

LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

2025 HARVEST REPORT





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Executive Summary

Each year the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) surveys light goose hunters to quantify harvest, hunter success, and hunter effort. This information helps the Game and Fish manage light goose populations and plan next year's hunting seasons. The harvest statistics presented in this report were based on data collected from 60 responses to a voluntary harvest survey sent to 212 license holders. An estimated total of 1,000 light geese were harvested in Wyoming during the 2025 hunting season.

TABLE I LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

WYOMING HARVEST AND HUNTER ACTIVITY 2025

2025 Seasor				
Permits Sold	212			
Resident	157			
Non-Resident	55			
Unknown Residency	0			
Total Responses	60			
% Responded	28			
Non-Response b	152			
% Non-Response	72			
Estimated Totals				
Active Hunters	159			
Did Not Hunt	64			
Total Days Hunted	530			
Days/Hunter	3			
Geese Harvested	968			
Geese Unretrieved ^c	32			
Total Harvest	1000			
Harvest/Hunter	6			

^a February 17, 2025 - April 30, 2025

b Includes non-respondents and incomplete survey responses

^c Geese knocked down, but not retrieved

TABLE II LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

WYOMING TEN YEAR COMPARISON 2016-2025

METRIC	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Permits Sold	156	178	211	98	189	175	225	166	179	212
Resident	117	134	154	74	138	129	157	126	149	157
Non-Resider	nt 43	44	57	24	51	46	68	40	30	55
Unknown Re	sidency 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Initial Respor	nses 0	94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Initial Res _l	ponses 0	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Second Resp	oonses 82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Second Re	esponses 53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Respon	se 74	84	100	54	112	124	96	106	126	152
% Non-Resp	onse 47	47	47	55	59	71	61	64	70	72
Total Respor	nses 82	94	111	44	77	51	61	60	53	60
% Responde	d 53	53	53	45	41	29	39	36	30	28
Estimated Totals										
Active Hunte	rs 123	135	169	65	140	134	178	124	142	159
Did Not Hunt	37	43	42	33	49	41	47	42	37	64
Total Days H	unted 514	438	527	189	407	471	712	423	726	530
Days/Hunter	4	3	6	7	7	7	4	3	5	3
Geese Harve	ested 671	1006	1023	149	805	805	2445	1345	1604	968
Geese Unret	rieved 21	42	17	20	37	51	33	44	71	32
Total Harves	t 692	1,108	1,040	169	842	1,312	2,478	1,389	1,675	1,000
Harvest/Hunt	ter 6	8	6	3	6	10	14	11	12	6