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...enlisting the aid of hunters to determine why the state's population of mule deer has dropped by nearly 10 percent in the past dozen years ... , the mule deer population in Oregon in 2016 was 226,775, down by 4,466 since 2013, and 20,575 since 2004. Between 2013 and 2016, the Rocky Mountain elk population in Oregon has increased by 6 percent to 74,227...,

2013 population = 226,775 + 4,466 = 231,241 [matches state's 2014 number] 2004 population = 226,775 + 20,575 = 247,350