

State	Public Land (including Walk-in) ¹	Number of Hunting Licenses Sold in 2017 ²	Acres Per Hunter	% OOS Hunters ²	Season Begin ³	Season End ³	Antlered Harvest ⁴	Antlerless Harvest ⁴	Total Harvest	Deer Harvested Per Hunting License Sold	Deer Population ⁵	Deer per Sq Mile
Alabama	3.3%	548,829	59	7%	Mid-Oct	Mid Feb	103,000	180,000	283,000	0.52	1,250,000	25
Arkansas	9.7%	340,200	98	26%	Late Sep	End of Feb	93,000	112,000	205,000	0.60	1,000,000	19
Connecticut	5.6%	39,488	78	3%	Mid Sep	End of Jan	7,000	4,500	11,500	0.29	100,000	21
Delaware	4.9%	18,323	68	12%	Beg of Sep	End of Jan	5,000	10,000	15,000	0.82	40,000	21
Florida	17.1%	190,526	180	5%	Beg of Aug	End of Feb	61,000	36,000	97,000	0.51	650,000	12
Georgia	3.3%	620,740	59	11%	Mid Sep	Mid Jan	139,000	242,000	381,000	0.61	1,200,000	21
Illinois	2.6%	314,135	113	9%	Beg of Oct	Mid Jan	68,000	79,000	147,000	0.47	850,000	15
Indiana	2.2%	270,875	85	5%	Beg of Oct	Early Jan	45,000	68,500	113,500	0.42	1,000,000	28
Iowa	0.8%	221,231	162	10%	Beg of Oct	Mid Jan	48,000	57,000	105,000	0.47	400,000	7
Kansas	3.1%	245,779	213	31%	Mid Sep	Mid Jan	41,000	37,000	78,000	0.32	623,000	8
Kentucky	3.2%	353,098	72	16%	Early Sep	Mid Jan	67,000	69,000	136,000	0.39	900,000	23
Louisiana	4.9%	395,322	70	8%	Late Sep	End of Jan	74,000	61,000	135,000	0.34	500,000	12
Maine	4.8%	166,051	119	14%	Early Sep	Mid Dec	18,000	9,000	27,000	0.16	250,000	8
Maryland	5.5%	123,833	50	18%	Early Sep	End of Jan	31,000	55,000	86,000	0.69	207,000	21
Massachusetts	4.6%	57,973	86	6%	Early Oct	End of Dec	8,000	5,300	13,300	0.23	100,000	13
Michigan	20.3%	719,850	50	2%	Beg of Oct	End of Dec	226,000	150,000	376,000	0.52	1,750,000	31
Minnesota	16.2%	564,694	90	3%	Mid Sep	End of Dec	101,000	96,000	197,000	0.35	1,000,000	13
Mississippi	4.2%	298,637	101	22%	Beg of Oct	Mid Feb	95,000	99,000	194,000	0.65	1,800,000	38
Missouri	5.7%	499,489	88	4%	Mid Sep	Mid Jan	136,000	148,000	284,000	0.57	1,400,000	20
Nebraska	2.1%	175,468	280	20%	Beg of Sep	Mid Jan	29,000	18,000	47,000	0.27	375,000	5
New Hampshire	17.3%	59,318	97	14%	Mid Sep	Mid Dec	7,700	4,600	12,300	0.21	100,000	11
New Jersey	15.7%	75,248	63	28%	Mid Sep	End of Dec	20,000	28,500	48,500	0.64	133,000	18
New York	12.7%	572,992	53	6%	Beg of Oct	End of Dec	108,000	95,000	203,000	0.35	950,000	20
North Carolina	4.4%	573,712	54	7%	Early Sep	End of Dec	85,000	77,000	162,000	0.28	1,000,000	21
North Dakota	6.3%	140,243	315	29%	Beg of Sep	Early Jan	23,000	13,000	36,000	0.26	90,000	1
Ohio	2.5%	394,598	66	10%	Late Sep	Early Feb	78,000	108,000	186,000	0.47	800,000	20
Oklahoma	2.2%	431,077	102	7%	Beg of Oct	Mid Jan	64,000	43,000	107,000	0.25	500,000	7
Pennsylvania	14.6%	984,637	29	4%	Late Sep	End of Jan	164,000	203,000	367,000	0.37	1,500,000	34
Rhode Island	9.1%	8,797	75	13%	Mid Sep	End of Jan	800	1,100	1,900	0.22	19,000	18
South Carolina	4.3%	212,621	90	12%	Mid Aug	End of Dec	94,000	91,000	185,000	0.87	730,000	24
South Dakota	7.4%	223,394	217	34%	Beg of Sep	End of Dec	28,000	17,000	45,000	0.20	300,000	4
Tennessee	8.9%	717,256	37	5%	Late Sep	Mid Jan	77,000	66,500	143,500	0.20	850,000	21
Texas	1.5%	1,148,765	146	5%	Beg of Oct	End of Jan	506,000	411,000	917,000	0.80	5,400,000	21
Vermont	7.8%	71,807	82	9%	Early Oct	Mid Dec	9,500	6,500	16,000	0.22	135,000	15
Virginia	7.9%	277,281	91	5%	Beg of Oct	Early Jan	95,000	95,000	190,000	0.69	850,000	22
West Virginia	9.6%	219,990	70	20%	Beg of Oct	End of Dec	61,000	47,000	108,000	0.49	500,000	21
Wisconsin	14.9%	700,843	49	5%	Mid Sep	Early Jan	159,000	161,000	320,000	0.46	1,800,000	33

1 - Data from Backcountry Chronicles (<https://www.backcountrychronicles.com/public-hunting-land/>) and state websites for walk-in programs

2 - Hunting license data from the US Fish & Wildlife Service (<https://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/LicenseInfo/Nat%20Hunting%20License%20Report%202017.pdf>)

3 - Data from Hunt Central (<https://www.onxmaps.com/maps/hunting/>)

4 - Data from the QDMA Whitetail Report 2019 (<https://www.qdma.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/2019-WR.pdf>)

5 - Various data from across the internet