

SPRING PRAIRIE TURKEY

The 2025 Spring Prairie Turkey season was open April 12 through May 31 for all units except Davison/Hanson (08A/08B), and Lincoln (44A/44B), which had split seasons, and Oahe Downstream (58B) which was open April 12-30. License sales totaled 7,572 (6,068 residents and 1,504 nonresidents) compared to 7,338 in 2024. There were 7,605 licenses available and overall tag sales totaled 8,382. Only single and double tag male turkey (bearded turkey) licenses were available.

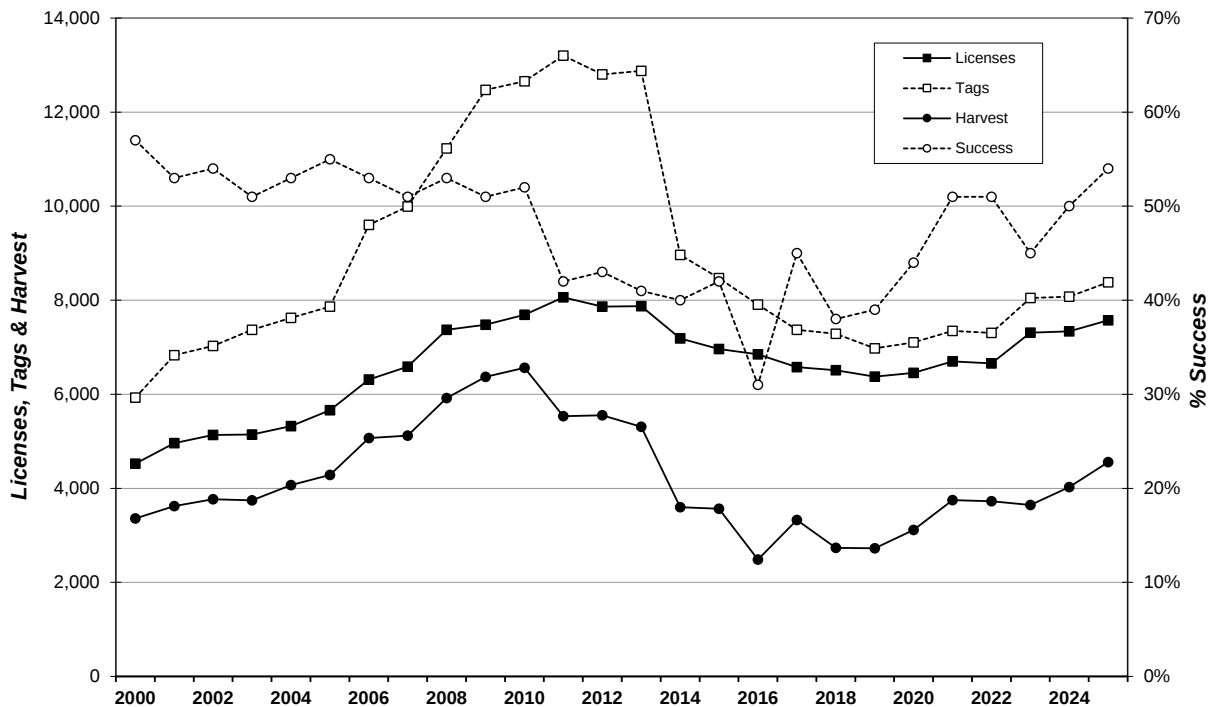
All license holders that provided a valid email address were surveyed using Survey123, and the response rate was 49%. The reported overall harvest success rate was 54% and the projected harvest was 4,556 turkeys.

Spring prairie turkey hunters averaged 2.55 days hunting for a projected total of 18,294 hunting days. Respondents were asked to gauge their satisfaction of the season (1 being least satisfied, 7 being most satisfied) and the average response was 5.65.

Comparison of the 2016-2025 Spring Prairie Turkey Seasons

Year	Resident Licenses	Nonres Licenses	Tags	Harvest		Success	Avg Days Hunted	Satisf
				Males	Hens			
2016	5,648	1,202	7,907	2,482	4	31%	2.72	5.49
2017	5,364	1,213	7,371	3,323	5	45%	2.50	5.55
2018	5,364	1,146	7,287	2,724	9	38%	2.18	5.49
2019	5,250	1,125	6,977	2,722	5	39%	2.14	5.39
2020	5,500	955	7,103	3,107	6	44%	2.70	5.48
2021	5,444	1,255	7,348	3,748	0	51%	2.57	5.75
2022	4,834	1,824	7,305	3,725	2	51%	2.69	5.61
2023	5,878	1,432	8,048	3,647	0	45%	2.65	5.40
2024	5,848	1,490	8,074	4,024	0	50%	2.63	5.53
2025	6,068	1,504	8,382	4,556	0	54%	2.55	5.65

Spring Firearm Prairie Turkey 2000-2025



2025 Spring Prairie Turkey Harvest Projections

Last Revised:
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		Resident					Nonresident															
		License			Appl. 1st		Appl. 1st		Response	Tags	Tag	Hunter	1st		2nd	Males		Total	Days	Satisfctn		
Unit	Type	Hunters	Choice *	Avail.	Sold	Choice *	Avail.	Sold	Rate	sold	Success	Success	LCI	UCI	tag	tag	Adults	Jakes	Hens	Harvest	Hunted	Score
01A	32	100	136	100	100	0	0	0	46%	100	63%	63%	53%	74%	63%		57	7	0	63	3.43	5.95
02A	32	222	27	250	147	61	20	122	38%	269	59%	64%	55%	73%	59%		144	13	0	158	2.52	5.70
06A	32	60	138	60	60	0	0	0	53%	60	56%	56%	44%	68%	56%		32	2	0	34	4.81	5.75
07A	32	300	233	300	300	0	0	0	49%	300	58%	58%	52%	63%	58%		164	8	0	173	2.65	5.91
08A	32	99	64	100	99	0	0	0	52%	99	51%	51%	41%	61%	51%		45	6	0	50	3.69	5.32
08B	32	96	45	100	99	0	0	1	51%	100	41%	43%	33%	53%	41%		35	6	0	41	2.51	5.51
10A	32	47	19	50	50	0	0	0	43%	50	75%	75%	60%	90%	75%		35	2	0	38	4.15	6.11
11A	32	11	14	10	10	10	1	1	45%	11	20%	20%	9%	51%	20%		2	0	0	2	2.80	5.50
12A	32	299	260	300	299	0	0	0	46%	299	60%	60%	54%	66%	60%		158	22	0	180	2.52	5.95
13A	32	169	61	175	156	0	0	19	51%	175	56%	55%	48%	63%	56%		70	27	0	97	2.36	5.64
15A	32	386	92	400	236	189	32	194	46%	430	54%	57%	52%	63%	54%		222	11	0	232	2.27	5.86
16A	32	20	25	20	20	0	0	0	45%	20	67%	67%	42%	85%	67%		9	4	0	13	3.00	5.50
17A	32	349	330	350	348	1	0	1	46%	349	55%	55%	50%	61%	55%		158	35	0	193	2.95	5.73
19A	32	119	86	120	119	0	0	0	55%	119	49%	49%	41%	58%	49%		55	4	0	59	2.82	5.31
20A	32	78	15	100	84	11	8	24	50%	108	52%	67%	55%	79%	52%		52	4	0	56	2.18	5.51
21A	32	128	40	125	104	55	10	30	54%	134	50%	52%	44%	61%	50%		59	7	0	67	2.40	4.98
22A	32	175	261	175	175	1	0	0	45%	175	44%	44%	35%	52%	44%		72	4	0	76	3.40	5.43
23A	32	200	189	200	200	0	0	0	60%	200	55%	55%	49%	61%	55%		102	8	0	110	2.96	5.53
24A	32	145	45	150	114	19	12	46	47%	160	56%	57%	48%	66%	56%		83	6	0	90	1.98	6.00
27A	32	106	92	100	98	63	8	8	57%	106	58%	58%	50%	67%	58%		49	12	0	62	2.47	5.58
29A	32	372	312	375	372	0	0	0	49%	372	65%	65%	60%	70%	65%		227	15	0	241	3.20	5.61
30A	32	669	328	650	571	264	52	126	48%	697	51%	51%	47%	55%	51%		286	67	0	353	2.22	5.53
31A	35	250	55	250	173	32	20	97	42%	540	46%	59%	52%	67%	57%	36%	200	50	0	250	2.35	5.39
32A	32	30	44	30	30	0	0	0	67%	30	50%	50%	37%	63%	50%		12	3	0	15	2.55	4.47
35A	32	159	177	150	147	83	12	12	50%	159	48%	48%	40%	56%	48%		72	4	0	76	1.91	5.81
36A	32	29	49	30	29	0	0	0	38%	29	73%	73%	51%	90%	73%		13	8	0	21	2.18	4.80
37A	32	70	51	70	69	0	0	1	44%	70	52%	52%	38%	65%	52%		32	5	0	36	2.58	6.00
39A	32	194	39	200	112	89	16	103	45%	215	50%	52%	44%	60%	50%		98	9	0	107	1.54	5.71
40A	32	20	35	20	20	0	0	0	25%	20	40%	40%	10%	81%	40%		8	0	0	8	2.20	5.20
41A	32	65	11	75	34	11	6	46	38%	80	46%	52%	35%	69%	46%		34	3	0	36	1.44	5.88
44A	32	47	101	50	47	0	0	0	60%	47	54%	54%	41%	66%	54%		25	0	0	25	1.54	5.81
44B	32	50	61	50	50	0	0	0	60%	50	40%	40%	29%	52%	40%		20	0	0	20	2.80	5.91
45A	32	161	117	150	149	63	12	12	57%	161	56%	56%	49%	63%	56%		71	19	0	90	2.14	5.27
48A	32	448	388	450	449	0	0	0	55%	449	56%	56%	52%	60%	56%		226	25	0	251	2.70	5.79
49A	35	412	112	400	254	165	32	178	49%	864	53%	68%	64%	73%	67%	40%	428	27	0	455	2.80	5.83
50A	32	264	59	300	155	78	24	168	51%	323	63%	65%	58%	71%	63%		165	38	0	202	2.07	5.64
52A	32	60	84	60	60	0	0	0	47%	60	57%	57%	43%	71%	57%		30	4	0	34	3.36	5.78
53A	35	103	26	100	65	39	8	43	55%	216	45%	56%	47%	65%	53%	37%	81	16	0	98	2.11	5.76
56A	32	10	8	10	10	0	0	0	80%	10	13%	13%	10%	25%	13%		1	0	0	1	2.00	4.00
58A	32	44	88	40	40	7	4	4	64%	44	46%	46%	35%	58%	46%		20	0	0	20	2.67	6.09
58B	32	3	1	2	2	0	1	1	0%	3												
60A	32	387	115	400	237	102	32	194	47%	431	66%	63%	58%	69%	66%		249	37	0	286	2.16	5.65
61A	32	30	46	30	30	0	0	0	63%	30	63%	63%	49%	77%	63%		16	3	0	19	3.21	4.82
62A	32	120	128	120	120	0	0	0	59%	120	52%	52%	45%	60%	52%		61	2	0	63	3.20	5.58
65A	32	38	2	40	8	13	4	36	39%	44	52%	53%	32%	75%	52%		23	0	0	23	1.60	5.15
67A	32	42	7	50	17	18	4	37	48%	54	54%	60%	42%	78%	54%		23	6	0	29	1.95	5.38
Totals		7,186	4,616	7,287	6,068	1,374	318	1,504	49%	8,382	54.4%						4,026	530	0	4,556	2.55	5.65

Response rate for all units combined was **49.1%**

Satisfaction scale of 1=very dissatisfied to 7=very satisfied.

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