

Deer of the West

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“The most recent population peak was in 1991 when about 578,000 mule deer inhabited the state. By 2016, mule deer population declined by 31 percent to an estimated 376,000 animals. And before the harsh winter of 2022-23 the estimated number was around 330,000” page 2

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... According to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, the state had an estimated 216,000 mule deer in 2023, a historic low and a 63% decrease from a high of 578,000 in 1991. It follows a pattern of decline across the West, due to extreme weather, habitat loss, disease and other factors....