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Roadkill Reduced During Lockdowns, but Traffic is Increasing Again July 1, 2020 Smithsonian

... The study by UC Davis compared this year's reported roadkill rates to around the same time of year in 2015 through 2019 ... Most animals killed by cars are deer and elk... in Maine, which had the highest daily roadkill rate of more than 15 animals per day on average, the stay-at-home order reduced roadkill by 45 percent...

<u>Wildlife group is mapping out Maine's roadkill hot spots</u> July 27, 2019 Maine, Portland Press Herald

... an online system that allows the public to report animals killed by vehicles so they can be mapped... a joint undertaking of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, Maine Audubon and University of California-Davis...

<u>Accidents follow early arrival of deer to wintering grounds</u> December 29, 2014 Maine, The St. John Valley Times

... At least 12 deer have been killed in the past two weeks by vehicles in Allagash ... use caution and slow down ...

Car-moose collisions on decline in Maine September 23, 2018 Press Herald ... In 2017, there were 287 car crashes in Maine involving a moose ... less than half the 646 crashes 10 years earlier, in 2007, and down 32 percent from five years earlier, in 2012... Moose populations ... probably aren't a big factor ...

<u>Drivers advised to watch for increased deer population this winter</u> November 24, 2013 Maine, Kennebec Journal

... The number of vehicle collisions with deer is 2,600 to 3,000 a year, a range that has remained steady since 2008 ... About a third of the state's deer died during the 2008-09 winter, but the population has bounded back since then to about 200,000, according to the state deer biologist... a large yearling Starr checked, that was five points ...

<u>If Your Car Hits a Moose in Maine, You Get First Dibs on the Carcass</u>October 26, 2014 Maine, Boston.com

.... "Some people don't have stomach for wild game, so a lot of police departments keep a list of people who would like to pick up the animal.

Knox County eyes salt licks, Scouts, Lions to rid airport of deer May 7, 2014 Maine, Bangor Daily News

... The deer wandered onto airport grounds when an unlocked gate on a newly installed \$892,000 perimeter fence blew open in the wind ... the fence did prevent wildlife from getting on the airport grounds during the winter... local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, who would go track down the deer and form a human chain to try to drive the animals toward the gate and off the property...

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Maine conditions prime for deer collisions March 12, 2014 Portland Press Herald · ... In the last month, 14 deer have been killed on a half-mile stretch of road on Route 139... . Once the snowpack begins to melt, deer expand their search for food, according to Marden. "The later we get in the winter, the hungrier the deer will be," ...

<u>Maine Moose Collisions Spark Calls for Hunting Regulation Changes</u>October 5, 2012 MPBN News

... Lee Kanter, a wildlife biologist and the state's moose and deer specialist, says the recent moose survey shows the population is larger than in past studies... that doesn't mean there are actually more moose out there - wildlife managers have simply refined their counting procedures ... Since 2005, Kanter says there's been a 39 percent decrease in the number of moose collisions on Maine roadways. The data comes from the Maine Department of Transportation...

The Moose: A Rare But Often Deadly Road Hazard March 19, 2019 Maine, HealthDay ... In Maine alone, there were nearly 50,300 collisions with deer and over 7,000 with moose between 2003 and 2017. Twenty-six of the moose collisions resulted in a person's death, as did 10 deer collisions. That means a human died in 0.37 percent of moose collisions, compared with 0.02 percent of deer collisions...