

# GEORGIA DEER HARVEST SUMMARY 2003 – 2004

April 15, 2004 (Revised September 2005)

TOTAL HARVEST----- 417,285 (+2% <sup>A</sup> )	Licensed Resident Deer Hunters-----202,457 (-12%)
PERCENT DOES----- 61.1%	Non-Resident Deer Hunters----- 30,888 (+74%)
TOTAL BUCKS----- 162,324 (+5%)	<u>Honorary Deer Hunters-- ----- 30,207 (-6%)</u>
TOTAL DOES----- 254,961 (0%)	TOTAL DEER HUNTERS----- 263,552 (-6%)
AVERAGE DEER PER HUNTER----- 1.6 (+7%)	PERCENT SUCCESSFUL HUNTERS---- 59.0%
AVERAGE DAYS PER DEER----- 13.3 (-7%)	
AVERAGE DAYS PER HUNTER----- 21.9 (+6%)	

## MODERN FIREARM HARVEST

(95% of deer hunters hunted with modern firearms)

Tot. Gun Hunters----- 250,778 (-7%)	Gun Bucks----- 135,438 (-1%)	% Successful Hunters----56.1%
Tot. Gun Harvest----- 346,388 (+3%)	Gun Does----- 210,950 (+5%)	Avg. Deer Per Hunter---- 1.43
% of Total Harvest--- 83.0%	% Does----- 60.9%	Avg. Days Per Deer----- 12.7
		Avg. Days Per Hunter--- 18.2

## ARCHERY HARVEST

(Includes crossbow data; 36.7% of hunters hunted with archery equipment)

Tot. Archers----- 96,723 (-1%)	Archery Bucks---- 13,159 (+109%)	% Successful Hunters---- 29.3%
Tot. Archery Harvest- 49,657 (+31%)	Archery Does----- 36,498 (+16%)	Avg. Deer Per Hunter---- 0.53
% of Total Harvest---11.9%	% Does----- 73.5%	Avg. Days Per Deer----- 23.8
		Avg. Days Per Hunter---- 12.6

Crossbow Hunters -----23,919 (+38%)

Crossbow Harvest----- 11,720 (+165%) (23% of Archery Harvest, 3% of Total Harvest)

## MUZZLELOADER HARVEST

(24.7% of hunters hunted with muzzleloaders)

Tot. Mzl. Hunters----- 65,048 (+1%)	Mzl. Bucks--- 5,571 (-18%)	% Successful Hunters----- 21.0%
Tot. Mzl. Harvest----- 20,864 (-12%)	Mzl. Does---- 15,293 (-10%)	Avg. Deer Per Hunter----- 0.32
% of Total Harvest----- 5.0%	% Does----- 73.3%	Avg. Days Per Deer----- 13.5
		Avg. Days Per Hunter----- 4.5

## HUNTER SUCCESS SUMMARY

All Deer	Bucks	Does
40.6% of hunters killed 0 deer	57.8% of hunters killed 0 bucks	56.4% of hunters killed 0 does
21.2% of hunters killed 1 deer	27.8% of hunters killed 1 buck	19.4% of hunters killed 1 doe
15.4% of hunters killed 2 deer	12.5% of hunters killed 2 bucks	11.2% of hunters killed 2 does
8.3% of hunters killed 3 deer	1.9% of hunters killed 3	5.3% of hunters killed 3 does
5.1% of hunters killed 4 deer	or more bucks	2.9% of hunters killed 4 does
3.3% of hunters killed 5 deer		1.7% of hunters killed 5 does
2.5% of hunters killed 6 deer		1.1% of hunters killed 6 does
0.9% of hunters killed 7 deer		0.6% of hunters killed 7 does

<sup>A</sup> Percent change from the 2002-2003 survey

2.5% of hunters killed 8  
or more deer

1.2% of hunters killed 8  
or more does

Estimated Georgia Deer Harvest for all Hunters (any method) by DMU, 2003-2004.

DMU	Total Deer (% change)	% of Total Harvest	% Does	Total Bucks (% change)	Total Does (% change)	Total Hunters (%change)	Deer/ Hunter
1	18,360(+21%)	4.4	50.0	9,180 (+12)	9,180 (+31%)	26,618 (+13%)	0.69
2	55,081(+5%)	13.2	60.6	21,702 (+3%)	33,379 (+6%)	53,765 (+5%)	1.02
3	19,612 (+65%)	4.7	61.0	7,649 (+85%)	11,963 (+54%)	17,658 (+11%)	1.11
4	89,299(+19%)	21.0	66.9	29,558(-2%)	59,741 (+33%)	60,880 (-4%)	1.47
5	93,054(+8%)	22.3	67.9	29,870 (8%)	63,184 (+18%)	69,050 (-5%)	1.35
6	35,469 (-30%)	8.5	62.4	13,336 (-30%)	22,133 (-29%)	39,256 (-0.5%)	0.90
7	47,571 (-2%)	11.4	62.7	17,811(+8%)	29,760 (-8%)	34,262 (-11%)	1.39
8	41,311 (-7%)	9.9	43.9	23,175 (+46%)	18,136 (-37%)	29,518 (-8%)	1.41
9	18,778(-27%)	4.5	58.6	7,774 (-40%)	11,004 (-15%)	16,604 (-21%)	1.13

Estimated Georgia Deer Harvest for all Hunters (any method) by Physiographic Region, 2003-2004.

	Total Deer (% change)	% of Total Harvest	% Does	Total Bucks (% change)	Total Does (%change)	Total Hunters (%change)	Deer/ Hunter
Ridge & Valley	32,131 (-6%)	7.7	64.4	11,439 (-25%)	20,692 (+7%)	27,409 (-2%)	1.18
Blue Ridge	7,511 (+67%)	1.8	61.2	2,914 (+39%)	4,597 (+91%)	12,123 (+24%)	0.62
Piedmont	218,657 (+16%)	52.5	65.1	76,311 (+6%)	142,346 (+23%)	150,752 (0%)	1.46
U. Coastal Plain	108,077 (-12%)	25.9	60.8	42,366 (-1%)	65,711 (-18%)	79,593 (-12%)	1.36
L. Coastal Plain	50,491 (-16%)	12.1	49.7	25,397 (-2%)	25,094 (-27%)	35,580 (-12%)	1.43

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