

North Dakota 2023 Bighorn Sheep, Moose and Elk Harvests March 6, 2024 NDGF News

Harvest statistics released by the North Dakota Game and Fish Department show overall hunter success during the 2023 season for bighorn sheep was 100%, 89% for moose and 71% for elk.

The department issued five bighorn sheep licenses and auctioned one. All six hunters harvested a bighorn ram.

The department issued 253 moose licenses last year. Of that total, 246 hunters harvested 219 animals – 132 bulls and 87 cows/calves. Harvest for each unit follows:

Unit	Hunters	Bulls	Cow/Calf	Success Rate
M5	8	6	1	88
M6	10	6	1	70
M8	15	15	0	100
M9	84	33	43	90
M10	77	45	27	94
M11	52	27	15	81

The department issued 649 elk licenses last year. Of that total, 589 hunters harvested 418 elk – 190 bulls and 228 cows/calves. Harvest for each unit follows:

Unit	Hunters	Bulls	Cow/Calf	Success Rate
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E1E	128	36	54	70
E1W	104	21	45	63
E2	130	38	43	62
E3	194	73	81	79
E4	21	18	0	86
E6	12	4	5	75