

SPECIAL CANADA GOOSE

The 2019 Special Unit Canada goose season was open from October 19 to December 22 in Bennett County. To hunt this resident-only season, hunters were required to hold small game, 1-day small game, senior, adult or junior combination, or youth small game licenses plus a migratory bird certification, and for those hunters age 16 and over, a federal waterfowl stamp. Additionally, hunters must have applied for and received a Special Canada goose license for that specific unit. Each license allowed the hunter to harvest 3 geese and individuals could have up to 5 licenses for the season, if licenses were left after the 2nd deadline drawing. A total of 174 hunters received multiple licenses for the 2019 season, including 32 hunters who received the maximum of 5 licenses each.

In 2019, there were 424 residents licensed to hunt the Special Canada goose season. All license holders who provided email addresses when applying for their license were surveyed and 214 responses were received for a response rate of 51%.

From the survey responses, there were an estimated 676 Canada geese harvested for an average bag of 1.59 per license holder. Of the 214 hunters who responded to the survey, 99 (46%) indicated that they hunted during this season. When asked their satisfaction on the season, (1 being least satisfied, 7 being most satisfied), hunters reported an average rating of 5.21.

SPECIAL CANADA GOOSE HARVEST PROJECTIONS FOR 2019

Last Revised: 26 June 2020

	Resident
SPECIAL CANADA GOOSE SEASON Licenses Sold	789
Number Unique Licenseholders	424
Number Sampled by Survey	424
Number Responded to Survey	214
Responded and Participated in Season	99
Responded but DID NOT HUNT	115
Survey Response Rate	50.5%
Total Reported Canada Goose Hunted Days	271
Average Days Hunted Canada Geese	1.27
Total Reported Canada Geese Bagged	341
Average Canada Goose Bag for Season	1.59
Projected Days Canada Goose Hunting	537
Projected No. Canada Goose Hunters	196
Projected Canada Goose Bag	676
Reported Geese shot but not retrieved	21
Projected Geese shot but not retrieved	90
Special Canada Goose Hunter Mean Satisfaction Score *1*	5.21
TOTAL CANADA GOOSE HARVEST SPECIAL SEASON = 676	

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