

# **FALL BLACK HILLS TURKEY**

There were 216 Fall Black Hills Turkey licenses (204 resident, 12 nonresident) sold in South Dakota for the 2019 season. All were single tag licenses valid for either a tom or a hen. The fall season ran from November 1 through January 31.

Of the 216 license-holders that were surveyed, 157 responded for a 73% response rate. Approximately 83% of responding hunters used the Internet to do so. Respondents reported hunting an average of 2.20 days, which projected to a total of 473 recreation days for the season.

An estimated 34 males were harvested along with 18 hens, a total of 53 turkeys. The overall estimated success rate for the season was 25%.

The mean satisfaction score reported by hunters was 4.76 (1 representing "very dissatisfied" and 7 representing "very satisfied").

## Summary comparison of the 2010-2019 Fall Black Hills Turkey seasons

YEAR	LICENSES SOLD		HARVEST				Avg Days	Average
	Resident	Nonresid	Males	Hens	Total	%Success	Hunted	Satisfaction
2010	3,198	114	907	646	1,553	47%	3.05	5.22
2011	2,977	121	537	513	1,050	34%	3.89	4.85
2012	2,075	90	457	470	927	43%	3.39	4.95
2013	1,546	81	185	188	373	23%	2.81	4.57
2014	764	46	100	114	215	27%	3.24	4.54
2015	406	27	66	62	127	29%	3.44	4.58
2016	408	26	91	55	147	34%	2.79	4.85
2017	415	18	87	52	139	32%	3.82	4.88
2018	204	16	27	26	54	25%	2.74	4.85
2019	204	12	34	18	53	25%	2.20	4.76

## 2019 Fall Black Hills Turkey Harvest Projections

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Last Revised: 29-Jun-20																		
Unit/Type	Hunters	Licenses							Harvest Projections							Average Days	Mean Satisfctn	
		Resident				Nonresident			Response Rate	Tag Success	Males			Hens				Total Harvest
		Appl. 1st Choice *	Avail.	Sold		Appl. 1st Choice *	Avail.	Sold			Adults	Jakes	Adults	Jennies	Unk			
BH1-31	215	206	200	204	10	16	12	73%	25%	23	11	16	1	1	53	2.20	4.76	

\* Number of 1st drawing applicants with that season as 1st choice.

## Black Hills Fall Turkey 1985-2019

