

FALL MENTORED YOUTH TURKEY

There were 300 Fall Mentored Youth Turkey licenses sold in South Dakota for the 2021 season. All were single tag licenses valid for either a tom or a hen. All mentors/hunters that provided a valid email address were surveyed and 134 responses (47%) were received.

The fall season ran from November 1 through January 31. Respondents reported hunting an average of 1.80 days, which projects to a total of 540 recreation days for the season.

An estimated 42 males were harvested along with 13 hens, a total of 56 turkeys. The reported success rate for this season was 19%. The mean satisfaction score reported by hunters/mentors was 5.34 (1 representing "very dissatisfied" and 7 representing "very satisfied").

Summary comparison of the 2012-2021 Fall Mentored Youth Turkey seasons

YEAR	Licenses	HARVEST				Avg Days	Average
	Sold	Males	Hens	Total	%Success	Hunted	Satisfaction
2012	529	89	61	149	28%	2.33	5.56
2013	520	57	35	92	18%	2.02	5.41
2014	390	46	29	75	19%	1.72	5.19
2015	370	58	39	98	21%	1.87	5.17
2016	429	62	21	84	20%	1.55	5.48
2017	453	60	22	83	18%	1.87	5.34
2018	521	68	27	96	18%	1.67	5.35
2019	412	40	22	60	15%	1.18	5.28
2020	501	48	14	62	12%	1.75	5.18
2021	300	42	13	56	19%	1.80	5.34

2021 Fall Mentored Youth Turkey Harvest Projections

Last Revised:
11-May-22

Unit/Type	Hunters	Licenses			Nonresident			Response Rate	Tag Success	Harvest Projections					Average Days Hunted	Mean Satisfaction Score	
		Appl. 1st Choice *	Resident		Appl. 1st Choice *	Avail.	Sold			Males		Hens					Total Harvest
			Avail.	Sold						Adults	Jakes	Adults	Jennies	Unk			
ST1-31	300	NA	Unlim	298	NA	Unlim	2	47%	19%	18	24	9	4	0	56	1.80	5.34

2021 Fall Mentored Youth Turkey Harvest Distribution

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County	Reported Harvest							Projected Harvest							Total	%
	Males			Females				Males			Females					
	Toms	Jakes	Hens	Jennies	Unk	Hens	Total	Toms	Jakes	Hens	Jennies	Unk	Hens	Total		
07A (Yankton)	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	8	0	0	2	0	0	10	17.7%	
12A (Bon Homme)	2	2	0	1	0	0	5	5	5	0	2	0	0	13	22.9%	
39A (Jackson)	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	5	4	0	0	0	10	17.8%	
48A (Marshall/Roberts)	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	3	3	4	0	0	0	10	17.5%	
BH1 (Black Hills)	1	4	0	0	0	0	5	3	11	0	0	0	0	13	24.1%	
Unknown	1	2	2	0	0	0	5									
TOTALS	8	11	4	2	0	0	25	18	24	9	4	0	0	56		

Use these figures for approximations only!