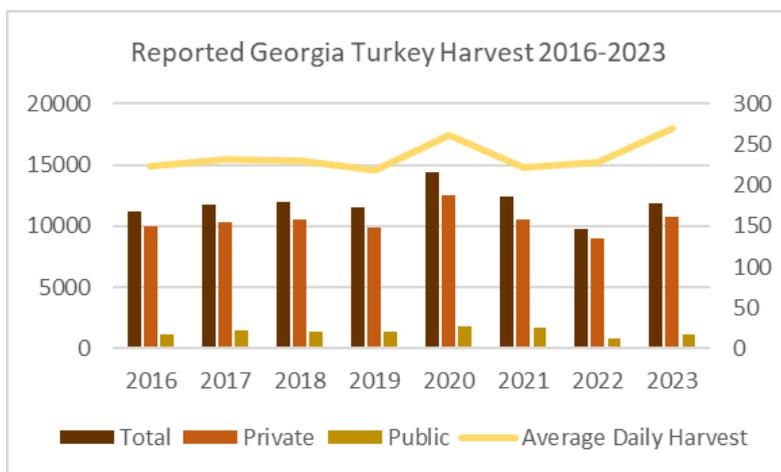


### Harvest Reporting – Game Check

The 2023 spring turkey season was the second season under the new statewide turkey regulations. As expected, total reported harvest remained slightly lower than totals prior to the regulation changes on both public and private lands. However, the average daily harvest was higher than previous years, suggesting a successful season.

Harvested turkeys reported to Game Check

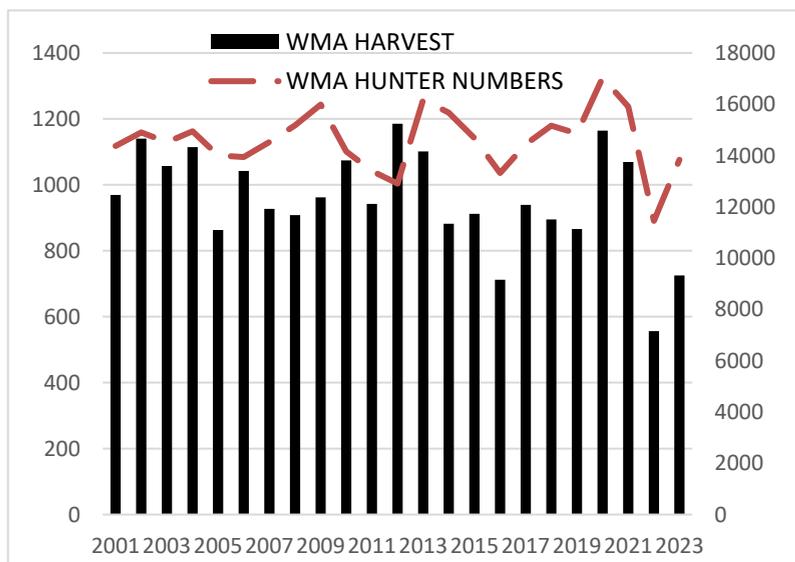
2016	11,229
2017	11,781
2018	11,948
2019	11,521
2020	14,412
2021	12,147
2022	9,809
2023	11,911



### Wildlife Management Area Harvest

The 2023 season produced a slight harvest bump compared to 2022 but was still down from previous seasons as the second year under adjusted regulations. WMA hunters harvested 707 gobblers, up 27% from 2022's total harvest. Jakes comprised 10% of the WMA harvest. Overall, hunters had a success rate of 5.0% on wildlife management areas in Georgia.

Georgia WMA Harvest and Hunter use 2001-2023



Top Five WMAs for Total Harvest, 2023

Area	Total Harvest
Paulding Forest	32
Bullard Creek	26
Coopers Creek	24
Redlands	24
Dawson Forest	23

Top Five WMAs (>1000ac) for Hunter Success, 2023

Area	% Hunter Success
River Creek	55%
Rum Creek	31%
Chattahoochee Fall Line VPA	24%
Charles B. Hensen VPA	18%
Chattahoochee Fall Line – Blackjack	18%