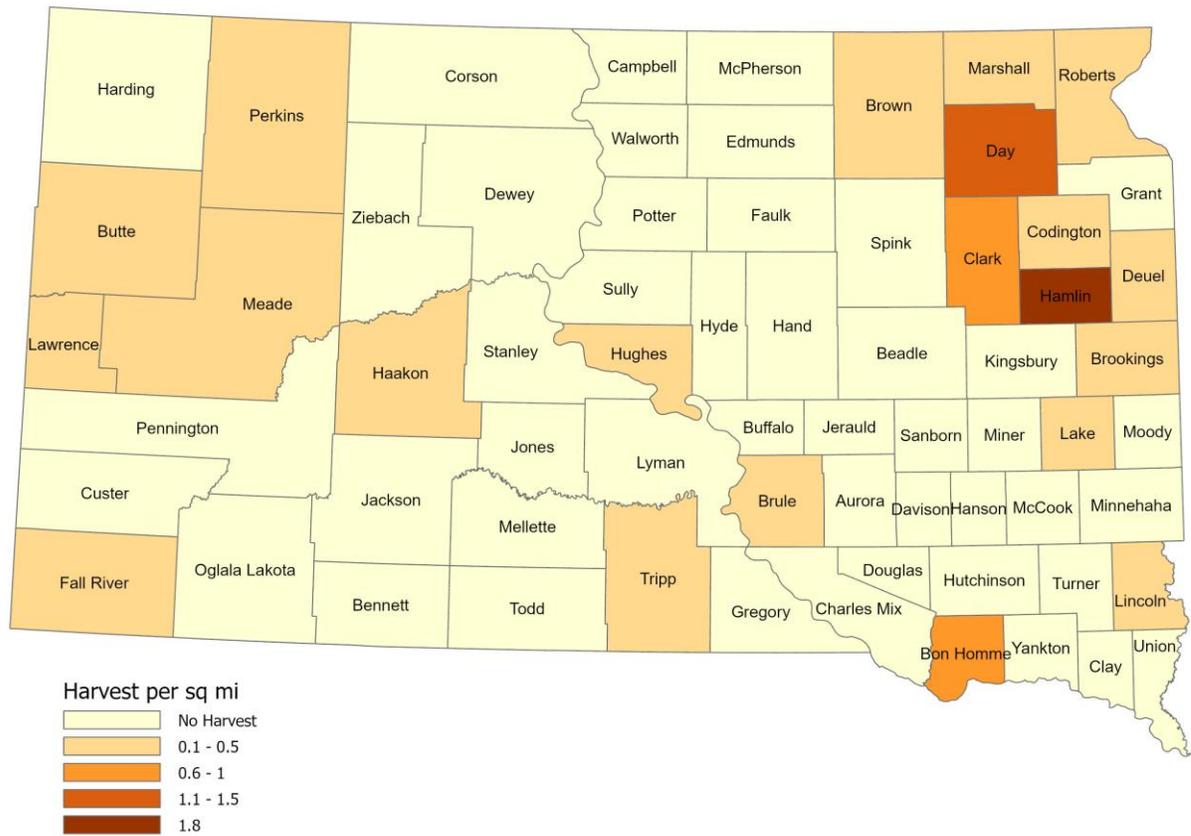
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 5,596 muskrats were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported muskrat harvest densities were Hamlin, Day, Deuel, Clark, and Bon Homme.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Muskrat seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	16,808	341	4.63	4.44
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

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Muskrat Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	20	65	1.2	65	65	1.2	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	14	45	0.8	45	45	0.8	
Brookings	20	64	34.5	87	20	65	1.2	65	151	2.7	
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	4	13	6.9	17	0	0	0.0	0	17	0.3	
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	158	510	9.5	510	510	9.1	
Brule	8	26	13.8	35	0	0	0.0	0	35	0.6	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	13	42	0.8	42	42	0.7	
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	152	490	9.2	490	490	8.8	
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	392	1,264	23.7	1,264	1,264	22.6	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	75	242	4.5	242	242	4.3	
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	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.2	10	10	0.2	
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	20	64	34.5	87	35	113	2.1	113	200	3.6	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	303	977	18.3	977	977	17.5	
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	2	6	0.1	6	6	0.1	
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	0.1	3	3	0.1	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	6	19	0.4	19	19	0.3	
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	39	126	2.4	126	126	2.2	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	302	974	18.2	974	974	17.4	
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	2	6	0.1	6	6	0.1	
Potter	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Roberts	0	0	0.0	0	120	387	7.2	387	387	6.9	
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	6	19	10.3	26	0	0	0.0	0	26	0.5	
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	20	64	-	-	0	0	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	78	252	100%	252	1,657	5,344	100%	5,344	5,596	100%	

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MINK

The 2022-23 resident mink season was open November 1, 2022, through January 31, 2023, statewide. The nonresident mink season was restricted to December 1, 2022 - January 31, 2023. 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.

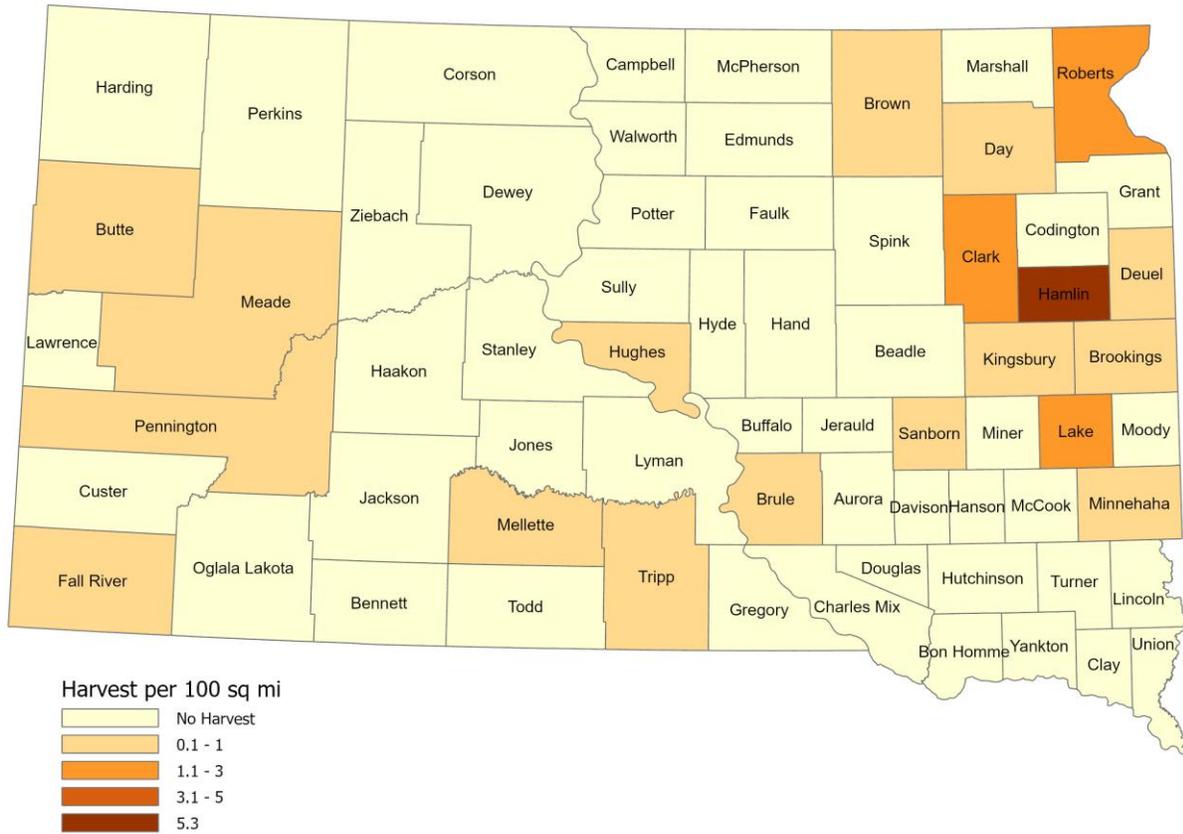
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 196 mink were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported mink harvest densities were Hamlin, Clark, Lake, Roberts, and Tripp.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Mink seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	2,202	34	4.63	4.44
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

2022-23 Mink Harvest



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Mink Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.1	4	4	1.8	
Brown	0	0	0.0	0	2	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
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	2	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
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	2	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
Buffalo	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Butte	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.1	4	4	1.8	
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	8	26	17.0	28	28	14.5	
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	2	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.1	4	4	1.8	
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	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	6.4	11	11	5.4	
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	8	26	17.0	28	28	14.5	
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	2.1	4	4	1.8	
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	2	7	4.3	7	7	3.6	
Lake	3	10	50.0	15	0	0	0.0	0	15	7.4	
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	5	16	10.6	18	18	9.1	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.1	4	4	1.8	
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	5	16	10.6	18	18	9.1	
Sanborn	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	2.1	4	4	1.8	
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	3	10	50.0	15	0	0	0.0	0	15	7.4	
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	3	10	-	-	4	13	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	9	29	100%	29	51	167	100%	167	196	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.

WEASEL

The 2022-23 resident weasel season was open November 1, 2022, through January 31, 2023, statewide. The nonresident weasel season was restricted to December 1, 2022 - January 31, 2023. 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.

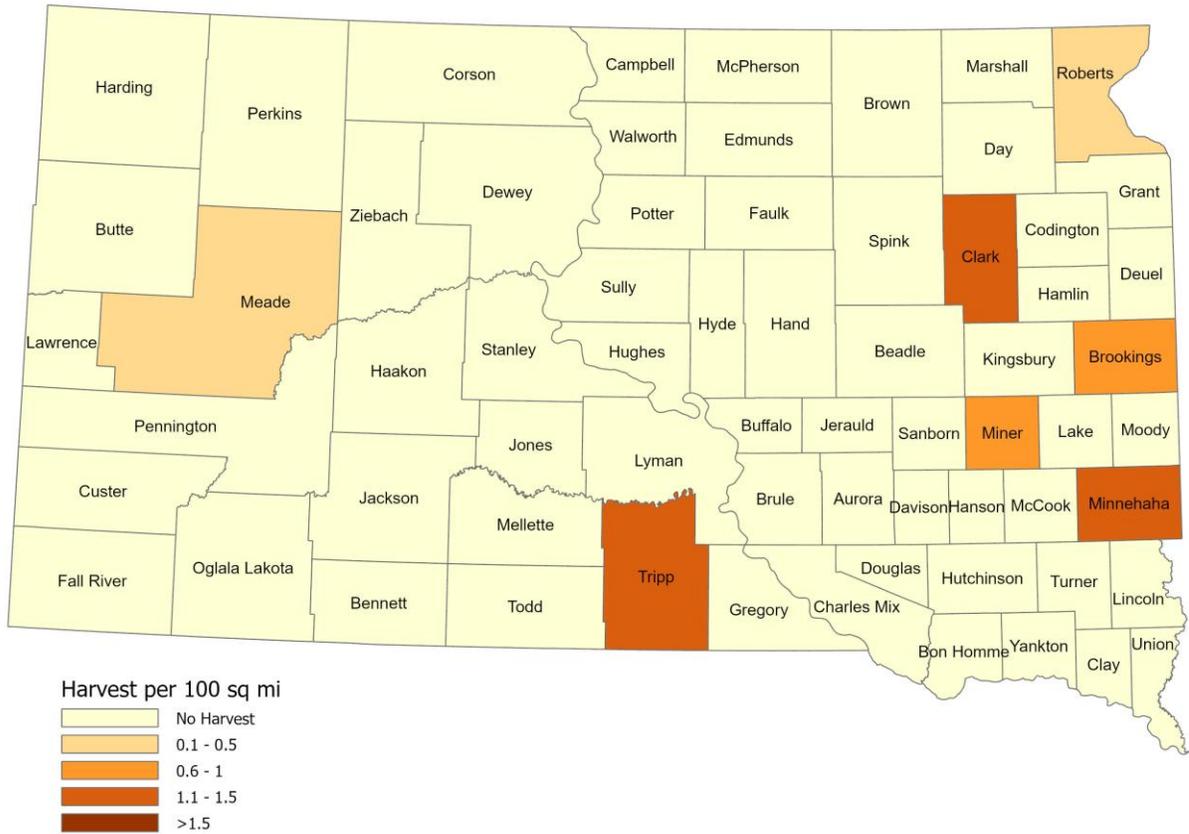
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 71 weasels were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

The five counties with the highest reported weasel harvest densities were Minnehaha, Tripp, Clark, Miner, and Brookings.

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Weasel seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	151	5	4.63	4.44
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

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Weasel Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	3	10	20.0	10	10	14.5	
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	2	6	13.3	7	7	9.7	
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	3	10	20.0	10	10	14.5	
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	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
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	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	5	16	33.3	17	17	24.2	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	6.7	3	3	4.8	
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	6.7	3	3	4.8	
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	3	10	100.0	19	0	0	0.0	0	19	27.3	
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	3	10	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	6	19	100%	19	16	52	100%	52	71	100%	

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BEAVER

The 2022-23 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, 2022, through April 30, 2023. The nonresident beaver season was restricted to December 1, 2022 - March 15, 2023. 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.

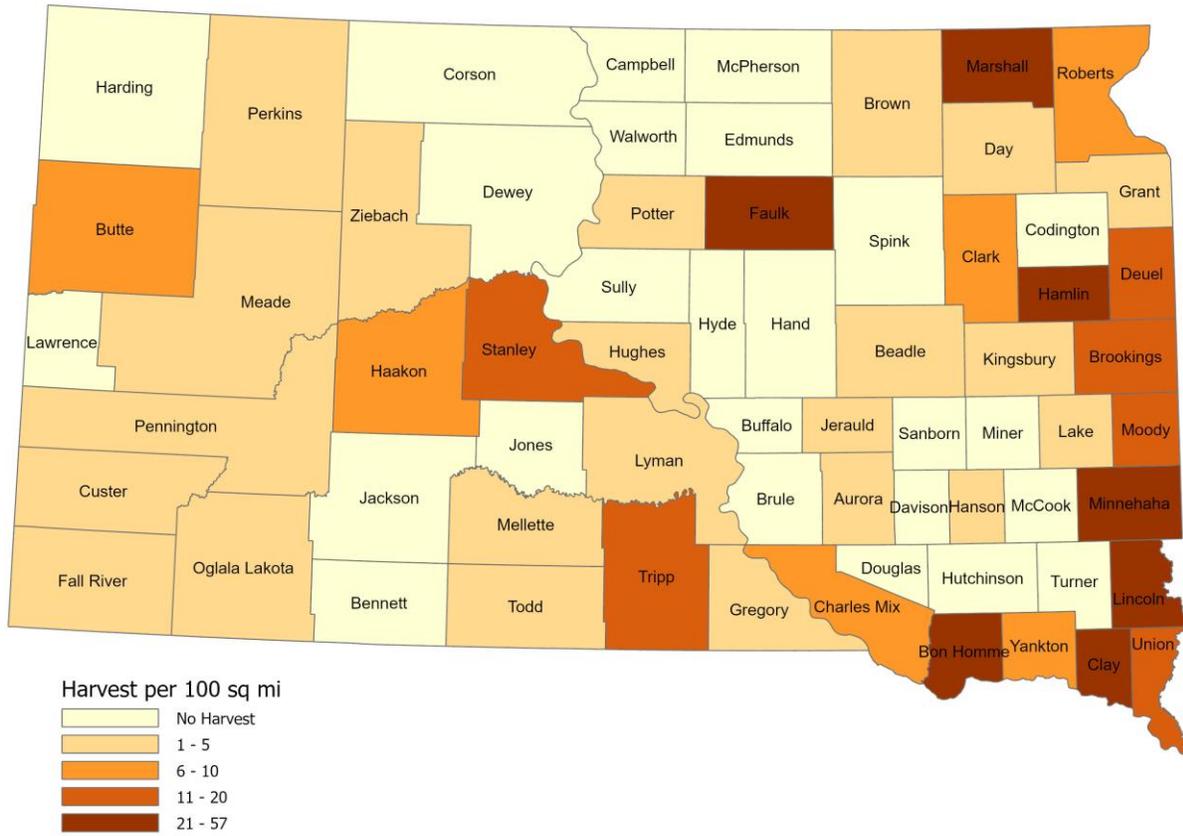
Based on survey responses indicating at least one day of hunting or trapping furbearers, there were a projected 1,826 resident and 0 nonresident active hunters/trappers that held a furbearer license during the 2022-23 seasons. An estimated 3,265 beaver were harvested during the 2022-23 season by furbearer license holders.

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

Comparison of the 2013-2022 Beaver seasons

Year	Furbearer Licenses		Active Hunters/Trappers		Harvest		Satisfaction	
	Resident	Nonresident	Resident	Nonresident	Trapping	Hunting	Resident	Nonres
2013	4,745	19	2,641	14	2,767	292	4.63	4.44
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

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Beaver Harvest Distribution by County 2022-23											
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	8	26	3.6	27	49	160	6.5	164	191	5.8	
Pennington	0	0	0.0	0	9	29	1.2	30	30	0.9	
Brown	10	33	4.4	33	3	10	0.4	10	43	1.3	
Beadle	0	0	0.0	0	6	20	0.8	20	20	0.6	
Codington	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Brookings	0	0	0.0	0	38	124	5.1	127	127	3.9	
Yankton	0	0	0.0	0	10	33	1.3	33	33	1.0	
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	1	3	0.4	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	4	13	1.8	13	69	225	9.2	231	244	7.5	
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	39	127	5.2	130	130	4.0	
Campbell	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Charles Mix	14	46	6.2	47	18	59	2.4	60	107	3.3	
Clark	0	0	0.0	0	17	55	2.3	57	57	1.7	
Clay	22	72	9.8	73	41	134	5.5	137	210	6.4	
Corson	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Custer	1	3	0.4	3	13	42	1.7	43	47	1.4	
Day	0	0	0.0	0	6	20	0.8	20	20	0.6	
Deuel	0	0	0.0	0	22	72	2.9	74	74	2.3	
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	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Fall River	0	0	0.0	0	12	39	1.6	40	40	1.2	
Faulk	30	99	13.3	100	50	163	6.6	167	267	8.2	
Grant	2	7	0.9	7	2	7	0.3	7	13	0.4	
Gregory	2	7	0.9	7	13	42	1.7	43	50	1.5	
Haakon	7	23	3.1	23	22	72	2.9	74	97	3.0	
Hamlin	0	0	0.0	0	36	117	4.8	120	120	3.7	
Hand	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hanson	5	16	2.2	17	1	3	0.1	3	20	0.6	
Harding	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Hughes	0	0	0.0	0	6	20	0.8	20	20	0.6	
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	7	23	0.9	23	23	0.7	
Jones	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Kingsbury	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1	
Lake	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	0.1	3	3	0.1	
Lincoln	0	0	0.0	0	56	182	7.4	187	187	5.7	
Lyman	13	43	5.8	43	5	16	0.7	17	60	1.8	
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	53	173	7.0	177	177	5.4	
Meade	0	0	0.0	0	18	59	2.4	60	60	1.8	
Mellette	0	0	0.0	0	10	33	1.3	33	33	1.0	
Miner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Moody	0	0	0.0	0	16	52	2.1	54	54	1.6	
Perkins	16	53	7.1	53	0	0	0.0	0	53	1.6	
Potter	1	3	0.4	3	10	33	1.3	33	37	1.1	
Roberts	10	33	4.4	33	11	36	1.5	37	70	2.1	
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	52	171	23.1	173	5	16	0.7	17	190	5.8	
Sully	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Tripp	4	13	1.8	13	48	156	6.4	161	174	5.3	
Turner	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Union	4	13	1.8	13	22	72	2.9	74	87	2.7	
Walworth	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	
Ziebach	15	49	6.7	50	0	0	0.0	0	50	1.5	
Oglala Lakota	4	13	1.8	13	4	13	0.5	13	27	0.8	
Todd	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.4	10	10	0.3	
Unknown	3	10	-	-	20	65	-	-	-	-	
TOTALS:	228	750	100%	750	772	2,515	100%	2,515	3,265	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.