



SMALL GAME & GAME BIRDS

2024-2025 HARVEST REPORT





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Executive Summary

Each year the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) surveys small game and game bird hunters to quantify harvest, hunter success, and hunter effort. This information helps the Game and Fish manage small game and game bird populations and plan next year's hunting seasons. The harvest statistics in this report are based on 9,465 survey responses sent to 49,774 license holders. The results were extrapolated to represent 57,199 licenses sold. An estimated total of 10,971 cottontail rabbits, 633 snowshoe hare, 3,375 squirrels, 45,235 pheasant, 33,133 chukar partridge, 29,152 gray partridge, 17,109 ruffed grouse, 19,809 blue grouse, 5,660 sharp-tailed grouse, 24,229 mourning doves, 56,016 ducks, and 32,587 geese were harvested in Wyoming during the fall 2024 and spring 2025 hunting seasons.

TABLE I
SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, AND MIGRATORY GAME BIRD
 TEN YEAR COMPARISON OF HUNTERS, HARVEST AND DAYS
 STATEWIDE
 2015-2024

SPECIES	METRIC	YEAR									
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 ^a	2021	2022	2023	2024
COTTONTAIL RABBIT	HUNTERS	6,925	6,594	4,461	4,270	3,894	3,054	3,214	4,577	3,175	3,966
	HARVEST	70,521	55,688	22,492	18,328	13,145	9,554	8,033	15,013	8,991	10,971
	DAYS	27,470	24,530	14,736	16,053	17,000	15,591	15,442	25,654	14,767	19,702
SNOWSHOE HARE	HUNTERS	407	510	348	342	548	551	463	852	775	902
	HARVEST	1,248	745	229	150	347	286	207	512	449	633
	DAYS	2,077	3,311	1,206	1,148	2,971	3,556	2,678	6,028	3,046	4,325
SQUIRREL	HUNTERS	459	475	430	643	761	618	732	1,123	905	1,129
	HARVEST	1,462	1,664	1,361	1,854	2,959	1,348	1,312	3,551	3,351	3,375
	DAYS	2,649	2,137	1,477	2,234	3,554	2,039	2,504	7,420	3,607	5,787
PHEASANT	HUNTERS	13,219	12,344	12,308	11,849	9,181	–	9,461	11,021	9,279	10,447
	HARVEST	45,203	36,684	41,478	54,015	42,511	–	33,796	44,125	43,282	45,235
	DAYS	36,828	34,478	36,813	47,362	39,783	–	38,164	46,588	40,321	45,700
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	HUNTERS	2,139	1,681	1,415	2,059	2,119	1,628	2,662	3,479	3,136	5,018
	HARVEST	12,534	5,916	4,160	7,286	7,586	8,138	8,156	15,639	18,531	33,133
	DAYS	9,327	5,995	4,650	8,981	10,805	9,838	15,155	18,030	18,098	30,213
GRAY PARTRIDGE	HUNTERS	1,608	1,114	771	1,200	1,592	1,203	1,919	2,599	2,731	4,551
	HARVEST	6,174	3,564	1,420	2,835	4,552	6,256	4,130	9,241	14,160	29,152
	DAYS	7,055	5,247	2,899	4,923	8,951	7,919	12,218	14,781	18,123	30,730
RUFFED GROUSE	HUNTERS	2,437	2,386	1,714	2,145	2,620	1,615	3,167	4,052	3,468	4,771
	HARVEST	8,451	8,324	3,968	6,153	5,446	2,960	8,145	9,887	11,608	17,109
	DAYS	12,725	11,673	8,414	10,908	14,628	7,886	18,898	21,226	19,238	28,537
BLUE GROUSE	HUNTERS	3,696	3,787	2,654	3,807	3,932	2,516	5,068	6,974	6,077	7,297
	HARVEST	9,420	8,932	5,306	8,363	8,418	5,702	11,221	18,443	15,689	19,809
	DAYS	15,929	17,574	11,520	16,716	20,408	11,060	25,437	35,490	29,665	37,257
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	HUNTERS	1,124	1,039	742	1,027	1,408	882	1,690	1,872	1,445	2,373
	HARVEST	3,929	2,381	1,316	1,411	3,990	2,575	3,505	5,089	2,888	5,660
	DAYS	4,209	4,107	2,215	3,892	7,030	4,085	6,998	8,916	6,849	11,311
MOURNING DOVE	HUNTERS	2,095	2,255	1,903	2,119	2,239	1,023	2,042	3,570	2,502	2,244
	HARVEST	24,873	23,920	18,242	20,420	25,482	9,526	20,966	38,415	26,752	24,229
	DAYS	6,931	6,758	5,201	6,637	8,167	3,656	7,030	12,808	8,725	8,397
DUCK	HUNTERS	6,146	6,047	5,625	5,592	5,767	3,919	6,929	7,862	6,491	6,622
	HARVEST	49,744	54,426	47,092	47,526	57,186	42,870	66,132	80,973	66,751	56,016
	DAYS	28,293	28,636	27,957	30,047	32,499	25,074	41,134	47,752	37,509	36,135
GOOSE	HUNTERS	4,732	5,215	5,077	4,895	5,725	3,124	7,155	7,599	5,596	5,753
	HARVEST	23,565	35,928	34,880	29,222	43,440	15,382	50,610	64,533	28,238	32,587
	DAYS	20,822	24,637	26,073	25,866	33,044	18,414	40,418	44,524	28,219	28,243

^a Due to irregularities in the 2020 survey, the 2020 estimates should be interpreted with caution. Only the pheasant estimates were deemed so egregious that they were omitted.

TABLE II
COTTONTAIL RABBIT
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	71	33	213
2	570	1,706	3,213
3	780	2,016	2,991
4	1,027	2,684	5,103
5	1,107	3,347	5,970
6	695	1,185	2,212
SPECIES TOTAL	3,966^a	10,971	19,702

^a A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

TABLE III
SNOWSHOE HARE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	64	19	415
2	85	73	237
3	152	69	655
4	220	167	902
5	271	239	1,733
6	136	66	383
SPECIES TOTAL	902^a	633	4,325

^a A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

TABLE IV
SQUIRREL
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	142	519	446
2	137	471	1,140
3	238	425	912
4	169	393	765
5	355	954	1,931
6	140	613	593
SPECIES TOTAL	1,129^a	3,375	5,787

TABLE V
PHEASANT
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	2,634	11,067	13,399
2	1,837	6,950	8,521
5	1,992	8,975	10,761
7	1,307	4,680	4,138
8 (Post-Springer Permit Hunt) ^a	1,114	3,963	2,277
8 (Springer Special Permit) ^b	1,099	1,982	1,099
8 (Springer Special Walk-On Permit) ^c	893	2,296	1,480
9	1,038	4,902	3,596
11	123	420	429
SPECIES TOTAL	10,447^d	45,235	45,700

^a Season following the Springer special permit period

^b Springer special permit period

^c Standby hunters during the Springer special permit period

^d A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

TABLE VI
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	57	210	215
2	2,957	23,003	19,193
3	730	3,224	3,502
4	446	1,892	2,358
5	64	160	283
6	1,138	4,644	4,662
SPECIES TOTAL	5,018^a	33,133	30,213

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TABLE VII
GRAY PARTRIDGE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	117	800	748
2	2,290	17,426	15,787
3	1,305	6,938	8,567
4	83	116	339
5	352	1,243	1,382
6	814	2,629	3,907
SPECIES TOTAL	4,551^a	29,152	30,730

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TABLE VIII
RUFFED GROUSE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	1,367	6,358	9,145
2	365	707	2,103
3	669	2,034	3,584
4	1,698	5,883	9,764
6	908	2,127	3,941
SPECIES TOTAL	4,771^a	17,109	28,537

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TABLE IX
DUSKY (BLUE) GROUSE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	911	1,553	5,529
2	747	2,092	3,189
3	1,223	3,460	4,920
4	2,035	5,178	10,988
5	1,857	5,685	8,722
6	968	1,841	3,909
SPECIES TOTAL	7,297^a	19,809	37,257

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TABLE X
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
3	1,433	4,026	7,953
5	791	1,567	2,848
6	149	67	510
SPECIES TOTAL	2,373^a	5,660	11,311

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TABLE XI
MOURNING DOVE
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024

AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	21	53	65
2	365	3,627	1,649
3	271	1,843	1,068
4	266	1,605	1,140
5	938	13,697	2,941
6	430	3,404	1,534
SPECIES TOTAL	2,244^a	24,229	8,397

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TABLE XII
DUCK
 HARVEST ESTIMATES
 BY HUNT AREA
 2024-2025

AREA	AREA NAME	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	266	2,541	1,436
1B	Tongue - Little	335	2,283	1,805
1C	Central North Platte River	1,043	8,444	5,961
2A	Lower Platte River	1,088	6,701	4,937
2B	South Platte River	89	640	431
3A	Upper North Platte River	447	4,590	2,394
4A	Big Horn River Basin	1,418	12,596	7,393
4B ^b	Yellowstone River - YNP	-	-	-
4C	Wind River Basin	679	5,759	3,448
4D	Sweetwater River	44	111	87
5A	Snake River	281	998	952
5B	Upper Green River Basin	275	2,514	1,445
5C	Salt River	284	2,556	1,514
5D	Lower Bear River	151	809	384
5E	Great Divide Basin	32	216	216
5F	Lower Green River Basin	354	2,536	1,610
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	241	1,632	1,153
5H	Upper Bear River	116	681	389
5I	Little Snake	89	409	580
SPECIES TOTAL		6,622^a	56,016	36,135

^a A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

^b No hunting activity was reported

TABLE XIII
EARLY GOOSE
HARVEST ESTIMATES
BY HUNT AREA
2024

AREA	AREA NAME	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
5A	Snake River	65	267	135
5B	Upper Green River Basin	60	89	134
5C	Salt River	27	42	52
5D	Lower Bear River	37	33	70
5E	Great Divide Basin	7	0	40
5F	Lower Green River Basin	185	466	427
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	71	262	161
5H	Upper Bear River	28	28	38
5I	Little Snake	13	138	79
SPECIES TOTAL		488^a	1,325	1,136

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TABLE XIV
REGULAR GOOSE
HARVEST ESTIMATES
BY HUNT AREA
2024-2025

AREA	AREA NAME	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	260	1,105	1,348
1B	Tongue - Little	127	1,201	725
1C	Central North Platte River	642	3,295	3,721
2A	Lower Platte River	1,977	11,120	8,603
2B	South Platte River	85	240	235
3A	Upper North Platte River	152	564	970
4A	Big Horn River Basin	1,133	8,059	5,670
4B ^b	Yellowstone River - YNP	-	-	-
4C	Wind River Basin	517	3,685	2,336
4D ^b	Sweetwater River	-	-	-
5A	Snake River	100	254	324
5B	Upper Green River Basin	140	203	629
5C	Salt River	96	461	647
5D	Lower Bear River	53	65	165
5E ^b	Great Divide Basin	-	-	-
5F	Lower Green River Basin	229	692	1,094
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	106	214	284
5H	Upper Bear River	70	93	186
5I	Little Snake	26	11	170
SPECIES TOTAL		5496^a	31,262	27,107

^a A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

^b No hunting activity was reported.

TABLE XV
ANNUAL COMBINED GOOSE
HARVEST ESTIMATES
BY HUNT AREA
2024-2025

AREA	AREA NAME	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	260	1,105	1,348
1B	Tongue - Little	127	1,201	725
1C	Central North Platte River	642	3,295	3,721
2A	Lower Platte River	1,977	11,120	8,603
2B	South Platte River	85	240	235
3A	Upper North Platte River	152	564	970
4A	Big Horn River Basin	1,133	8,059	5,670
4B ^b	Yellowstone River - YNP	-	-	-
4C	Wind River Basin	517	3,685	2,336
4D ^b	Sweetwater River	-	-	-
5A	Snake River	158	521	459
5B	Upper Green River Basin	166	292	763
5C	Salt River	109	503	699
5D	Lower Bear River	74	98	235
5E	Great Divide Basin	7	0	40
5F	Lower Green River Basin	348	1,158	1,521
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	152	476	445
5H	Upper Bear River	88	121	224
5I	Little Snake	26	149	249
SPECIES TOTAL		5,753^a	32,587	28,243

^a A sportsperson can contribute to the statewide total only once, but may add to the total for multiple areas.

^b No hunting activity was reported.

TABLE XVII
SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, AND MIGRATORY GAME BIRD
 LICENSE DATA SUMMARY
 STATEWIDE
 2024-2025

	TOTAL LICENSES ^a	NUMBER SURVEYED	NUMBER USABLE (HUNTERS AND NONHUNTERS)	SURVEY RESPONSE RATE (# USABLE/# SURVEYED)	TOTAL RESPONSE RATE (# USABLE/TOTAL LICENSES)
RESIDENT	46,552	41,134	7,288	17.7%	15.7%
NONRESIDENT	10,647	8,640	2,177	25.2%	20.4%
TOTAL	57,199	49,774	9,465	19.0%	16.5%

^a Includes all annual, daily, lifetime, pioneer and veteran licenses in the WGFD system.