

WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

The 2020 white-fronted goose season was open from 26 September - 8 December statewide. The daily bag limit was 3 geese and the season possession limit was 9. To hunt white-fronted geese, residents were required to hold small game, 1-day small game, adult, senior or junior combination, or youth small game licenses plus a migratory bird certification. Nonresidents were required to obtain a nonresident waterfowl license. All hunters age 16 and over were also required to obtain a federal waterfowl stamp.

Harvest surveys were sent to both resident and nonresident hunters. There were a projected 1,540 hunters who hunted at least one day for white-fronted geese (1,256 residents, 283 nonresidents). There were a projected 3,163 white-fronted geese harvested (2,804 by residents and 359 by nonresidents).

Comparison of the 2011 - 2020 white-fronted goose harvests

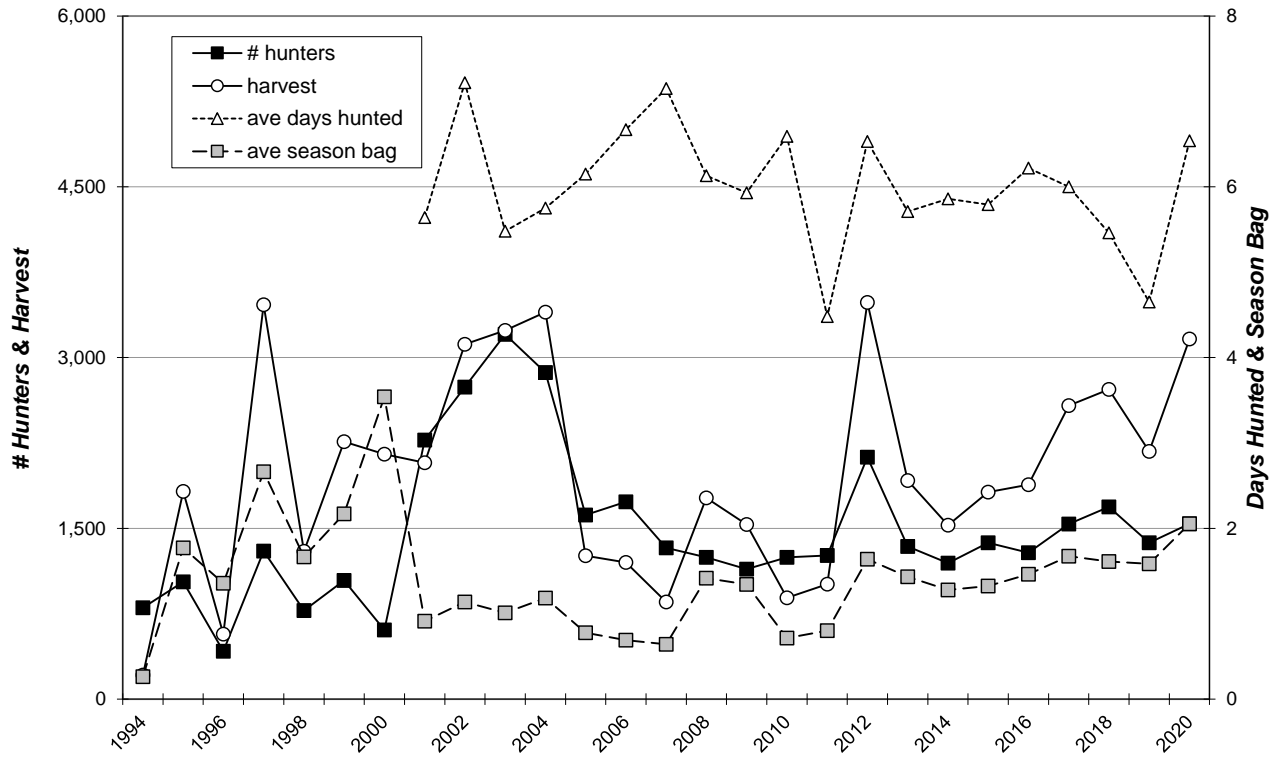
Year	Residents				Nonresidents			
	Number Hunters	Harvest	Ave Days Hunted	Ave Bag, Season	Number Hunters	Harvest	Ave Days Hunted	Ave Bag, Season
2011	973	896	4.24	0.92	288	115	5.28	0.40
2012	1,685	3,114	6.96	1.85	440	371	4.88	0.84
2013	1,098	1,694	5.83	1.54	224	197	5.13	0.88
2014	951	1,378	6.13	1.45	244	151	4.80	0.62
2015	1,097	1,618	5.93	1.47	275	201	5.20	0.73
2016	992	1,707	6.43	1.72	295	176	5.52	0.60
2017	1,185	2,286	6.30	1.93	354	292	5.00	0.83
2018	1,262	2,428	5.67	1.92	426	293	4.83	0.69
2019	1,015	2,176	4.60	2.14	358	601	4.78	1.68
2020	1,256	2,804	7.05	2.23	283	359	4.26	1.27

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE HARVEST PROJECTIONS FOR 2020

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	NONRESIDENT TOTALS BY UNIT								NR Totals	Resident Total
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No. Hunters Reporting White-fronted Goose Days	5	128	0	13	1	3	2		152	181
Total Reported White-fronted Goose Hunted Days	31	577	0	31	3	9	4		655	1,276
Average Days Hunted White-fronted Geese	6.20	4.51		2.38	3.00	3.00	2.00		4.26	7.05
Total Reported White-fronted Geese Bagged	0	165	0	23	0	1	3		192	404
Average White-fronted Goose Bag for Season	0.00	1.29		1.77	0.00	0.33	1.50		1.27	2.23
Projected Days White-fronted Hunting	58	1,046	0	69	8	18	8		1,208	8,857
Projected No. White-fronted Goose Hunters	9	232	0	29	3	6	4		283	1,256
Projected White-fronted Goose Bag	0	299	0	51	0	2	6		359	2,804
TOTAL WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE HARVEST = 3,163										

STATEWIDE WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE HARVEST, 1994-2020



NOTE: Prior to 2001, the definition of a white-fronted goose hunter was one who bagged 1+ white-front. Starting in 2001, the definition was changed to a hunter who spent 1+ days hunting white-fronted geese. This definition increased the number of hunters and decreased the average season bag estimates, but not the overall harvest projections.