

[More people, more wildlife in Colorado, so expect more encounters](#) July 12, 2017

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...Colorado's moose population is more than 3,000 and growing ... CPW estimates the state's bear population at 17,000 and the mountain lion population at 4,500... nearly 278,000 elk..,

[Colorado boasts the largest elk herd in North America](#) October 10, 2017 Colorado, The Denver Post

... over the 300,000 ... To maintain the current level there has also been a slight reduction in the number of licenses issued. ... Warmer than normal weather over the last couple years has resulted in below average harvest numbers..,