

MENTORED YOUTH DEER

There were 3,096 resident single-tag antlerless mentored youth deer licenses issued for 2014. All mentors/hunters were sampled and 2,432 responses (79%) were received. Approximately 67% of responding mentors/hunters used the Internet to respond.

The Mentored Youth licenses were valid during the Youth Deer season which ran from September 13, 2014 through January 15, 2015. Respondents reported hunting an average of 3.98 days each, which projected to 12,333 recreation days for the season.

Projections for the season indicated that a total of 214 whitetail bucks, 1,187 whitetail does, 29 mule deer bucks, and 167 mule deer does were harvested. The total harvest for the Mentored Youth Deer season was 1,595, and the overall success rate was 52%. The five deer management units with the highest reported harvest were the Black Hills, Minnehaha, Beadle, Gregory, and Hamlin.

The average satisfaction rating for those responding (1 being very dissatisfied and 7 very satisfied) was 5.70.

Summary for the 2008-2014 Mentored Youth Deer hunting seasons

YEAR	Licenses Sold	Harvest						Avg Days Hunted	Average Satisfctn
		Bucks		Does		Total	Success		
		WT	Mule	WT	Mule				
2008	1,110	79	13	489	106	687	62%	4.09	6.02
2009	1,627	132	16	624	164	936	58%	4.02	5.78
2010	2,174	128	17	947	152	1,244	57%	3.72	5.94
2011	2,335	143	14	872	171	1,200	51%	4.16	5.70
2012	2,497	207	28	1,015	182	1,431	57%	3.77	5.78
2013	2,939	179	14	1,028	154	1,375	47%	3.87	5.57
2014	3,096	214	29	1,187	167	1,595	52%	3.98	5.70

2014 Mentored Youth Deer Harvest Projections

Unit	License Holders	Licenses Available	Licenses Sold		Response Rate	Hunter Success	Tag Success	Harvest Projections						Total Harvest	Average Satisfaction Score **	Avg Days Hunted	
			Resident	Nonresident				Whitetail			Mule Deer						
			Tags Sold	Sold				Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns	Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns				
Statewide not Access units	3,079	Unlimited	3,079	0	3,079	79%	52%	52%	214	982	201	29	142	22	1,590	5.70	3.98
Access Permit Units	17	Unlimited	17	0	17	76%	67%	23%	0	1	1	0	3	0	5	6.17	1.17
Totals	3,096		3,096	0	3,096	79.3%	52%		214	984	203	29	145	22	1,595		

2014 Access Permit Mentored Youth Deer Harvest Projections

Unit	Permit Holders	Licenses Available	Permits Issued		Response Rate	Hunter Success	Tag Success	Harvest Projections						Total Harvest	Average Satisfaction Score **	Avg Days Hunted	
			Resident	Nonresident				Whitetail			Mule Deer						
			Sold	Sold				Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns	Bucks	Does	Doe Fawns				
Custer Nat Forest	11	Unlimited	11	0	11	73%	67%	25%	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	6.00	1.00
Hill Ranch GPA	7	Unlimited	7	0	7	71%	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7.00	2.00
Little Moreau GPA	5	Unlimited	5	0	5	80%	100%	50%	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	6.00	1.00
	17		23	0	23	76.5%	67%	23%	0	1	1	0	3	0	5	6.17	1.17

2 hunters in the regular Mentored Youth Survey who did not have an Access Permit reported harvesting deer in the Custer National Forest unit

2014 Mentored Youth Deer Harvest Distribution by Management Unit

Last Revised:
05-May-15

County	Reported Harvest							Projected Harvest							Total Estimate	%
	Whitetail			Mule Deer				Whitetail			Mule Deer					
	Bucks	Does	Fawn	Bucks	Does	Fawn	Total	Bucks	Does	Fawn	Bucks	Does	Fawn			
01A (Minnehaha)	7	28	6	0	0	0	41	9	36	8	0	0	0	53	3.4%	
02A (NE Penn/SE Meade)	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	0.2%	
02C (SE Pennington)	2	7	1	0	4	1	15	3	9	1	0	5	1	19	1.2%	
03A (Brown)	1	19	3	0	0	0	23	1	24	4	0	0	0	30	1.9%	
04A (Beadle)	8	25	3	0	0	0	36	11	32	4	0	0	0	47	2.9%	
05A (Codington)	1	11	1	1	0	0	14	1	14	1	1	0	0	18	1.1%	
06A (Brookings)	2	20	1	0	0	0	23	3	26	1	0	0	0	30	1.9%	
07A (Yankton)	4	15	2	0	0	0	21	5	19	3	0	0	0	27	1.7%	
08A (Davison)	1	6	2	0	0	0	9	1	8	3	0	0	0	12	0.7%	
10A (Aurora)	1	22	3	0	0	0	26	1	28	4	0	0	0	34	2.1%	
11A (N Bennett)	1	0	0	0	3	0	4	1	0	0	0	4	0	5	0.3%	
11B (S Bennett)	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	1	0	4	0.2%	
12A (Bon Homme)	3	16	4	0	0	0	23	4	21	5	0	0	0	30	1.9%	
13A (Brule)	4	13	2	0	8	0	27	5	17	3	0	10	0	35	2.2%	
14A (Buffalo)	2	4	0	0	1	0	7	3	5	0	0	1	0	9	0.6%	
15A (Butte)	1	10	2	1	5	0	19	1	13	3	1	6	0	25	1.5%	
15B (SW Butte/Lawrence)	1	9	0	0	1	0	11	1	12	0	0	1	0	14	0.9%	
16A (Campbell)	2	2	0	1	0	0	5	3	3	0	1	0	0	7	0.4%	
17A (Charles Mix)	6	14	2	1	5	0	28	8	18	3	1	6	0	36	2.3%	
18A (Clark)	4	16	1	0	0	0	21	5	21	1	0	0	0	27	1.7%	
19A (Clay)	1	8	1	0	0	0	10	1	10	1	0	0	0	13	0.8%	
20A (Corson)	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	1	0	4	0.2%	
21A (E Custer/S Penn)	1	4	3	1	2	0	11	1	5	4	1	3	0	14	0.9%	
21B (C Custer/C Penn)	0	5	2	1	1	0	9	0	6	3	1	1	0	12	0.7%	
22A (Day)	3	7	1	0	0	0	11	4	9	1	0	0	0	14	0.9%	
23A (Deuel)	6	8	2	0	0	0	16	8	10	3	0	0	0	21	1.3%	
24A (Dewey)	0	1	2	1	1	0	5	0	1	3	1	1	0	7	0.4%	
24B (Little Moreau)	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	0.2%	
25A (Douglas)	2	10	1	0	0	0	13	3	13	1	0	0	0	17	1.1%	
26A (Edmunds)	4	14	1	0	0	0	19	5	18	1	0	0	0	25	1.6%	
27A (NW FRiver/SW Cust)	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0.2%	
27B (Fall River)	1	5	1	1	4	1	13	1	6	1	1	5	1	17	1.1%	
27L (Hill Ranch Area)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
28A (Faulk)	3	8	0	0	0	0	11	4	10	0	0	0	0	14	0.9%	
29A (Grant)	1	12	7	0	0	0	20	1	15	9	0	0	0	26	1.6%	
30A,B (Gregory)	3	20	5	1	1	0	30	4	26	7	1	1	0	39	2.5%	
31A (Haakon)	2	4	1	1	4	0	12	3	5	1	1	5	0	16	1.0%	
32A (Hamlin)	5	22	4	0	0	0	31	7	28	5	0	0	0	40	2.5%	
33A (Hand)	2	19	5	0	0	0	26	3	24	7	0	0	0	34	2.1%	
34A (Hanson)	2	7	1	0	0	0	10	3	9	1	0	0	0	13	0.8%	
35A (W Harding)	1	2	0	2	3	1	9	1	3	0	3	4	1	12	0.7%	
35C (E Harding)	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	1	0	4	0.2%	
35L (Custer Nat Forest)	0	1	0	0	2	1	4	0	1	0	0	3	1	5	0.3%	
36A (Hughes)	1	6	2	2	1	0	12	1	8	3	3	1	0	16	1.0%	
37A (Hutchinson)	2	6	0	0	0	0	8	3	8	0	0	0	0	10	0.7%	
38A (Hyde)	3	4	2	0	0	0	9	4	5	3	0	0	0	12	0.7%	
39A (N Jackson)	0	5	0	1	1	0	7	0	6	0	1	1	0	9	0.6%	
39B (S Jackson)	0	3	0	0	2	0	5	0	4	0	0	3	0	6	0.4%	
40A (Jerault)	0	9	2	0	1	0	12	0	12	3	0	1	0	16	1.0%	
41A (Jones)	0	2	0	1	5	0	8	0	3	0	1	6	0	10	0.6%	
42A (Kingsbury)	2	11	5	0	0	0	18	3	14	7	0	0	0	23	1.5%	
43A (Lake)	4	9	1	0	1	0	15	5	12	1	0	1	0	20	1.2%	
44A (Lincoln)	3	12	2	0	0	0	17	4	15	3	0	0	0	22	1.4%	
45A (W Lyman)	1	7	0	0	3	0	11	1	9	0	0	4	0	14	0.9%	
45B (E Lyman)	0	5	0	0	3	0	8	0	6	0	0	4	0	10	0.6%	
45C (NE Lyman/SE Stanley)	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	1	0	0	0	1	3	6	0.2%	
45D (Ft Pr Nat Grsind)	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0.3%	
46A (McCook)	4	11	1	0	0	0	16	5	14	1	0	0	0	21	1.3%	
47A (McPherson)	1	4	3	0	0	0	8	1	5	4	0	0	0	10	0.7%	
48A (Marshall)	3	10	2	0	0	0	15	4	13	3	0	0	0	20	1.2%	
49A (W Meade)	1	13	3	1	1	0	19	1	17	4	1	1	0	25	1.6%	
49B (NE Meade)	0	4	0	1	1	2	8	0	5	0	1	1	3	10	0.6%	
50A,B (Mellette)	1	6	0	0	2	0	9	1	8	0	0	3	0	12	0.7%	
51A (Miner)	4	13	3	0	1	0	21	5	17	4	0	1	0	27	1.7%	
52A (Moody)	2	14	7	0	0	0	23	3	18	9	0	0	0	30	1.9%	
53A (N Perkins)	1	3	0	0	6	0	10	1	4	0	0	8	0	13	0.8%	
53C (S Perkins)	0	3	1	1	2	1	8	0	4	1	1	3	1	10	0.7%	
54A (Potter)	2	4	1	1	3	0	11	3	5	1	1	4	0	14	0.9%	
55A (Roberts)	4	19	5	0	0	0	28	5	24	7	0	0	0	36	2.3%	
56A (Sanborn)	1	4	0	0	0	0	5	1	5	0	0	0	0	6	0.4%	
57A (Spink)	2	19	4	0	0	0	25	3	24	5	0	0	0	32	2.0%	
58A (Stanley)	1	1	1	0	4	0	7	1	1	1	0	5	0	9	0.6%	
59A (W Sully)	0	7	0	0	3	0	10	0	9	0	0	4	0	13	0.8%	
59B (E Sully)	2	4	0	0	0	0	6	3	5	0	0	0	0	8	0.5%	
60A (Tripp)	2	7	1	1	6	1	18	3	9	1	1	8	1	23	1.5%	
61A (Turner)	4	12	1	0	0	0	17	5	15	1	0	0	0	22	1.4%	
62A (Union)	2	22	4	0	0	0	28	3	28	5	0	0	0	36	2.3%	
63A (Walworth)	3	8	1	0	0	1	13	4	10	1	0	0	1	17	1.1%	
64A (Ziebach)	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0.2%	
65A (Shannon)	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	1	3	0	0	1	1	6	0.4%	
67A (Todd)	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	0	0	0	0	4	0.2%	
BH (Black Hills)	11	82	29	1	16	5	144	15	106	38	1	20	6	187	11.8%	
Unknown	9	14	7	1	1	0	32									
TOTALS	169	776	159	23	112	17	1,256	214	984	203	29	145	22	1,595		

Any by management unit projected harvest values will differ from statewide projected harvest values due to incorrect sampling proportions within units.

Use these figures for approximations only!