

DEER PERMIT AREA 246 HUNTING INFORMATION

2020 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Hunter Choice: 1 deer limit

Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

- Archery: Sept. 19 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 15 - Oct. 18
- Early Antlerless: N/A
- Firearm A: Nov. 7 - Nov. 15
- Firearm B: N/A
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 28 - Dec. 13

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	62
Grassland and Wetlands	30
Annual Row Crops	3
Open Water	2
Developed	3

Total Land Area in 2019 (Non-water)

784 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	24
State Forest	63
Misc. State Land	13
County Managed Land	127
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	3
Walk-In Access	0
Total for Public Hunting	229

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 246 contains large blocks of public forestland and a significant amount of private land as well. The habitat is red and jack pine, mixed deciduous and aspen forests, pastures and wetlands. Large numbers of hunters utilize this permit area for deer hunting. Buck harvest success rate was stable from 2018 to 2019 indicating a stable population. The designation as Hunter's Choice is meant to stabilize or perhaps slightly reduce the deer population which is currently slightly above goal.

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2019 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 13
 Hunter Success: 32%

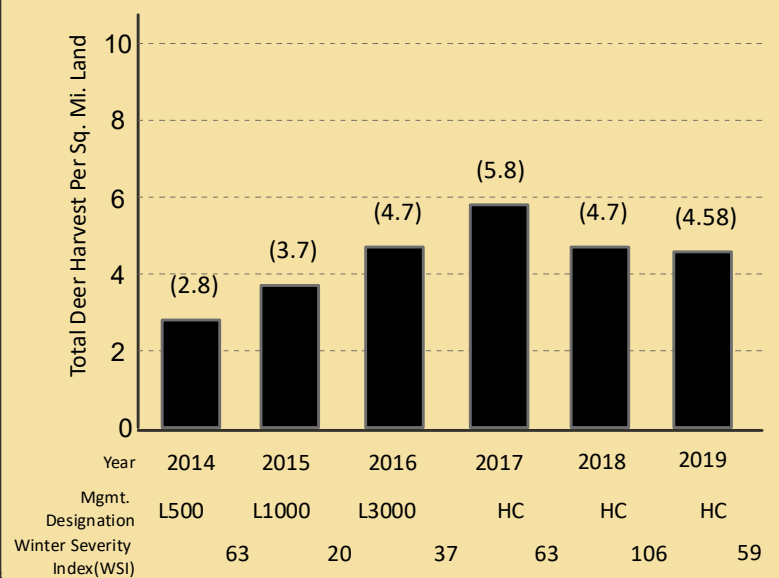
2019 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms¹	1649	286	1086	200	3221
Archery	114	9	59	7	189
Muzzleloader	22	5	45	9	81
Total Harvest²	1824	309	1229	225	3587

¹Includes Regular A and B seasons as well as early antlerless and youth seasons if it applies.

²Includes all seasons above plus any special hunts.

Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2014 - 2019/20



2020 Designations

