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New York State Black Bear Harvest Summary 2012



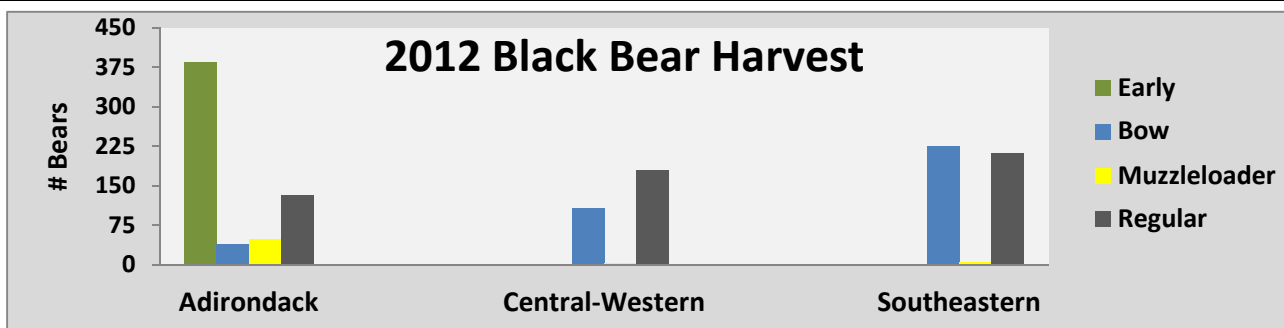
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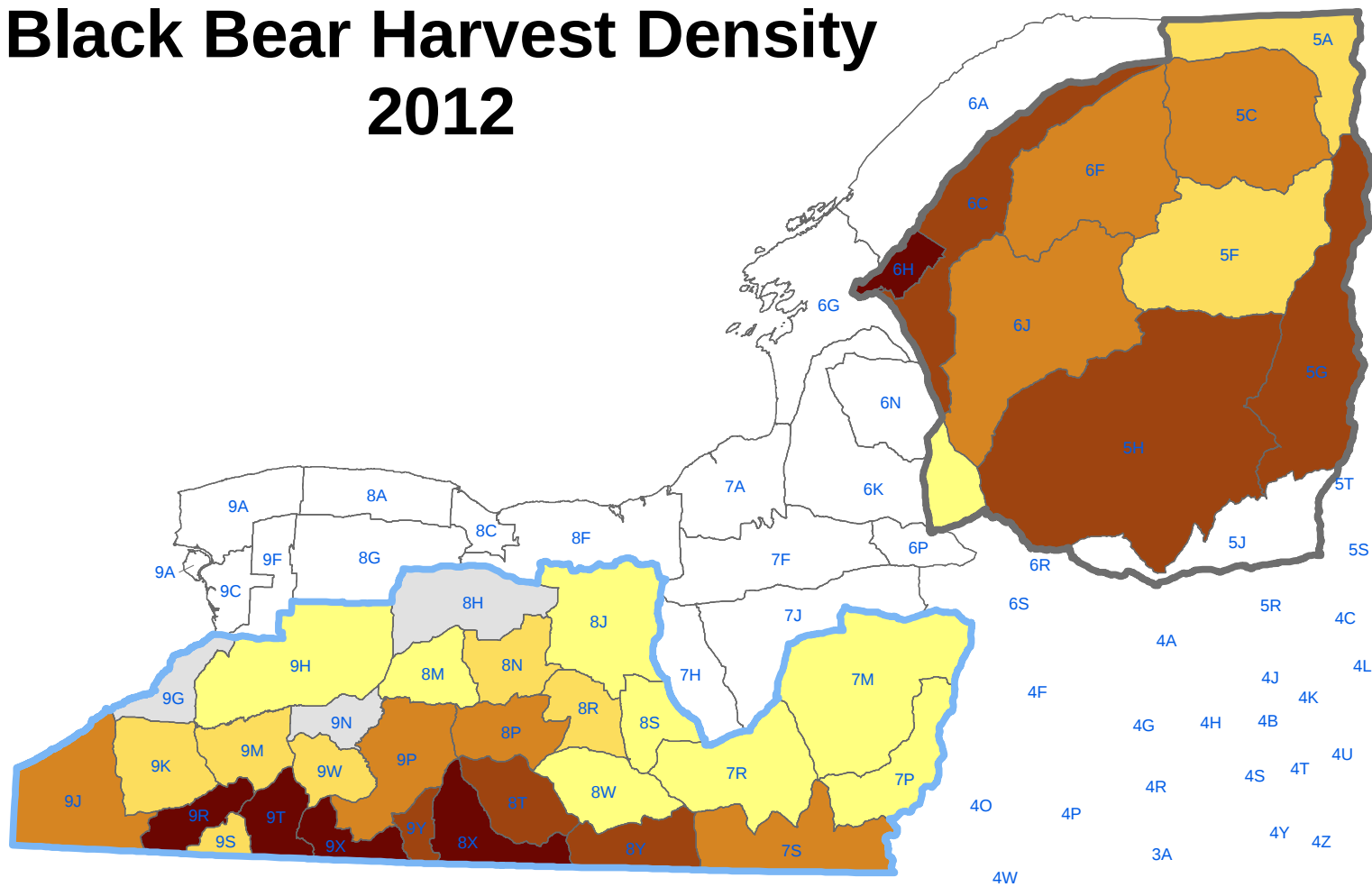


2012 Bear Harvest Summary and Recent Trend Comparison

	2012	2011	5-Year Average (2007-2011)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Bear Range				
<u>Adirondack</u>	606	275	547	515
Early	386	70	228	172
Bow	39	3	25	15
Muzzleloader	49	9	74	25
Regular	132	193	221	303
% Female : % Male	40% - 60%	49% - 51%	42% - 58%	43% - 57%
Southern Bear Range				
<u>Central - Western</u>	289	353	197	38
Bow	107	98	81	13
Muzzleloader	2	9	7	1
Regular	180	246	109	24
% Female : % Male	43% - 57%	36% - 64%	38% - 62%	29% - 71%
<u>Southeastern</u>	442	630	500	169
Bow	225	192	174	41
Muzzleloader	4	12	6	0
Regular	213	426	319	128
% Female : % Male	38% - 62%	41% - 59%	40% - 60%	39% - 61%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2012

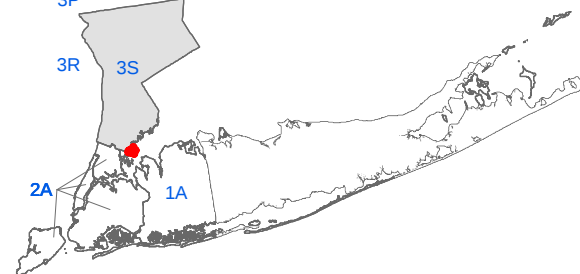


Bear Hunting Areas

-  Adirondack
-  Central-Western
-  Southeastern
-  WMUs

Bears per 100 Square Miles

-  0
-  0.1 - 1.0
-  1.1 - 2.5
-  2.6 - 5.0
-  5.1 - 10.0
-  10.1 - 21.0



**2012 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT**

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

**ADIRONDACK RANGE**

WMU	E	B	M	R	T
5A	11	1	1	1	14
5C	30	3	6	16	55
5F	14	2	5	7	28
5G	42	6	4	14	66
5H	112	9	8	36	165
5J	21	7	6	10	44
6C	47	4	5	7	63
6F	33	5	4	7	49
6H	20	2	1	13	36
6J	54	0	9	15	78
6K	2	0	0	6	8

ADIRONDACK TOTAL	606
EARLY	386
BOWHUNTING	39
MUZZLELOADER	49
REGULAR	132

CENTRAL-WESTERN RANGE

WMU	B	M	R	T
7M	1	0	0	1
7P	1	0	1	2
7R	0	0	2	2
7S	10	0	8	18
8J	1	0	0	1
8M	1	0	2	3
8N	1	0	4	5
8P	7	0	4	11
8R	1	0	3	4
8S	0	0	1	1
8T	10	1	16	27
8W	2	0	2	4
8X	14	0	33	47
8Y	11	0	11	22

9H	0	0	2	2
9J	7	0	20	27
9K	3	1	4	8
9M	0	0	4	4
9P	6	0	10	16
9R	5	0	17	22
9S	0	0	1	1
9T	10	0	16	26
9W	2	0	4	6
9X	8	0	14	22
9Y	6	0	1	7

CENTRAL-WESTERN TOTAL	289
BOWHUNTING	107
MUZZLELOADER	2
REGULAR	180

SOUTHEASTERN RANGE

WMU	B	M	R	T
3A	22	0	18	40
3C	39	0	12	51
3G	1	0	1	2
3H	15	0	13	28
3J	17	0	5	22
3K	26	1	52	79
3M	36	1	31	68
3P	4	0	4	8
3R	1	0	0	1
4C	1	1	2	4
4F	1	0	6	7
4G	5	0	5	10
4H	3	0	2	5
4L	3	0	1	4
4O	8	0	18	26
4P	10	0	10	20
4R	11	1	12	24

4S	7	0	1	8
4U	0	0	2	2
4W	12	0	12	24
4Y	1	0	0	1
5S	1	0	6	7
5T	1	0	0	1

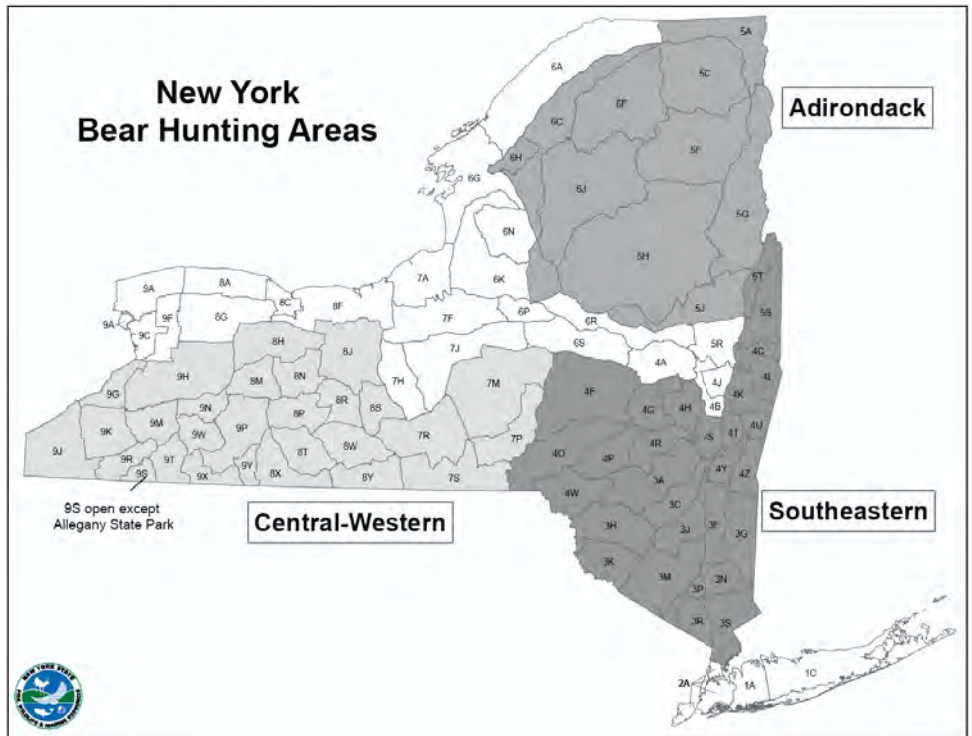
SOUTHEASTERN TOTAL	442
BOWHUNTING	225
MUZZLELOADER	4
REGULAR	213

STATEWIDE TOTAL	1,337
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NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*

ADIRONDACK	E	B	M	R	T
MALE	216	28	34	77	355
FEMALE	159	11	14	55	238
CENTRAL-WESTERN		B	M	R	T
MALE		60	1	97	158
FEMALE		45	1	73	119
SOUTHEASTERN		B	M	R	T
MALE		134	1	136	271
FEMALE		86	2	75	163

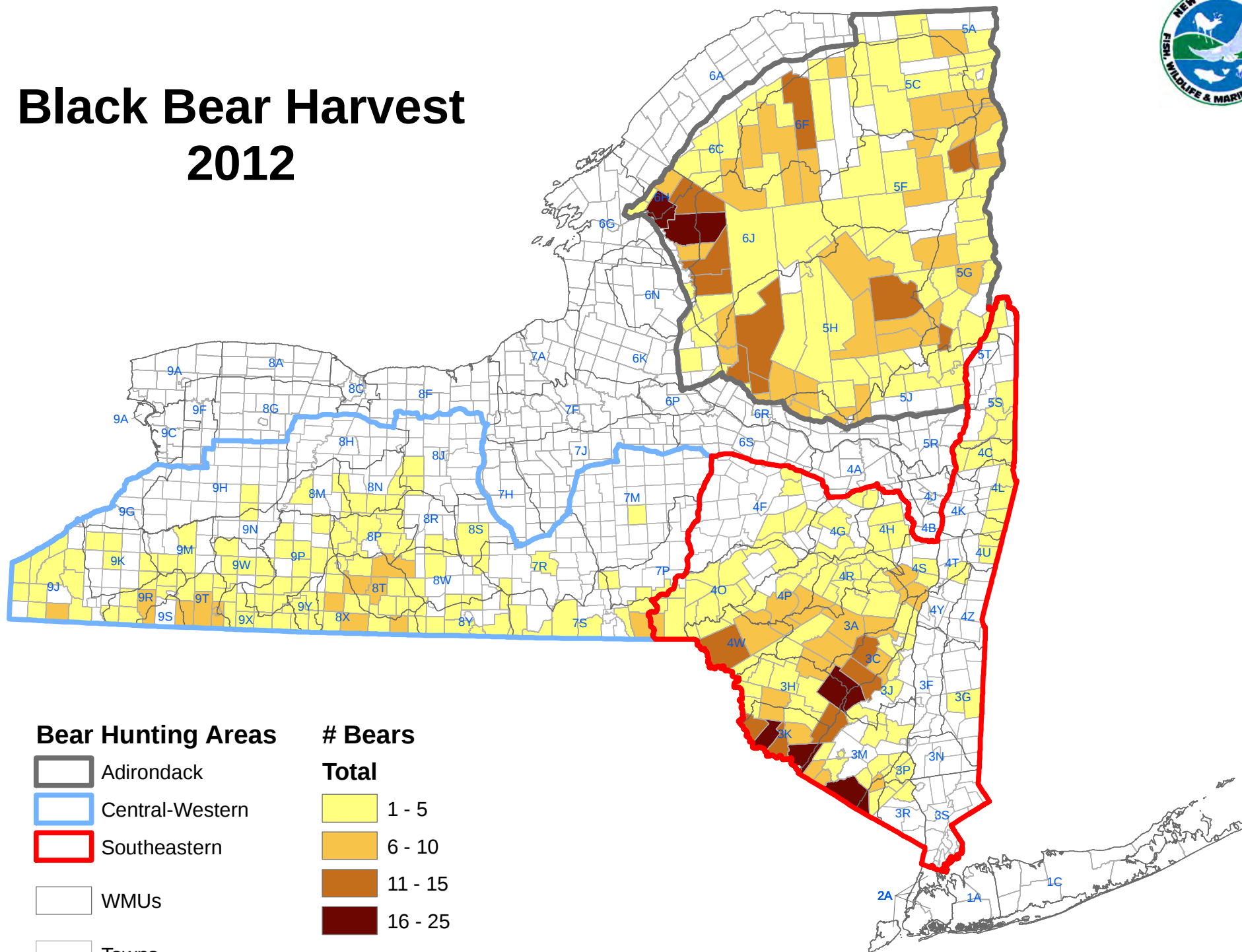
*Sex was not reported for all harvested bears.



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Black Bear Harvest 2012



**2012 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY***

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ADIRONDACK RANGE																	
						Mayfield	7	1	1	0	9						
						Northampton	0	3	0	1	4						
						Oppenheim	5	1	1	3	10						
						Stratford	4	0	2	3	9						
						TOTAL	25	6	5	11	47						
						HAMILTON	E	B	M	R	T						
						Arietta	0	0	0	2	2						
						Benson	4	0	0	0	4						
						Hope	4	0	0	1	5						
						Indian Lake	4	4	0	2	10						
						Lake Pleasant	1	0	0	0	1						
						Long Lake	5	0	0	0	5						
						Morehouse	0	0	0	2	2						
						Wells	7	1	0	1	9						
						TOTAL	25	5	0	8	38						
						HERKIMER	E	B	M	R	T						
						Fairfield	10	0	0	0	10						
						Newport	2	0	0	0	2						
						Norway	10	0	1	3	14						
						Ohio	9	0	1	4	14						
						Russia	8	1	1	3	13						
						Salisbury	2	2	2	2	8						
						Webb	5	0	0	0	5						
						TOTAL	46	3	5	12	66						
						JEFFERSON	E	B	M	R	T						
						Antwerp	2	0	0	5	7						
						Le Ray	4	0	0	0	4						
						Philadelphia	4	1	0	0	5						
						Wilna	14	1	1	6	22						
						TOTAL	24	2	1	11	38						
						LEWIS	E	B	M	R	T						
						Croghan	15	0	1	9	25						
						Diana	10	0	1	3	14						
						Greig	7	1	2	2	12						
						Lewis	2	0	0	2	4						
						Leyden	1	0	0	1	2						
						Lyonsdale	4	0	0	0	4						
						New Bremen	5	2	2	0	9						
						Turin	0	0	3	0	3						
						Watson	8	0	1	2	11						
						TOTAL	52	3	10	19	84						
						ONEIDA	E	B	M	R	T						
						Boonville	0	0	0	3	3						
						Forestport	5	0	1	1	7						
						Remsen	5	0	2	1	8						
						Trenton	2	0	0	2	4						
						Western	0	0	0	2	2						
						TOTAL	12	0	3	9	24						
						CLINTON	E	B	M	R	T						
						Altona	7	0	0	0	7						
						Ausable	6	0	0	1	7						
						Beekmantown	1	0	0	2	3						
						Black Brook	6	0	1	3	10						
						Chazy	0	1	0	0	1						
						Clinton	2	0	0	2	4						
						Ellenburg	1	0	2	1	4						
						Peru	4	0	1	4	9						
						Plattsburgh	1	0	0	0	1						
						Saranac	2	1	1	1	5						
						Schuyler Falls	3	0	0	0	3						
						TOTAL	33	2	5	14	54						
						ESSEX	E	B	M	R	T						
						Chesterfield	7	1	0	0	8						
						Crown Point	0	0	0	3	3						
						Elizabethtown	0	1	0	1	2						
						Essex	3	0	0	3	6						
						Jay	1	0	0	2	3						
						Keene	4	0	2	0	6						
						Lewis	4	2	3	3	12						
						Minerva	1	0	0	0	1						
						Moriah	2	1	0	2	5						
						Newcomb	2	0	0	0	2						
						North Elba	1	1	0	0	2						
						Schroon	7	1	0	1	9						
						Ticonderoga	3	0	0	0	3						
						Westport	1	0	1	0	2						
						Willsboro	0	0	1	0	1						
						Wilmington	1	0	3	4	8						
						TOTAL	37	7	10	19	73						
						FRANKLIN	E	B	M	R	T						
						Bellmont	2	0	0	1	3						
						Brandon	7	0	0	0	7						
						Dickinson	3	0	2	0	5						
						Duane	0	2	0	0	2						
						Franklin	4	0	0	0	4						
						Harrietstown	1	0	0	0	1						
						Malone	4	0	0	0	4						
						Tupper Lake	1	1	0	3	5						
						Waverly	1	0	2	1	4						
						TOTAL	23	3	4	5	35						
						FULTON	E	B	M	R	T						
						Bleecker	3	0	0	2	5						
						Caroga	1	0	0	0	1						
						Ephratah	2	0	0	0	2						
						Johnstown	3	1	1	2	7						
						SARATOGA	E	B	M	R	T						
						Corinth	0	0	1	1	2						
						Day	2	0	0	0	2						
						Edinburg	1	0	0	0	1						
						Moreau	0	1	1	0	2						
						Northumberland	0	0	0	2	2						
						TOTAL	3	1	2	3	9						
						ST LAWRENCE	E	B	M	R	T						
						Clare	5	0	0	1	6						
						Clifton	1	1	0	0	2						
						Colton	5	0	0	1	6						
						De Kalb	2	0	0	0	2						
						Edwards	5	0	0	0	5						
						Fine	7	0	1	0	8						
						Fowler	3	0	0	0	3						
						Hermon	5	0	0	0	5						
						Hopkinton	8	3	0	4	15						
						Parishville	4	0	0	1	5						
						Piercefield	4	0	0	3	7						
						Pierrepont	2	0	0	0	2						
						Pitcairn	4	0	0	0	4						
						Russell	0	1	2	0	3						
						TOTAL	55	5	3	10	73						
						WARREN	E	B	M	R	T						
						Bolton	0	1	1	0	2						
						Chester	0	0	0	2	2						
						Glens Falls	1	0	0	0	1						
						Hague	5	0	0	2	7						
						Horicon	1	0	0	0	1						
						Johnsburg	9	0	0	2	11						
						Lake George	12	0	0	0	12						
						Lake Luzerne	2	0	0	0	2						
						Queensbury	3	0	0	0	3						
						Stony Creek	5	0	0	3	8						
						Thurman	6	0	0	1	7						
						Warrensburg	6	0	0	0	6						
						TOTAL	50	1	1	10	62						
						WASHINGTON	E	B	M	R	T						
						Fort Ann	1	0	0	1	2						
						Putnam	0	1	0	0	1						
						TOTAL	1	1	0	1	3						
						ADIRONDACK TOTAL										606	
						EARLY										386	
						BOWHUNTING										39	
						MUZZLELOADER										49	
						REGULAR										132	

CENTRAL-WESTERN RANGE

ALLEGANY	B	M	R	T
Allen	0	0	1	1
Alma	3	0	2	5
Almond	1	0	1	2
Amity	0	0	1	1
Andover	1	0	0	1
Belfast	1	0	0	1
Birdsall	1	0	0	1
Bolivar	0	0	4	4
Clarksville	0	0	4	4
Friendship	1	0	3	4
Genesee	1	0	1	2
Granger	2	0	0	2
Independence	2	0	1	3
New Hudson	0	0	1	1
Scio	2	0	1	3
Ward	0	0	1	1
Wellsville	1	0	1	2
West Almond	1	0	0	1
Willing	1	0	1	2
Wirt	1	0	1	2
TOTAL	19	0	24	43
BROOME	B	M	R	T
Barker	1	0	0	1
Colesville	1	0	0	1
Kirkwood	2	0	0	2
Vestal	2	0	0	2
Windsor	2	0	4	6
TOTAL	8	0	4	12
CATTARAUGUS	B	M	R	T
Allegany	4	0	5	9
Ashford	0	0	1	1
Carrollton	1	0	6	7
Cold Spring	2	0	5	7
Ellicottville	0	0	1	1
Farmersville	0	0	1	1
Great Valley	0	0	1	1
Hinsdale	0	0	1	1
Humphrey	2	0	0	2
Ischua	0	0	2	2
Little Valley	0	0	1	1
Lyndon	0	0	1	1
Mansfield	0	0	1	1
Napoli	1	0	1	2
New Albion	0	0	1	1
Olean	3	0	3	6
Portville	3	0	1	4
Randolph	2	0	3	5
Salamanca	0	0	1	1
South Valley	0	0	5	5
TOTAL	18	0	41	59

CHAUTAUQUA

	B	M	R	T
Arkwright	0	1	0	1
Busti	0	0	1	1
Carroll	1	0	1	2
Chautauqua	2	0	3	5
Cherry Creek	2	0	2	4
Clymer	0	0	1	1
Ellery	1	0	0	1
Harmony	1	0	8	9
Mina	0	0	2	2
Portland	0	0	1	1
Ripley	0	0	1	1
Sherman	0	0	2	2
Stockton	1	0	0	1
Villanova	0	0	2	2
Westfield	2	0	1	3
TOTAL	10	1	25	36

CHEMUNG

	B	M	R	T
Ashland	2	0	0	2
Big Flats	0	0	4	4
Chemung	0	0	1	1
Horseheads	1	0	1	2
Southport	2	0	1	3
Van Etten	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	6	0	7	13

CHENANGO

	B	M	R	T
Afton	0	0	1	1
Pharsalia	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	1	2

LIVINGSTON

	B	M	R	T
Conesus	0	0	1	1
Mount Morris	1	0	0	1
Ossian	0	0	1	1
Springwater	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	1	0	4	5

ONTARIO

	B	M	R	T
Gorham	1	0	0	1
Naples	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	1	0	2	3

SCHUYLER

	B	M	R	T
Catharine	0	0	1	1
Hector	0	0	1	1
Orange	0	0	1	1
Reading	0	0	1	1
Tyrone	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	0	4	5

STEUBEN

	B	M	R	T
Addison	1	0	3	4
Bath	3	0	4	7
Cameron	3	1	2	6

Campbell	2	0	0	2
Canisteo	2	0	6	8
Caton	0	0	2	2
Cohocton	1	0	1	2
Dansville	2	0	0	2
Erwin	3	0	2	5
Fremont	1	0	0	1
Greenwood	3	0	5	8
Hartsville	1	0	2	3
Hornellsville	0	0	2	2
Howard	0	0	1	1
Jasper	0	0	4	4
Lindley	3	0	2	5
Prattsburg	1	0	1	2
Rathbone	2	0	1	3
Thurston	0	0	2	2
Troupsburg	1	0	5	6
Tuscarora	4	0	4	8
Urbana	1	0	0	1
Wayland	1	0	0	1
West Union	0	0	4	4
Wheeler	1	0	2	3
Woodhull	2	0	3	5
TOTAL	38	1	58	97

TIOGA	B	M	R	T
Barton	2	0	0	2
Nichols	2	0	2	4
Owego	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	4	0	4	8

TOMPKINS	B	M	R	T
Caroline	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	0	1	1

WYOMING	B	M	R	T
Eagle	0	0	1	1
Wethersfield	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	0	2	2

YATES	B	M	R	T
Italy	0	0	1	1
Middlesex	0	0	1	1
Potter	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	0	3	3

CENTRAL-WESTERN TOTAL 289

BOWHUNTING 107

MUZZLELOADER 2

REGULAR 180

SOUTHEASTERN RANGE

ALBANY	B	M	R	T
Berne	0	0	1	1

* Only counties and towns with bear harvests are reported here.

Rensselaerville	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	23	1	13	37	Forestburg	6	0	4	10
Westerlo	1	0	0	1						Fremont	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	2	0	1	3	ORANGE	B	M	R	T	Highland	4	0	14	18
					Blooming Grove	2	0	0	2	Liberty	1	0	2	3
BROOME	B	M	R	T	Chester	1	0	1	2	Lumberland	4	1	6	11
Colesville	0	0	1	1	Cornwall	2	0	0	2	Mamakating	3	0	10	13
Sanford	1	0	3	4	Deerpark	6	0	13	19	Neversink	6	0	0	6
Windsor	1	0	3	4	Greenville	2	1	6	9	Rockland	3	0	0	3
TOTAL	2	0	7	9	Highlands	1	0	1	2	Thompson	1	0	2	3
					Middletown City	0	0	1	1	Tusten	1	0	11	12
CHENANGO	B	M	R	T	Minisink	3	0	4	7	TOTAL	41	1	56	98
Afton	1	0	1	2	Monroe	6	0	0	6					
TOTAL	1	0	1	2	Montgomery	2	0	0	2	ULSTER	B	M	R	T
					Mount Hope	3	0	1	4	Denning	2	0	5	7
COLUMBIA	B	M	R	T	Newburgh	0	0	1	1	Hardenburgh	3	0	0	3
Canaan	0	0	1	1	Tuxedo	0	0	1	1	Hurley	2	0	0	2
Ghent	1	0	0	1	Warwick	14	0	11	25	Marbletown	5	0	5	10
New Lebanon	0	0	1	1	Wawayanda	0	0	2	2	New Paltz	3	0	0	3
TOTAL	1	0	2	3	Wawayanda	2	0	0	2	Olive	8	0	3	11
					Woodbury	1	0	1	2	Rochester	12	0	3	15
DELAWARE	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	45	1	43	89	Rosendale	2	0	0	2
Andes	3	0	4	7						Saugerties	4	0	1	5
Bovina	1	0	2	3	OTSEGO	B	M	R	T	Shandaken	4	0	4	8
Colchester	4	0	3	7	Cherry Valley	0	0	1	1	Shawangunk	1	0	3	4
Davenport	0	0	2	2	Maryland	1	0	0	1	Ulster	4	0	1	5
Deposit	2	0	2	4	Roseboom	0	0	1	1	Wawarsing	12	0	4	16
Franklin	0	0	3	3	Worcester	0	0	1	1	Woodstock	2	0	4	6
Hamden	1	0	1	2	TOTAL	1	0	3	4	TOTAL	64	0	33	97
Hancock	7	0	8	15										
Kortright	0	0	2	2	RENSSELAER	B	M	R	T	WASHINGTON	B	M	R	T
Masonville	1	0	0	1	Berlin	1	0	1	2	Cambridge	0	0	1	1
Middletown	4	0	3	7	Hoosick	1	0	1	2	Jackson	1	0	1	2
Roxbury	3	0	2	5	Petersburg	1	0	0	1	Salem	0	0	2	2
Sidney	2	0	1	3	Pittstown	0	0	1	1	White Creek	0	0	2	2
Stamford	1	0	1	2	Schaghticoke	0	1	0	1	Whitehall	1	0	0	1
Tompkins	2	0	2	4	Stephentown	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	2	0	6	8
Walton	1	0	1	2	TOTAL	4	1	3	8					
TOTAL	32	0	37	69						SOUTHEASTERN TOTAL				442
					ROCKLAND	B	M	R	T	BOWHUNTING				225
DUTCHESS	B	M	R	T	Stony Point	1	0	0	1	MUZZLELOADER				4
Dover	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	1	0	0	1	REGULAR				213
Union Vale	0	0	1	1										
TOTAL	1	0	1	2	SCHOHARIE	B	M	R	T					
					Conesville	1	0	1	2					
GREENE	B	M	R	T	Fulton	2	0	1	3					
Ashland	0	0	1	1	Gilboa	2	0	2	4					
Athens	0	0	1	1	Schoharie	0	0	1	1					
Cairo	5	0	1	6	Summit	0	0	1	1					
Catskill	7	0	1	8	Wright	0	0	1	1					
Coxsackie	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	5	0	7	12					
Durham	4	0	1	5										
Halcott	1	0	1	2	SULLIVAN	B	M	R	T					
Hunter	3	0	0	3	Bethel	6	0	0	6					
Jewett	2	0	1	3	Callicoon	1	0	0	1					
Lexington	0	1	4	5	Cochecton	0	0	2	2					
Prattsville	0	0	1	1	Delaware	3	0	2	5					
Windham	0	0	1	1	Fallsburgh	2	0	1	3					



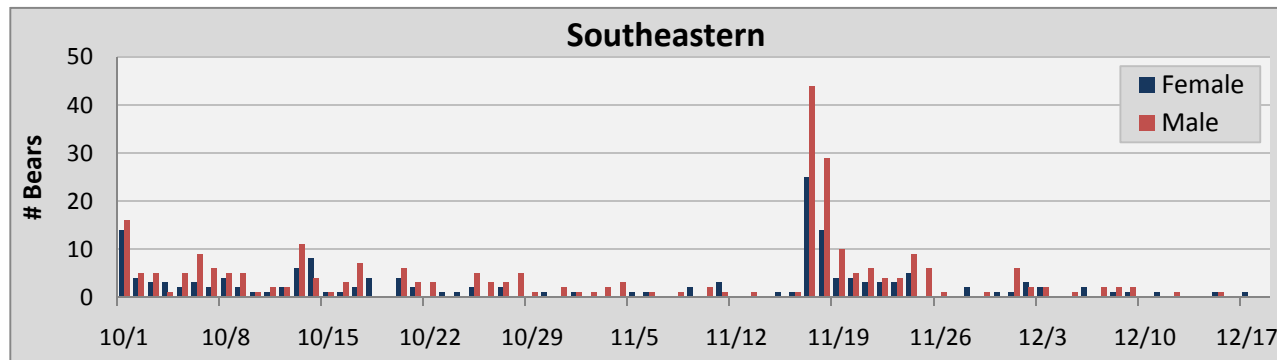
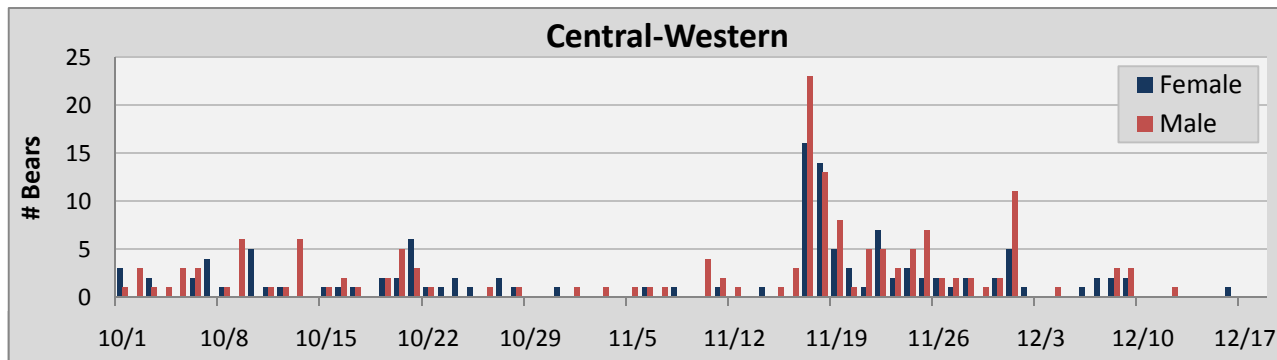
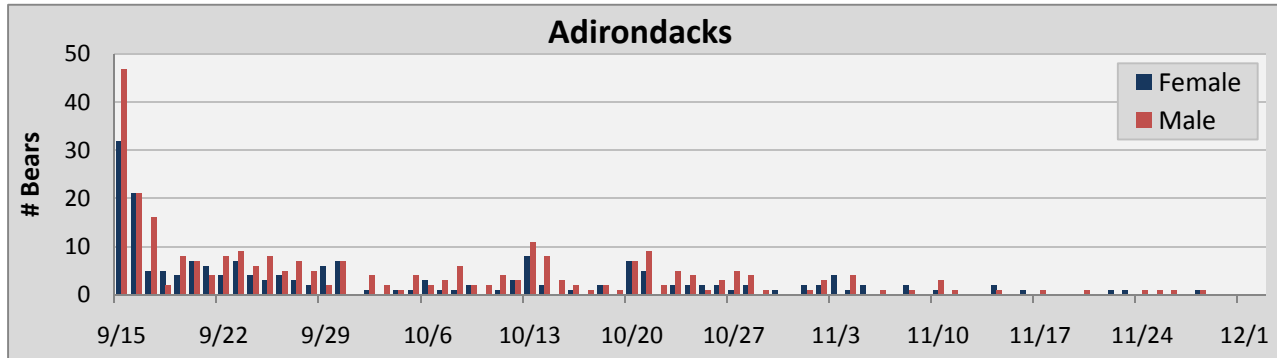
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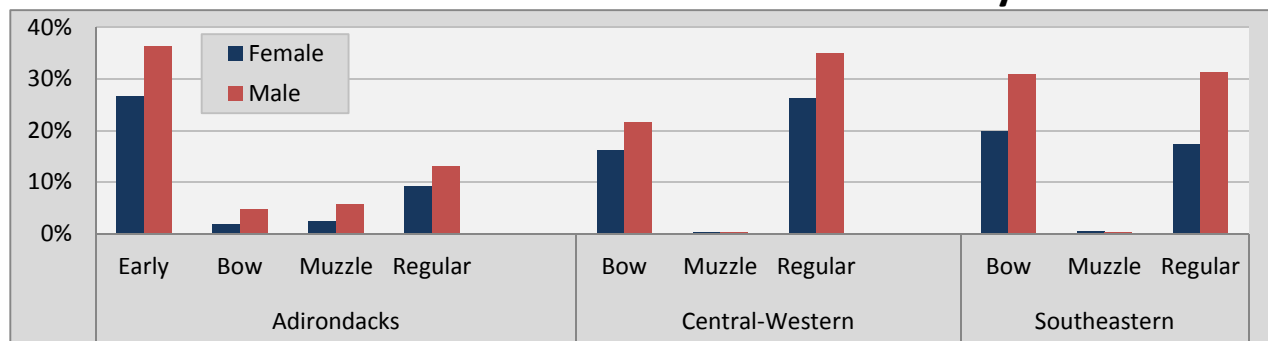
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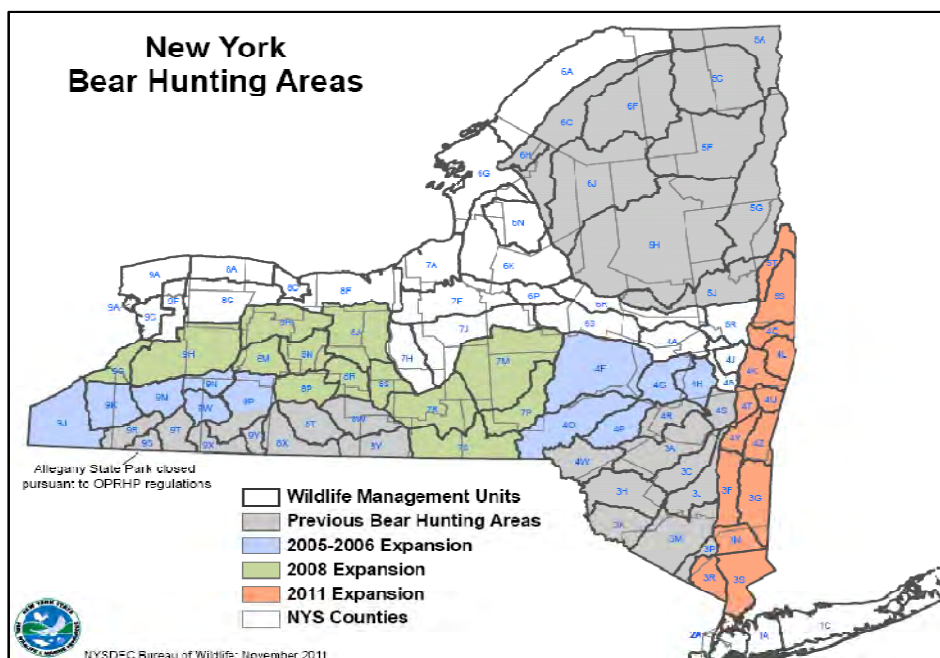
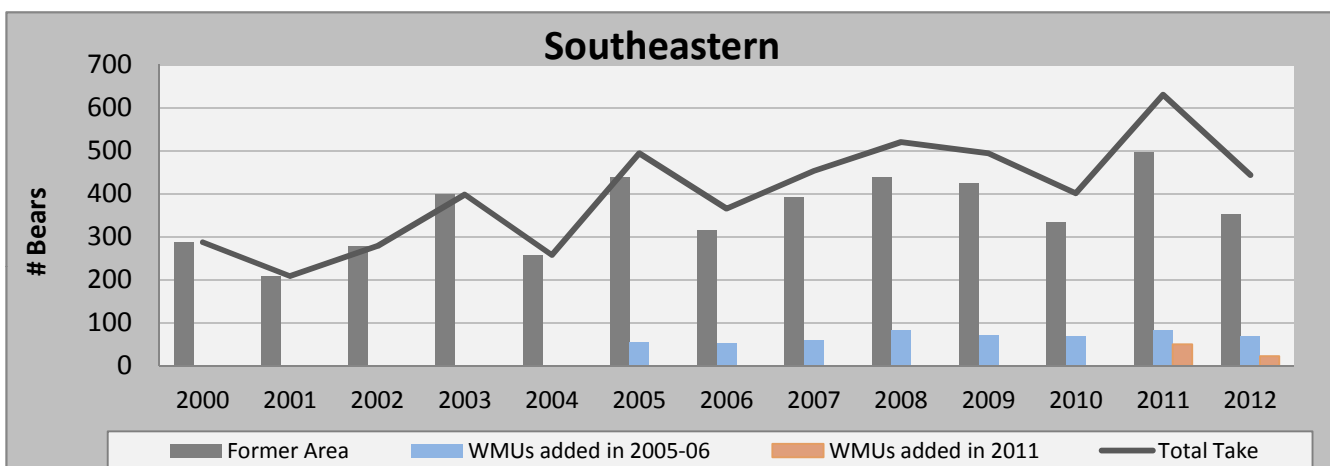
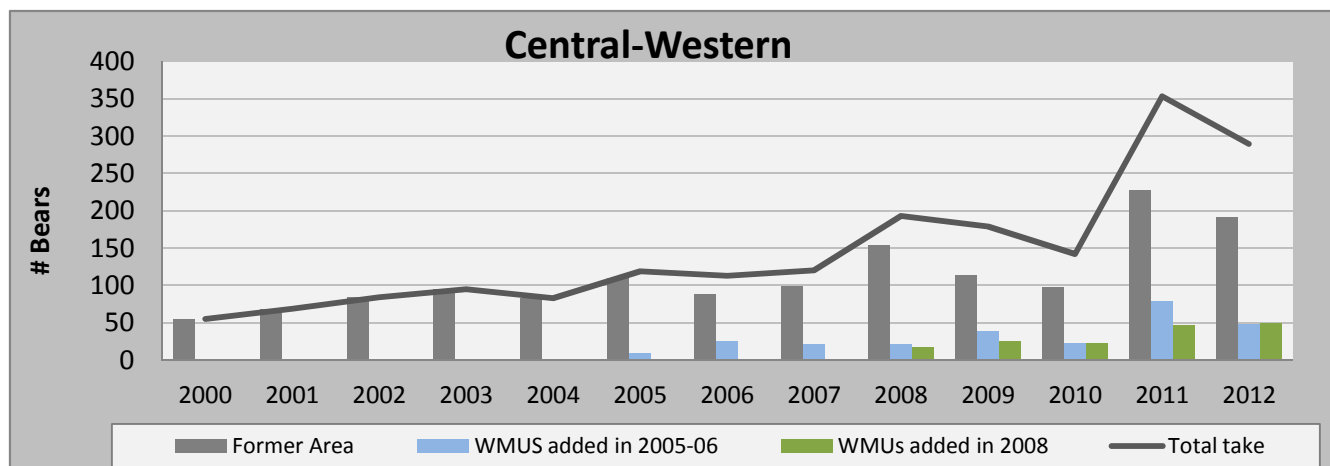
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Black Bear Take in Expanded Hunting Areas

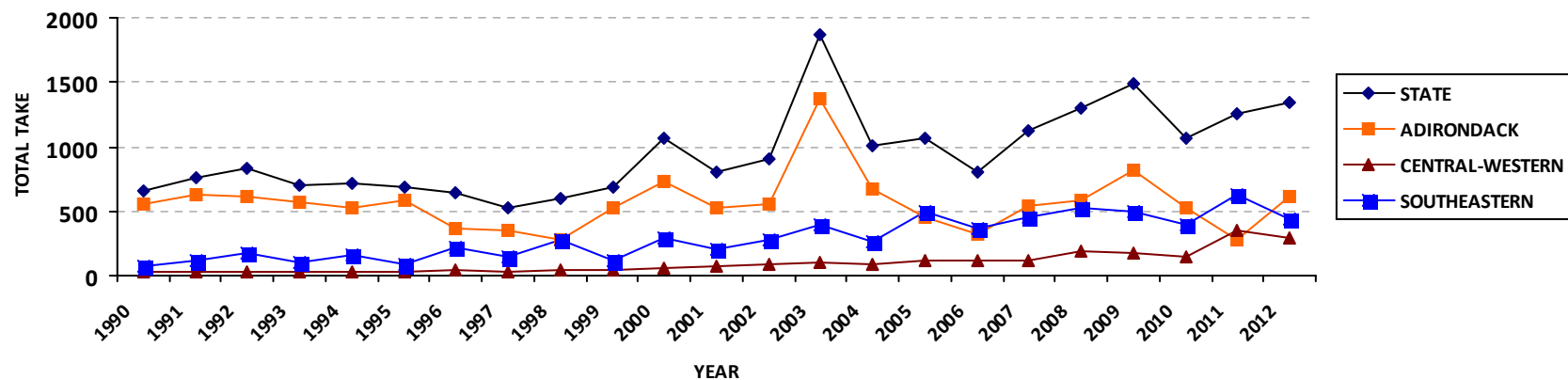




NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR HARVEST

Year	STATE TOTALS					ADIRONDACK					CENTRAL-WESTERN				SOUTHEASTERN			
	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	B	M	R	TOTAL	B	M	R
2012	1,337	386	371	55	525	606	386	39	49	132	289	107	2	180	442	225	4	213
2011	1,258	70	293	30	865	275	70	3	9	193	353	98	9	246	630	192	12	426
2010	1,064	255	315	81	413	521	255	35	71	160	142	93	4	45	401	187	6	208
2009	1,487	426	310	138	613	814	426	44	128	216	179	86	6	87	494	180	4	310
2008	1,295	85	232	117	861	582	85	13	99	385	193	81	10	102	520	138	8	374
2007	1,117	306	247	70	494	544	306	28	61	149	120	47	7	66	453	172	2	279
2006	796	74	237	25	460	318	74	9	16	219	113	51	6	56	365	177	3	185
2005	1,066	184	227	56	599	453	184	19	45	205	119	51	6	62	494	157	5	332
2004	1,014	425	227	58	304	674	425	49	54	146	83	38	3	42	257	140	1	116
2003	1,864	730	256	122	756	1,370	730	35	112	493	95	49	6	40	399	172	4	223
2002	912	182	127	34	569	550	182	16	30	322	84	27	1	56	278	84	3	191
2001	801	240	145	54	362	523	240	18	52	213	70	26	1	43	208	101	1	106
2000	1,070	180	107	39	744	728	180	12	37	499	55	23	1	31	287	72	1	214
1999	685	270	126	35	254	523	270	37	34	182	50	28	1	21	112	61	0	51
1998	597	32	76	13	476	277	32	13	11	221	48	12	2	34	272	51	0	221
1997	525	133	73	38	281	346	133	1	37	175	30	11	1	18	149	61	0	88
1996	642	79	38	19	506	369	79	0	17	273	50	8	0	42	223	30	2	191
1995	693	379	93	21	200	582	379	33	21	149	24	10	0	14	87	50	0	37
1994	722	83	41	9	589	526	83	8	8	427	31	13	1	17	165	20	0	145
1993	695	263	59	28	345	563	263	23	28	249	31	7	0	24	101	29	0	72

SEASON KEY: E=EARLY B=BOWHUNTING M=MUZZLELOADING R=REGULAR





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New York State Black Bear Harvest Summary 2013



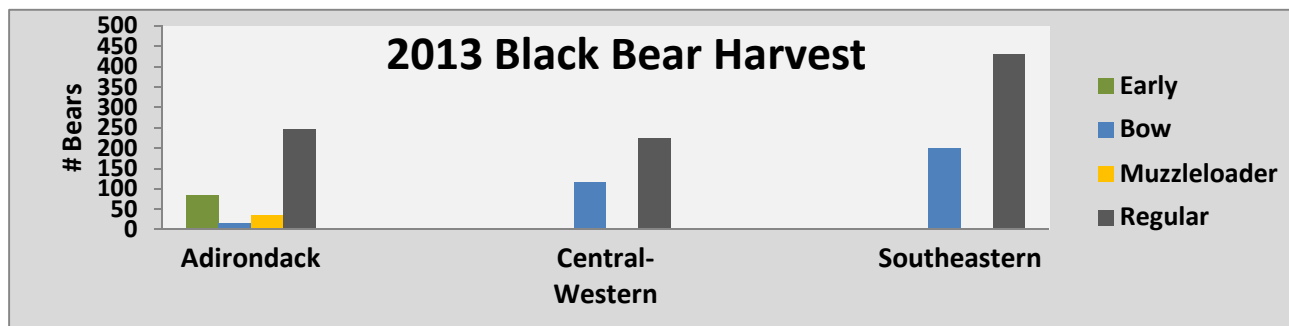
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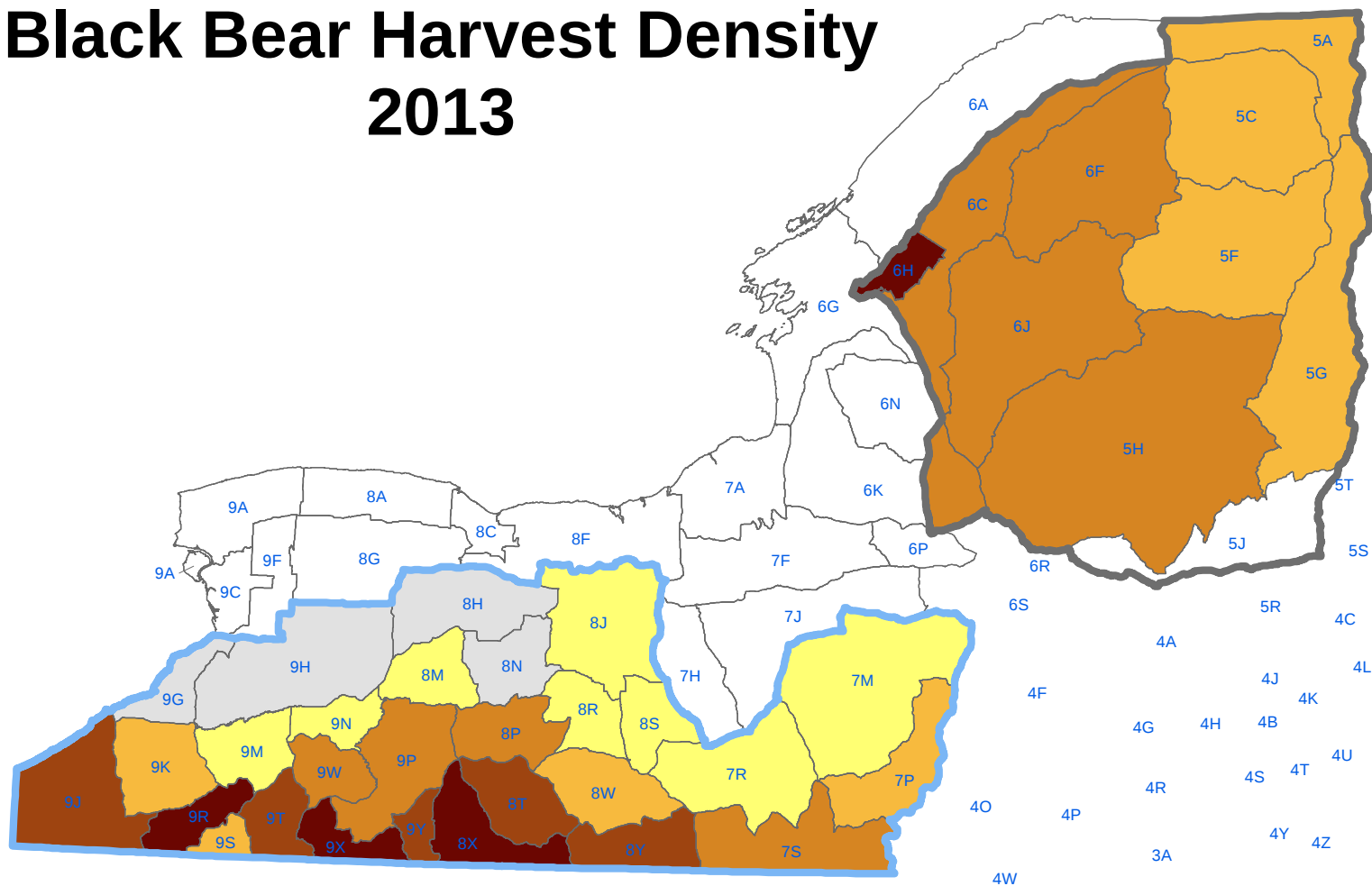


2013 Bear Harvest Summary and Recent Trend Comparison

	2013	2012	5-Year Average (2008-2012)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Bear Range				
<u>Adirondack</u>	380	606	560	515
Early	84	386	244	172
Bow	15	39	27	15
Muzzleloader	35	49	71	25
Regular	246	132	217	303
% Female : % Male	41% - 59%	40% - 60%	40% - 60%	43% - 57%
Southern Bear Range				
<u>Central - Western</u>	342	289	231	38
Bow	116	107	93	13
Muzzleloader	2	2	6	1
Regular	224	180	132	24
% Female : % Male	40% - 60%	43% - 57%	38% - 62%	30% - 70%
<u>Southeastern</u>	636	442	497	169
Bow	201	225	184	41
Muzzleloader	4	4	7	0
Regular	431	213	306	128
% Female : % Male	43% - 57%	38% - 62%	40% - 60%	39% - 61%



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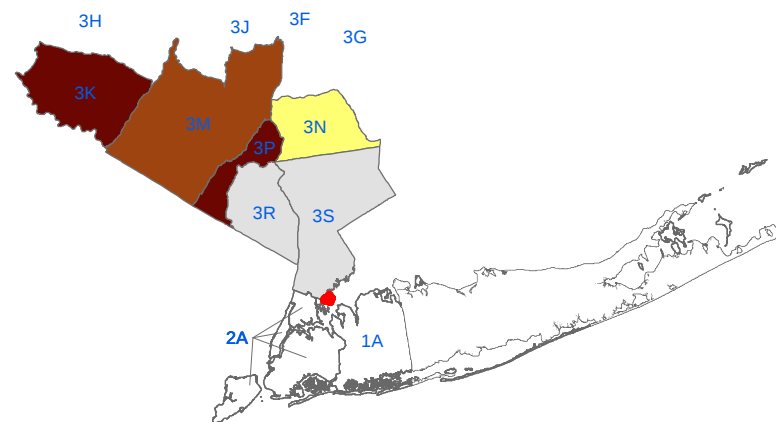


Bear Hunting Areas

- Adirondack
- Central-Western
- Southeastern
- WMUs

Bears per 100 Square Miles

- 0
- 0.1 - 1.0
- 1.1 - 2.5
- 2.6 - 5.0
- 5.1 - 10.0
- 10.1 - 22.1



**2013 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT**

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

ADIRONDACK RANGE

WMU	E	B	M	R	T
5A	2	1	2	4	9
5C	0	0	2	22	24
5F	2	0	2	10	14
5G	0	1	1	21	23
5H	27	4	10	60	101
5J	2	1	2	10	15
6C	10	7	1	26	44
6F	13	0	2	40	55
6H	8	1	2	7	18
6J	20	0	8	42	70
6K	0	0	3	4	7

ADIRONDACK TOTAL	380
EARLY	84
BOWHUNTING	15
MUZZLELOADER	35
REGULAR	246

CENTRAL-WESTERN RANGE

WMU	B	M	R	T
7M	0	0	4	4
7P	3	0	3	6
7R	1	0	4	5
7S	5	0	22	27
8J	0	0	1	1
8M	0	0	1	1
8P	4	0	8	12
8R	2	0	0	2
8S	0	0	1	1
8T	12	1	17	30
8W	2	0	6	8
8X	22	0	29	51
8Y	9	0	14	23
9J	8	0	27	35

9K	3	0	3	6
9M	0	0	3	3
9N	0	0	1	1
9P	13	0	16	29
9R	6	0	24	30
9S	1	0	1	2
9T	8	0	14	22
9W	2	0	8	10
9X	12	0	11	23
9Y	3	1	6	10

CENTRAL-WESTERN TOTAL	342
BOWHUNTING	116
MUZZLELOADER	2
REGULAR	224

SOUTHEASTERN RANGE

WMU	B	M	R	T
3A	21	1	119	141
3C	7	0	22	29
3G	4	0	5	9
3H	20	0	21	41
3J	7	0	14	21
3K	24	0	60	84
3M	33	0	29	62
3N	1	0	0	1
3P	9	0	5	14
4C	1	0	2	3
4F	1	0	7	8
4G	2	0	10	12
4H	1	0	5	6
4K	2	0	2	4
4L	2	0	6	8
4O	19	1	24	44
4P	5	0	12	17
4R	13	1	31	45

4S	1	0	3	4
4T	1	0	0	1
4U	0	1	5	6
4W	23	0	32	55
4Y	1	0	0	1
4Z	0	0	2	2
5S	3	0	15	18

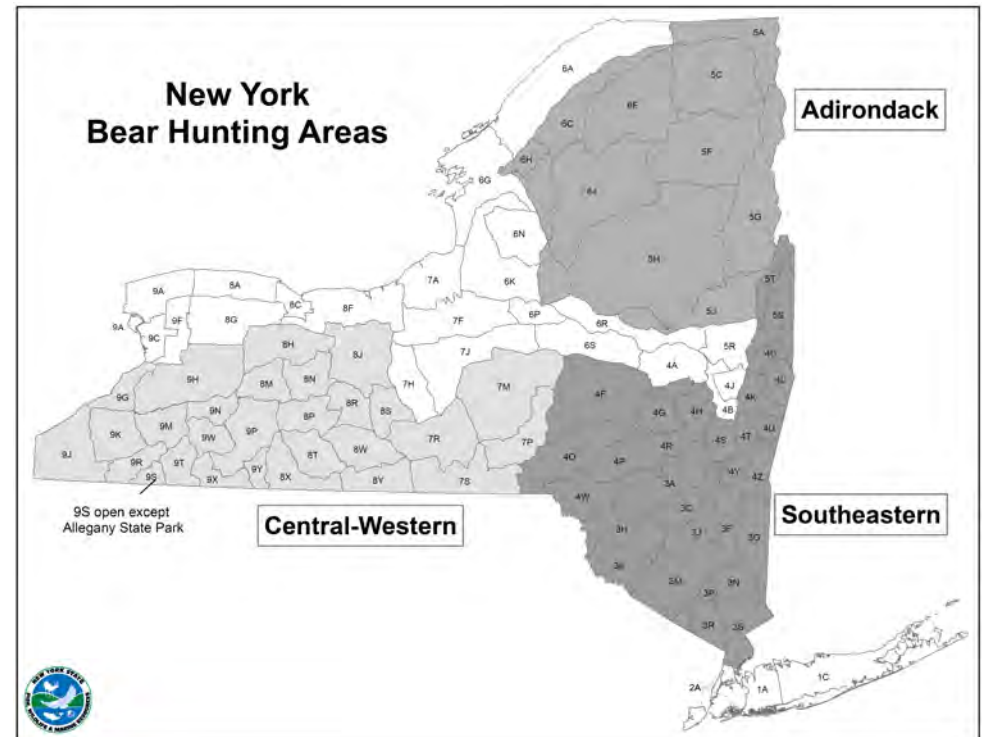
SOUTHEASTERN TOTAL	636
BOWHUNTING	201
MUZZLELOADER	4
REGULAR	431

STATEWIDE TOTAL	1,358
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**NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE
BY SEX***

ADIRONDACK	E	B	M	R	T
MALE	53	10	20	142	225
FEMALE	31	5	15	103	154
CENTRAL-WESTERN		B	M	R	T
MALE		77	0	126	203
FEMALE		37	2	98	137
SOUTHEASTERN		B	M	R	T
MALE		139	2	216	357
FEMALE		60	2	211	273

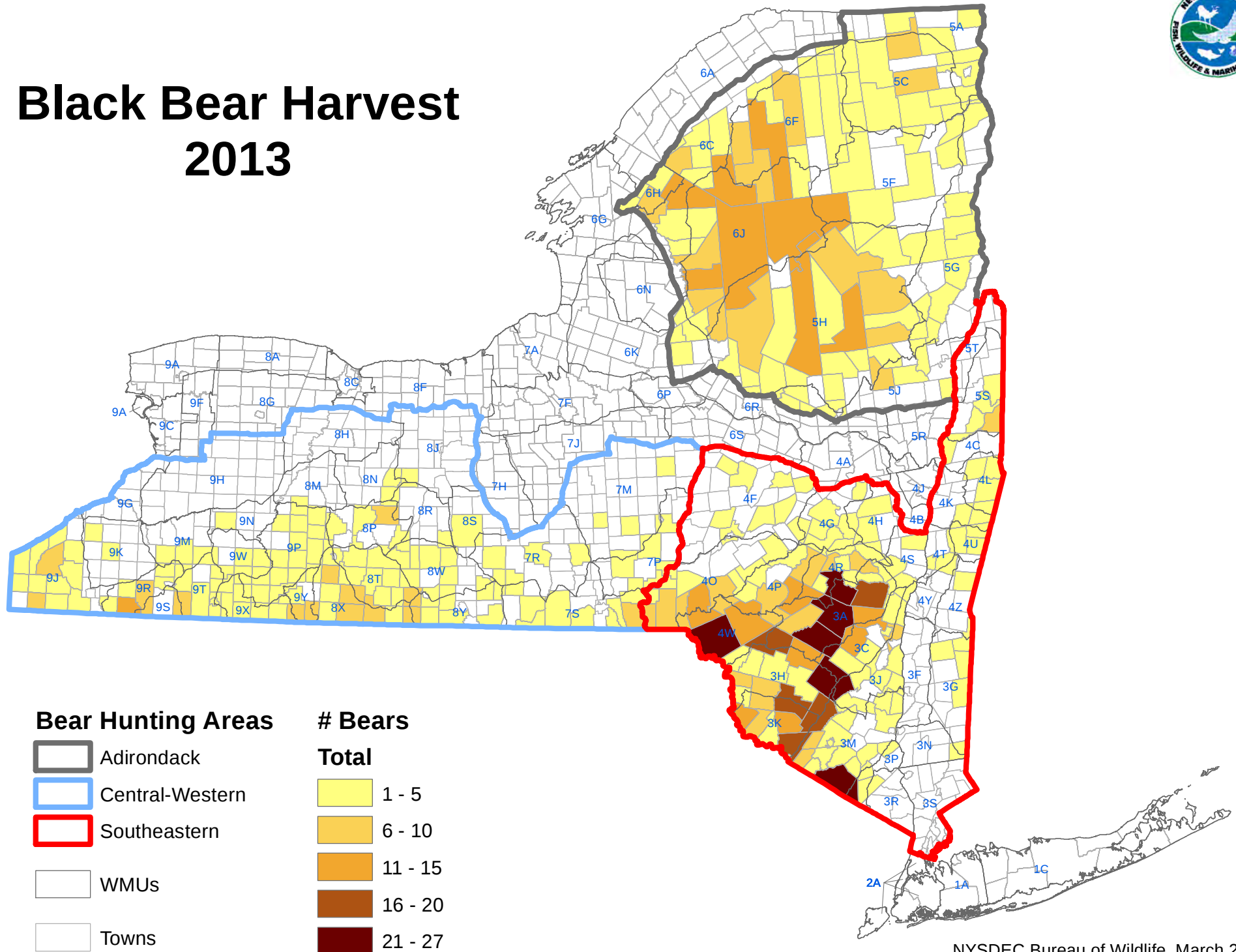
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Black Bear Harvest 2013



**2013 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY***

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ADIRONDACK RANGE																										
CLINTON						E	B	M	R	T	Benson	0	0	0	5	5	Edwards	0	2	0	3	5				
Altona						0	0	0	1	1	Hope	4	0	0	0	4	Fine	4	1	3	3	11				
Ausable						0	0	0	1	1	Indian Lake	0	0	3	4	7	Fowler	3	2	0	3	8				
Beekmantown						0	0	0	2	2	Lake Pleasant	0	0	1	4	5	Gouverneur	0	0	0	1	1				
Black Brook						0	0	1	3	4	Long Lake	2	0	2	8	12	Hermon	0	0	1	1	2				
Champlain						0	0	0	1	1	Morehouse	2	1	0	2	5	Hopkinton	5	0	0	5	10				
Clinton						1	1	1	1	4	Wells	0	0	2	9	11	Parishville	0	0	0	3	3				
Ellenburg						1	0	2	3	6	TOTAL	8	1	9	42	60	Piercefield	0	0	1	1	2				
Peru						0	0	0	2	2	HERKIMER	E	B	M	R	T	Pitcairn	0	0	0	4	4				
Plattsburgh						0	0	0	1	1	Fairfield	0	1	0	0	1	Russell	0	2	0	3	5				
Saranac						0	0	0	6	6	Norway	3	0	0	1	4	TOTAL	14	7	5	51	77				
TOTAL						2	1	4	21	28	Ohio	4	0	0	2	6	WARREN	E	B	M	R	T				
ESSEX						E	B	M	R	T	Russia	1	0	0	0	1	Bolton	0	0	0	4	4				
Chesterfield						0	0	1	0	1	Salisbury	0	0	0	4	4	Hague	0	1	0	2	3				
Crown Point						0	0	0	3	3	Webb	6	0	1	8	15	Johnsburg	2	0	1	3	6				
Keene						2	0	0	1	3	TOTAL	14	1	1	15	31	Lake George	1	0	0	1	2				
Lewis						0	0	1	0	1	JEFFERSON	E	B	M	R	T	Lake Luzerne	0	0	0	1	1				
Minerva						0	1	0	1	2	Antwerp	0	0	0	5	5	Stony Creek	4	0	2	3	9				
Moriah						0	0	0	1	1	Le Ray	3	0	0	1	4	Thurman	0	0	0	2	2				
Newcomb						0	0	1	4	5	Philadelphia	2	1	0	0	3	Warrensburg	0	0	0	3	3				
Schroon						0	0	0	4	4	Wilna	4	0	1	4	9	TOTAL	7	1	3	19	30				
Ticonderoga						0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	9	1	1	10	21	ADIRONDACK TOTAL						380			
Wilmington						0	0	0	1	1	LEWIS	E	B	M	R	T	EARLY						84			
TOTAL						2	1	3	16	22	Croghan	3	0	0	2	5	BOWHUNTING						15			
FRANKLIN						E	B	M	R	T	Diana	3	0	0	8	11	MUZZLELOADER						35			
Bangor						1	0	0	0	1	Greig	3	0	3	5	11	REGULAR						246			
Bellmont						0	0	0	1	1	Leyden	0	0	1	2	3	CENTRAL-WESTERN RANGE									
Brandon						0	0	0	5	5	Lyonsdale	1	0	0	8	9	ALLEGANY						B	M	R	T
Brighton						0	0	0	3	3	New Bremen	0	0	0	2	2	Alfred						1	0	0	1
Dickinson						1	0	0	1	2	Watson	3	0	0	5	8	Alma						1	0	3	4
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Franklin						0	0	0	3	3	ONEIDA	E	B	M	R	T	Amity						1	0	0	1
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Santa Clara						1	0	2	2	5	Forestport	5	0	0	2	7	Birdsall						1	0	1	2
Waverly						2	0	1	1	4	Western	0	0	1	0	1	Bolivar						2	0	2	4
TOTAL						5	0	3	20	28	TOTAL	5	0	1	4	10	Burns						3	0	1	4
FULTON						E	B	M	R	T	SARATOGA	E	B	M	R	T	Clarksville						0	0	1	1
Bleecker						1	0	0	2	3	Corinth	0	0	0	2	2	Cuba						1	0	1	2
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Johnstown						1	0	0	0	1	Edinburg	1	0	1	4	6	Genesee						3	0	2	5
Oppenheim						0	0	0	3	3	Northumberland	0	0	0	1	1	Granger						1	0	0	1
Stratford						0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	3	0	1	10	14	Grove						1	0	0	1
TOTAL						2	2	0	6	10	ST LAWRENCE	E	B	M	R	T	Independence						3	0	4	7
HAMILTON						E	B	M	R	T	Clare	2	0	0	7	9	New Hudson						0	0	4	4
Arietta						0	0	1	10	11	Clifton	0	0	0	6	6	Scio						0	0	2	2
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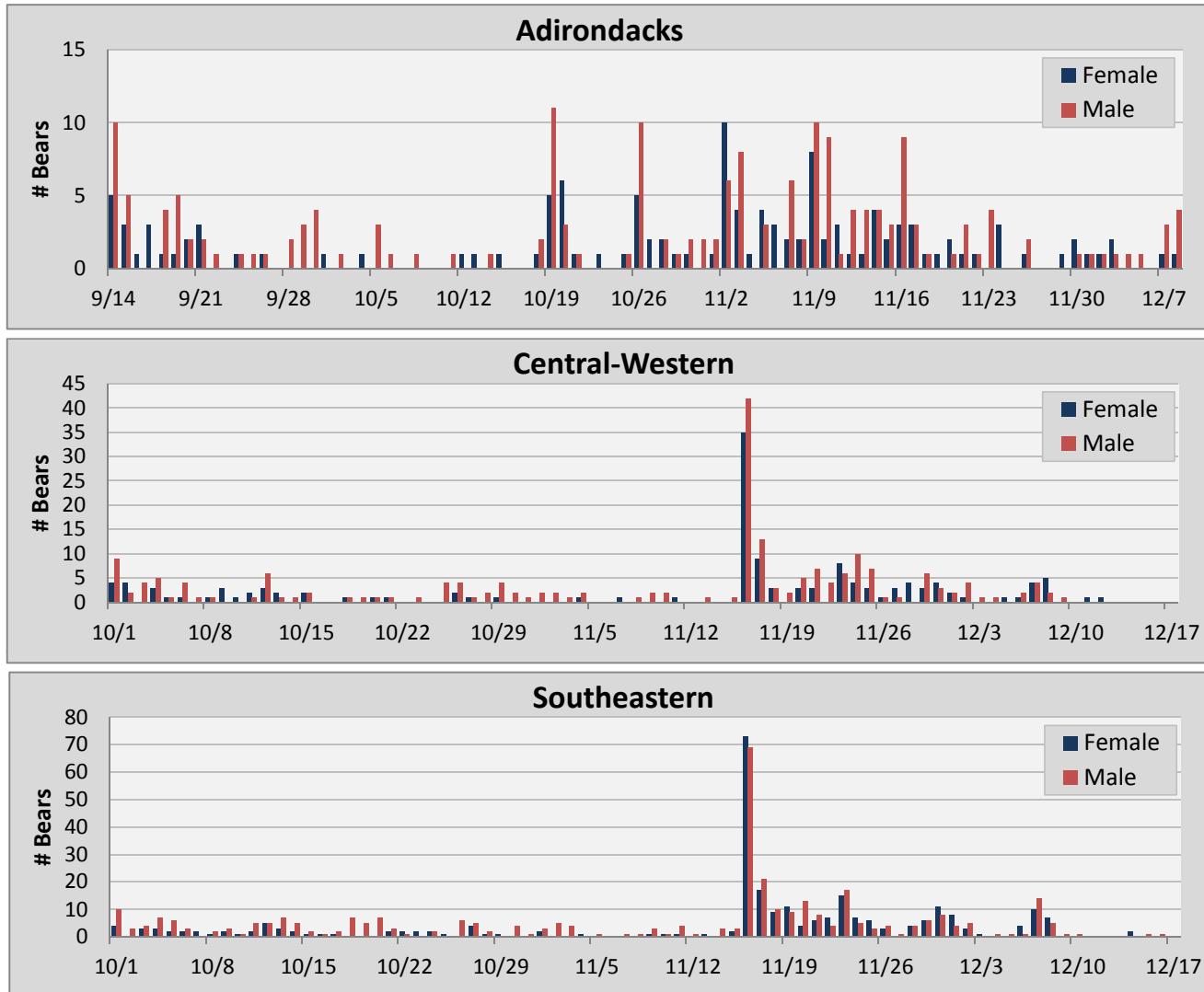
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Stockport	1	0	0	1	Warwick	12	0	12	24	Denning	3	0	23	26
TOTAL	2	1	8	11	Wawayanda	1	0	0	1	Esopus	1	0	0	1
DELAWARE	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	38	0	47	85	Hardenburgh	0	0	9	9
Andes	2	0	7	9	OTSEGO	B	M	R	T	Kingston	1	0	0	1
Colchester	5	0	10	15	Exeter	1	0	0	1	Lloyd	1	0	0	1
Delhi	0	0	3	3	Laurens	0	0	1	1	Marbletown	1	0	2	3
Deposit	2	0	6	8	Maryland	0	0	2	2	Marlborough	1	0	0	1
Hamden	0	0	2	2	Oneonta	0	0	1	1	New Paltz	0	0	1	1
Hancock	12	0	15	27	Otsego	0	0	1	1	Olive	1	0	12	13
Kortright	1	0	1	2	Roseboom	0	0	1	1	Plattekill	1	0	0	1
Masonville	4	0	1	5	Worcester	0	0	1	1	Rochester	1	0	3	4
Middletown	6	0	5	11	TOTAL	1	0	7	8	Saugerties	2	0	3	5
Roxbury	2	0	6	8	PUTNAM	B	M	R	T	Shandaken	1	1	22	24
Stamford	1	0	0	1	Southeast	1	0	0	1	Shawangunk	1	0	2	3
Tompkins	5	1	6	12	TOTAL	1	0	0	1	Ulster	2	0	4	6
Walton	5	0	1	6	RENSSELAER	B	M	R	T	Wawarsing	8	0	13	21
TOTAL	45	1	63	109	Berlin	0	0	3	3	Woodstock	2	0	10	12
DUTCHESS	B	M	R	T	Grafton	0	0	3	3	TOTAL	27	1	104	132
Amenia	2	0	0	2	Nassau	1	0	0	1	WASHINGTON	B	M	R	T
Dover	2	0	2	4	Petersburg	1	0	2	3	Cambridge	0	0	3	3
Northeast	0	0	1	1	Schaghticoke	1	0	1	2	Jackson	3	0	1	4
Stanford	0	0	2	2	Stephentown	2	0	0	2	Salem	0	0	5	5
TOTAL	4	0	5	9	TOTAL	5	0	9	14	White Creek	0	0	6	6
GREENE	B	M	R	T	SCHOHARIE	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	3	0	15	18
Ashland	0	0	4	4	Blenheim	0	0	1	1					
Cairo	0	0	4	4	Broome	0	0	2	2	SOUTHEASTERN TOTAL				636
Catskill	2	0	3	5	Conesville	2	0	3	5	BOWHUNTING				201
Durham	2	0	2	4	Fulton	0	0	3	3	MUZZLELOADER				4
Halcott	1	0	1	2	Gilboa	2	0	1	3	REGULAR				431
Hunter	3	0	14	17	Jefferson	0	0	1	1					
Jewett	3	0	2	5	Seward	0	0	1	1	STATEWIDE TOTAL				1,358
Lexington	2	0	19	21	Wright	0	0	1	1					
New Baltimore	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	4	0	13	17					
Prattsville	1	1	6	8	SULLIVAN	B	M	R	T					
Windham	1	0	5	6	Bethel	3	0	4	7					
TOTAL	16	1	60	77	Callicoon	1	0	1	2					
ORANGE	B	M	R	T	Cochecton	0	0	3	3					
Blooming Grove	0	0	3	3	Delaware	4	0	4	8					
Chester	4	0	1	5	Fallsburgh	2	0	2	4					
Cornwall	2	0	2	4	Forestburg	7	0	8	15					
Crawford	0	0	2	2	Fremont	1	0	1	2					
Deerpark	1	0	16	17	Highland	4	0	5	9					
Goshen	0	0	1	1	Liberty	1	0	1	2					
Greenville	4	0	2	6	Lumberland	2	0	2	4					
Middletown City	0	0	1	1	Mamakating	5	0	11	16					
Minisink	2	0	0	2	Neversink	4	0	10	14					
Monroe	4	0	0	4	Rockland	4	0	13	17					
Mount Hope	1	0	5	6	Thompson	8	0	9	17					
Newburgh	2	0	0	2	Tusten	3	0	10	13					
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Tuxedo	3	0	2	5										

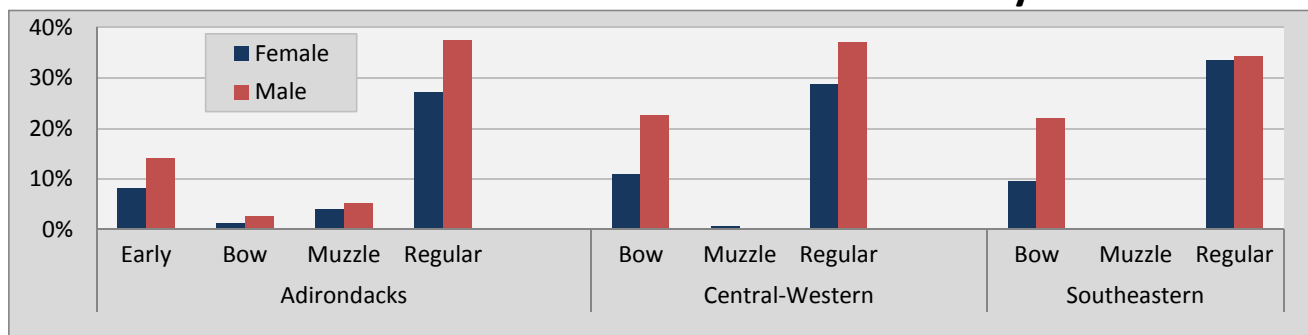
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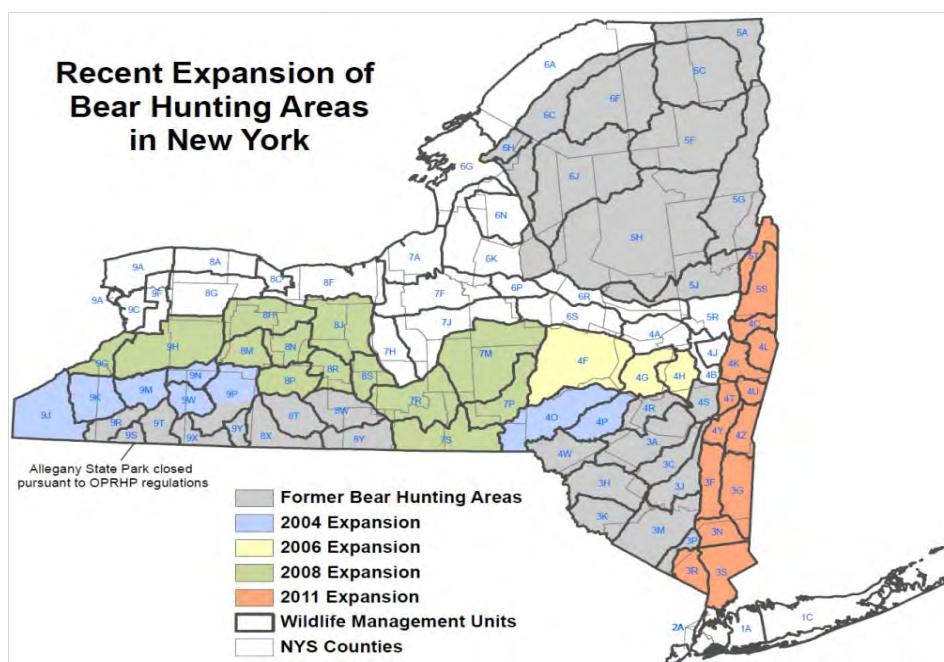
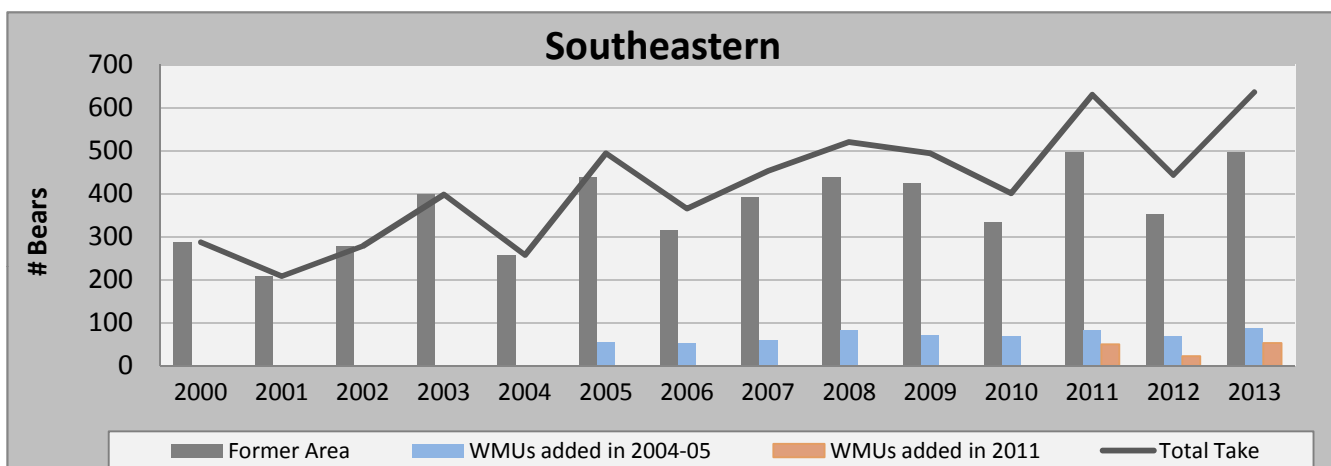
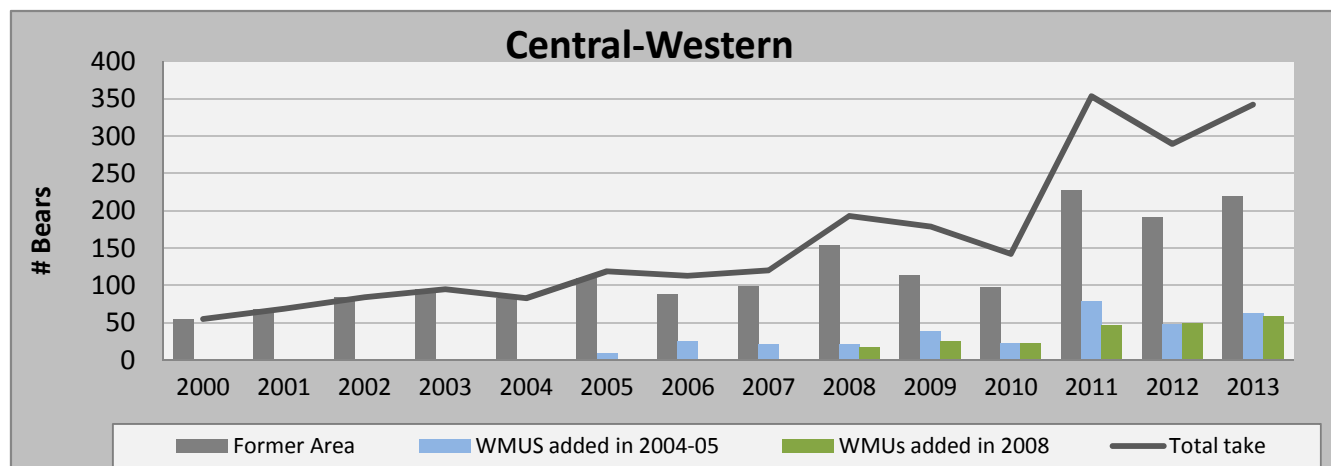
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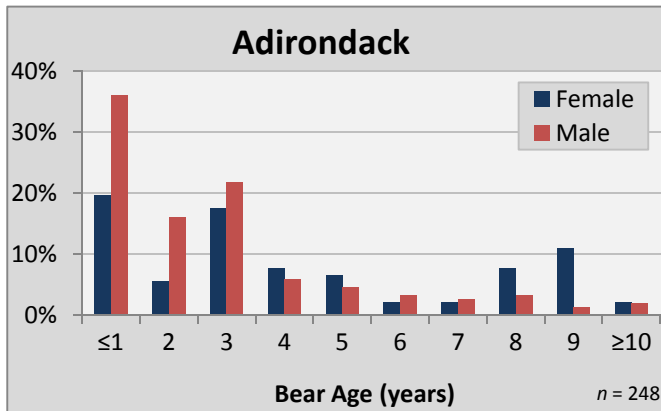
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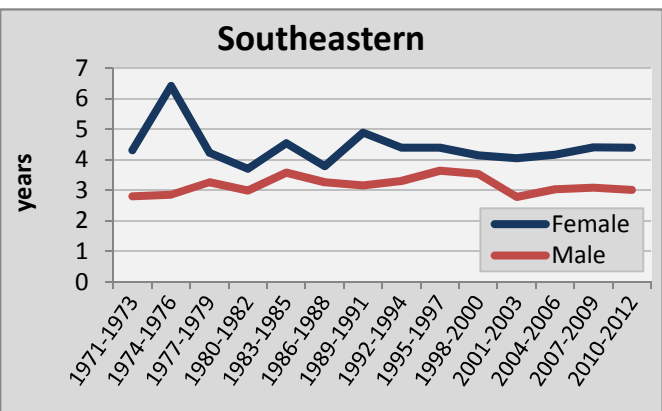
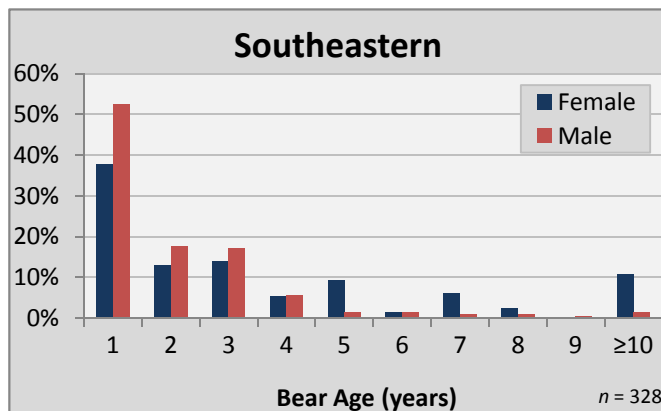
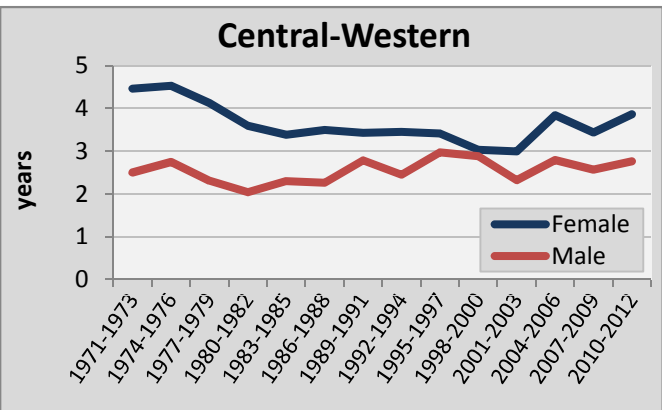
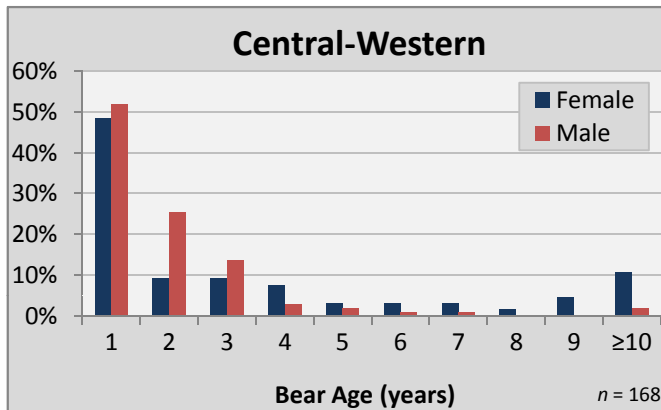
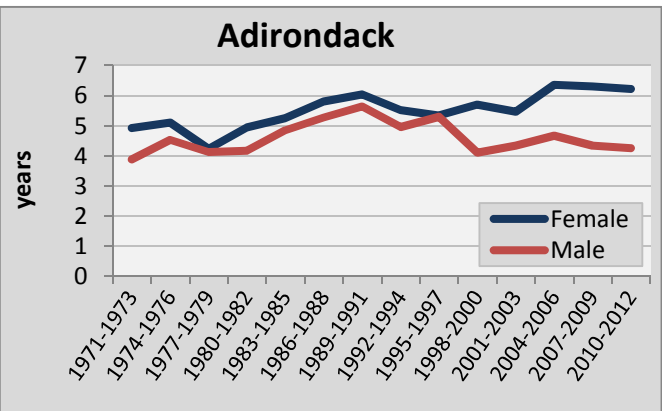
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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2012



Average Age of Harvested Bears



Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear ages from the 2013 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2014 report. Juvenile bears (<1 year) may be legally taken in the Adirondacks and typically represent <5% of the total harvest.

Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

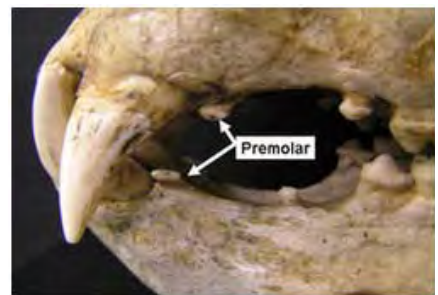


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2013



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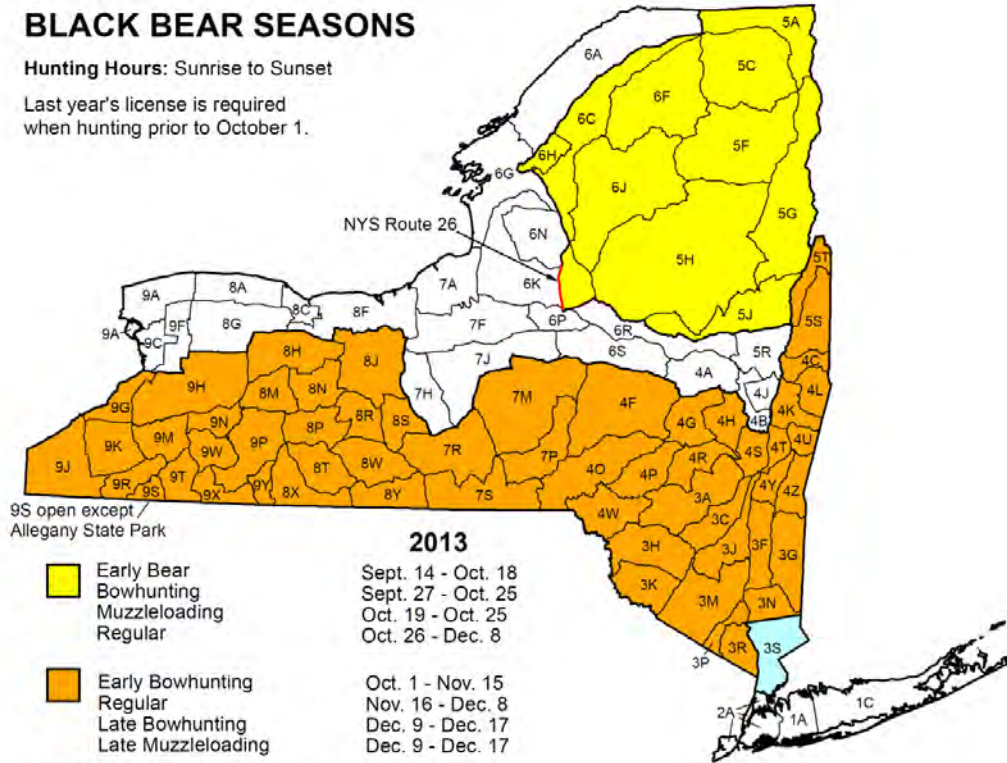


2013 Bear Hunting Seasons

BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Last year's license is required
when hunting prior to October 1.



2013

Sept. 14 - Oct. 18
Sept. 27 - Oct. 25
Oct. 19 - Oct. 25
Oct. 26 - Dec. 8

Early Bear
Bowhunting
Muzzleloading
Regular

Early Bowhunting
Regular
Late Bowhunting
Late Muzzleloading

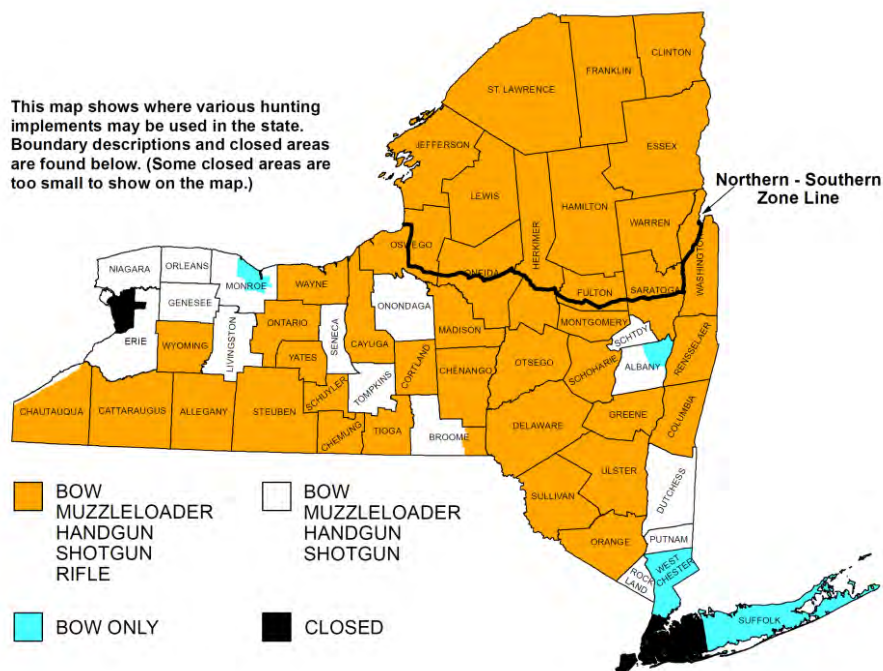
Oct. 1 - Nov. 15
Nov. 16 - Dec. 8
Dec. 9 - Dec. 17
Dec. 9 - Dec. 17

Westchester County (3S)
Regular--Bowhunting Only

Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

Closed

This map shows where various hunting
implements may be used in the state.
Boundary descriptions and closed areas
are found below. (Some closed areas are
too small to show on the map.)



BOW
MUZZLELOADER
HANDGUN
SHOTGUN
RIFLE

BOW
MUZZLELOADER
HANDGUN
SHOTGUN

BOW ONLY

CLOSED

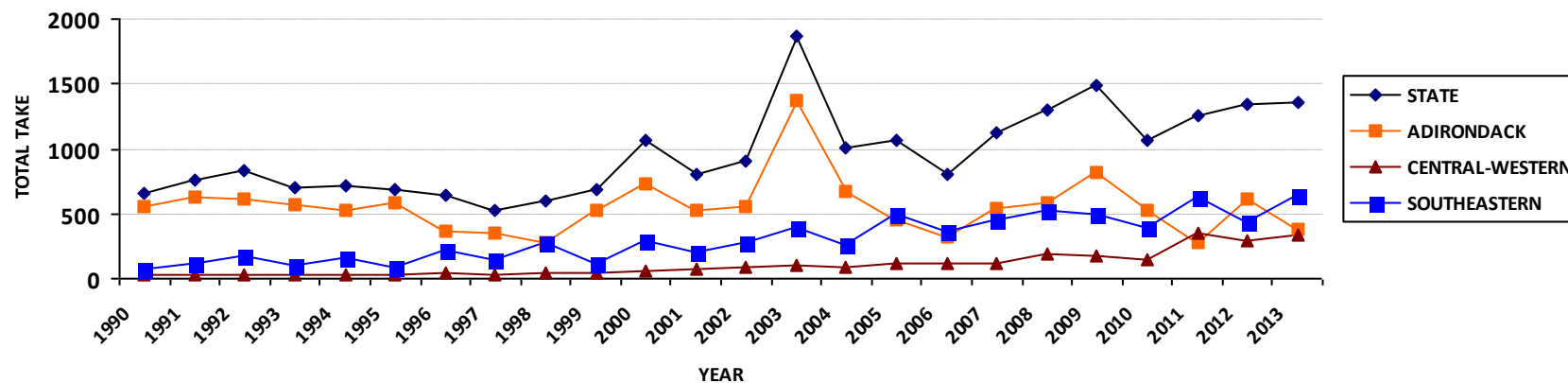


NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR HARVEST



Year	STATE TOTALS					ADIRONDACK					CENTRAL-WESTERN				SOUTHEASTERN			
	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	B	M	R	TOTAL	B	M	R
2013	1,358	84	332	41	901	380	84	15	35	246	342	116	2	224	636	201	4	431
2012	1,337	386	371	55	525	606	386	39	49	132	289	107	2	180	442	225	4	213
2011	1,258	70	293	30	865	275	70	3	9	193	353	98	9	246	630	192	12	426
2010	1,064	255	315	81	413	521	255	35	71	160	142	93	4	45	401	187	6	208
2009	1,487	426	310	138	613	814	426	44	128	216	179	86	6	87	494	180	4	310
2008	1,295	85	232	117	861	582	85	13	99	385	193	81	10	102	520	138	8	374
2007	1,117	306	247	70	494	544	306	28	61	149	120	47	7	66	453	172	2	279
2006	796	74	237	25	460	318	74	9	16	219	113	51	6	56	365	177	3	185
2005	1,066	184	227	56	599	453	184	19	45	205	119	51	6	62	494	157	5	332
2004	1,014	425	227	58	304	674	425	49	54	146	83	38	3	42	257	140	1	116
2003	1,864	730	256	122	756	1,370	730	35	112	493	95	49	6	40	399	172	4	223
2002	912	182	127	34	569	550	182	16	30	322	84	27	1	56	278	84	3	191
2001	801	240	145	54	362	523	240	18	52	213	70	26	1	43	208	101	1	106
2000	1,070	180	107	39	744	728	180	12	37	499	55	23	1	31	287	72	1	214
1999	685	270	126	35	254	523	270	37	34	182	50	28	1	21	112	61	0	51
1998	597	32	76	13	476	277	32	13	11	221	48	12	2	34	272	51	0	221
1997	525	133	73	38	281	346	133	1	37	175	30	11	1	18	149	61	0	88
1996	642	79	38	19	506	369	79	0	17	273	50	8	0	42	223	30	2	191
1995	693	379	93	21	200	582	379	33	21	149	24	10	0	14	87	50	0	37
1994	722	83	41	9	589	526	83	8	8	427	31	13	1	17	165	20	0	145

SEASON KEY: E=EARLY B=BOWHUNTING M=MUZZLELOADING R=REGULAR





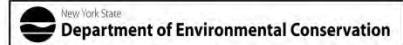
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.



Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



Division of Fish, Wildlife and Marine Resources
Bureau of Wildlife

See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

Hunting the Black Bear in New York



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.

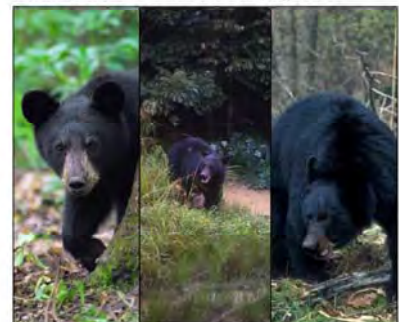
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf



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BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2014

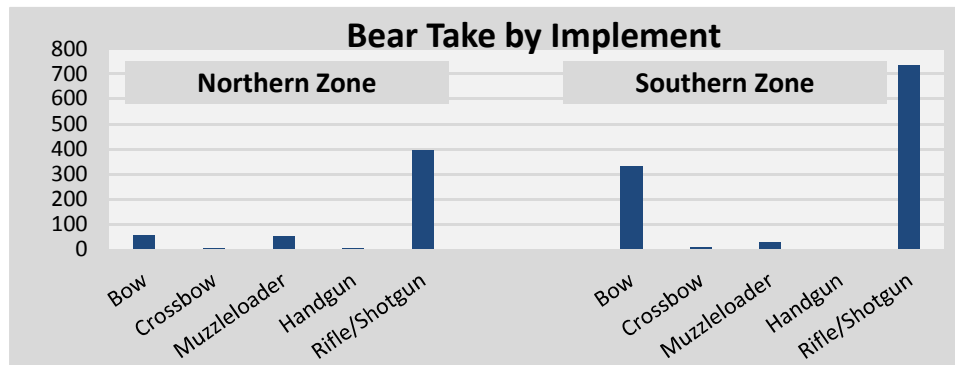


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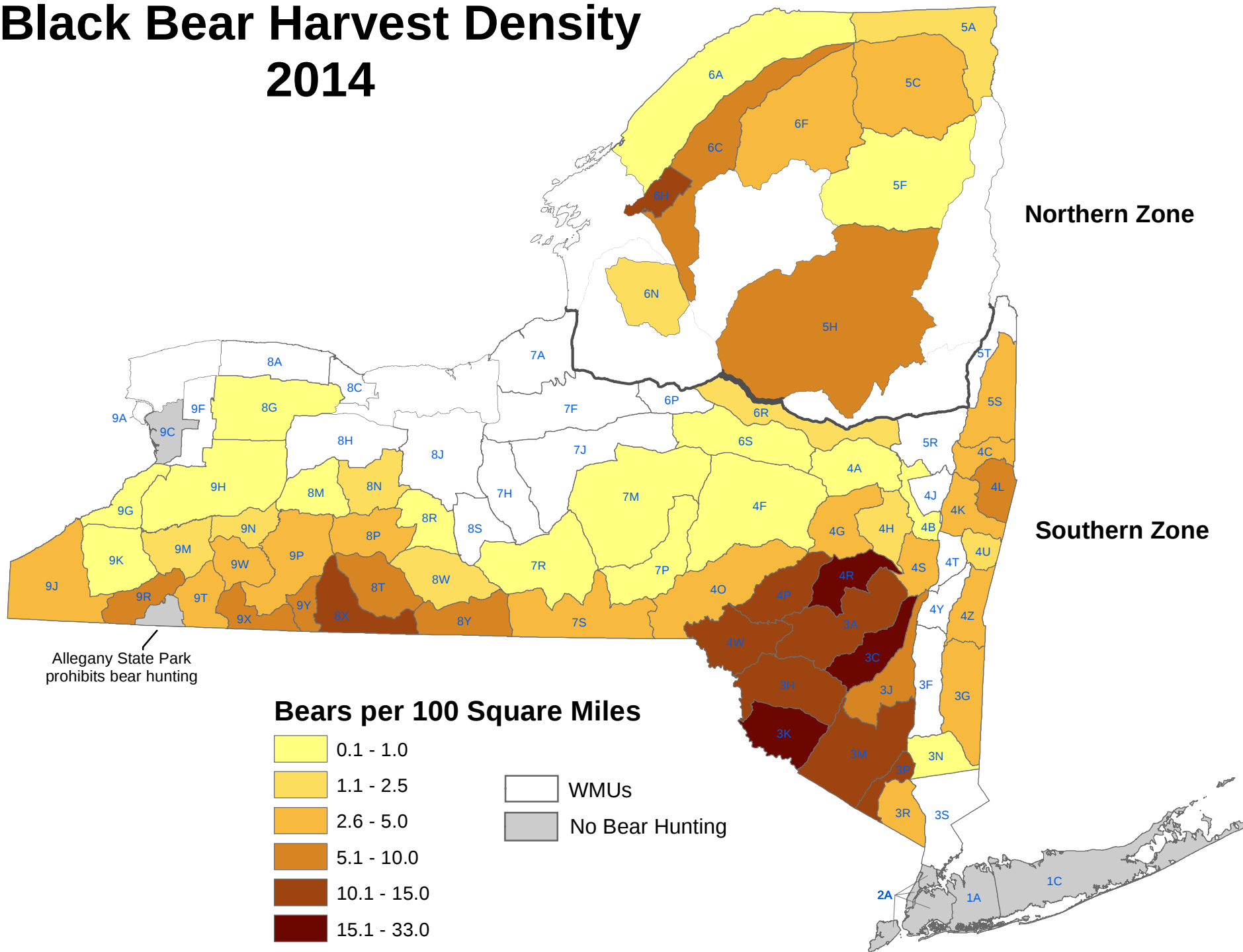
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2014 Bear Harvest Summary

	2014	2013	5-Year Average (2009-2013)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	518	380	519	515
Early	291	84	244	172
Bow	26	15	27	15
Muzzleloader	42	35	58	25
Regular	159	246	189	303
% Female : % Male	37% - 63%	41% - 59%	41% - 59%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	1,110	978	782	207
Early	337			
Bow	305	317	297	54
Muzzleloader	16	6	11	1
Regular	452	655	474	153
% Female : % Male	41% - 59%	42% - 58%	40% - 60%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,628	1,358	1,301	722
Early	628	84	244	172
Bow	331	332	324	69
Muzzleloader	58	41	69	26
Regular	611	901	663	455
% Female : % Male	40% - 60%	42% - 58%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2014



2014 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

WMU	NORTHERN				
	E	B	M	R	T
5A	6	0	0	5	11
5C	22	1	0	10	33
5F	2	0	4	5	11
5G	8	3	2	15	28
5H	85	8	19	50	162
5J	8	2	1	10	21
6A	0	0	1	6	7
6C	54	5	4	21	84
6F	25	0	6	16	47
6G	0	0	0	1	1
6H	15	2	0	1	18
6J	66	1	2	12	81
6K	0	1	3	4	8
6N	0	3	0	3	6
NORTHERN ZONE					518
Early					291
Bowhunting					26
Muzzleloader					42
Regular					159

WMU	SOUTHERN				
	E	B	M	R	T
3A	62	7	0	34	103
3C	54	29	0	19	102
3G	0	7	1	7	15
3H	42	9	0	8	59
3J	12	13	0	7	32

3K	70	13	0	39	122
3M	34	34	2	25	95
3N	0	0	0	1	1
3P	2	5	2	5	14
3R	1	4	0	1	6
4A	0	1	0	0	1
4B	0	0	0	1	1
4C	0	2	0	3	5
4F	0	3	0	4	7
4G	0	3	0	11	14
4H	0	0	0	5	5
4K	0	5	0	4	9
4L	0	3	1	8	12
4O	0	12	0	15	27
4P	23	8	0	15	46
4R	37	7	0	14	58
4S	0	5	0	3	8
4U	0	2	0	0	2
4W	0	23	0	29	52
4Z	0	4	0	7	11
5S	0	0	0	11	11
6R	0	2	0	6	8
6S	0	2	0	1	3
7M	0	1	0	2	3
7P	0	0	0	1	1
7R	0	1	0	3	4
7S	0	4	0	17	21
8G	0	1	0	1	2
8M	0	1	0	0	1
8N	0	1	0	6	7

8P	0	7	1	4	12
8R	0	1	0	0	1
8T	0	7	2	20	29
8W	0	2	0	4	6
8X	0	16	2	24	42
8Y	0	10	2	14	26
9G	0	0	0	1	1
9H	0	1	0	1	2
9J	0	9	1	17	27
9K	0	0	0	3	3
9M	0	4	0	1	5
9N	0	2	0	2	4
9P	0	10	0	14	24
9R	0	6	1	7	14
9T	0	3	0	4	7
9W	0	4	0	5	9
9X	0	7	1	10	18
9Y	0	4	0	8	12

SOUTHERN ZONE	1,110
Early	337
Bowhunting	305
Muzzleloader	16
Regular	452

STATE TOTAL	1,628
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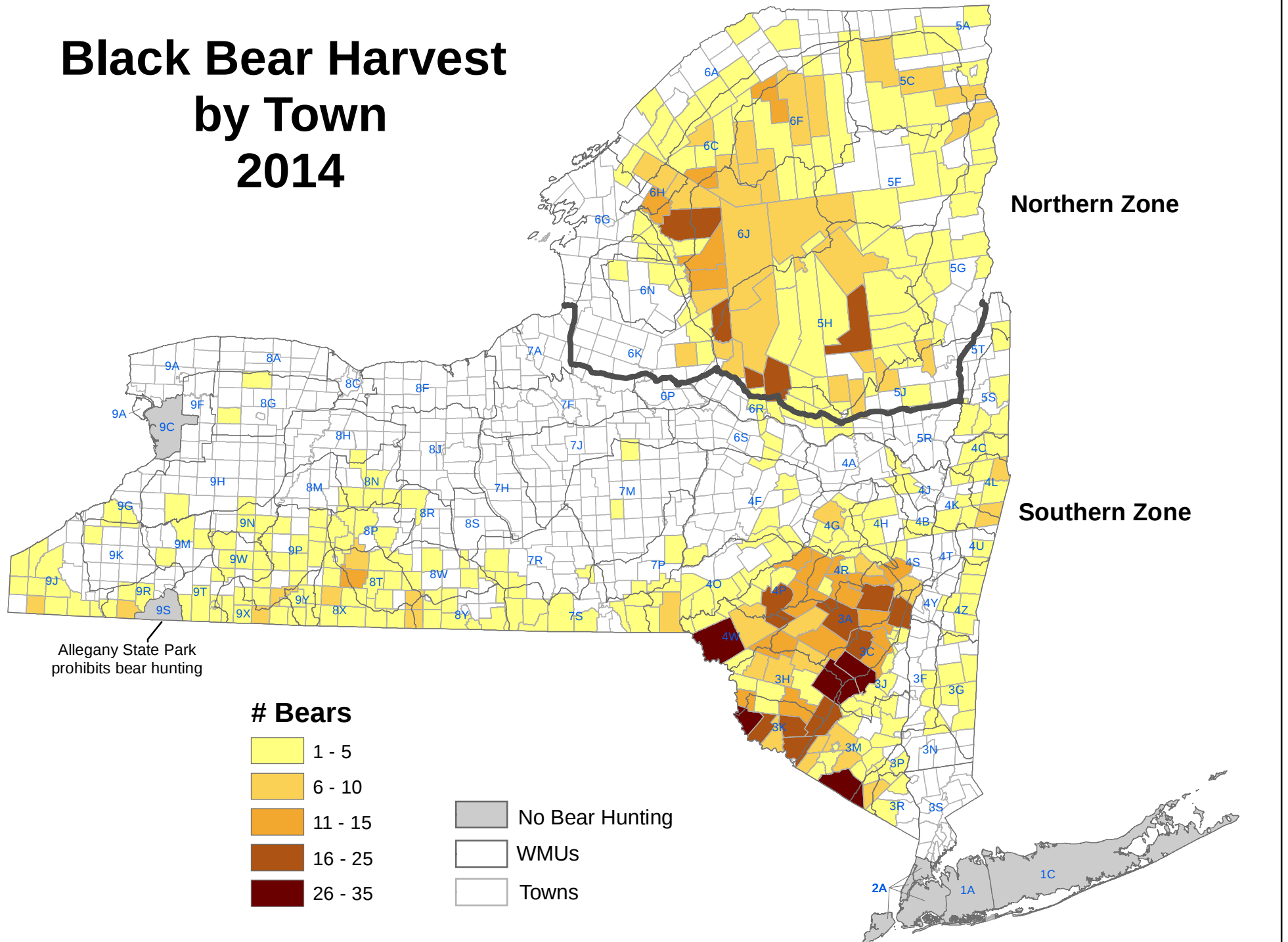
NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*					
NZ	E	B	M	R	T
Male	197	16	25	90	328
Female	92	10	17	69	189
SZ	E	B	M	R	T
Male	190	190	7	259	646
Female	145	113	9	185	453

*Sex was not reported for all bears.



* Only Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) with reported bear harvests are included here.

Black Bear Harvest by Town 2014



2014 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY*

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

ALBANY	E	B	M	R	T	South Valley	0	3	0	4	7	Davenport	0	1	0	0	1
Berne	0	0	0	2	2	TOTAL	0	15	1	16	32	Delhi	2	0	0	2	4
Coeymans	0	0	0	2	2	CHAUTAUQUA	E	B	M	R	T	Deposit	0	2	0	1	3
Guilderland	0	0	0	1	1	Arkwright	0	0	0	1	1	Hamden	1	0	0	2	3
Rensselaerville	1	0	0	2	3	Busti	0	1	0	0	1	Hancock	0	13	0	21	34
TOTAL	1	0	0	7	8	Carrollton	0	0	0	1	1	Harpersfield	0	0	0	1	1
ALLEGANY	E	B	M	R	T	Chautauqua	0	0	0	1	1	Kortright	1	1	0	1	3
Alma	0	1	0	2	3	Clymer	0	0	0	6	6	Masonville	0	2	0	0	2
Almond	0	2	0	0	2	Hanover	0	0	0	1	1	Middletown	6	3	0	3	12
Andover	0	0	0	3	3	Harmony	0	2	1	2	5	Roxbury	5	2	0	4	11
Angelica	0	0	0	1	1	Kiantone	0	0	0	1	1	Stamford	6	2	0	3	11
Belfast	0	1	0	0	1	Mina	0	1	0	2	3	Tompkins	0	1	0	3	4
Birdsall	0	0	0	1	1	North Harmony	0	1	0	1	2	Walton	2	3	0	0	5
Bolivar	0	2	1	6	9	Ripley	0	3	0	0	3	TOTAL	34	39	0	49	122
Burns	0	1	0	0	1	Sherman	0	0	0	3	3	DUTCHESS	E	B	M	R	T
Caneadea	0	0	0	1	1	Westfield	0	1	0	1	2	Amenia	0	0	0	3	3
Centerville	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	0	9	1	20	30	Dover	0	0	1	0	1
Clarksville	0	1	0	2	3	CHEMUNG	E	B	M	R	T	East Fishkill	0	0	0	2	2
Friendship	0	2	0	0	2	Ashland	0	2	0	1	3	La Grange	0	1	0	0	1
Genesee	0	2	0	0	2	Big Flats	0	0	0	1	1	Pawling	0	3	0	1	4
Granger	0	0	0	1	1	Chemung	0	0	0	3	3	Pine Plains	0	3	0	0	3
Hume	0	3	0	1	4	Southport	0	1	0	4	5	Pleasant Valley	0	1	0	0	1
Independence	0	0	0	4	4	Van Etten	0	0	0	1	1	Union Vale	0	0	0	1	1
New Hudson	0	0	0	1	1	Veteran	0	0	0	2	2	Washington	0	0	0	1	1
Scio	0	2	0	4	6	TOTAL	0	3	0	12	15	TOTAL	0	8	1	8	17
Ward	0	0	0	1	1	CHENANGO	E	B	M	R	T	ERIE	E	B	M	R	T
Wellsville	0	2	0	1	3	Afton	0	1	0	2	3	Concord	0	0	0	1	1
West Almond	0	0	0	2	2	Guilford	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	1
Willing	0	3	0	2	5	Pitcher	0	1	0	0	1	ESSEX	E	B	M	R	T
Wirt	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	3	0	2	5	Chesterfield	3	1	0	4	8
TOTAL	0	23	1	34	58	CLINTON	E	B	M	R	T	Elizabethtown	0	0	1	3	4
BROOME	E	B	M	R	T	Altona	1	0	0	0	1	Essex	1	0	0	0	1
Colesville	0	2	0	0	2	Black Brook	5	0	0	0	5	Jay	0	2	0	0	2
Kirkwood	0	1	0	2	3	Champlain	1	0	0	0	1	Keene	0	0	2	1	3
Nanticoke	0	0	0	2	2	Ellenburg	4	0	0	1	5	Minerva	0	0	0	1	1
Sanford	0	2	0	7	9	Peru	4	0	0	3	7	Moriah	0	1	0	0	1
Vestal	0	0	0	3	3	Plattsburgh	0	0	0	1	1	Newcomb	3	0	0	2	5
Windsor	0	3	0	7	10	Saranac	6	0	0	4	10	Schroon	4	0	0	0	4
TOTAL	0	8	0	21	29	TOTAL	21	0	0	9	30	Ticonderoga	0	0	0	2	2
CATTARAUGUS	E	B	M	R	T	COLUMBIA	E	B	M	R	T	Westport	1	0	0	1	2
Allegany	0	0	0	1	1	Ancram	0	1	0	0	1	Willsboro	1	0	0	0	1
Ashford	0	0	0	1	1	Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	1	Wilmington	1	0	0	0	1
Carrollton	0	2	0	2	4	Canaan	0	3	0	0	3	TOTAL	14	4	3	14	35
Cold Spring	0	2	1	0	3	Copake	0	0	0	2	2	FRANKLIN	E	B	M	R	T
Farmersville	0	0	0	2	2	Hillsdale	0	0	0	4	4	Bellmont	0	0	0	6	6
Ischua	0	0	0	2	2	Taghkanic	0	1	0	0	1	Dickinson	3	0	0	0	3
Lyndon	0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	5	0	7	12	Franklin	4	0	0	0	4
Machias	0	2	0	0	2	DELAWARE	E	B	M	R	T	Malone	5	0	0	0	5
Mansfield	0	1	0	0	1	Andes	10	2	0	5	17	Santa Clara	2	0	0	2	4
Olean	0	1	0	0	1	Bovina	1	1	0	0	2	Tupper Lake	2	0	1	0	3
Perrysburg	0	0	0	1	1	Colchester	0	6	0	3	9	Waverly	4	0	0	2	6
Portville	0	1	0	1	2							TOTAL	20	0	1	10	31
Randolph	0	1	0	2	3												

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FULTON	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	17	1	0	5	23	Wawayanda	1	0	0	2	3
Bleecker	4	0	0	3	7	LEWIS	E	B	M	R	T	Woodbury	0	0	0	1	1
Caroga	0	0	0	2	2	Croghan	22	0	0	2	24	TOTAL	41	35	4	34	114
Ephratah	0	0	0	2	2	Denmark	1	0	0	0	1	ORLEANS	E	B	M	R	T
Ephratah	0	1	0	0	1	Diana	6	0	0	3	9	Barre	0	1	0	0	1
Johnstown	0	0	0	1	1	Greig	12	0	2	1	15	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	1
Johnstown	2	0	1	1	4	Harrisburg	0	2	0	0	2	OTSEGO	E	B	M	R	T
Mayfield	3	1	1	1	6	Leyden	0	0	0	1	1	Decatur	0	0	0	1	1
Northampton	0	3	0	0	3	Lowville	1	0	0	0	1	Maryland	0	1	0	2	3
Oppenheim	1	0	0	0	1	Lyonsdale	5	0	1	3	9	Roseboom	0	0	0	2	2
Stratford	0	0	0	1	1	Martinsburg	2	1	0	1	4	Springfield	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	10	4	2	10	26	New Bremen	3	0	0	0	3	Unadilla	0	2	0	0	2
GENESEE	E	B	M	R	T	Turin	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	3	0	6	9
Pembroke	0	0	0	1	1	Watson	11	1	0	3	15	RENSSELAER	E	B	M	R	T
TOTAL	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	63	5	3	14	85	Berlin	0	0	0	3	3
GREENE	E	B	M	R	T	LIVINGSTON	E	B	M	R	T	Brunswick	0	1	0	0	1
Ashland	1	0	0	1	2	Ossian	0	2	0	2	4	Grafton	0	2	0	0	2
Cairo	6	2	0	4	12	Springwater	0	1	0	0	1	Hoosick	0	0	0	1	1
Catskill	6	1	0	0	7	TOTAL	0	3	0	2	5	Nassau	0	0	0	1	1
Durham	3	2	0	0	5	MADISON	E	B	M	R	T	Petersburg	0	0	1	5	6
Greenville	0	1	0	1	2	Nelson	0	0	0	2	2	Pittstown	0	1	0	0	1
Halcott	2	0	0	1	3	TOTAL	0	0	0	2	2	Sand Lake	0	2	0	0	2
Hunter	10	1	0	6	17	MONTGOMERY	E	B	M	R	T	Schodack	0	1	0	0	1
Jewett	9	2	0	2	13	Mohawk	0	2	0	0	2	Stephentown	0	2	0	4	6
Lexington	5	1	0	7	13	TOTAL	0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	9	1	14	24
Prattsville	9	0	0	2	11	ONEIDA	E	B	M	R	T	ROCKLAND	E	B	M	R	T
Windham	2	0	0	6	8	Boonville	2	0	0	0	2	Ramapo	1	2	0	1	4
TOTAL	53	10	0	30	93	Forestport	16	0	0	1	17	Stony Point	0	3	0	0	3
HAMILTON	E	B	M	R	T	Remsen	4	2	1	0	7	TOTAL	1	5	0	1	7
Arietta	1	0	0	3	4	Steuben	0	0	0	1	1	SARATOGA	E	B	M	R	T
Hope	3	0	2	2	7	Western	0	0	3	3	6	Day	1	0	0	2	3
Indian Lake	3	0	0	4	7	TOTAL	22	2	4	5	33	Edinburg	1	0	3	3	7
Inlet	1	0	1	0	2	ONTARIO	E	B	M	R	T	Greenfield	0	0	0	1	1
Lake Pleasant	4	0	1	0	5	Naples	0	0	0	3	3	Hadley	0	0	0	2	2
Long Lake	6	0	0	0	6	Richmond	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	2	0	3	8	13
Morehouse	3	0	0	1	4	South Bristol	0	0	0	1	1	SCHENECTADY	E	B	M	R	T
Wells	5	1	2	8	16	TOTAL	0	0	0	5	5	Rotterdam	0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	26	1	6	18	51	ORANGE	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	1
HERKIMER	E	B	M	R	T	Blooming Grove	1	1	0	2	4	SCHOHARIE	E	B	M	R	T
Fairfield	3	1	0	0	4	Chester	3	2	0	0	5	Blenheim	0	0	0	1	1
Little Falls	0	0	0	1	1	Crawford	0	0	0	2	2	Broome	0	0	0	3	3
Manheim	0	0	0	3	3	Deerpark	13	2	0	5	20	Conesville	0	0	0	1	1
Norway	10	2	1	4	17	Goshen	1	5	0	0	6	Fulton	0	1	0	5	6
Ohio	5	0	1	0	6	Greenville	6	1	0	0	7	Gilboa	0	2	0	1	3
Russia	5	1	0	3	9	Hamptonburgh	0	0	0	1	1	Middleburg	0	1	0	0	1
Salisbury	9	0	4	3	16	Highlands	1	2	0	0	3	TOTAL	0	4	0	11	15
Salisbury	0	0	0	1	1	Middletown	1	0	0	0	1	SCHUYLER	E	B	M	R	T
Stark	0	1	0	0	1	Minisink	0	3	0	1	4	Cayuta	0	0	0	1	1
Webb	4	0	1	4	9	Monroe	1	1	0	0	2	Montour	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	36	4	7	14	61	Mount Hope	2	2	0	3	7	Orange	0	1	0	1	2
JEFFERSON	E	B	M	R	T	New Windsor	0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	3	4
Antwerp	7	0	0	0	7	Newburgh	2	2	0	1	5	ST LAWRENCE	E	B	M	R	T
Champion	1	0	0	0	1	Tuxedo	2	1	1	2	6	Brasher	0	0	0	2	2
Theresa	0	0	0	1	1	Wallkill	1	2	1	2	6	Canton	0	1	0	0	1
Wilna	9	1	0	2	12	Warwick	6	9	2	12	29						
Worth	0	0	0	2	2												

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Clare	3	0	0	7	10
Clifton	5	0	1	1	7
Colton	2	0	1	1	4
Dekalb	0	0	0	2	2
Edwards	4	0	0	1	5
Fine	3	0	2	1	6
Fowler	3	0	0	1	4
Gouverneur	2	0	0	2	4
Hermon	5	1	0	4	10
Hopkinton	5	0	4	0	9
Louisville	0	0	0	1	1
Macomb	0	0	0	1	1
Morristown	0	0	1	0	1
Parishville	7	0	0	4	11
Piercefield	1	0	0	0	1
Pierrepont	2	0	0	2	4
Pitcairn	6	2	0	3	11
Potsdam	1	0	0	0	1
Rossie	0	0	0	1	1
Russell	2	0	0	1	3
TOTAL	51	4	9	35	99

STEUBEN	E	B	M	R	T
Bath	0	0	0	4	4
Cameron	0	1	1	3	5
Campbell	0	1	0	1	2
Canisteo	0	8	0	3	11
Caton	0	1	0	2	3
Cohocton	0	2	0	0	2
Corning	0	2	0	0	2
Dansville	0	1	0	0	1
Erwin	0	3	2	1	6
Fremont	0	3	0	1	4
Greenwood	0	1	1	7	9
Hartsville	0	0	0	1	1
Hornellsville	0	2	0	0	2
Howard	0	1	0	5	6
Jasper	0	0	0	4	4
Lindley	0	4	0	3	7
Rathbone	0	0	1	2	3
Thurston	0	0	0	2	2
Troupsburg	0	2	0	3	5
Tuscarora	0	1	1	3	5
Wayland	0	0	0	1	1
West Union	0	0	0	2	2
Wheeler	0	2	1	1	4
Woodhull	0	3	0	2	5
TOTAL	0	38	7	51	96

SULLIVAN	E	B	M	R	T
Bethel	2	0	0	3	5
Callicoon	5	0	0	1	6
Cochecton	8	1	0	3	12
Delaware	1	1	0	0	2
Fallsburgh	5	0	0	0	5
Forestburg	14	5	0	1	20
Fremont	1	0	0	3	4
Highland	5	2	0	12	19
Liberty	6	0	0	0	6
Lumberland	5	1	0	2	8

Mamakating	15	4	0	5	24
Neversink	2	2	0	2	6
Rockland	11	2	0	1	14
Thompson	11	2	0	2	15
Tusten	16	2	0	13	31
TOTAL	107	22	0	48	177

TIOGA	E	B	M	R	T
Barton	0	0	0	2	2
Nichols	0	0	0	1	1
Owego	0	2	0	0	2
Spencer	0	0	0	1	1
Tioga	0	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	0	2	0	6	8

TOMPKINS	E	B	M	R	T
Newfield	0	1	0	2	3
TOTAL	0	1	0	2	3

ULSTER	E	B	M	R	T
Denning	10	0	0	2	12
Gardiner	0	0	0	1	1
Hardenburgh	5	2	0	2	9
Hurley	5	4	0	2	11
Kingston	2	1	0	0	3
Marbletown	5	6	0	0	11
New Paltz	0	2	0	1	3
Olive	9	6	0	8	23
Plattekill	1	0	0	0	1
Rochester	16	6	0	5	27
Rosendale	0	3	0	0	3
Saugerties	13	3	0	4	20
Shandaken	10	2	0	5	17
Shawangunk	1	1	0	0	2
Ulster	2	2	0	0	4
Wawarsing	14	11	0	7	32
Woodstock	7	2	0	4	13
TOTAL	100	51	0	41	192

WARREN	E	B	M	R	T
Chester	0	0	1	0	1
Horicon	1	0	0	1	2
Johnsburg	3	0	0	1	4
Lake George	0	0	0	2	2
Lake Luzerne	0	0	2	4	6
Stony Creek	1	0	1	3	5
Thurman	2	0	0	2	4
Warrensburg	3	0	0	2	5
TOTAL	10	0	4	15	29

WASHINGTON	E	B	M	R	T
Cambridge	0	0	0	5	5
Easton	0	0	0	1	1
Granville	0	0	0	1	1
Putnam	0	0	0	2	2
Salem	0	0	0	1	1
White Creek	0	0	0	3	3
TOTAL	0	0	0	11	11

WYOMING	E	B	M	R	T
Eagle	0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	1	0	0	1

YATES	E	B	M	R	T
Italy	0	0	0	1	1
Jerusalem	0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	1	0	1	2

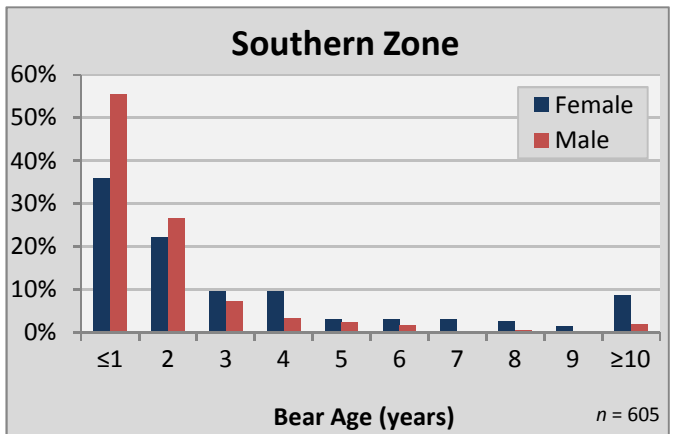
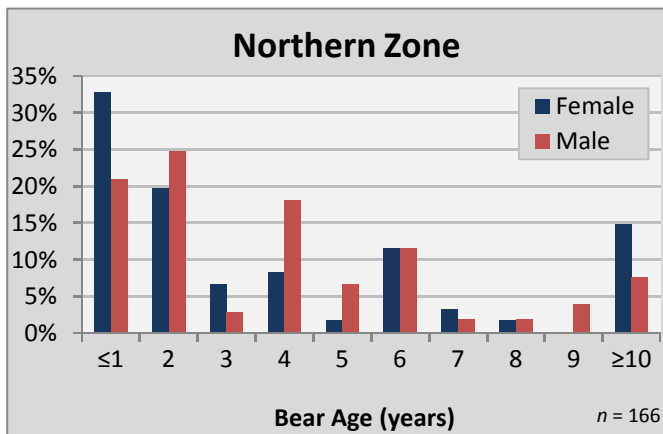
STATE TOTAL	1,628
EARLY	628
BOWHUNTING	331
MUZZLELOADER	58
REGULAR	611



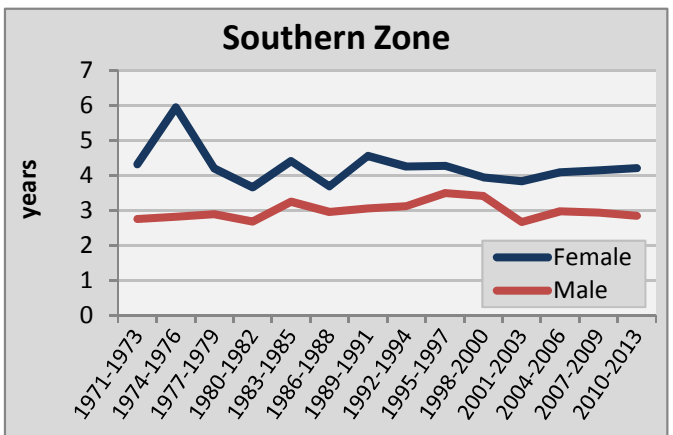
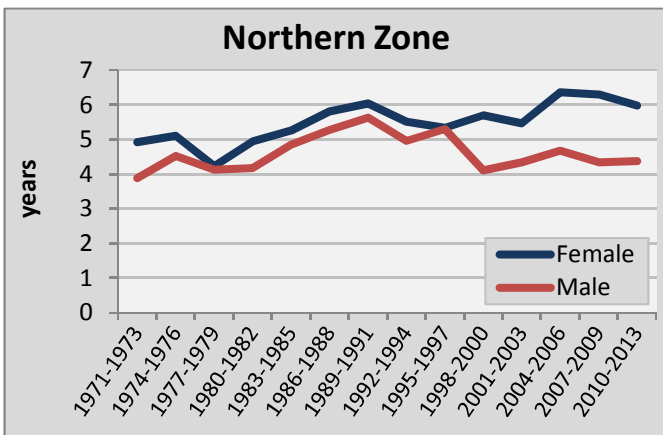
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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2013



Average Age of Harvested Bears



Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear ages from the 2014 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2015 report. Juvenile bears (<1 year) may be legally taken in the Adirondacks and typically represent about 2% of the total harvest.

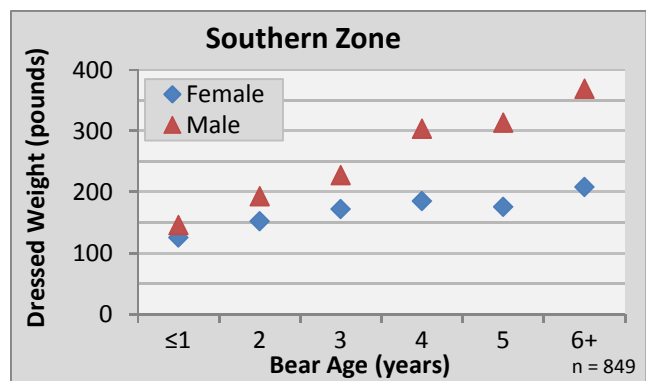
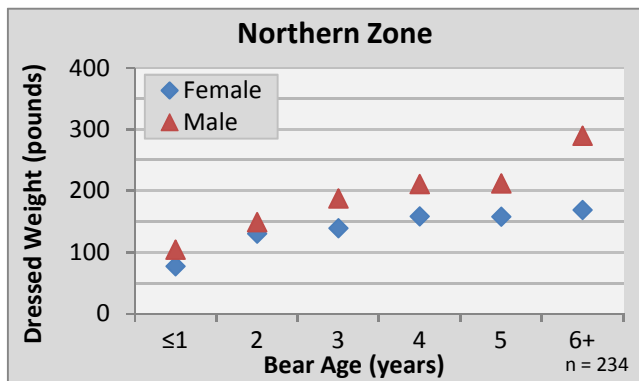
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2014

Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	646	Male	Regular	Hamilton	Wells	5H
2	613	Male	Early	Greene	Jewett	4R
3	550	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Wawarsing	3J
4	510	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Shandaken	3A
5	500	Male	Early	Ulster	Rochester	3C
6	470	Male	Muzzleloading	Steuben	Tuscarora	8X
7	460	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Rochester	3C
8	451	Male	Early	Franklin	Malone	5C
9	445	Male	Regular	Allegany	Bolivar	9X
10	440	Male	Regular	Sullivan	Forestburg	3K

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 30% of the bears taken in 2014.

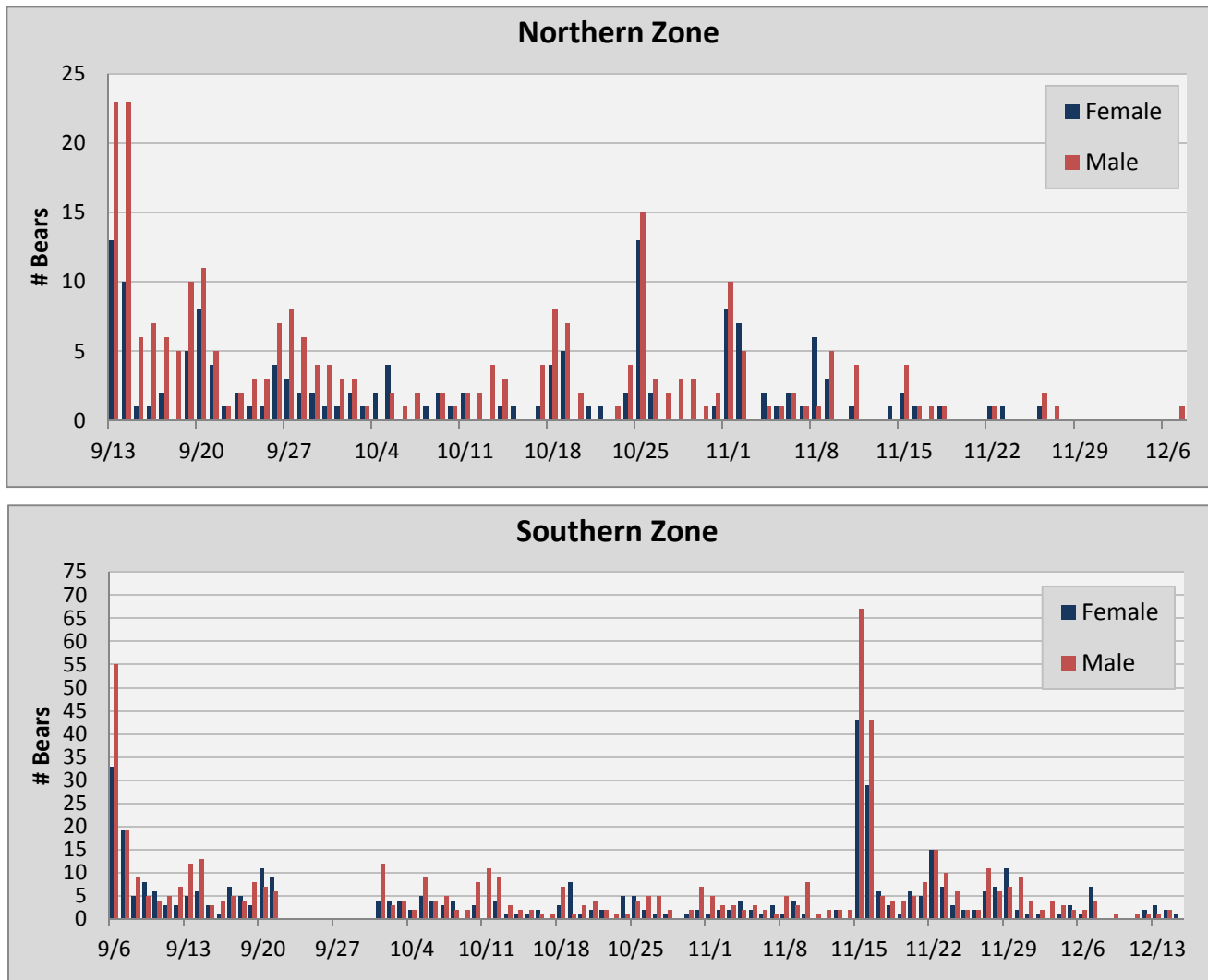
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears 2011-2013



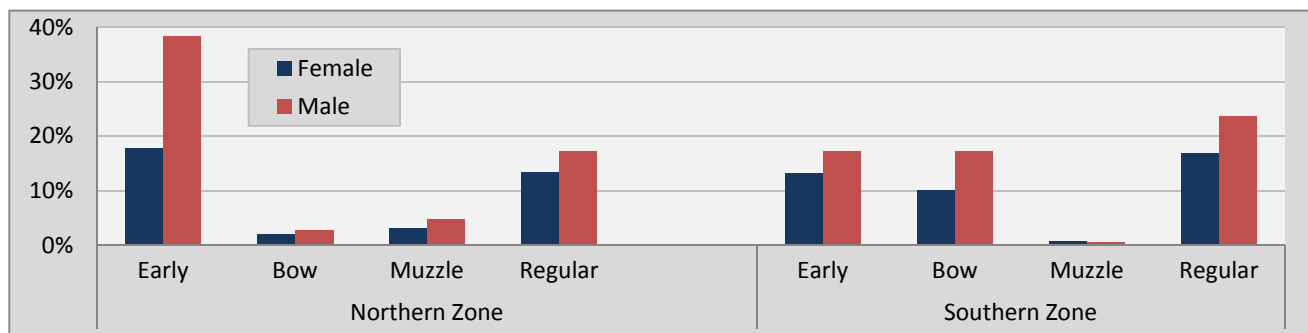
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2014 Reported Bear Take by Day



2014 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex

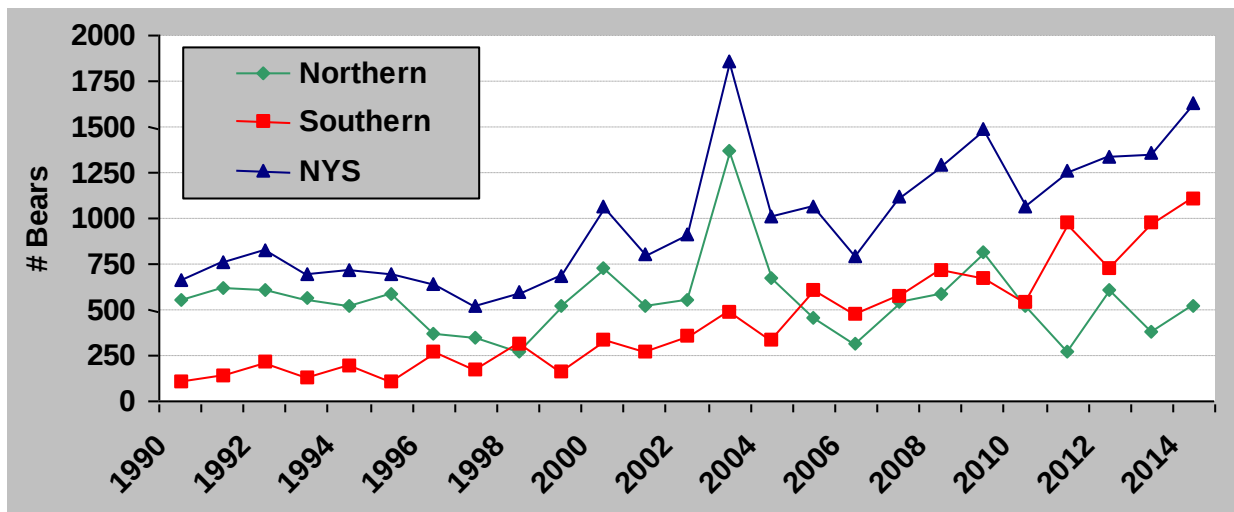


Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Southern Zone muzzleloader seasons were <1% if the total harvest.

NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR HARVEST HISTORY

	NORTHERN ZONE					SOUTHERN ZONE					STATE TOTALS				
Year	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL
2014	291	26	42	159	518	337	305	16	451	1,110	629	330	58	611	1,628
2013	84	15	35	246	380	317	6	655	978	978	84	332	41	901	1,358
2012	386	39	49	132	606	332	6	393	731	731	386	371	55	525	1,337
2011	70	3	9	193	275	290	21	672	983	983	70	293	30	865	1,258
2010	255	35	71	160	521	280	10	253	543	543	255	315	81	413	1,064
2009	426	44	128	216	814	266	10	397	673	673	426	310	138	613	1,487
2008	85	13	99	385	582	219	18	476	713	713	85	232	117	861	1,295
2007	306	28	61	149	544	219	9	345	573	573	306	247	70	494	1,117
2006	74	9	16	219	318	228	9	241	478	478	74	237	25	460	796
2005	184	19	45	205	453	208	11	394	613	613	184	227	56	599	1,066
2004	425	49	54	146	674	178	4	158	340	340	425	227	58	304	1,014
2003	730	35	112	493	1,370	221	10	262	493	493	730	256	122	755	1,863
2002	182	16	30	322	550	111	4	247	362	362	182	127	34	569	912
2001	240	18	52	213	523	127	2	148	277	277	240	145	54	361	800
2000	180	12	37	499	728	95	2	245	342	342	180	107	39	744	1,070
1999	270	37	34	182	523	89	1	72	162	162	270	126	35	254	685
1998	32	13	11	221	277	63	2	255	320	320	32	76	13	476	597
1997	133	1	37	175	346	72	1	106	179	179	133	73	38	281	525
1996	79	0	17	273	369	38	2	233	273	273	79	38	19	506	642
1995	379	33	21	149	582	60	0	51	111	111	379	93	21	200	693

SEASON KEY: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular

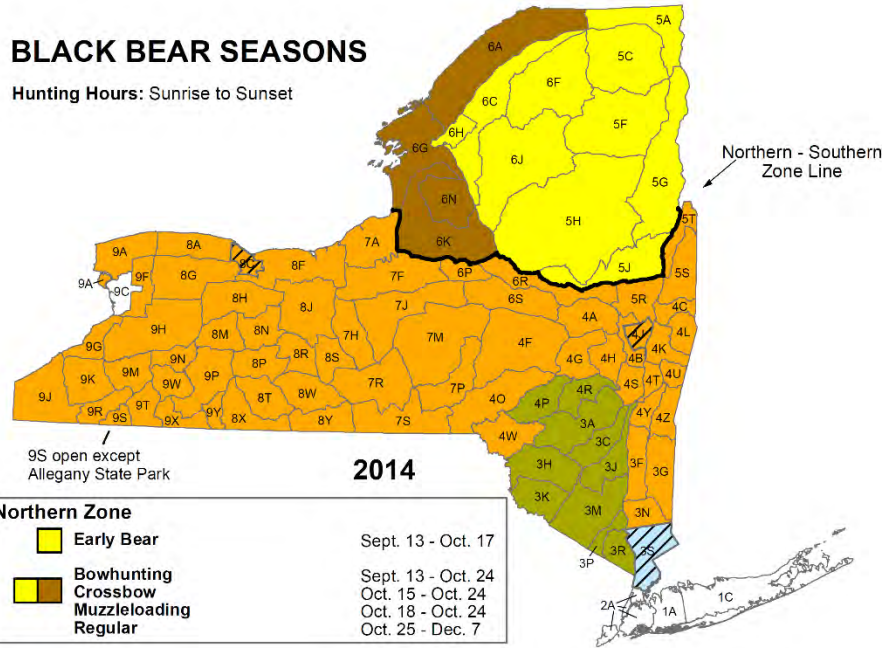


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2014 Bear Hunting Seasons

BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



Northern Zone

Early Bear	Sept. 13 - Oct. 17
Bowhunting Crossbow Muzzleloading Regular	Sept. 13 - Oct. 24 Oct. 15 - Oct. 24 Oct. 18 - Oct. 24 Oct. 25 - Dec. 7

Southern Zone

Early Bear	Sept. 6 - Sept. 21
Early Bowhunting Crossbow--Not in WMUs 4J or 8C Regular	Oct. 1 - Nov. 14 Nov. 1 - Nov. 14 Nov. 15 - Dec. 7
Late Bowhunting Late Muzzleloading	Dec. 8 - Dec. 16 Dec. 8 - Dec. 16
Westchester County (3S) Regular--Bowhunting Only	Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

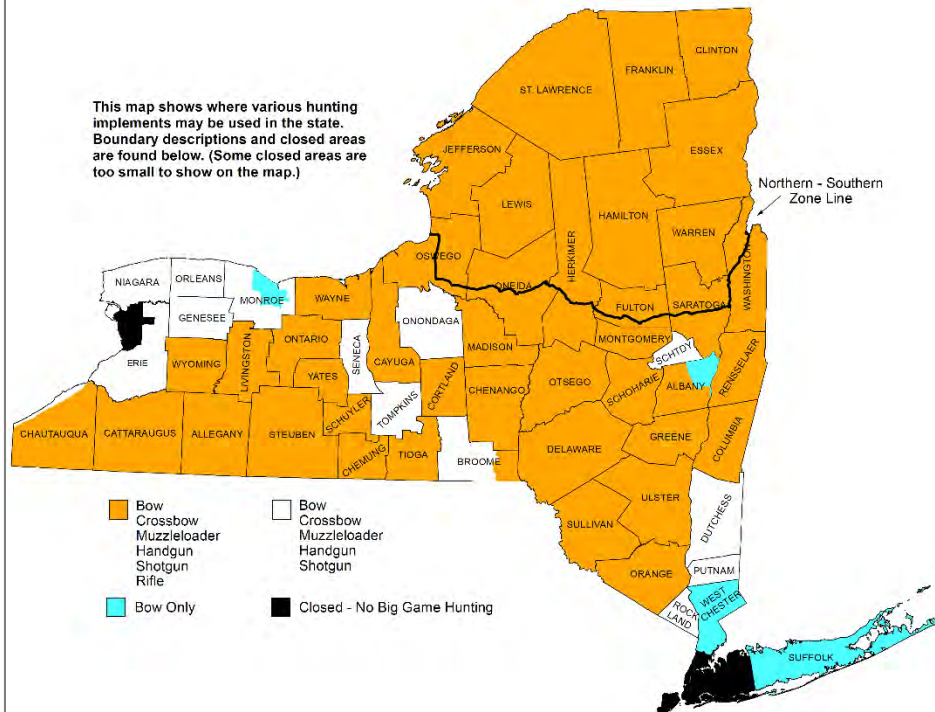
Bowhunting Only WMUs

No Bear Hunting

Crossbows

- May be used to hunt bear during the early bear seasons, muzzleloader seasons, and the regular firearms seasons.
- May not be used to hunt bear anytime in WMUs 3S (Westchester County), 4J or 8C.

This map shows where various hunting implements may be used in the state. Boundary descriptions and closed areas are found below. (Some closed areas are too small to show on the map.)



Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

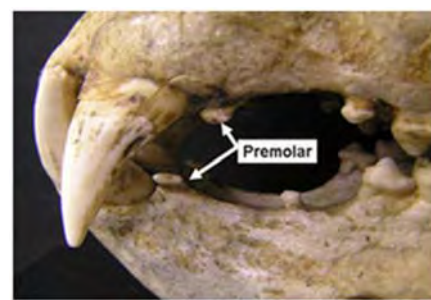


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2014



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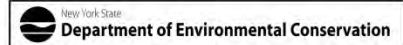
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.



Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



Division of Fish, Wildlife and Marine Resources
Bureau of Wildlife

See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

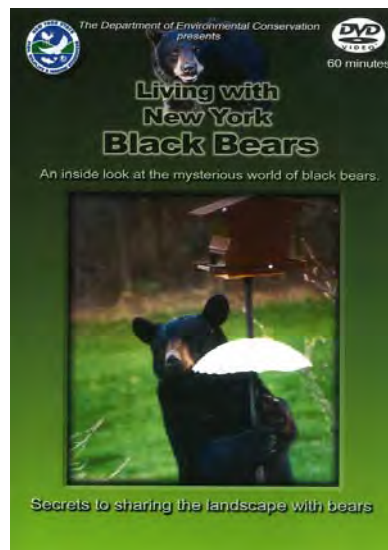
Hunting the Black Bear in New York



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.

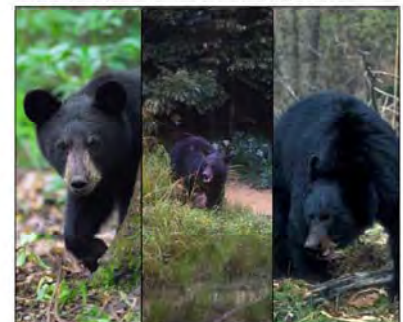
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf



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BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2015



Donald Winslow with his Tioga County black bear, taken in October, 2015.

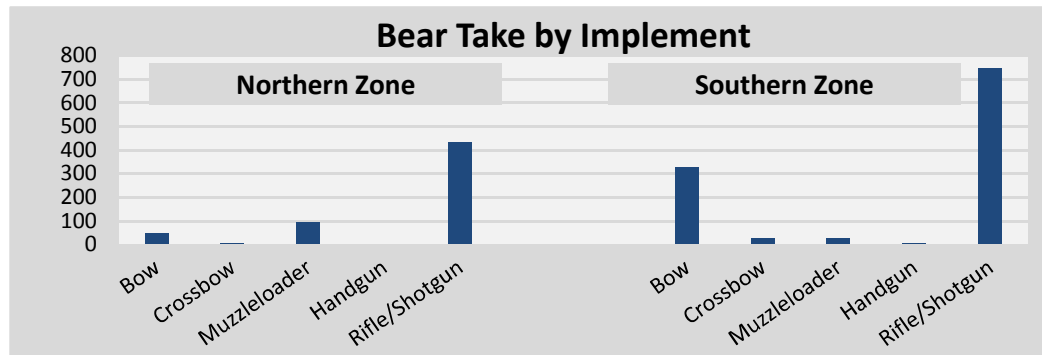


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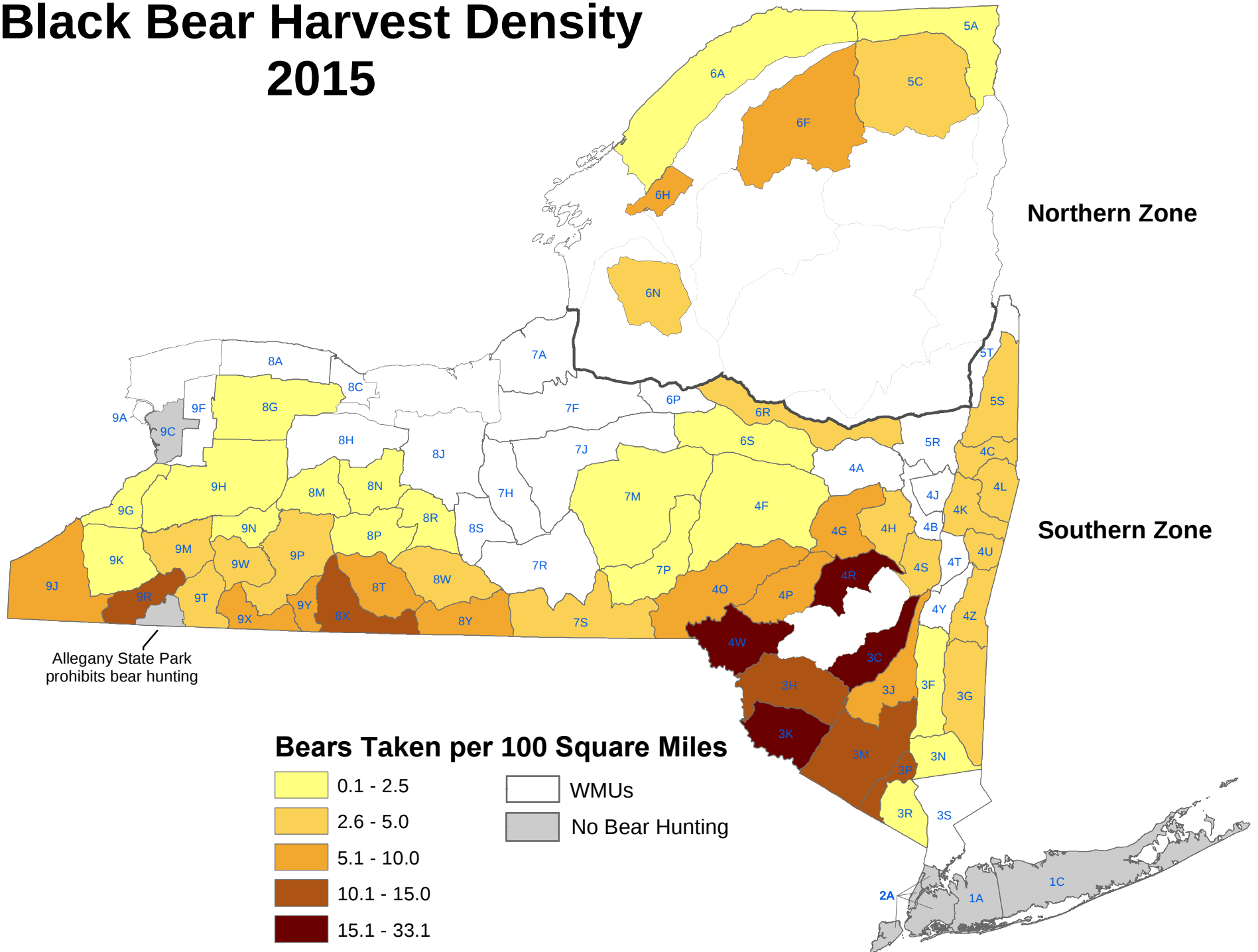
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2015 Bear Harvest Summary

	2015	2014	5-Year Average (2010-2014)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	583	518	460	515
Early	183	291	217	172
Bow	53	26	24	15
Muzzleloader	94	42	41	25
Regular	253	159	178	303
% Female : % Male	33% - 67%	37% - 63%	38% - 62%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	1,132	1,110	869	207
Early	192	337	337	
Bow	327	305	305	54
Muzzleloader	17	16	12	1
Regular	596	452	485	153
% Female : % Male	36% - 64%	41% - 59%	40% - 60%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,715	1,628	1,329	722
Early	375	628	285	172
Bow	380	331	328	69
Muzzleloader	111	58	53	26
Regular	849	611	663	455
% Female : % Male	35% - 65%	40% - 60%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2015



2015 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

NORTHERN						SOUTHERN						7P	0	0	0	3	3
WMU	E	B	M	R	T	WMU	E	B	M	R	T	7S	0	20	1	8	29
5A	1	0	1	4	6	3A	40	12	1	31	84	8G	0	0	0	2	2
5C	15	3	12	24	54	3C	24	12	0	26	62	8M	0	2	0	0	2
5F	6	0	5	13	24	3F	0	1	0	0	1	8N	0	2	0	1	3
5G	3	1	3	15	22	3G	0	6	0	6	12	8P	0	3	0	2	5
5H	30	15	18	74	137	3H	22	13	0	34	69	8R	0	2	0	0	2
5J	9	2	5	6	22	3J	2	6	0	12	20	8T	0	20	1	17	38
6A	0	5	3	8	16	3K	45	16	0	65	126	8W	0	5	0	8	13
6C	44	4	14	28	90	3M	20	19	3	34	76	8X	0	28	0	30	58
6F	25	6	9	31	71	3N	0	0	0	2	2	8Y	0	6	0	18	24
6G	0	0	1	1	2	3P	1	8	0	5	14	9G	0	1	0	0	1
6H	10	1	2	4	17	3R	3	0	0	1	4	9H	0	0	0	2	2
6J	40	8	18	22	88	4C	0	0	0	5	5	9J	0	17	0	21	38
6K	0	3	2	12	17	4F	0	1	1	7	9	9K	0	7	0	4	11
6N	0	5	1	11	17	4G	0	10	1	9	20	9M	0	4	0	5	9
NORTHERN ZONE						4H	0	4	1	6	11	9N	0	0	0	1	1
Early					583	4K	0	3	0	4	7	9P	0	8	0	14	22
Bowhunting					183	4L	0	2	0	7	9	9R	0	6	2	17	25
Muzzleloader					53	4O	0	20	1	32	53	9T	0	0	0	10	10
Regular					94	4P	12	7	2	12	33	9W	0	5	0	3	8
					253	4R	23	7	1	17	48	9X	0	3	1	10	14
						4S	0	3	1	3	7	9Y	0	0	0	8	8
						4U	0	3	0	3	6	SOUTHERN ZONE					
						4W	0	19	0	60	79	Early					1,132
						4Z	0	3	0	4	7	Bowhunting					192
						5S	0	7	0	10	17	Muzzleloader					327
						6R	0	4	0	13	17	Regular					17
						6S	0	2	0	0	2						596
						7M	0	0	0	4	4						



STATE TOTAL	1,715
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NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*

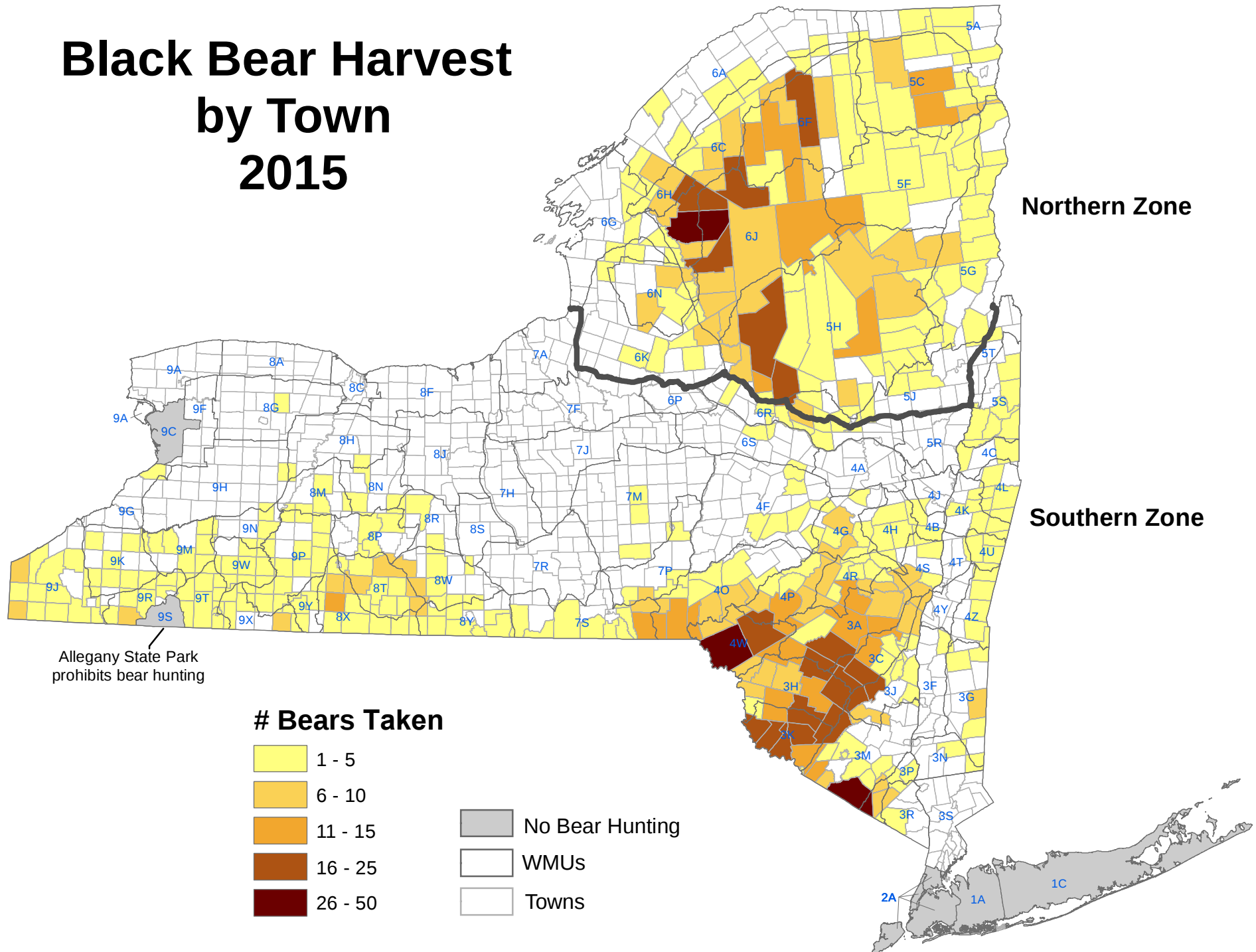
NZ	E	B	M	R	T
Male	120	39	65	166	389
Female	63	14	28	86	191

SZ	E	B	M	R	T
Male	114	234	10	358	715
Female	78	90	7	236	411

* Sex was not reported for all bears.

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Black Bear Harvest by Town 2015



2015 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY*

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, T = Total

NORTHERN ZONE						FULTON						TOTAL						36	10	20	38	104												
ZONE TOTAL						583	Bleecker						1	0	2	3	6	ONEIDA						E	B	M	R	T						
EARLY						183	Ephratah						0	0	0	1	1	Annsville						0	1	0	0	1						
BOWHUNTING						53	Johnstown						0	0	2	0	2	Ava						0	0	1	0	1						
MUZZLELOADER						94	Mayfield						0	2	1	1	4	Boonville						2	0	4	4	10						
REGULAR						253	Oppenheim						3	0	1	3	7	Camden						0	0	0	1	1						
							Stratford						1	0	2	0	3	Forestport						5	2	0	3	10						
							TOTAL						5	2	8	8	23	Remsen						1	1	0	6	8						
							HAMILTON						E	B	M	R	T	Western						0	0	0	1	1						
CLINTON						E	B	M	R	T	Arietta						1	2	0	1	4	TOTAL						8	4	5	15	32		
Altona						0	0	0	1	1	Hope						0	0	0	2	2	SARATOGA						E	B	M	R	T		
Ausable						5	1	0	0	6	Indian Lake						2	1	0	4	7	Corinth						2	0	0	0	2		
Beekmantown						0	0	0	2	2	Inlet						0	0	1	2	3	Day						1	0	0	0	1		
Black Brook						4	0	3	7	14	Lake Pleasant						0	0	1	3	4	Edinburg						0	0	1	2	3		
Clinton						0	0	0	2	2	Long Lake						4	0	4	4	12	Hadley						0	0	0	1	1		
Ellenburg						1	0	1	2	4	Morehouse						0	0	0	3	3	TOTAL <th>3</th> <th>0</th> <th>1</th> <th>3</th> <th>7</th>						3	0	1	3	7		
Mooers						0	0	0	1	1	Wells						1	1	1	9	12	ST LAWRENCE						E	B	M	R	T		
Peru						3	0	0	0	3	TOTAL <th>8</th> <th>4</th> <th>7</th> <th>28</th> <th>47</th>						8	4	7	28	47	Canton						1	0	3	1	5		
Saranac						2	0	1	9	12	HERKIMER						E	B	M	R	T	Clare						4	0	1	7	12		
Schuyler Falls						0	0	0	1	1	Fairfield						0	0	0	4	4	Clifton						1	0	0	0	1		
TOTAL						15	1	5	25	46	Norway						0	3	3	6	12	Colton						4	0	2	8	14		
ESSEX						E	B	M	R	T	Ohio						4	4	0	8	16	Edwards						6	0	0	3	9		
Chesterfield						1	0	0	0	1	Russia						2	1	2	1	6	Fine						12	1	2	2	17		
Crown Point						0	0	3	1	4	Salisbury						5	0	2	9	16	Fowler						1	1	0	2	4		
Elizabethtown						0	0	1	0	1	Webb						3	1	1	4	9	Gouverneur						0	0	1	4	5		
Essex						0	0	0	2	2	TOTAL						14	9	8	32	63	Hermon						4	0	1	0	5		
Jay						2	0	0	1	3	JEFFERSON						E	B	M	R	T	Hopkinton						6	2	2	6	16		
Keene						0	0	1	2	3	Antwerp						1	5	2	1	9	Lawrence						0	0	2	0	2		
Lewis						0	0	0	2	2	Le Ray						2	0	0	1	3	Morristown						0	1	0	0	1		
Minerva						2	0	1	3	6	Lorraine						0	2	0	0	2	Parishville						5	1	1	1	8		
Moriah						0	0	0	2	2	Philadelphia						2	0	0	0	2	Piercefield						1	0	2	4	7		
Newcomb						0	0	0	2	2	Rodman						0	0	1	3	4	Pierrepont						3	0	0	1	4		
North Elba						0	0	0	1	1	Rutland						0	0	0	1	1	Pitcairn						6	2	0	1	9		
Schroon						3	0	2	1	6	Theresa						0	0	0	2	2	Potsdam						0	0	0	1	1		
St Armand						2	0	0	1	3	Wilna						8	0	0	1	9	Russell						1	1	1	6	9		
Ticonderoga						0	2	0	2	4	TOTAL						13	7	3	9	32	TOTAL						55	9	18	47	129		
Westport						1	0	0	0	1	LEWIS						E	B	M	R	T	WARREN						E	B	M	R	T		
Wilmington						0	0	2	1	3	Croghan						12	0	11	5	28	Chester						0	0	0	1	1		
TOTAL						11	2	10	21	44	Denmark						0	1	0	0	1	Hague						0	0	0	1	1		
FRANKLIN						E	B	M	R	T	Diana						2	3	2	9	16	Horicon						0	0	0	1	1		
Bellmont						1	0	4	1	6	Greig						5	1	2	1	9	Johnsburg						3	0	0	3	6		
Brandon						1	2	0	0	3	Leyden						0	0	1	0	1	Lake George						0	0	0	1	1		
Brighton						2	0	0	0	2	Lowville						0	0	0	1	1	Stony Creek						2	0	0	0	2		
Duane						1	0	0	0	1	Lyonsdale						3	1	0	3	7	Thurman						0	0	0	1	1		
Franklin						0	0	1	0	1	Martinsburg						0	1	1	5	7	Warrensburg						0	0	0	3	3		
Harrietstown						0	0	2	2	4	New Bremen						3	0	1	2	6	TOTAL						5	0	0	11	16		
Malone						0	1	0	3	4	Osceola						0	3	0	3	6	WASHINGTON						E	B	M	R	T		
Moir						0	0	1	0	1	Pinckney						0	0	0	1	1	Fort Ann						1	0	1	0	2		
Santa Clara						1	0	0	1	2	Turin						0	0	0	3	3	TOTAL						1	0	1	0	2		
Tupper Lake						3	0	0	3	6	Watson						11	0	2	4	17													
Waverly						0	2	0	6	8	West Turin						0	0	0	1	1													
TOTAL						9	5	8	16	38																								

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SOUTHERN ZONE						Franklinville	0	1	0	0	1	Canaan	0	1	0	2	3
ZONE TOTAL						Great Valley	0	0	0	2	2	Chatham	0	1	0	1	2
EARLY						Hinsdale	0	1	0	2	3	Copake	0	0	0	1	1
BOWHUNTING						Humphrey	0	0	0	1	1	Hillsdale	0	3	0	0	3
MUZZLELOADER						Ischua	0	0	0	1	1	New Lebanon	0	1	0	2	3
REGULAR						Little Valley	0	2	0	3	5	TOTAL	0	6	0	8	14
						Lyndon	0	1	0	0	1	DELAWARE	E	B	M	R	T
ALBANY	E	B	M	R	T	Machias	0	1	0	0	1	Andes	6	1	0	8	15
Berne	0	0	0	1	1	Napoli	0	0	0	1	1	Bovina	0	1	0	4	5
Coeymans	0	0	0	1	1	Olean	0	0	0	2	2	Colchester	2	5	0	14	21
New Scotland	0	0	0	2	2	Otto	0	0	0	1	1	Delhi	0	1	0	1	2
Rensselaerville	0	0	0	2	2	Persia	0	0	0	2	2	Deposit	0	6	0	5	11
Westerlo	0	2	1	0	3	Portville	0	1	1	0	2	Franklin	0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	2	1	6	9	Randolph	0	0	0	3	3	Hamden	4	0	1	2	7
ALLEGANY	E	B	M	R	T	Salamanca	0	0	0	1	1	Hancock	0	13	0	34	47
Alfred	0	0	0	2	2	South Valley	0	4	0	2	6	Masonville	0	3	0	0	3
Alma	0	2	0	4	6	Yorkshire	0	1	0	0	1	Middletown	3	4	1	0	8
Almond	0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	12	3	31	46	Roxbury	5	1	0	2	8
Amity	0	0	0	1	1	CHAUTAUQUA	E	B	M	R	T	Sidney	0	1	0	1	2
Andover	0	1	0	4	5	Arkwright	0	4	0	0	4	Stamford	0	2	0	0	2
Angelica	0	0	0	2	2	Busti	0	0	0	1	1	Tompkins	0	1	0	6	7
Belfast	0	1	0	0	1	Carroll	0	1	0	4	5	Walton	0	1	1	8	10
Birdsall	0	0	0	1	1	Chautauqua	0	0	0	3	3	TOTAL	20	41	3	85	149
Burns	0	0	0	1	1	Cherry Creek	0	3	0	0	3	DUTCHESS	E	B	M	R	T
Caneadea	0	1	0	1	2	Clymer	0	2	0	1	3	Dover	0	3	0	3	6
Clarksville	0	2	0	2	4	Ellicott	0	1	0	0	1	Milan	0	1	0	0	1
Cuba	0	0	0	2	2	Ellington	0	0	0	1	1	Northeast	0	1	0	1	2
Friendship	0	0	0	1	1	French Creek	0	0	0	8	8	Pawling	0	2	0	0	2
Hume	0	1	0	0	1	Gerry	0	0	0	1	1	Stanford	0	0	0	2	2
New Hudson	0	0	0	1	1	Harmony	0	1	0	1	2	TOTAL	0	7	0	6	13
Rushford	0	1	0	0	1	Kiantone	0	0	0	2	2	ERIE	E	B	M	R	T
Scio	0	1	0	0	1	Mina	0	1	0	0	1	Hamburg	0	1	0	0	1
Wellsville	0	0	0	2	2	North Harmony	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	1
West Almond	0	0	0	1	1	Ripley	0	5	0	1	6	FULTON	E	B	M	R	T
Willing	0	1	0	3	4	Sherman	0	1	0	2	3	Ephratah	0	0	0	1	1
Wirt	0	2	0	3	5	Stockton	0	3	0	1	4	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	15	0	31	46	Westfield	0	2	0	2	4	GENESEE	E	B	M	R	T
BROOME	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	0	25	0	28	53	Byron	0	0	0	1	1
Binghamton	0	1	0	0	1	CHEMUNG	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	1
Colesville	0	3	1	2	6	Ashland	0	1	0	2	3	GREENE	E	B	M	R	T
Conklin	0	3	0	0	3	Baldwin	0	0	0	1	1	Ashland	3	0	0	2	5
Fenton	0	0	0	1	1	Big Flats	0	2	0	1	3	Athens	0	1	0	0	1
Kirkwood	0	1	0	1	2	Chemung	0	0	0	3	3	Cairo	7	0	0	2	9
Sanford	0	5	0	8	13	Horseheads	0	0	0	2	2	Catskill	1	4	0	3	8
Vestal	0	0	0	2	2	Southport	0	1	0	3	4	Durham	3	0	0	2	5
Windsor	0	9	0	6	15	TOTAL	0	4	0	12	16	Halcott	0	0	0	3	3
TOTAL	0	22	1	20	43	CHENANGO	E	B	M	R	T	Hunter	3	1	0	4	8
CATTARAUGUS	E	B	M	R	T	Afton	0	1	0	3	4	Jewett	2	2	0	5	9
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Carrollton	0	0	0	1	1	Norwich	0	0	0	1	1	New Baltimore	0	0	2	0	2
Cold Spring	0	0	2	3	5	Otsellic	0	0	0	2	2	Prattsville	2	0	0	0	2
Conewango	0	0	0	1	1	Pharsalia	0	0	0	1	1	Windham	0	0	0	1	1
Dayton	0	0	0	1	1	Smithville	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	26	12	2	26	66
East Otto	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	0	2	0	10	12	HERKIMER	E	B	M	R	T
Ellicottville	0	0	0	1	1	COLUMBIA	E	B	M	R	T	Fairfield	0	0	0	2	2
						Ancram	0	0	0	1	1						
						Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	1						

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German Flatts	0	1	0	0	1	Grafton	0	0	0	3	3	Delaware	0	1	0	5	6
Little Falls	0	0	0	1	1	Hoosick	0	1	0	3	4	Fallsburgh	3	2	0	6	11
Manheim	0	1	0	3	4	Nassau	0	0	0	3	3	Forestburg	9	2	0	9	20
Salisbury	0	1	0	1	2	Poestenkill	0	0	0	1	1	Fremont	0	1	0	6	7
TOTAL	0	3	0	7	10	Sand Lake	0	1	0	0	1	Highland	4	1	0	11	16
LIVINGSTON	E	B	M	R	T	Schaghticoke	0	0	0	1	1	Liberty	4	0	0	2	6
Groveland	0	1	0	0	1	Stephentown	0	0	0	2	2	Lumberland	2	4	0	11	17
Nunda	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	0	5	0	14	19	Mamakating	11	2	0	7	20
Ossian	0	0	0	1	1	ROCKLAND	E	B	M	R	T	Neversink	11	0	0	6	17
Portage	0	0	0	2	2	Ramapo	1	0	0	1	2	Rockland	6	3	0	3	12
Springwater	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	1	0	0	1	2	Thompson	13	4	0	6	23
West Sparta	0	1	0	0	1	SCHOHARIE	E	B	M	R	T	Tusten	4	2	0	17	23
TOTAL	0	2	0	5	7	Blenheim	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	71	29	0	99	199
MONTGOMERY	E	B	M	R	T	Broome	0	1	0	3	4	TIOGA	E	B	M	R	T
Palatine	0	0	0	2	2	Conesville	0	1	0	4	5	Barton	0	1	0	0	1
St Johnsville	0	0	0	2	2	Fulton	0	4	0	2	6	Nichols	0	1	0	1	2
TOTAL	0	0	0	4	4	Gilboa	1	4	1	2	8	Owego	0	3	0	2	5
ONEIDA	E	B	M	R	T	Jefferson	0	2	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	5	0	3	8
Deerfield	0	3	0	0	3	Richmondville	0	0	0	2	2	ULSTER	E	B	M	R	T
TOTAL	0	3	0	0	3	Schoharie	0	0	0	2	2	Denning	10	1	0	8	19
ONTARIO	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	1	13	1	15	30	Esopus	0	2	0	0	2
Richmond	0	1	0	0	1	SCHUYLER	E	B	M	R	T	Hardenburgh	1	0	1	1	3
TOTAL	0	1	0	0	1	Montour	0	0	0	1	1	Hurley	2	1	0	1	4
ORANGE	E	B	M	R	T	Orange	0	0	0	3	3	Kingston	0	1	0	2	3
Blooming Grove	0	0	0	2	2	Tyrone	0	1	0	0	1	Lloyd	0	1	0	1	2
Chester	1	1	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	4	5	Marbletown	2	0	0	1	3
Deerpark	4	1	0	7	12	STEUBEN	E	B	M	R	T	Olive	8	0	0	4	12
Goshen	0	1	0	0	1	Addison	0	2	0	3	5	Rochester	4	6	0	9	19
Greenville	5	4	0	3	12	Avoca	0	1	0	0	1	Rosendale	0	1	0	1	2
Highlands	0	1	0	2	3	Bath	0	4	0	2	6	Saugerties	2	2	0	4	8
Middletown	0	0	0	1	1	Cameron	0	3	0	2	5	Shandaken	3	1	0	11	15
Minisink	0	3	1	2	6	Campbell	0	5	0	3	8	Shawangunk	1	0	0	5	6
Monroe	3	3	0	0	6	Canisteo	0	1	0	8	9	Ulster	1	1	0	0	2
Mount Hope	0	0	0	2	2	Caton	0	2	0	1	3	Wawarsing	5	6	0	13	24
Port Jervis City	1	0	0	0	1	Cohocton	0	2	0	0	2	Woodstock	8	1	0	2	11
Tuxedo	2	4	0	1	7	Corning	0	3	0	2	5	TOTAL	47	24	1	63	135
Wallkill	0	2	0	0	2	Erwin	0	2	2	3	7	WASHINGTON	E	B	M	R	T
Warwick	9	7	1	19	36	Greenwood	0	3	0	11	14	Cambridge	0	0	0	2	2
Woodbury	1	0	0	0	1	Hartsville	0	6	0	2	8	Easton	0	1	0	1	2
TOTAL	26	27	2	39	94	Hornby	0	0	0	1	1	Hebron	0	2	0	0	2
OTSEGO	E	B	M	R	T	Hornellsville	0	1	0	4	5	Jackson	0	0	0	4	4
Cherry Valley	0	0	0	1	1	Howard	0	2	0	0	2	Salem	0	0	0	1	1
Maryland	0	0	0	3	3	Jasper	0	4	0	1	5	White Creek	0	3	0	2	5
Milford	0	0	1	0	1	Lindley	0	2	0	3	5	TOTAL	0	6	0	10	16
Roseboom	0	0	0	1	1	Prattsburg	0	0	0	2	2	WYOMING	E	B	M	R	T
Worcester	0	1	0	0	1	Rathbone	0	2	0	2	4	Perry	0	0	0	2	2
TOTAL	0	1	1	5	7	Thurston	0	3	0	1	4	Pike	0	0	0	1	1
PUTNAM	E	B	M	R	T	Troupsburg	0	2	0	1	3	TOTAL	0	0	0	3	3
Kent	0	0	0	1	1	Tuscarora	0	1	0	2	3	YATES	E	B	M	R	T
Southeast	0	0	0	1	1	West Union	0	5	0	0	5	Italy	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	0	0	0	2	2	Woodhull	0	1	0	2	3	Jerusalem	0	1	0	0	1
RENSSELAER	E	B	M	R	T	TOTAL	0	57	2	56	115	TOTAL	0	1	0	1	2
Berlin	0	1	0	1	2	SULLIVAN	E	B	M	R	T						
East Greenbush	0	2	0	0	2	Bethel	2	1	0	9	12						
						Callicoon	2	3	0	1	6						
						Cohecton	0	3	0	0	3						

STATE TOTAL **1,715**

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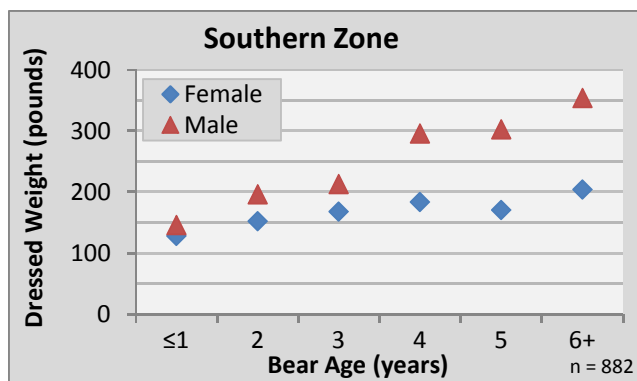
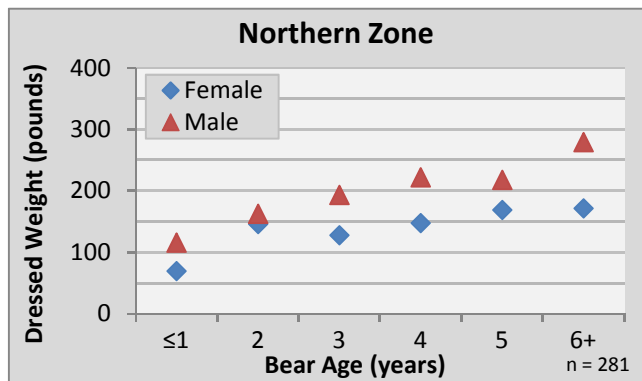
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2015

Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	520	Male	Bowhunting	Sullivan	Forestburg	3K
2	450	Male	Regular	Ulster	Woodstock	3A
3	445	Male	Regular	Genesee	Byron	8G
4	433	Male	Early	Orange	Tuxedo	3P
5	420	Male	Regular	St Lawrence	Piercefield	6J
6	420	Male	Early	Delaware	Roxbury	4R
7	416	Male	Regular	Jefferson	Antwerp	6A
8	405	Male	Regular	Jefferson	Wilna	6C
9	400	Male	Muzzleloading	St Lawrence	Canton	6C
10	393	Male	Regular	Herkimer	Norway	5H

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 25% of the bears taken in 2015.

Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears 2012-2014



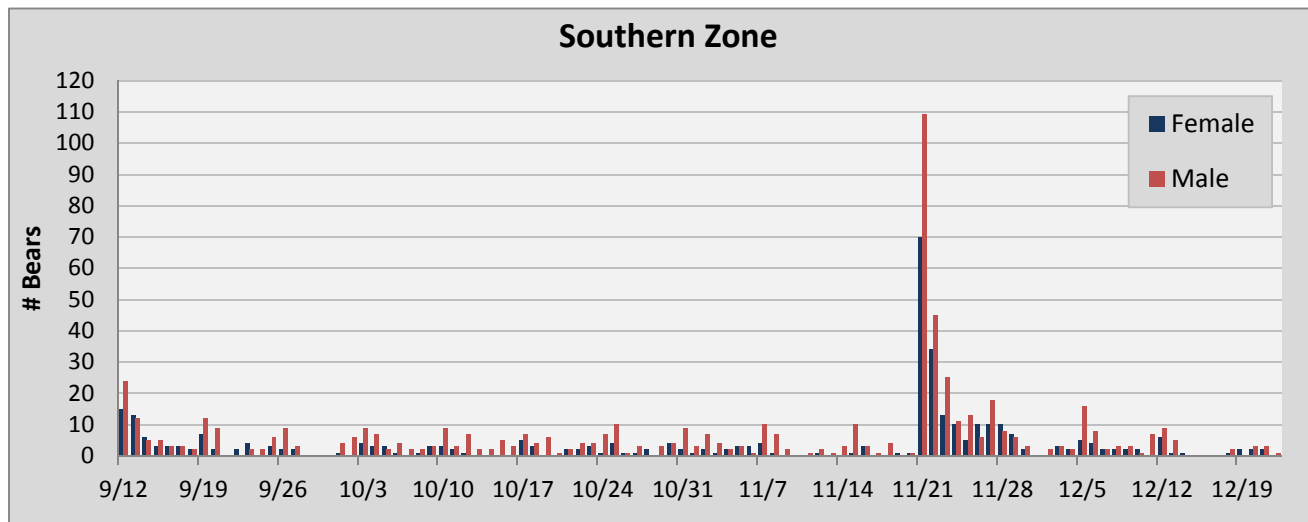
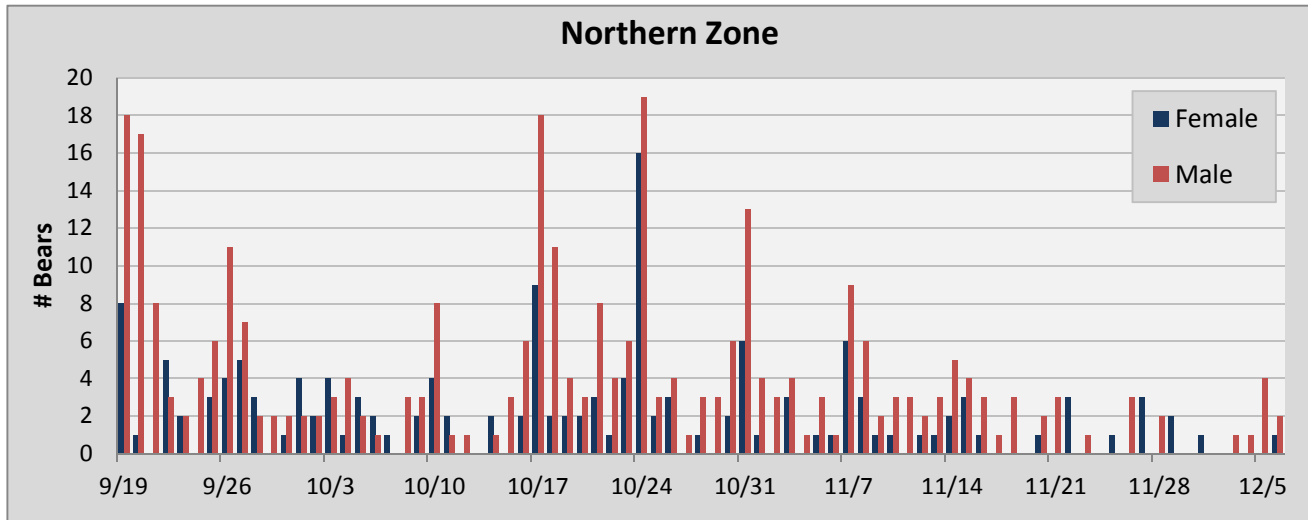
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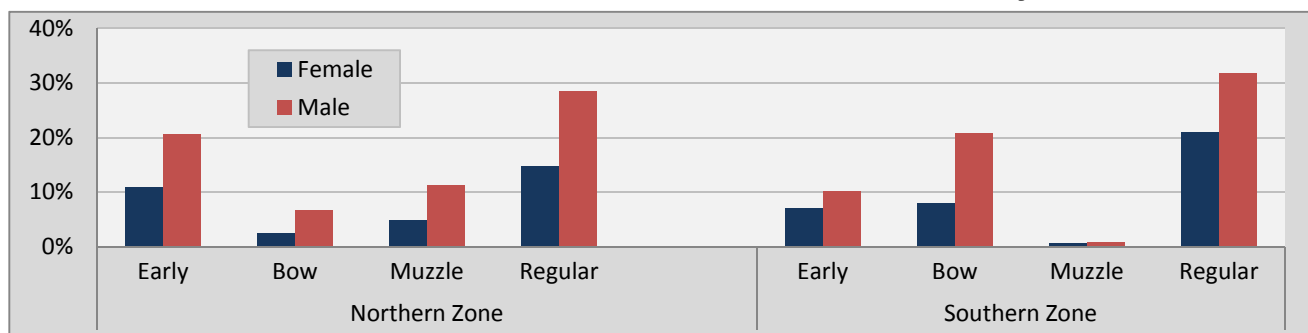
Wayne Kobler with his 420 pound St. Lawrence County bear, taken in October 2015.

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2015 Reported Bear Take by Day



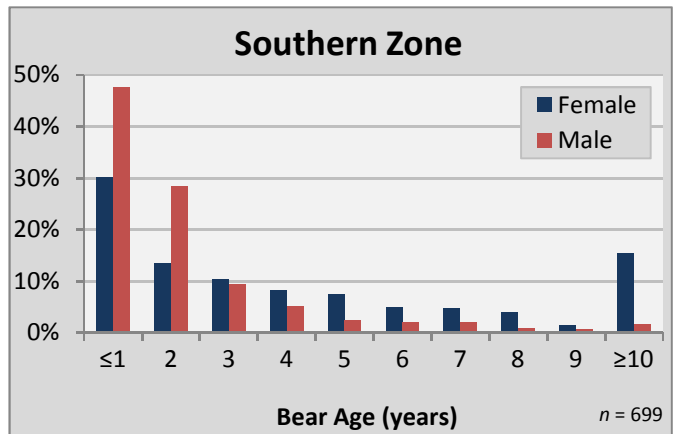
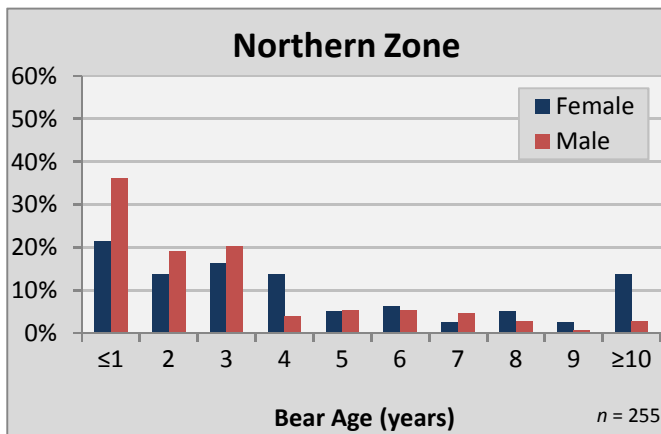
2015 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



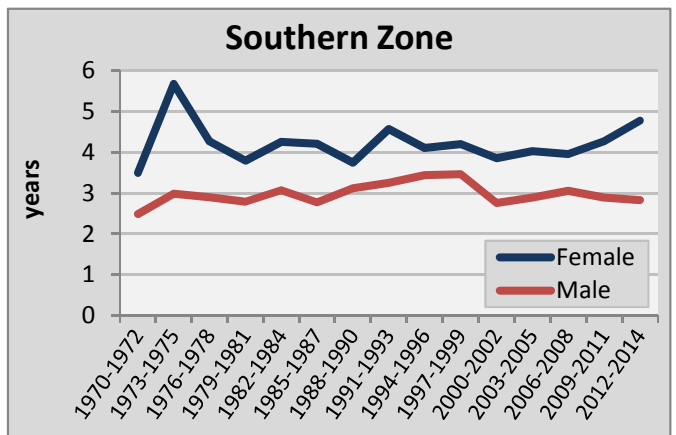
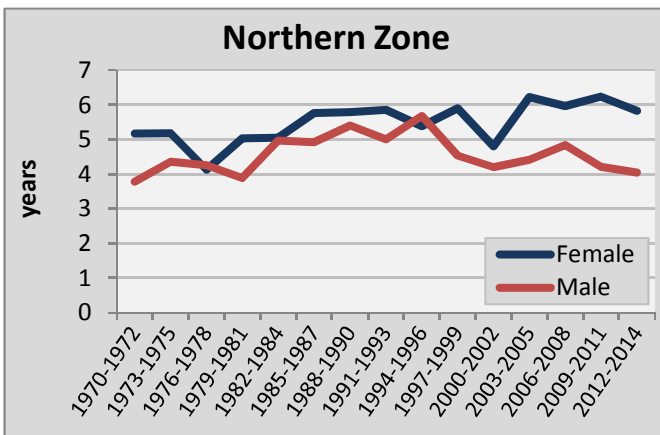
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Male and female bear take during the Southern Zone muzzleloader seasons were <2% if the total harvest.

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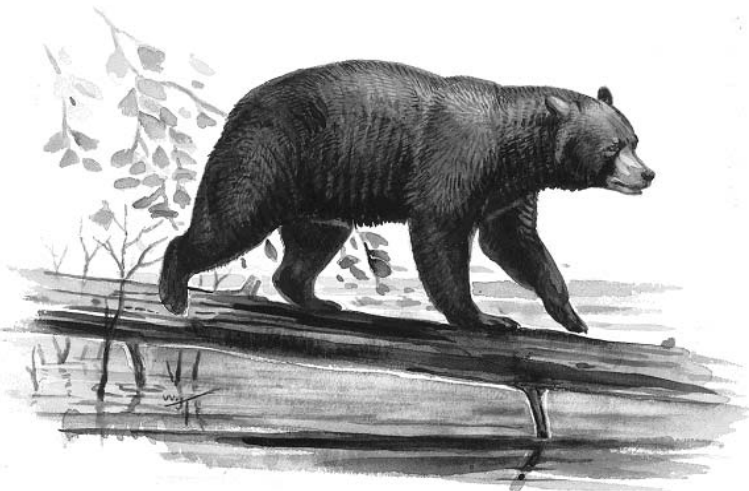
Age Distribution of Bear Harvest in the 2014 Season*



Average Age of Harvested Bears



* **Note:** Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear ages from the 2015 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2016 report. Juvenile bears (<1 year) may be legally taken in the Adirondack.

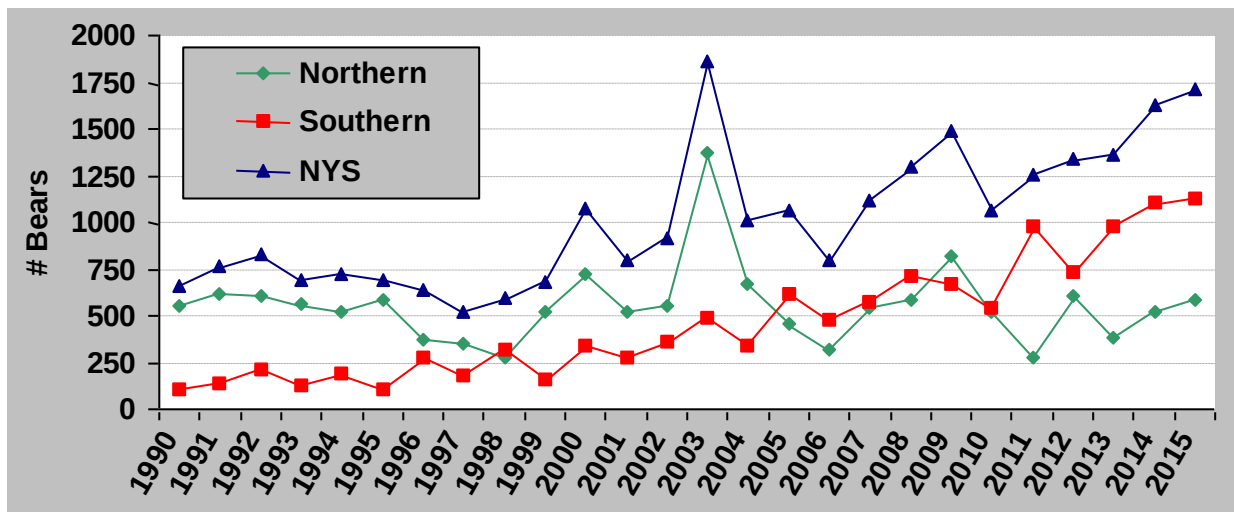


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NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR HARVEST HISTORY

	NORTHERN ZONE					SOUTHERN ZONE					STATE TOTALS				
Year	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	TOTAL
2015	183	53	94	253	583	192	327	17	596	1,132	375	380	111	849	1,715
2014	291	26	42	159	518	337	305	16	451	1,110	629	330	58	611	1,628
2013	84	15	35	246	380		317	6	655	978	84	332	41	901	1,358
2012	386	39	49	132	606		332	6	393	731	386	371	55	525	1,337
2011	70	3	9	193	275		290	21	672	983	70	293	30	865	1,258
2010	255	35	71	160	521		280	10	253	543	255	315	81	413	1,064
2009	426	44	128	216	814		266	10	397	673	426	310	138	613	1,487
2008	85	13	99	385	582		219	18	476	713	85	232	117	861	1,295
2007	306	28	61	149	544		219	9	345	573	306	247	70	494	1,117
2006	74	9	16	219	318		228	9	241	478	74	237	25	460	796
2005	184	19	45	205	453		208	11	394	613	184	227	56	599	1,066
2004	425	49	54	146	674		178	4	158	340	425	227	58	304	1,014
2003	730	35	112	493	1,370		221	10	262	493	730	256	122	755	1,863
2002	182	16	30	322	550		111	4	247	362	182	127	34	569	912
2001	240	18	52	213	523		127	2	148	277	240	145	54	361	800
2000	180	12	37	499	728		95	2	245	342	180	107	39	744	1,070
1999	270	37	34	182	523		89	1	72	162	270	126	35	254	685
1998	32	13	11	221	277		63	2	255	320	32	76	13	476	597
1997	133	1	37	175	346		72	1	106	179	133	73	38	281	525
1996	79	0	17	273	369		38	2	233	273	79	38	19	506	642

SEASON KEY: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular

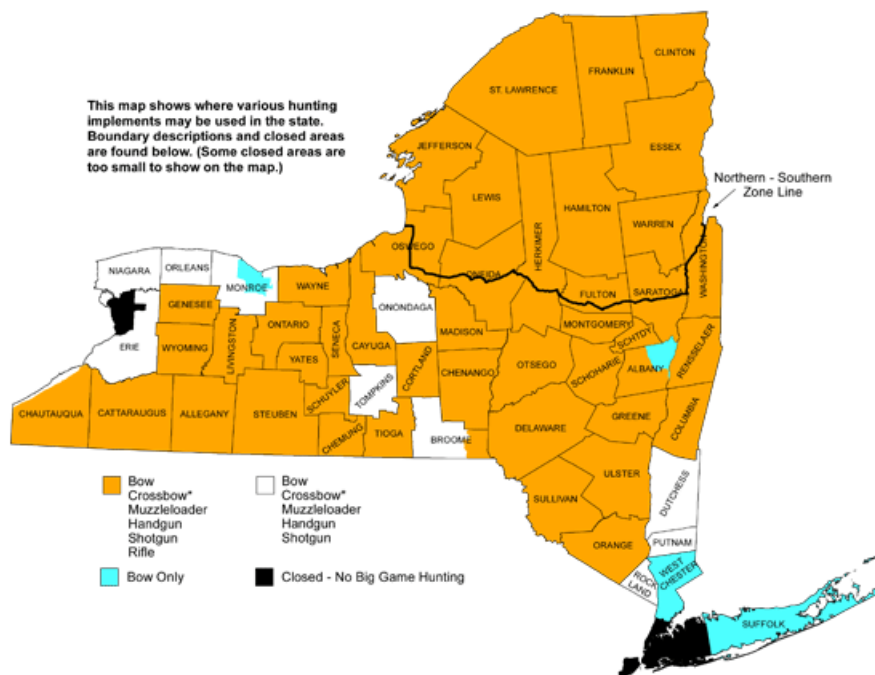
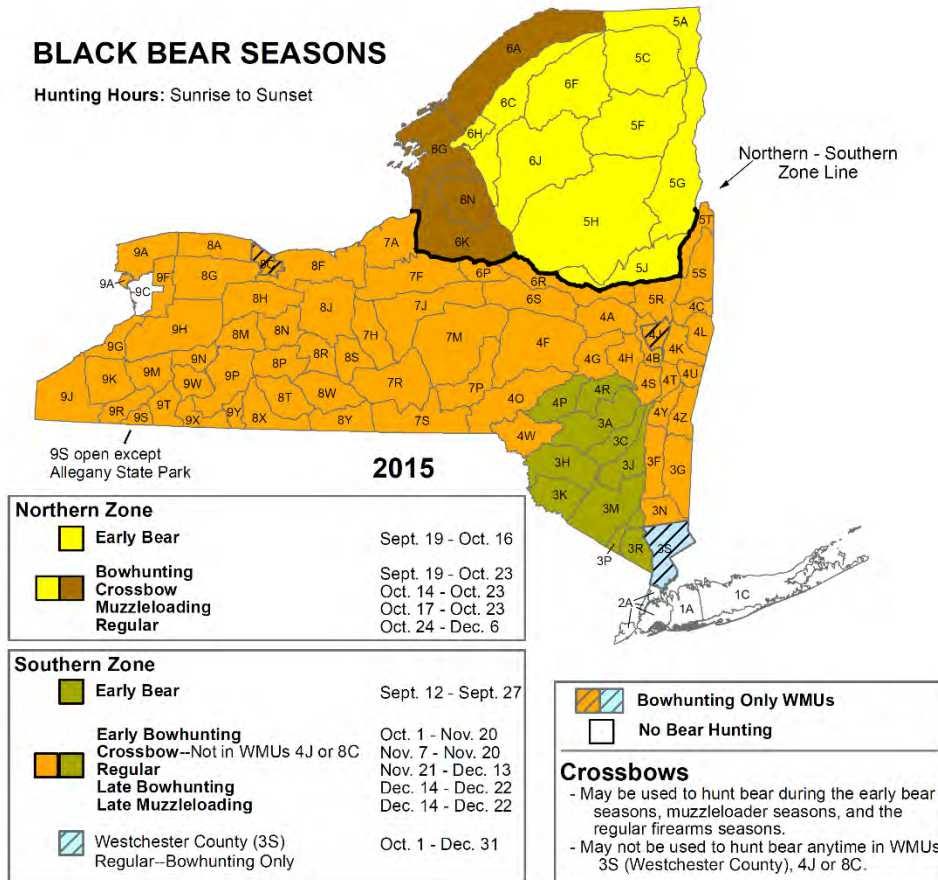


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2015 Bear Hunting Seasons

BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset



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Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

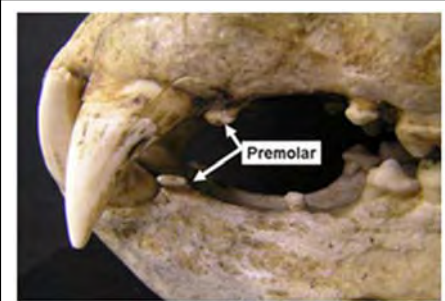


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2015



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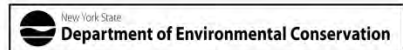
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.



Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



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See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

Hunting the Black Bear in New York



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.

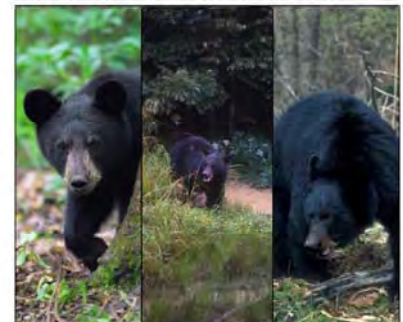
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Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



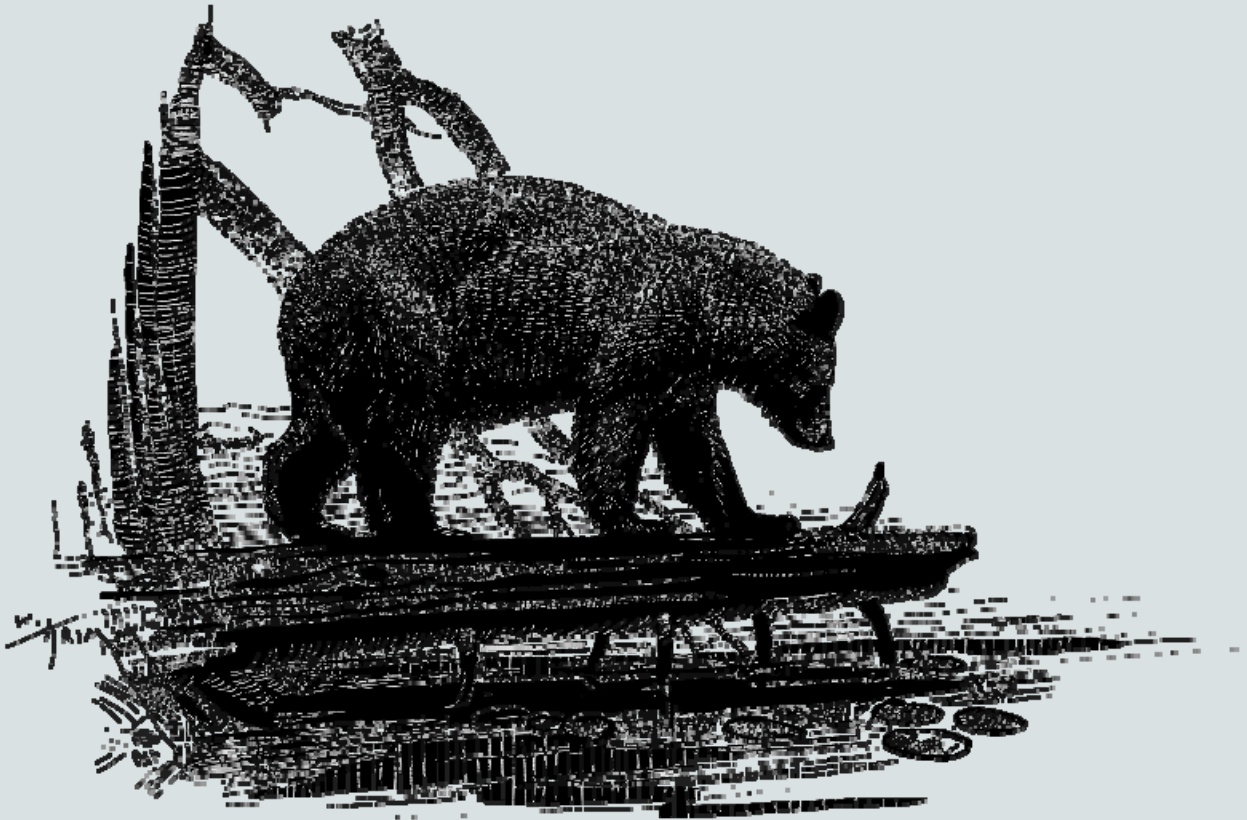
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BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2016

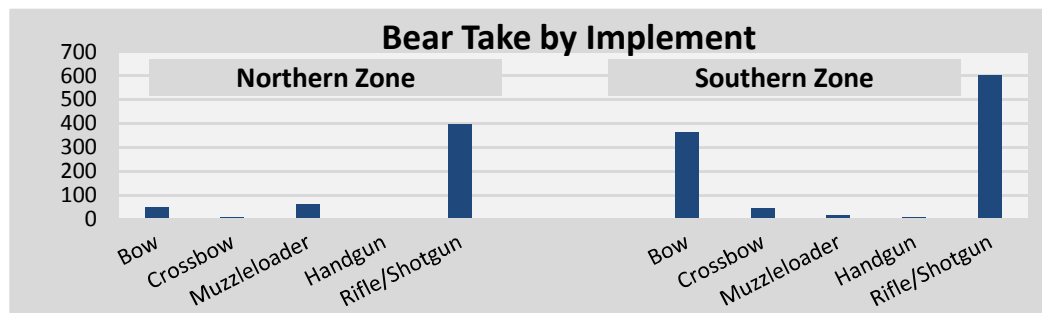


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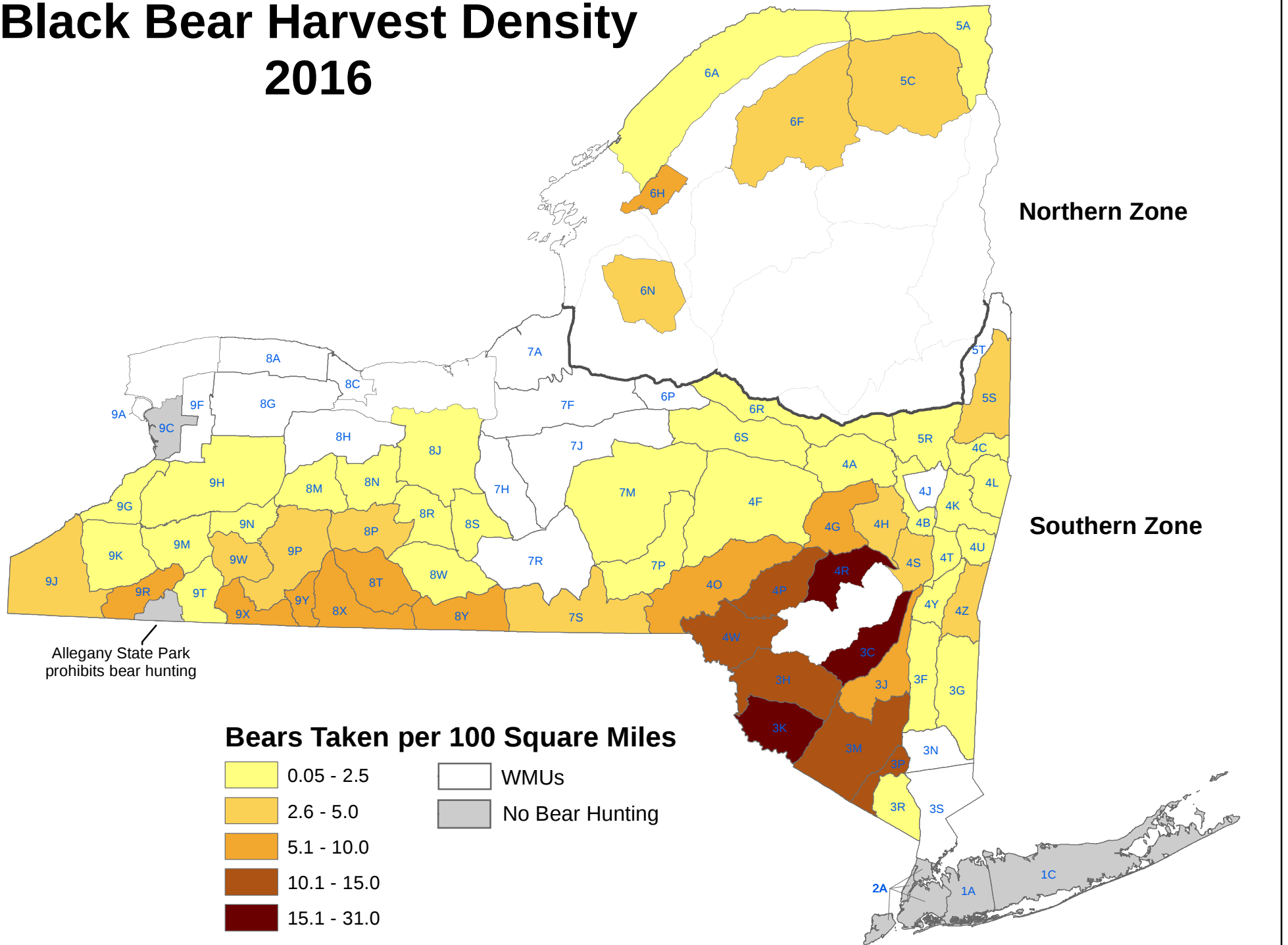
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2016 Bear Harvest Summary

	2016	2015	5-Year Average (2011-2015)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	514	583	472	515
Early	238	183	203	172
Bow	48	53	27	15
Muzzleloader	61	94	46	25
Regular	167	253	197	303
% Female : % Male	44% - 56%	33% - 67%	39% - 61%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	1,025	1,132	987	207
Early	228	192	265	NA
Bow	379	327	314	54
Muzzleloader	10	17	13	1
Regular	398	596	554	153
Youth	10	NA	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	45% - 55%	36% - 64%	40% - 60%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,539	1,715	1,459	722
Early	466	375	309	172
Bow	427	380	341	69
Muzzleloader	71	111	59	26
Regular	565	849	750	455
Youth	10	NA	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	45% - 55%	35% - 65%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2016



2016 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

	<u>Northern</u>					
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5A	2	1	2	0		5
5C	32	3	5	9		49
5F	6	3	4	6		19
5G	10	3	7	9		29
5H	59	7	23	57		146
5J	9	3	2	8		22
6A	4	2	0	0		6
6C	33	11	4	24		72
6F	32	5	5	14		56
6H	6	0	0	7		13
6J	45	6	7	19		77
6K	0	0	1	4		5
6N	0	4	1	10		15

Northern Zone	514
Early	238
Bowhunting	48
Muzzleloader	61
Regular	167
Youth	

	<u>Southern</u>					
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
3A	26	11	0	48	1	86
3C	22	23	0	16	1	62
3F	0	0	0	2	0	2
3G	0	7	0	3	0	10
3H	31	20	0	15	0	66
3J	5	7	0	13	0	25
3K	67	30	0	18	0	115

3M	24	33	0	21	0	78
3P	3	5	0	6	0	14
3R	1	2	0	0	0	3
4A	0	1	0	1	0	2
4B	0	2	0	0	0	2
4C	0	1	0	1	0	2
4F	0	3	0	6	0	9
4G	0	10	0	9	2	21
4H	0	4	0	6	0	10
4K	0	2	0	1	0	3
4L	0	2	0	1	0	3
4O	0	22	4	28	2	56
4P	27	8	0	9	0	44
4R	22	15	0	15	1	53
4S	0	4	0	5	0	9
4T	0	0	0	1	0	1
4U	0	1	0	1	0	2
4W	0	21	0	35	1	57
4Y	0	3	0	0	0	3
4Z	0	3	0	4	0	7
5R	0	0	0	1	0	1
5S	0	6	0	12	0	18
6R	0	4	0	5	0	9
6S	0	0	1	1	0	2
7M	0	0	0	1	0	1
7P	0	2	0	6	0	8
7S	0	15	0	5	0	20
8J	0	1	0	0	0	1
8M	0	0	1	1	0	2
8N	0	1	0	2	0	3
8P	0	10	0	3	0	13

8R	0	1	0	0	0	1
8S	0	0	0	1	0	1
8T	0	11	0	14	0	25
8W	0	1	0	0	0	1
8X	0	21	1	8	0	30
8Y	0	12	0	8	2	22
9G	0	0	0	1	0	1
9H	0	0	0	2	0	2
9J	0	12	0	14	0	26
9K	0	1	0	3	0	4
9M	0	4	0	1	0	5
9N	0	1	0	2	0	3
9P	0	13	0	13	0	26
9R	0	8	0	7	0	15
9T	0	3	0	3	0	6
9W	0	2	1	6	0	9
9X	0	3	2	9	0	14
9Y	0	7	0	4	0	11

Southern Zone	1,025
Early	228
Bowhunting	379
Muzzleloader	10
Regular	398
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State Total	1,539
Early	466
Bowhunting	427
Muzzleloader	71
Regular	565
Youth	10

NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*

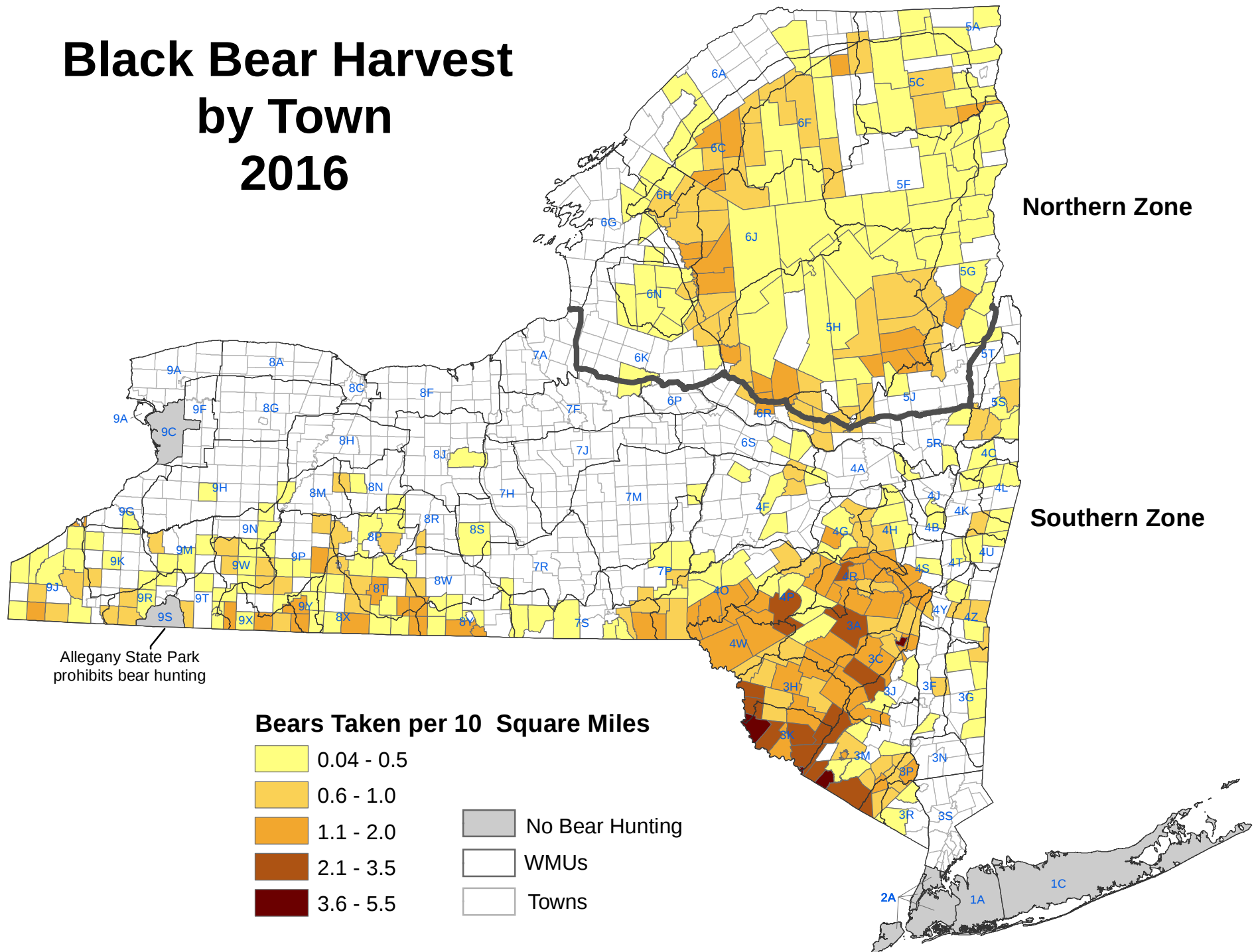
NZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	99	21	22	84		226
Male	136	27	39	82		284
SZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	99	161	3	198	5	466
Male	129	218	8	200	5	560

*Sex was not reported for all bears.



* Only Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) with reported bear harvests are included here.

Black Bear Harvest by Town 2016



2016 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern Zone							Benson	0	1	0	1	2	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	1		
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hope	5	0	0	3	8	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
Altona	1	0	0	1		2	Indian Lake	2	0	0	3	5	Day	1	0	3	3		7	
Ausable	5	1	0	0		6	Inlet	0	0	1	1	2	Edinburg	0	0	0	2		2	
Beekmantown	0	0	1	0		1	Lake Pleasant	0	0	0	1	1	Hadley	3	1	1	0		5	
Black Brook	6	1	3	1		11	Long Lake	1	0	1	1	3	Saratoga	0	0	0	2		2	
Champlain	0	1	0	0		1	Wells	4	0	1	9	14	TOTAL	4	1	4	7		16	
Clinton	0	0	2	0		2	TOTAL	12	2	3	21	38	St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
Ellenburg	2	0	0	2		4	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Brasher	1	0	0	0		1
Peru	4	0	0	0		4	Fairfield	2	0	1	2	5	Clare	4	0	2	3		9	
Saranac	3	1	0	3		7	Newport	1	0	0	2	3	Clifton	3	0	1	0		4	
Schuyler Falls	0	0	0	1		1	Norway	1	1	1	1	4	Colton	1	3	0	8		12	
TOTAL	21	4	6	8		39	Ohio	2	1	0	4	7	Dekalb	1	0	0	0		1	
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Russia	3	0	0	3	6	Edwards	2	1	0	1		4	
Chesterfield	1	0	0	0		1	Salisbury	5	3	5	0	13	Fine	14	0	0	3		17	
Crown Point	0	0	1	1		2	Webb	1	0	3	3	7	Fowler	0	0	0	1		1	
Elizabethtown	0	2	0	0		2	TOTAL	15	5	10	15	45	Gouverneur	0	1	0	0		1	
Jay	1	0	0	2		3	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hermon	2	2	2	3		9
Keene	1	0	2	1		4	Antwerp	0	1	0	3	4	Hopkinton	11	1	0	3		15	
Lewis	0	0	1	1		2	Champion	1	0	0	0	1	Lawrence	2	0	0	0		2	
Minerva	0	0	0	5		5	Le Ray	1	0	0	0	1	Oswegatchie	1	0	0	0		1	
Moriah	0	2	0	0		2	Philadelphia	2	0	0	0	2	Parishville	4	1	2	0		7	
Newcomb	0	0	0	1		1	Wilna	5	0	0	2	7	Piercefield	1	0	0	1		2	
North Hudson	1	0	0	0		1	TOTAL	9	1	0	5	15	Pierrepoint	4	0	0	0		4	
Schroon	1	0	1	0		2	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Pitcairn	6	1	0	0		7
Westport	0	0	0	1		1	Croghan	9	3	1	6	19	Russell	5	2	0	7		14	
Willsboro	0	0	1	0		1	Diana	2	1	0	10	13	TOTAL	62	12	7	30		111	
Wilmington	1	0	0	1		2	Greig	6	5	1	0	12	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
TOTAL	6	4	6	13		29	Harrisburg	0	0	0	1	1	Bolton	5	0	0	2		7	
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Lewis	0	1	0	0	1	Chester	4	0	1	2		7	
Bellmont	3	0	0	0		3	Leyden	0	0	1	2	3	Hague	0	0	1	0		1	
Brandon	6	0	1	0		7	Lyonsdale	3	2	0	1	6	Johnsburg	4	0	4	5		13	
Brighton	0	0	1	0		1	Martinsburg	0	0	1	3	4	Lake Luzerne	0	1	1	1		3	
Dickinson	1	0	0	0		1	Montague	0	0	0	2	2	Stony Creek	6	0	2	5		13	
Franklinville	2	0	0	0		2	New Bremen	5	1	0	0	6	Thurman	4	0	2	2		8	
Malone	9	0	0	0		9	Osceola	0	2	0	1	3	Warrensburg	2	0	1	1		4	
Tupper Lake	5	1	0	1		7	Turin	0	0	0	3	3	TOTAL	25	1	12	18		56	
Waverly	1	0	0	0		1	Watson	8	0	1	5	14	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
TOTAL	27	1	2	1		31	West Turin	0	0	2	1	3	Dresden	0	0	0	1		1	
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	33	15	7	35	90	Fort Ann	0	1	0	0		1	
Bleecker	1	0	0	1		2	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	1	0	1		2
Ephratah	2	1	0	0		3	Boonville	2	0	0	2	4	Southern Zone							
Johnstown	3	0	1	0		4	Forestport	5	0	0	0	5	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
Mayfield	3	0	0	2		5	Remsen	3	0	1	2	6	Berne	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Oppenheim	2	0	0	2		4	Steuben	0	0	0	1	1	Bethlehem	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Stratford	3	0	2	1		6	Vienna	0	0	0	1	1	Knox	0	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL	14	1	3	6		24	TOTAL	10	0	1	6	17	Rensselaerville	0	0	0	5	0	5	
Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Oswego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Westerlo	0	2	0	0	0	2
Arietta	0	1	0	2		3	Redfield	0	0	0	1	1	TOTAL	0	4	0	6	0	10	

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Allegany	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Cherry Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	33	50	4	61	1	149
Alfred	0	1	0	0	0	1	Clymer	0	3	0	2	0	5	Dutchess	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Alma	0	0	1	2	0	3	Dunkirk	0	1	0	0	0	1	Amenia	0	1	0	0	0	1
Almond	0	2	0	6	0	8	Ellery	0	0	0	3	0	3	Dover	0	1	0	0	0	1
Amity	0	1	0	2	0	3	French Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1	Northeast	0	1	0	3	0	4
Andover	0	1	0	1	0	2	Gerry	0	0	0	2	0	2	Pawling	0	2	0	0	0	2
Angelica	0	0	0	1	0	1	Harmony	0	1	0	3	0	4	Pleasant Valley	0	1	0	1	0	2
Belfast	0	2	0	1	0	3	Pomfret	0	1	0	0	0	1	Stanford	0	1	0	0	0	1
Bolivar	0	2	0	3	0	5	Ripley	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wappinger	0	0	0	1	0	1
Caneadea	0	1	0	0	0	1	Sherman	0	2	0	1	0	3	TOTAL	0	7	0	5	0	12
Cuba	0	1	0	0	0	1	Stockton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Erie	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Friendship	0	3	0	0	0	3	Westfield	0	1	0	1	0	2	Holland	0	0	0	1	0	1
Genesee	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	13	0	19	0	32	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Hume	0	0	0	1	0	1	Chemung	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Independence	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ashland	0	1	0	2	0	3	Ephratah	0	1	0	1	0	2
New Hudson	0	0	1	0	0	1	Big Flats	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	1	0	2
Rushford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Elmira	0	1	0	0	0	1	Greene	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Scio	0	1	0	0	0	1	Southport	0	4	0	1	2	7	Ashland	0	0	0	3	0	3
Wellsville	0	5	0	2	0	7	Van Etten	0	1	0	1	0	2	Cairo	0	3	0	4	0	7
West Almond	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	8	0	5	2	15	Catskill	2	3	0	4	0	9
Willing	0	0	0	4	0	4	Chenango	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Coxsackie	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	22	2	25	0	49	Afton	0	1	0	1	0	2	Durham	5	2	0	0	1	8
Broome	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Bainbridge	0	0	0	3	0	3	Halcott	2	2	0	0	0	4
Binghamton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Columbus	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hunter	8	2	0	8	0	18
Colesville	0	4	0	1	0	5	Guilford	0	1	0	2	0	3	Jewett	0	2	0	2	0	4
Conklin	0	1	0	0	0	1	Oxford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Lexington	1	1	0	7	0	9
Kirkwood	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	3	0	7	0	10	Prattsville	4	2	0	1	0	7
Sanford	0	4	0	3	1	8	Columbia	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Windham	2	2	0	2	0	6
Windsor	0	6	0	9	1	16	Ancram	0	0	0	2	0	2	TOTAL	24	19	0	32	1	76
TOTAL	0	17	0	14	2	33	Chatham	0	2	0	0	0	2	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Cattaraugus	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Claverack	0	1	0	0	0	1	Salisbury	0	1	0	2	0	3
Carrollton	0	0	0	3	0	3	Copake	0	2	0	1	0	3	Stark	0	0	0	1	0	1
Cold Spring	0	0	0	3	0	3	Germantown	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	3	0	4
Ellicottville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Kinderhook	0	0	0	1	0	1	Livingston	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Farmersville	0	0	0	3	0	3	New Lebanon	0	0	0	1	0	1	Conesus	0	0	0	2	0	2
Hinsdale	0	2	0	0	0	2	Taghkanic	0	2	0	1	0	3	Ossian	0	3	0	1	0	4
Humphrey	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	8	0	6	0	14	TOTAL	0	3	0	3	0	6
Little Valley	0	1	0	0	0	1	Delaware	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Montgomery	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Lyndon	0	0	0	2	0	2	Andes	12	3	0	8	0	23	Minden	0	0	1	0	0	1
Machias	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bovina	2	0	0	0	0	2	Palatine	0	1	0	3	0	4
Mansfield	0	1	0	0	0	1	Colchester	3	6	0	7	0	16	TOTAL	0	1	1	3	0	5
Napoli	0	1	0	0	0	1	Delhi	2	0	0	1	0	3	Ontario	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Olean	0	1	0	0	0	1	Deposit	0	2	2	4	0	8	Canadice	0	0	0	1	0	1
Otto	0	0	0	2	0	2	Franklin	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Perrysburg	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hamden	6	1	0	1	0	8	Orange	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Portville	0	3	0	1	0	4	Hancock	0	14	0	15	1	30	Blooming Grove	0	1	0	1	0	2
Randolph	0	1	0	1	0	2	Kortright	0	4	1	0	0	5	Chester	0	1	0	1	0	2
South Valley	0	4	0	0	0	4	Masonville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Chesterfield	0	1	0	2	0	3
TOTAL	0	16	0	17	0	33	Middletown	4	1	0	0	0	5	Cornwall	0	1	0	1	0	2
Chautauqua	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Roxbury	2	7	0	4	0	13	Crawford	0	1	0	1	0	2
Arkwright	0	1	0	0	0	1	Sidney	0	1	0	1	0	2	Deerpark	7	9	0	6	0	22
Busti	0	2	0	0	0	2	Stamford	2	1	0	0	0	3	Goshen	0	1	0	0	0	1
Carroll	0	0	0	3	0	3	Tompkins	0	5	0	10	0	15							
Chautauqua	0	0	0	1	0	1	Walton	0	4	1	9	0	14							

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Greenville	4	2	0	1	0	7	Fayette	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hurley	0	0	0	2	1	3
Highland	1	2	0	2	0	5	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1	Kingston	1	1	0	1	0	3
Middletown	0	1	0	0	0	1	Steuben	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Marbletown	5	1	0	1	0	7
Minisink	4	5	0	3	0	12	Addison	0	4	0	1	0	5	Olive	3	5	0	4	0	12
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New Windsor	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cameron	0	3	0	4	0	7	Saugerties	1	4	0	1	0	6
Port Jervis City	1	0	0	0	0	1	Campbell	0	0	0	3	0	3	Shandaken	8	4	0	12	2	26
Tuxedo	3	0	0	2	0	5	Canisteo	0	4	0	1	0	5	Shawangunk	1	0	0	5	0	6
Walkill	0	3	0	2	0	5	Caton	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ulster	1	3	0	1	0	5
Warwick	7	12	0	6	0	25	Cohocton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wawarsing	8	5	0	6	0	19
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Exeter	0	0	0	1	0	1	Howard	0	2	0	1	0	3	Hebron	0	0	0	3	0	3
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Roseboom	0	0	0	2	0	2	Prattsburg	0	1	0	1	0	2	White Creek	0	0	0	2	0	2
Unadilla	0	2	0	0	0	2	Rathbone	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	6	0	12	0	18
TOTAL	0	4	0	6	0	10	Troupsburg	0	6	0	2	0	8	Wyoming	E	B	M	R	Y	T
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Brunswick	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wayne	0	2	0	0	0	2	Pike	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grafton	0	0	0	2	0	2	West Union	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	0	2	1	0	3
Nassau	0	2	0	1	0	3	Wheeler	0	3	0	0	0	3	Yates	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Petersburgh	0	2	0	0	0	2	Woodhull	0	2	0	0	0	2	Italy	0	2	0	0	0	2
Pittstown	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	47	1	29	0	77	TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2
Stephentown	0	1	0	0	0	1	Sullivan	E	B	M	R	Y	T	NYS TOTAL 1,539 EARLY 466 BOWHUNTING 427 MUZZLELOADER 71 REGULAR 565 YOUTH 10 						
TOTAL	0	6	0	4	0	10	Bethel	6	2	0	0	0	8							
Rockland	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Callicoon	2	1	0	1	0	4							
Ramapo	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cochecton	7	2	0	1	0	10							
Stony Point	0	1	0	0	0	1	Delaware	3	3	0	4	0	10							
TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2	Fallsburgh	3	2	0	0	0	5							
Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Forestburg	9	6	0	2	0	17							
Halfmoon	0	0	0	1	0	1	Fremont	0	2	0	3	0	5							
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TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1	Mamakating	15	6	0	0	0	21							
Schoharie	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Neversink	3	4	0	6	0	13							
Blenheim	0	4	0	3	0	7	Rockland	3	0	0	4	0	7							
Broome	0	1	0	2	0	3	Thompson	10	6	0	1	0	17							
Conesville	0	0	0	4	1	5	Tusten	14	5	0	3	0	22							
Fulton	0	0	0	2	0	2	TOTAL	97	46	0	34	0	177							
Gilboa	0	2	0	1	0	3	Tioga	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Middleburg	0	3	0	1	0	4	Barton	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Sharon	0	0	0	1	0	1	Owego	0	1	0	0	0	1							
TOTAL	0	10	0	14	1	25	Tioga	0	1	0	0	0	1							
Schuyler	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	4	0	0	0	4							
Hector	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ulster	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1	Denning	4	3	0	11	0	18							
Seneca	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Esopus	1	0	0	1	0	2							
							Gardiner	0	2	0	0	0	2							
							Hardenburgh	0	0	0	4	0	4							

NYS TOTAL	1,539
EARLY	466
BOWHUNTING	427
MUZZLELOADER	71
REGULAR	565
YOUTH	10



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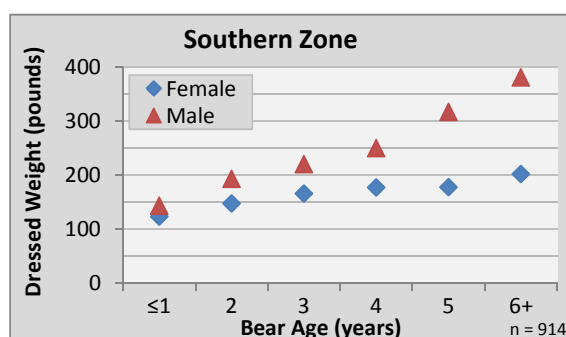
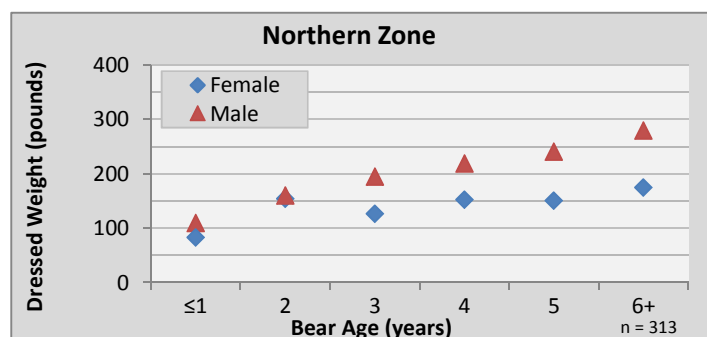
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2016

Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	555	Male	Early	Franklin	Brandon	6F
2	540	Male	Regular	Delaware	Walton	4O
3	480	Male	Regular	Delaware	Colchester	4W
4	467	Male	Regular	Allegany	Bolivar	9X
5	440	Male	Bowhunting	Steuben	Jasper	8X
6	425	Male	Muzzleloading	Herkimer	Norway	5H
7	420	Male	Bowhunting	Chenango	Guilford	7P
8	411	Male	Early	Orange	Warwick	3M
9	402	Male	Bowhunting	Orange	Warwick	3M
10	395	Male	Regular	Allegany	Almond	9P

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 22% of the bears taken in 2016.

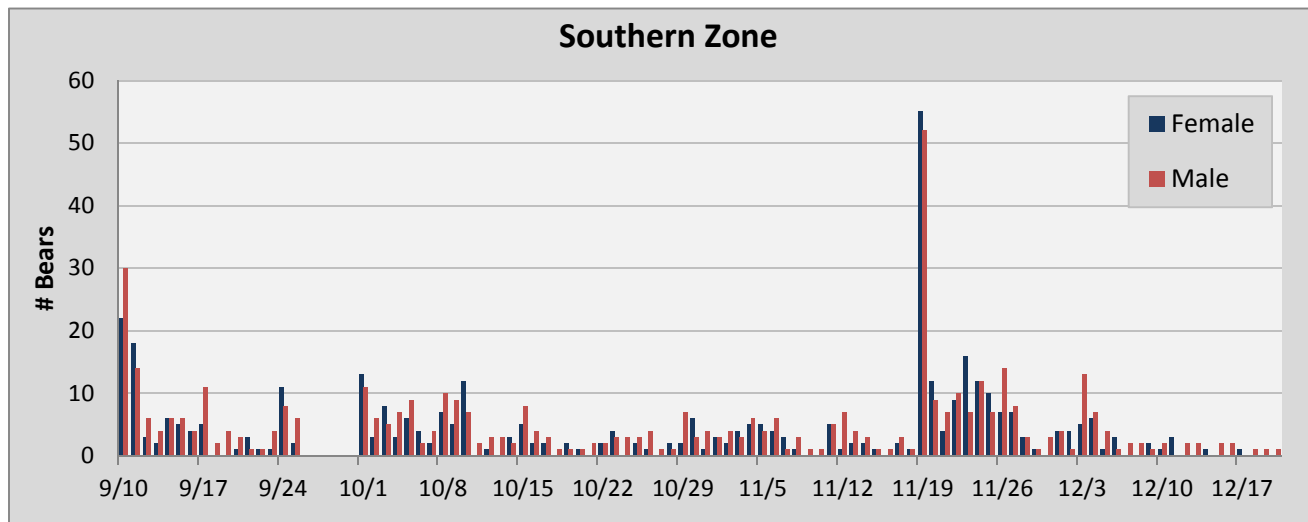
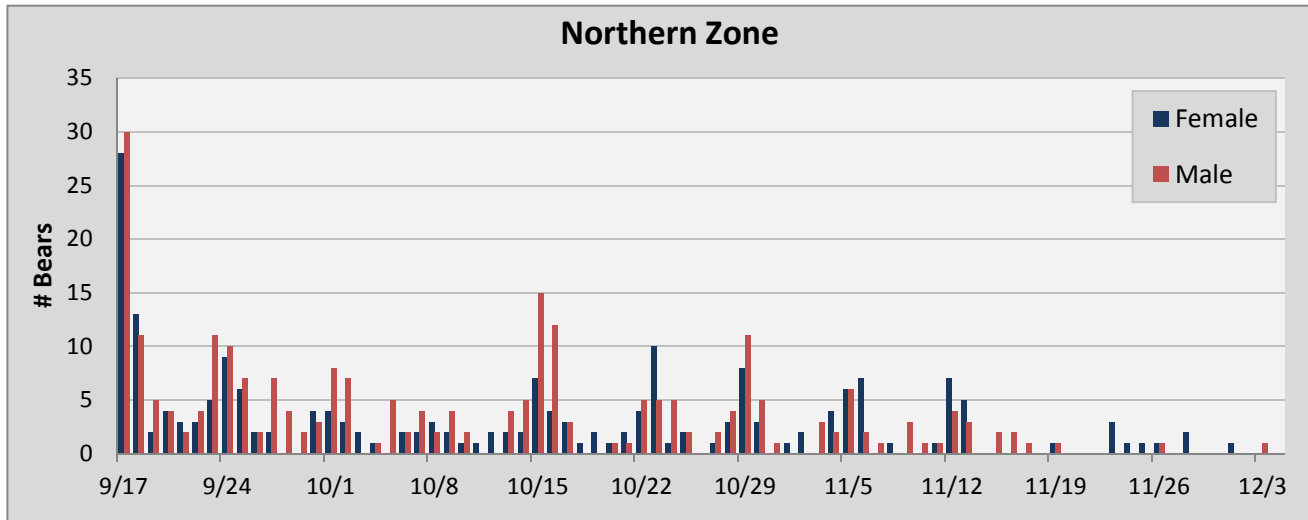
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears 2013-2015



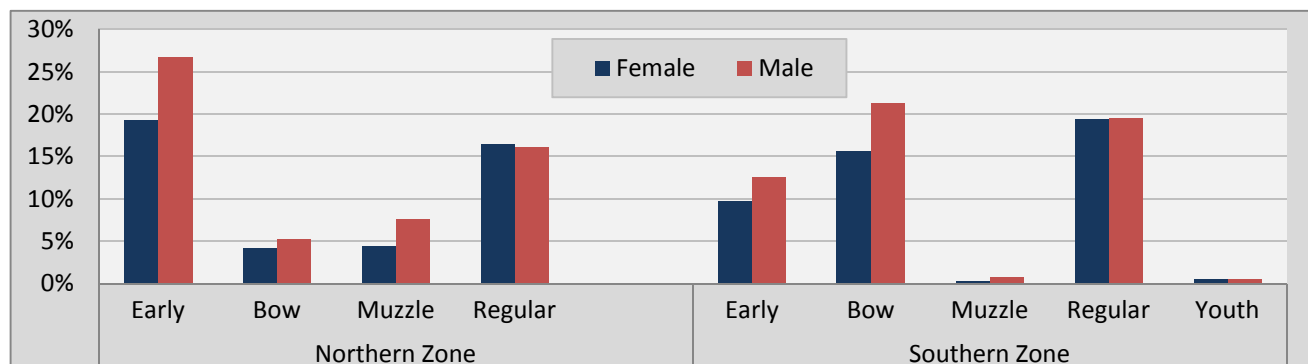
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2016 Reported Bear Take by Day



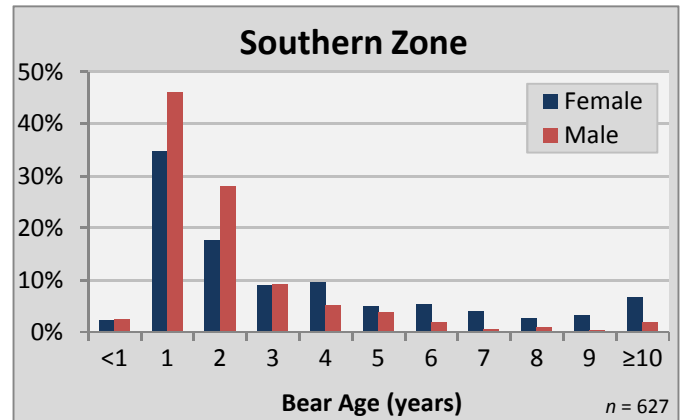
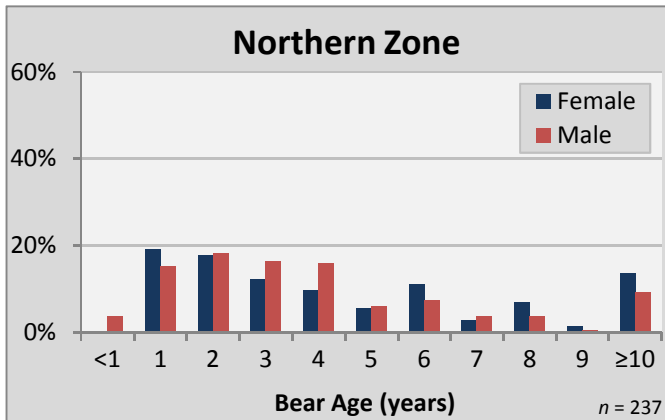
2016 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



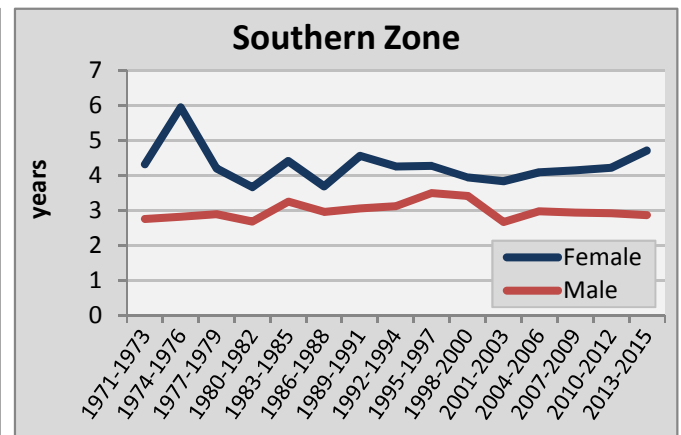
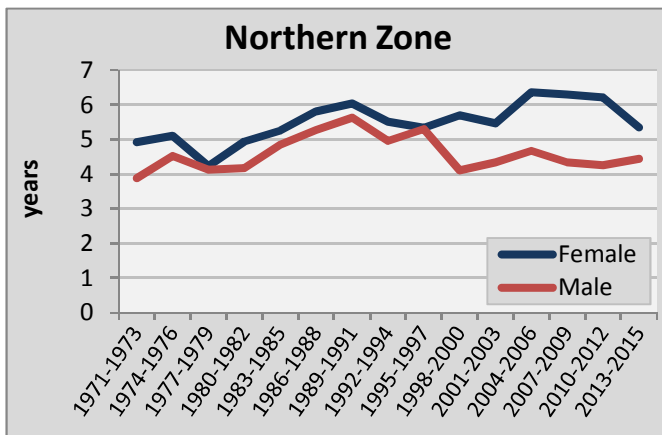
Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Southern Zone muzzleloader seasons were <1% if the total harvest.

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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2015



Average Age of Harvested Bears

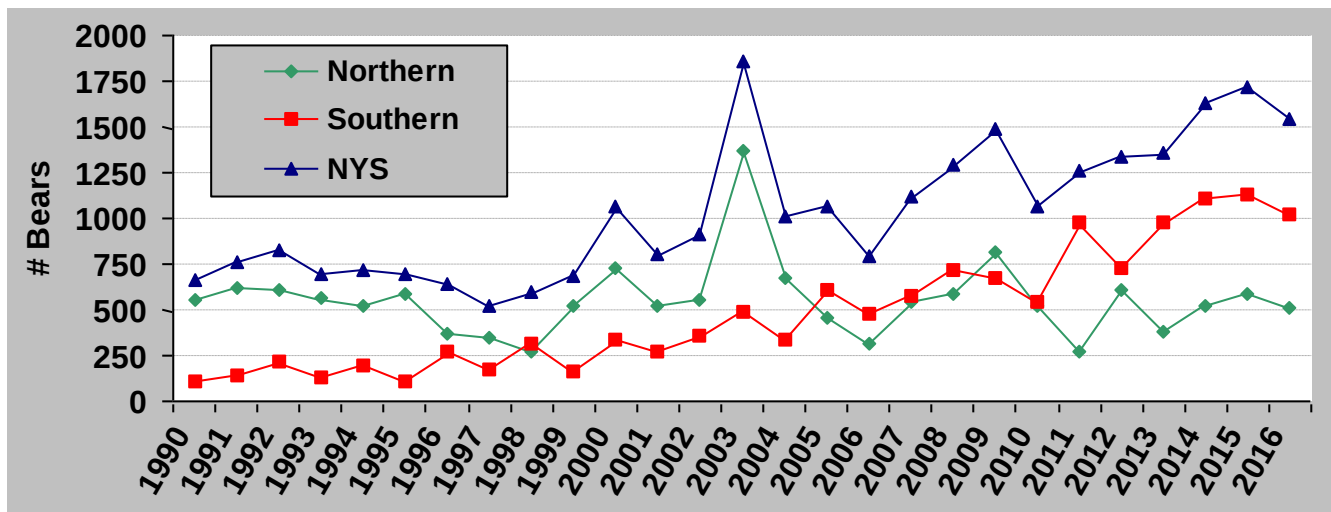


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NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR HARVEST HISTORY

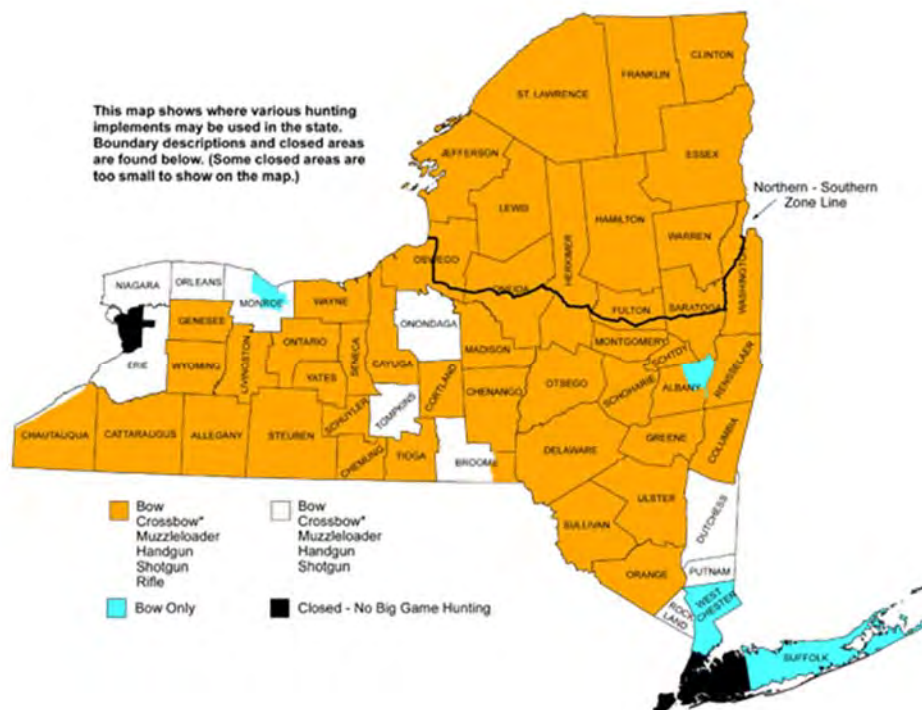
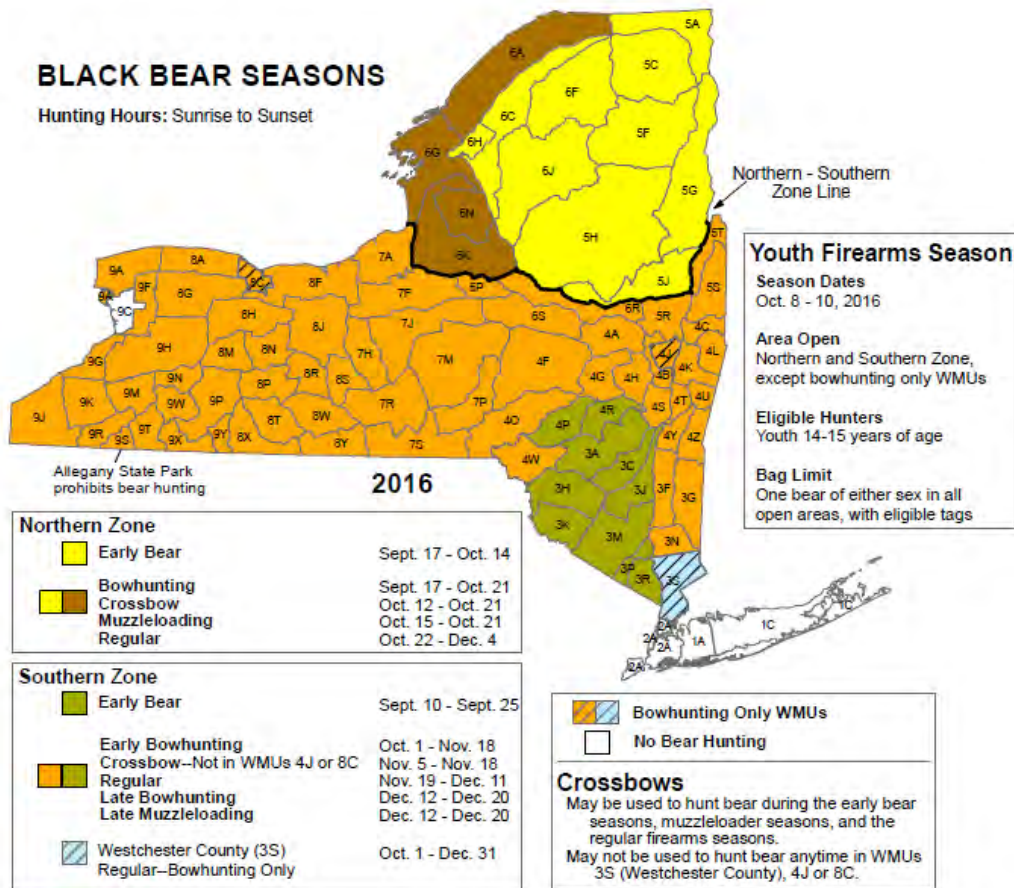
	NORTHERN ZONE					SOUTHERN ZONE						STATE TOTALS					
Year	E	B	M	R	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	Y	TOTAL	E	B	M	R	Y	TOTAL
2016	238	48	61	167	514	228	379	10	398	10	1,025	466	427	71	565	10	1,539
2015	183	53	94	253	583	192	327	17	596		1,132	375	380	111	849		1,715
2014	291	26	42	159	518	337	305	16	452		1,110	628	331	58	611		1,628
2013	84	15	35	246	380		317	6	655		978	84	332	41	901		1,358
2012	386	39	49	132	606		332	6	393		731	386	371	55	525		1,337
2011	70	3	9	193	275		290	21	672		983	70	293	30	865		1,258
2010	255	35	71	160	521		280	10	253		543	255	315	81	413		1,064
2009	426	44	128	216	814		266	10	397		673	426	310	138	613		1,487
2008	85	13	99	385	582		219	18	476		713	85	232	117	861		1,295
2007	306	28	61	149	544		219	9	345		573	306	247	70	494		1,117
2006	74	9	16	219	318		228	9	241		478	74	237	25	460		796
2005	184	19	45	205	453		208	11	394		613	184	227	56	599		1,066
2004	425	49	54	146	674		178	4	158		340	425	227	58	304		1,014
2003	730	35	112	493	1,370		221	10	262		493	730	256	122	755		1,863
2002	182	16	30	322	550		111	4	247		362	182	127	34	569		912
2001	240	18	52	213	523		127	2	148		277	240	145	54	361		800
2000	180	12	37	499	728		95	2	245		342	180	107	39	744		1,070
1999	270	37	34	182	523		89	1	72		162	270	126	35	254		685
1998	32	13	11	221	277		63	2	255		320	32	76	13	476		597
1997	133	1	37	175	346		72	1	106		179	133	73	38	281		525

SEASON KEY: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular Y = Youth



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2016 Bear Hunting Seasons



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Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

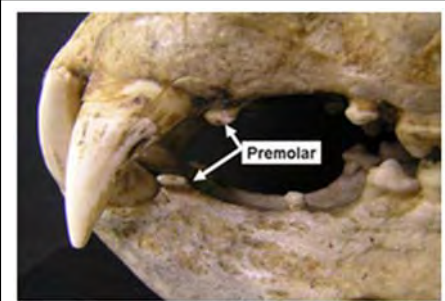


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2016



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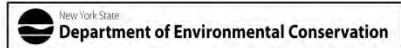
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.
<http://blackbearinfo.com>



Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



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See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

Hunting the Black Bear in New York



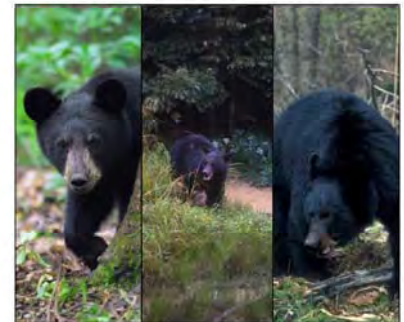
This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf



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BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2017



Mark Hazeltine,
Chautauqua County,
October 2017

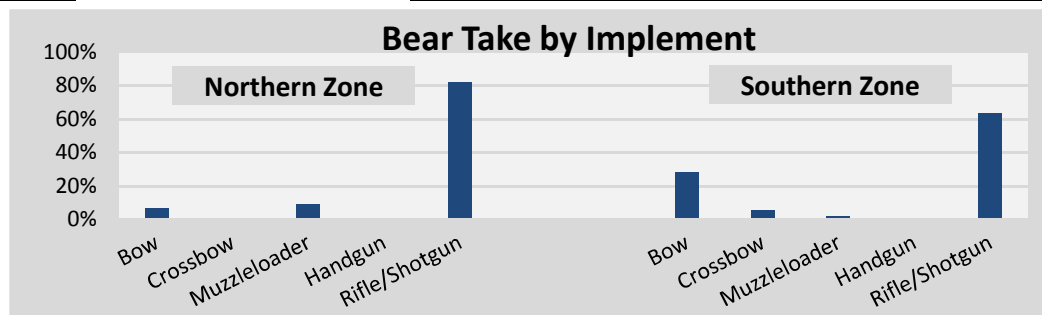


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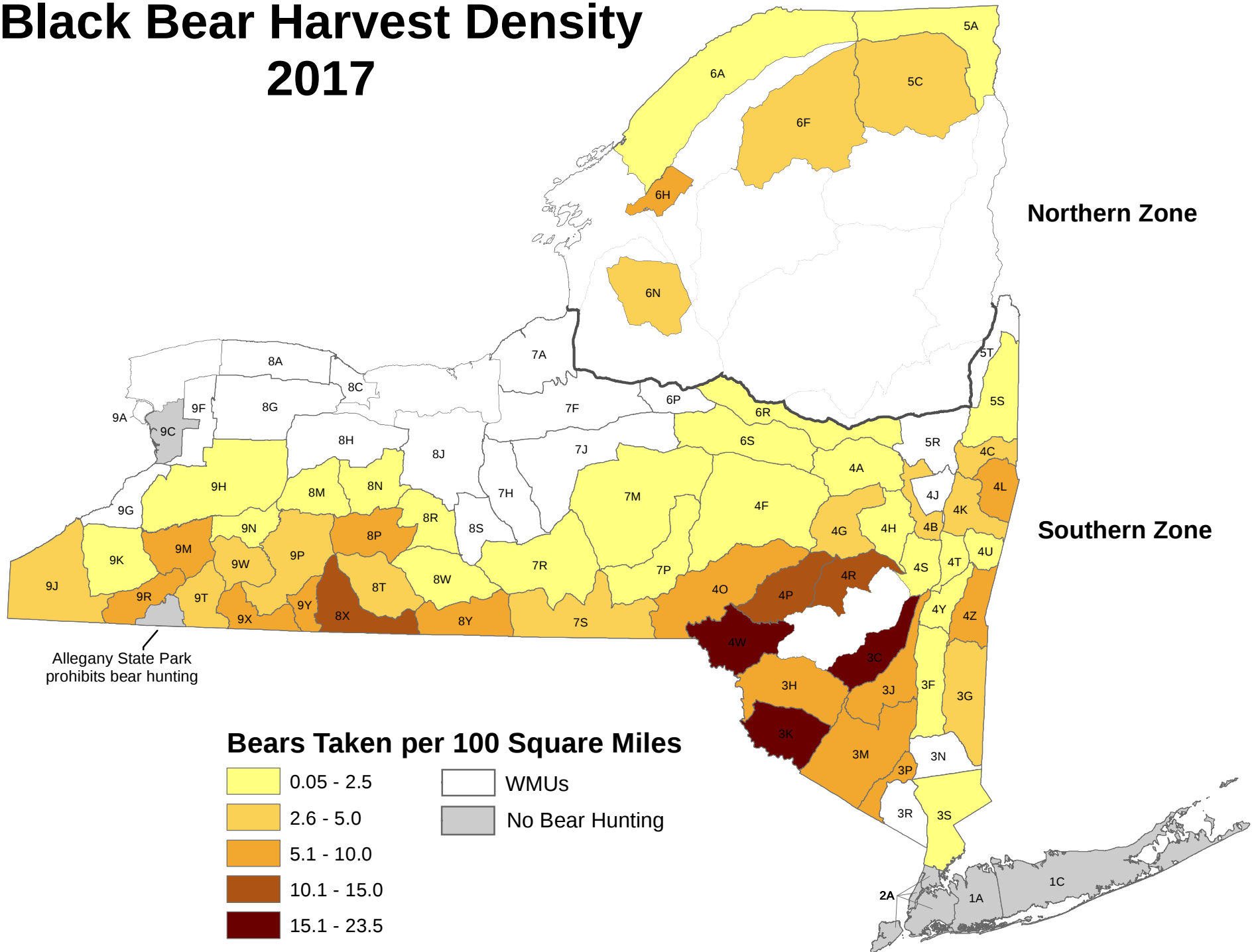
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2017 Bear Harvest Summary

	2017	2016	5-Year Average (2012 - 2016)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	383	514	520	515
Early	82	238	236	172
Bow	25	48	36	15
Muzzleloader	33	61	56	25
Regular	242	167	191	303
Youth	1	0	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	36% - 64%	44% - 56%	39% - 61%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	1,037	1,025	995	207
Early	150	228	252	NA
Bow	330	379	332	54
Muzzleloader	12	10	11	1
Regular	537	398	499	153
Youth	8	10	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	45% - 55%	45% - 55%	41% - 59%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,420	1,539	1,515	722
Early	232	466	388	172
Bow	355	427	368	69
Muzzleloader	45	71	67	26
Regular	779	565	692	455
Youth	9	10	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	43% - 57%	45% - 55%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2017



2017 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5A	0	1	2	5	0	8
5C	7	3	3	18	0	31
5F	1	0	4	14	0	19
5G	1	1	3	11	0	16
5H	16	2	5	76	0	99
5J	4	1	1	3	0	9
6A	0	10	1	3	0	14
6C	28	1	5	10	0	44
6F	10	0	2	44	0	56
6G	0	2	2	2	0	6
6H	1	2	0	10	0	13
6J	14	0	2	25	0	41
6K	0	1	0	9	1	11
6N	0	1	3	12	0	16

Northern Zone	383
Early	82
Bowhunting	25
Muzzleloader	33
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Youth	1

Southern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
3A	24	10	0	79	0	113
3C	27	17	1	30	0	75
3F	0	2	0	1	0	3
3G	0	8	0	7	0	15
3H	15	16	0	21	1	53
3J	6	9	0	7	0	22

3K	30	18	1	33	0	82
3M	8	15	1	25	0	49
3P	1	3	0	6	0	10
3S	0	1	0	0	0	1
4A	0	2	0	0	0	2
4B	0	2	0	3	0	5
4C	0	0	2	4	0	6
4F	0	5	0	8	0	13
4G	0	8	0	10	0	18
4H	0	3	0	2	0	5
4K	0	3	2	5	0	10
4L	0	2	1	12	0	15
4O	0	14	0	31	0	45
4P	23	5	0	18	0	46
4R	15	8	0	19	0	42
4S	0	4	0	0	0	4
4T	0	0	0	2	0	2
4U	0	1	0	0	0	1
4W	1	24	0	44	0	69
4Y	0	1	0	0	0	1
4Z	0	2	0	10	1	13
5S	0	2	0	3	0	5
6R	0	3	0	1	0	4
6S	0	0	0	1	0	1
7M	0	2	0	0	0	2
7P	0	0	0	2	0	2
7R	0	1	0	0	0	1
7S	0	12	0	12	0	24
8M	0	1	1	2	0	4
8N	0	1	0	1	0	2
8P	0	7	0	12	0	19

8R	0	2	0	0	0	2
8T	0	9	1	9	0	19
8W	0	3	0	2	0	5
8X	0	28	1	25	1	55
8Y	0	13	0	12	0	25
9H	0	1	0	3	0	4
9J	0	11	0	14	1	26
9K	0	3	1	3	0	7
9M	0	5	0	10	3	18
9N	0	0	0	2	0	2
9P	0	12	0	15	1	28
9R	0	11	0	4	0	15
9S	0	1	0	0	0	1
9T	0	6	0	4	0	10
9W	0	1	0	7	0	8
9X	0	9	0	12	0	21
9Y	0	3	0	4	0	7

Southern Zone	1,037
Early	150
Bowhunting	330
Muzzleloader	12
Regular	537
Youth	8

State Total	1,420
Early	232
Bowhunting	355
Muzzleloader	45
Regular	779
Youth	9

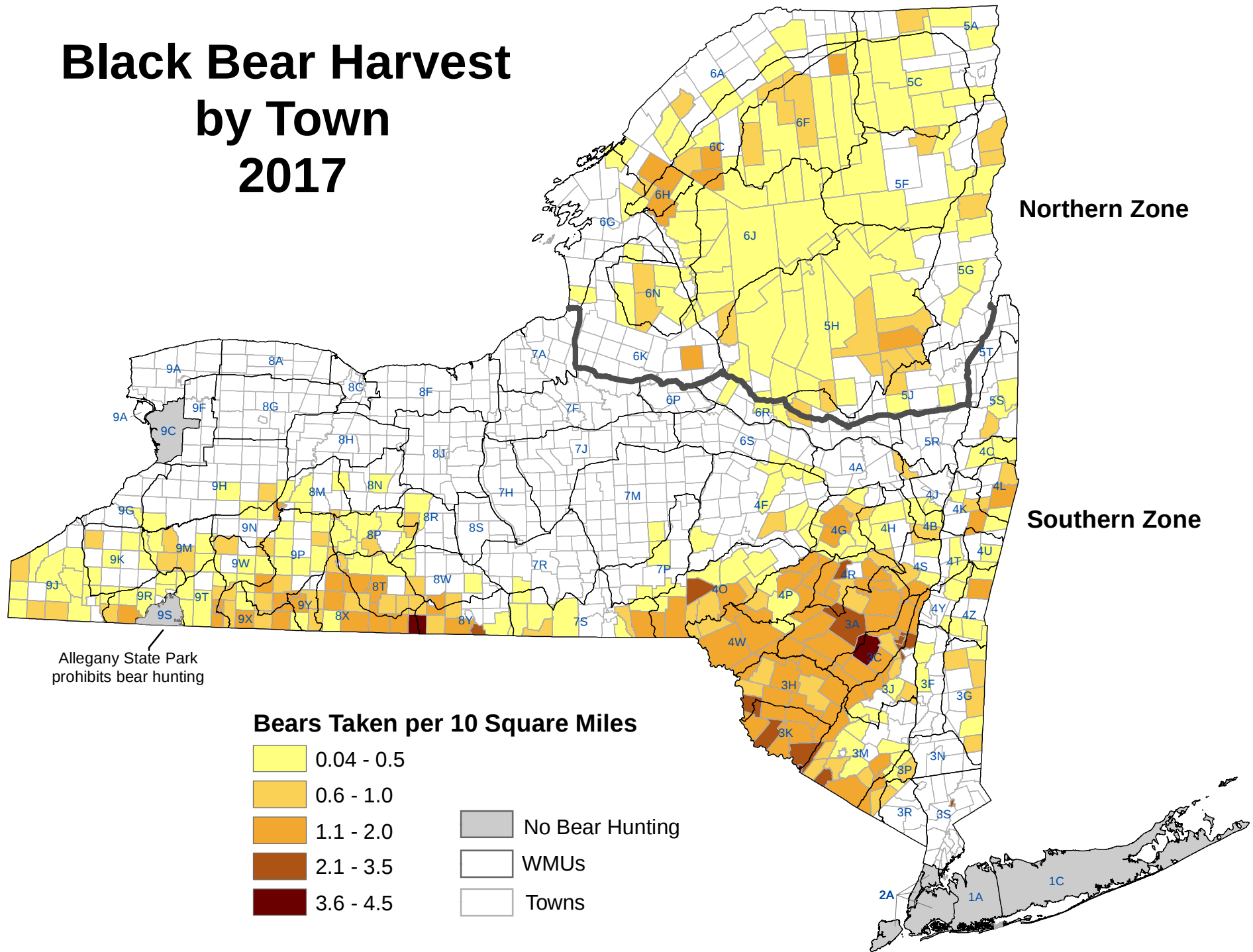
NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX

NZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	31	10	13	92	0	146
Male	51	15	20	150	1	237
SZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	59	130	5	212	3	409
Male	91	200	7	325	5	628



* Only Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) with reported bear harvests are included here.

Black Bear Harvest by Town 2017



2017 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern Zone																				
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Morehouse	0	0	0	3	0	3	Clare	0	0	0	8	0	8
Black Brook	0	0	0	2	0	2	Wells	1	0	0	11	0	12	Clifton	2	0	0	5	0	7
Chazy	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	5	0	0	40	0	45	Colton	0	0	0	9	0	9
Clinton	0	0	2	2	0	4	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	De Peyster	0	1	1	1	0	3
Ellenburg	1	0	0	0	0	1	Fairfield	0	0	2	0	0	2	Edwards	3	0	0	3	0	6
Moors	0	0	0	2	0	2	Ohio	1	0	0	3	0	4	Fine	5	0	0	3	0	8
Peru	0	0	0	2	0	2	Russia	0	0	0	1	0	1	Fowler	4	0	0	1	0	5
Saranac	1	0	1	4	0	6	Salisbury	0	0	0	5	0	5	Gouverneur	0	0	2	0	0	2
TOTAL	2	1	3	12	0	18	Webb	4	0	0	7	0	11	Hermon	0	0	0	2	0	2
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	5	0	2	16	0	23	Hopkinton	4	0	1	8	0	13
Crown Point	0	0	0	1	0	1	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Macomb	0	0	0	1	0	1
Elizabethtown	0	0	0	4	0	4	Alexandria	0	0	0	1	0	1	Parishville	1	0	0	6	0	7
Essex	0	0	2	0	0	2	Antwerp	1	8	0	4	0	13	Piercefield	0	0	0	5	0	5
Jay	0	0	1	0	0	1	Le Ray	0	1	1	2	0	4	Pierrepont	2	0	0	0	0	2
Minerva	2	0	0	2	0	4	Philadelphia	1	1	0	1	0	3	Pitcairn	4	0	2	2	0	8
Moriah	0	0	1	3	0	4	Wilna	3	1	0	5	0	9	Stockholm	0	0	0	2	0	2
Newcomb	1	0	0	3	0	4	TOTAL	5	11	1	13	0	30	TOTAL	26	2	6	56	0	90
North Hudson	0	0	0	3	0	3	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Westport	0	0	0	1	0	1	Croghan	3	0	0	2	0	5	Bolton	0	0	0	1	0	1
Willsboro	1	1	0	1	0	3	Diana	4	0	0	1	0	5	Hague	0	0	0	3	0	3
Wilmington	0	0	1	3	0	4	Greig	0	0	0	2	0	2	Johnsburg	0	2	0	6	0	8
TOTAL	4	1	5	21	0	31	Leyden	0	0	1	0	0	1	Stony Creek	2	0	0	8	0	10
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Lyonsdale	0	0	0	1	0	1	Thurman	0	0	2	6	0	8
Bangor	0	2	0	0	0	2	Martinsburg	1	0	1	2	0	4	TOTAL	2	2	2	24	0	30
Bellmont	3	0	1	5	0	9	Montague	0	0	0	5	0	5	Southern Zone						
Brandon	3	0	2	1	0	6	New Bremen	1	0	1	0	0	2	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Brighton	0	0	0	3	0	3	Osceola	0	1	2	5	0	8	Berne	0	1	0	1	0	2
Duane	1	0	0	1	0	2	Pinckney	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bethlehem	0	0	0	1	0	1
Franklin	0	1	0	3	0	4	Watson	3	0	0	0	0	3	Coeymans	0	2	0	1	0	3
Harrietstown	0	0	2	0	0	2	West Turin	0	0	0	1	0	1	New Scotland	0	0	0	1	0	1
Malone	1	1	0	1	0	3	TOTAL	12	1	5	20	0	38	Rensselaerville	0	1	0	1	0	2
Santa Clara	1	0	0	0	0	1	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	4	0	5	0	9
Tupper Lake	0	0	0	1	0	1	Forestport	5	0	0	0	0	5	Allegany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Waverly	0	0	1	4	0	5	Western	0	2	0	4	1	7	Allen	0	0	0	2	0	2
TOTAL	9	4	6	19	0	38	TOTAL	5	2	0	4	1	12	Alma	0	3	0	4	0	7
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Oswego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Almond	0	0	0	2	0	2
Bleecker	0	0	0	2	0	2	Redfield	0	0	0	1	0	1	Amity	0	2	0	0	0	2
Caroga	0	1	0	3	0	4	Sandy Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1	Andover	0	1	0	2	0	3
Oppenheim	3	0	0	1	0	4	TOTAL	0	0	0	2	0	2	Angelica	0	1	0	0	0	1
Stratford	1	0	0	0	0	1	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Belfast	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	4	1	0	6	0	11	Day	0	0	1	3	0	4	Bolivar	0	0	0	2	0	2
Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Edinburg	0	0	1	5	0	6	Burns	0	1	0	1	0	2
Arietta	0	0	0	7	0	7	Hadley	2	0	0	1	0	3	Caneadea	0	1	0	1	0	2
Hope	0	0	0	3	0	3	Providence	1	0	0	0	0	1	Clarksville	0	0	0	1	1	2
Indian Lake	2	0	0	1	0	3	Wilton	0	0	1	0	0	1	Cuba	0	0	0	2	0	2
Inlet	0	0	0	2	0	2	TOTAL	3	0	3	9	0	15	Friendship	0	2	0	2	0	4
Lake Pleasant	0	0	0	4	0	4	St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Genesee	0	5	0	1	0	6
Long Lake	2	0	0	9	0	11	Brasher	0	1	0	0	0	1	Granger	0	1	0	0	0	1
							Canton	1	0	0	0	0	1	Independence	0	3	0	0	0	3
														New Hudson	0	1	0	1	0	2

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Scio	0	0	0	4	0	4	Stockton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Erie	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Wellsville	0	2	0	2	0	4	Westfield	0	0	0	0	1	1	Collins	0	0	0	1	0	1
West Almond	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	15	0	20	1	36	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Willing	0	0	0	2	0	2	Chemung	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Wirt	0	2	0	1	0	3	Ashland	0	1	0	3	0	4	Oppenheim	0	2	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	0	25	0	32	1	58	Big Flats	0	2	0	2	0	4	TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2
Broome	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Chemung	0	0	0	1	0	1	Greene	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Colesville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Southport	0	4	0	2	0	6	Athens	0	1	0	0	0	1
Conklin	0	1	0	0	0	1	Veteran	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cairo	4	0	0	0	0	4
Kirkwood	0	1	0	2	0	3	TOTAL	0	8	0	8	0	16	Catskill	2	3	0	3	0	8
Sanford	0	2	0	8	0	10	Chenango	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Durham	1	3	0	1	0	5
Windsor	0	7	0	9	0	16	Afton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Halcott	1	0	0	2	0	3
TOTAL	0	13	0	19	0	32	Oxford	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hunter	3	1	0	8	0	12
Cattaraugus	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Preston	0	1	0	0	0	1	Jewett	5	0	0	4	0	9
Allegany	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	2	0	1	0	3	Lexington	3	0	0	5	0	8
Carrollton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Columbia	E	B	M	R	Y	T	New Baltimore	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cold Spring	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ancram	0	1	0	1	0	2	Prattsville	2	1	0	4	0	7
Dayton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	0	1	Windham	1	0	0	4	0	5
East Otto	0	1	0	1	2	4	Canaan	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	22	10	0	31	0	63
Ellicottville	0	1	0	2	0	3	Claverack	0	1	0	0	0	1	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Farmersville	0	0	0	4	0	4	Gallatin	0	0	0	1	0	1	Manheim	0	0	0	1	0	1
Franklinville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ghent	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Great Valley	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hillsdale	0	1	0	5	1	7	Livingston	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Hinsdale	0	1	0	2	0	3	Kinderhook	0	0	0	1	0	1	Conesus	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ischua	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	4	0	10	1	15	Mount Morris	0	0	1	0	0	1
Little Valley	0	1	0	0	0	1	Delaware	E	B	M	R	Y	T	North Dansville	0	0	0	1	0	1
Machias	0	0	0	1	0	1	Andes	2	2	0	2	0	6	Nunda	0	0	0	2	0	2
Mansfield	0	1	0	2	0	3	Bovina	5	0	0	4	0	9	Ossian	0	0	0	1	0	1
New Albion	0	0	1	0	0	1	Colchester	1	10	0	14	0	25	TOTAL	0	0	1	5	0	6
Olean	0	4	0	1	0	5	Delhi	1	0	0	0	0	1	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Otto	0	0	0	1	0	1	Deposit	0	0	0	4	0	4	Deerfield	0	1	0	0	0	1
Persia	0	1	0	0	0	1	Franklin	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
Portville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Franklinville	0	0	0	2	0	2	Ontario	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Randolph	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hamden	5	0	0	1	0	6	South Bristol	0	1	0	0	0	1
Salamanca	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hancock	0	13	0	18	0	31	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
South Valley	0	6	0	0	0	6	Masonville	0	3	0	8	0	11	Orange	E	B	M	R	Y	T
TOTAL	0	24	1	19	2	46	Meredith	0	1	0	0	0	1	Blooming Grove	0	2	0	2	0	4
Chautauqua	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Middletown	3	0	0	8	0	11	Chester	1	1	0	0	0	2
Arkwright	0	1	0	2	0	3	Roxbury	6	2	0	7	0	15	Cornwall	1	0	0	0	0	1
Busti	0	0	0	2	0	2	Sidney	0	1	0	1	0	2	Crawford	0	2	0	0	0	2
Carroll	0	0	0	3	0	3	Stamford	4	1	0	3	0	8	Deerpark	6	2	0	6	0	14
Carrollton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Tompkins	0	0	0	7	0	7	Goshen	0	0	0	1	0	1
Chautauqua	0	2	0	1	0	3	Walton	1	4	0	6	0	11	Greenville	0	1	0	2	0	3
Cherry Creek	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	28	38	0	85	0	151	Highlands	1	0	0	2	0	3
Clymer	0	1	0	2	0	3	Dutchess	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Minisink	0	2	0	3	0	5
Ellery	0	2	0	0	0	2	Amenia	0	1	0	3	0	4	Monroe	1	1	1	0	0	3
Ellicottville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Dover	0	3	0	1	0	4	Mount Hope	0	2	0	0	0	2
French Creek	0	0	0	2	0	2	Hyde Park	0	1	0	1	0	2	New Windsor	0	0	0	1	0	1
Gerry	0	1	0	0	0	1	Northeast	0	0	0	2	0	2	Port Jervis City	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harmony	0	3	0	1	0	4	Pawling	0	1	0	0	0	1	Tuxedo	0	1	0	3	0	4
Mina	0	1	0	1	0	2	Rhinebeck	0	1	0	0	0	1	Walkill	0	0	0	2	0	2
North Harmony	0	0	0	2	0	2	Stanford	0	2	0	1	0	3	Warwick	1	4	0	6	0	11
Poland	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	9	0	8	0	17	Wawayanda	0	1	0	1	0	2
Ripley	0	1	0	2	0	3														

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Woodbury	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hornellsville	0	1	0	2	0	3	Woodstock	5	3	0	1	0	9
TOTAL	11	19	1	31	0	62	Howard	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	44	33	1	89	0	167
Otsego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Jasper	0	3	0	2	0	5	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Butternuts	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lindley	0	4	0	8	2	14	Cambridge	0	1	0	1	0	2
Cherry Creek	0	1	0	0	0	1	Prattsburg	0	1	0	1	0	2	Jackson	0	1	0	0	0	1
Maryland	0	0	0	3	0	3	Pulteney	0	2	0	0	0	2	Salem	0	0	0	2	0	2
Middlefield	0	0	0	2	0	2	Rathbone	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	2	0	3	0	5
Springfield	0	0	0	2	0	2	Troupsburg	0	4	0	4	0	8	Westchester	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Worcester	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tuscarora	0	3	0	3	0	6	Mount Kisco	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	1	0	9	0	10	Urbana	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
Putnam	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Wayland	0	0	0	2	0	2	Wyoming	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Patterson	0	1	0	1	0	2	West Union	0	1	1	0	0	2	Castile	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	1	0	1	0	2	Woodhull	0	6	0	3	0	9	Eagle	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rensselaer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	51	2	51	2	106	Gainesville	0	1	0	1	0	2
Berlin	0	1	1	8	0	10	Sullivan	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Genesee Falls	0	0	0	2	0	2
Hoosick	0	0	1	0	0	1	Bethel	1	4	0	6	0	11	Java	0	0	0	1	0	1
Nassau	0	2	1	3	0	6	Callicoon	1	0	0	2	0	3	Pike	0	0	0	1	0	1
North Greenbush	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cochecton	1	2	0	5	0	8	TOTAL	0	2	0	6	0	8
Petersburg	0	0	2	2	0	4	Delaware	2	0	0	1	0	3	Yates	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Pittstown	0	0	0	3	0	3	Fallsburgh	3	2	0	3	0	8	Jerusalem	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sand Lake	0	0	0	3	0	3	Forestburg	5	2	0	4	0	11	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
Stephentown	0	1	0	1	0	2	Fremont	1	2	0	3	0	6							
TOTAL	0	5	5	20	0	30	Highland	5	6	1	1	0	14							
Schenectady	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Liberty	4	5	0	1	0	10	NYS Total						1,420
Rotterdam	0	3	0	0	0	3	Lumberland	2	3	0	1	0	6	Early						232
TOTAL	0	3	0	0	0	3	Mamakating	6	3	0	8	1	18	Bowhunting						355
Schoharie	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Neversink	4	2	0	7	0	13	Muzzleloader						45
Blenheim	0	1	0	3	0	4	Rockland	2	3	0	10	0	15	Regular						778
Broome	0	1	0	1	0	2	Thompson	3	1	0	7	0	11	Youth						9
Conesville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Tusten	5	1	0	4	0	10							
Fulton	0	2	0	5	0	7	TOTAL	45	36	1	63	1	147							
Gilboa	0	2	0	0	0	2	Tioga	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Jefferson	0	2	0	0	0	2	Barton	0	1	0	1	0	2							
Middleburg	0	3	0	0	0	3	Nichols	0	0	0	3	0	3							
Schoharie	0	0	0	1	0	1	Owego	0	3	0	1	0	4							
Sharon	0	1	0	0	0	1	Spencer	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Summit	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tioga	0	0	0	1	0	1							
TOTAL	0	13	0	12	0	25	TOTAL	0	6	0	6	0	12							
Steuben	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Ulster	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Addison	0	0	0	2	0	2	Denning	5	1	0	15	0	21							
Avoca	0	1	0	2	0	3	Hardenburgh	0	1	0	13	0	14							
Bath	0	2	0	1	0	3	Hurley	0	0	0	2	0	2							
Cameron	0	3	1	1	0	5	Kingston	0	0	1	1	0	2							
Campbell	0	2	0	1	0	3	Lloyd	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Canisteo	0	3	0	4	0	7	Marbletown	5	4	0	1	0	10							
Caton	0	2	0	1	0	3	New Paltz	0	0	0	1	0	1							
Cohocton	0	1	0	1	0	2	Olive	10	4	0	11	0	25							
Corning	0	1	0	3	0	4	Rochester	6	6	0	5	0	17							
Dansville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Rosendale	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Erwin	0	4	0	0	0	4	Saugerties	1	1	0	7	0	9							
Fremont	0	0	0	1	0	1	Shandaken	5	2	0	18	0	25							
Greenwood	0	1	0	4	0	5	Shawangunk	1	1	0	1	0	3							
Hartsville	0	3	0	1	0	4	Ulster	1	2	0	3	0	6							
							Wawarsing	5	4	0	10	0	19							

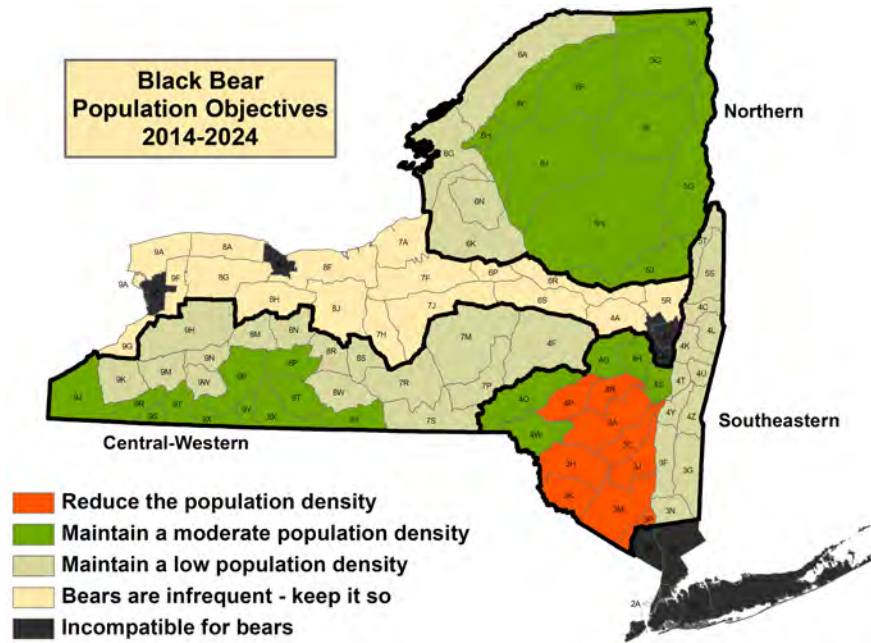


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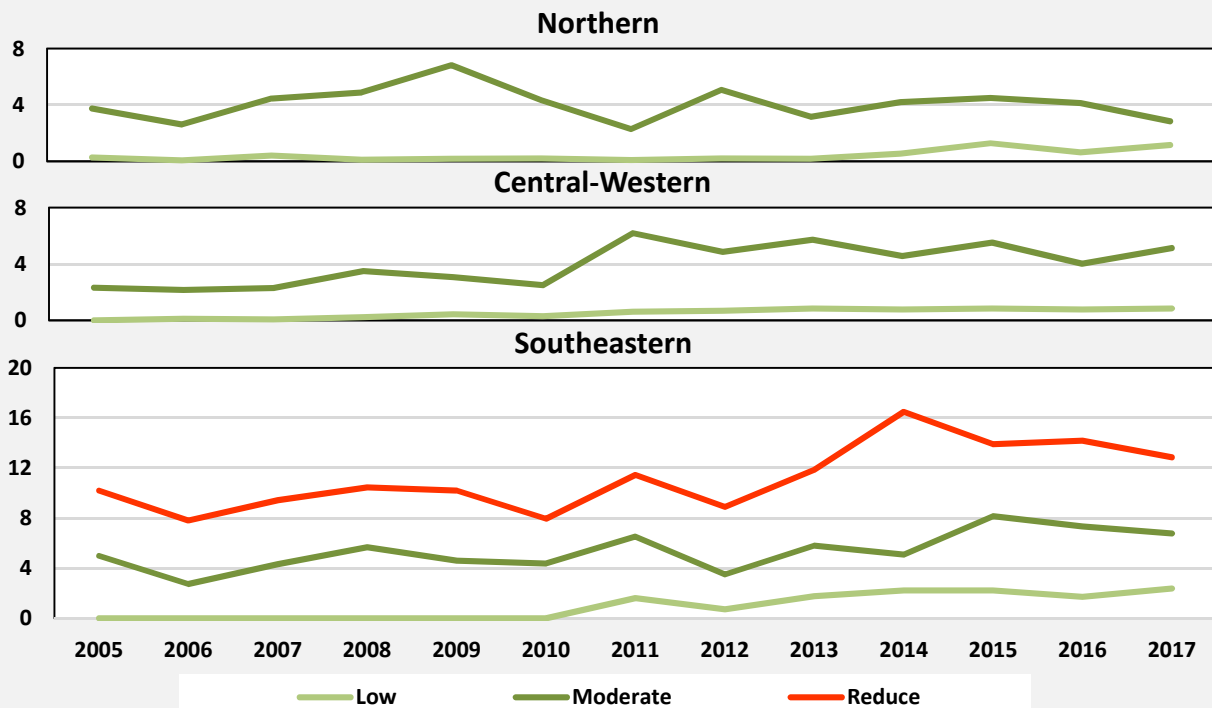


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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Black Bear Harvest by Population Management Objective



Bears Taken per 100 Square Miles



Less than 0.5 bears per 100 square miles are taken in areas labeled as incompatible or where bears are infrequent.

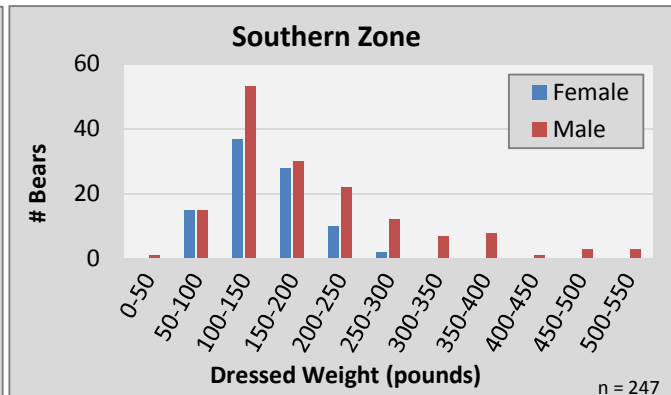
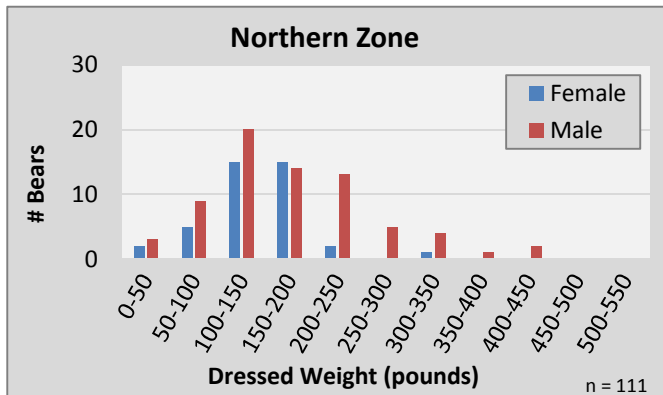
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2017

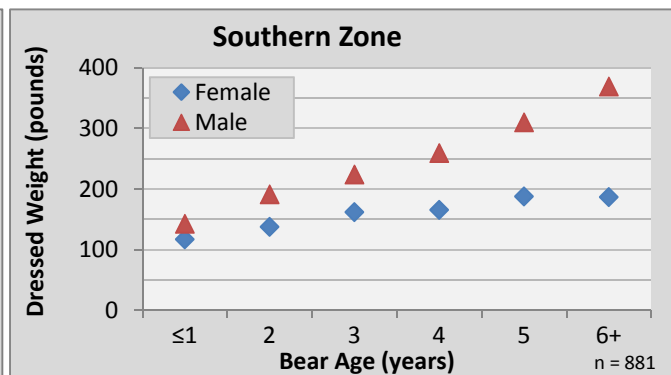
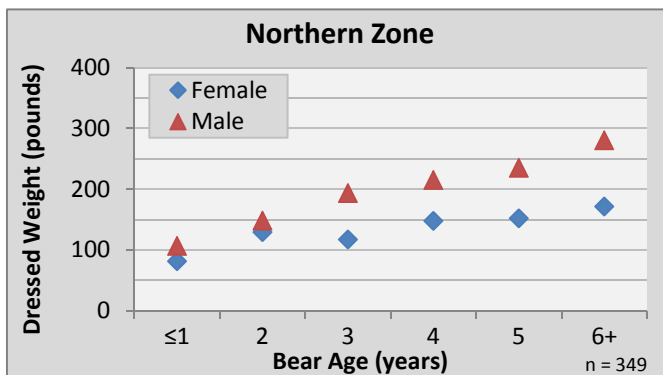
Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	550	Male	Regular	Greene	Lexington	3A
2	520	Male	Regular	Steuben	Wayland	8P
3	500	Male	Regular	Delaware	Masonville	4O
4	480	Male	Regular	Greene	Jewett	3A
5	470	Male	Regular	Ulster	Hardenburgh	3A
6	450	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Olive	3C
7	426	Male	Bowhunting	Orange	Warwick	3M
8	420	Male	Regular	St Lawrence	Hopkinton	6F
9	401	Male	Regular	Essex	Willsboro	5G
10	380	Male	Regular	Columbia	Ghent	4T

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 23% of the bears reported in 2017.

Distribution of Harvested Black Bears by Weight (2017)



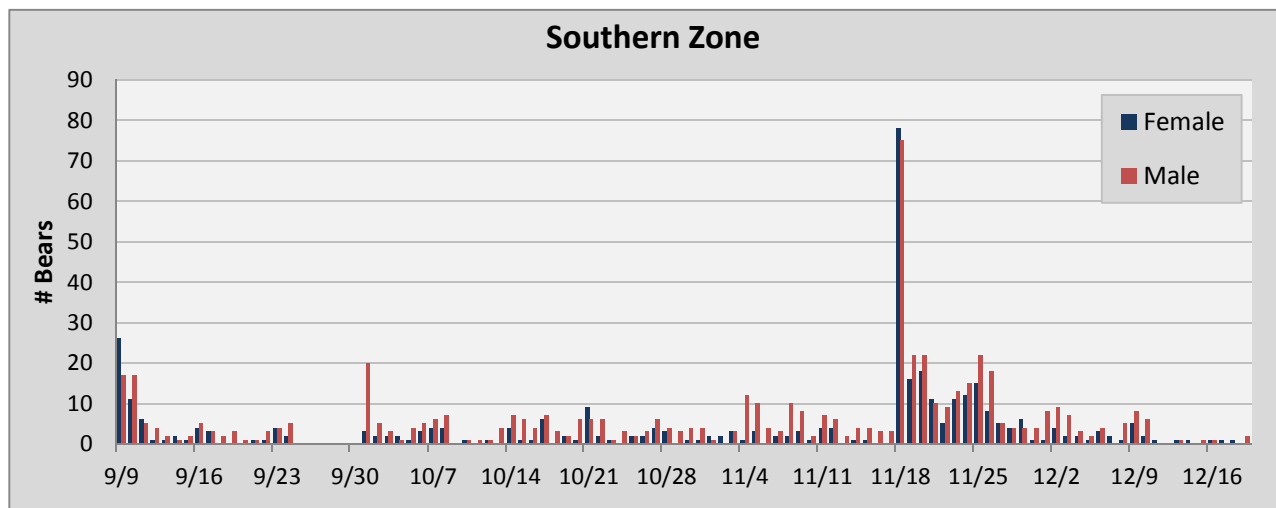
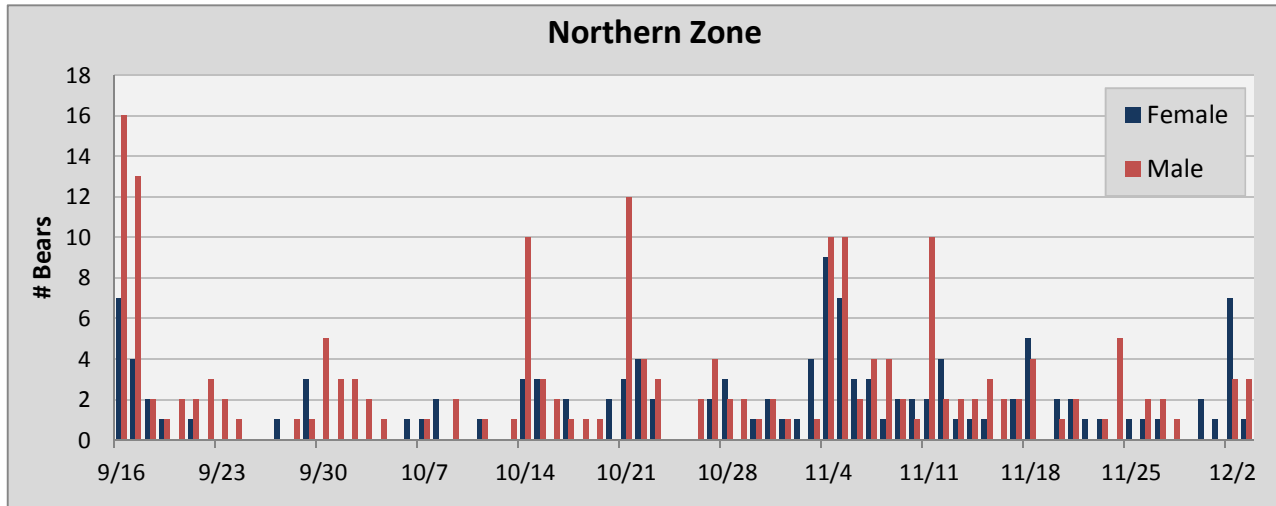
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears (2014-2016)



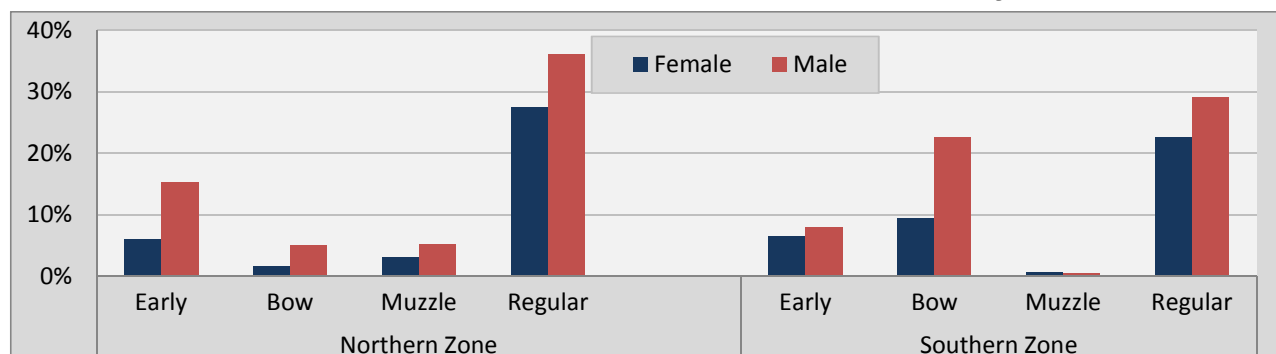
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2017 Reported Bear Take by Day



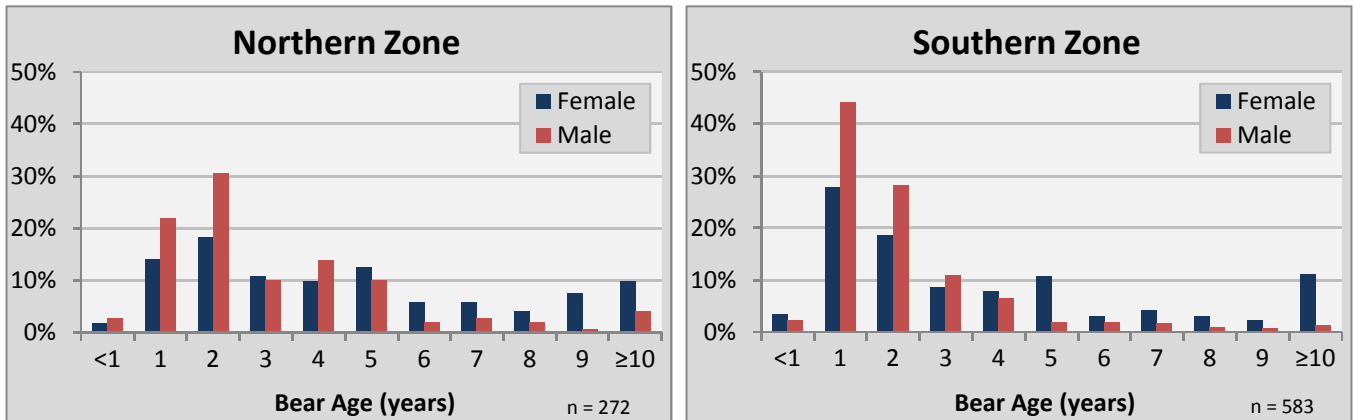
2017 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



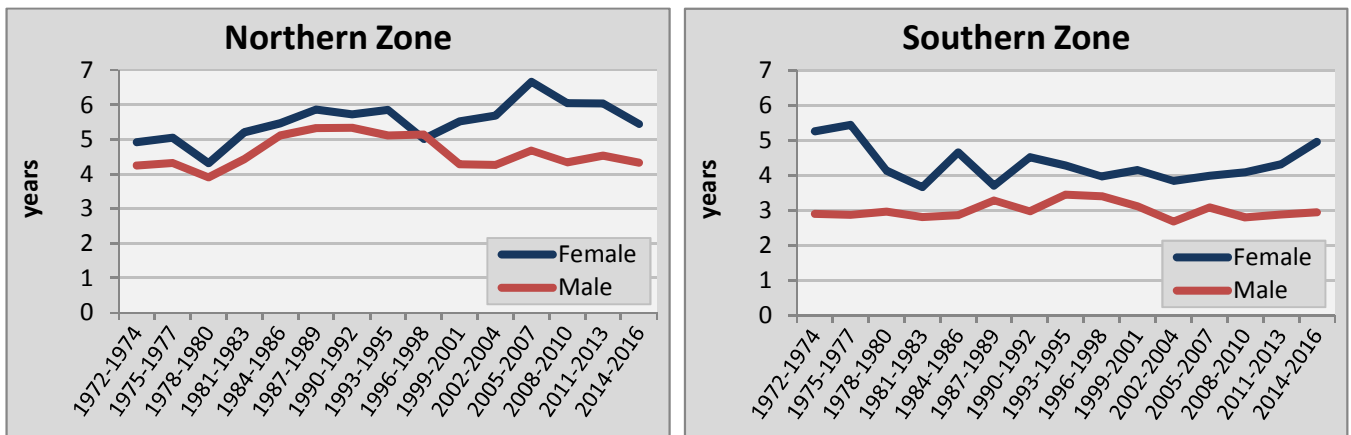
Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Youth Seasons were <1% if the total harvest.

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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2016



Average Age of Harvested Bears



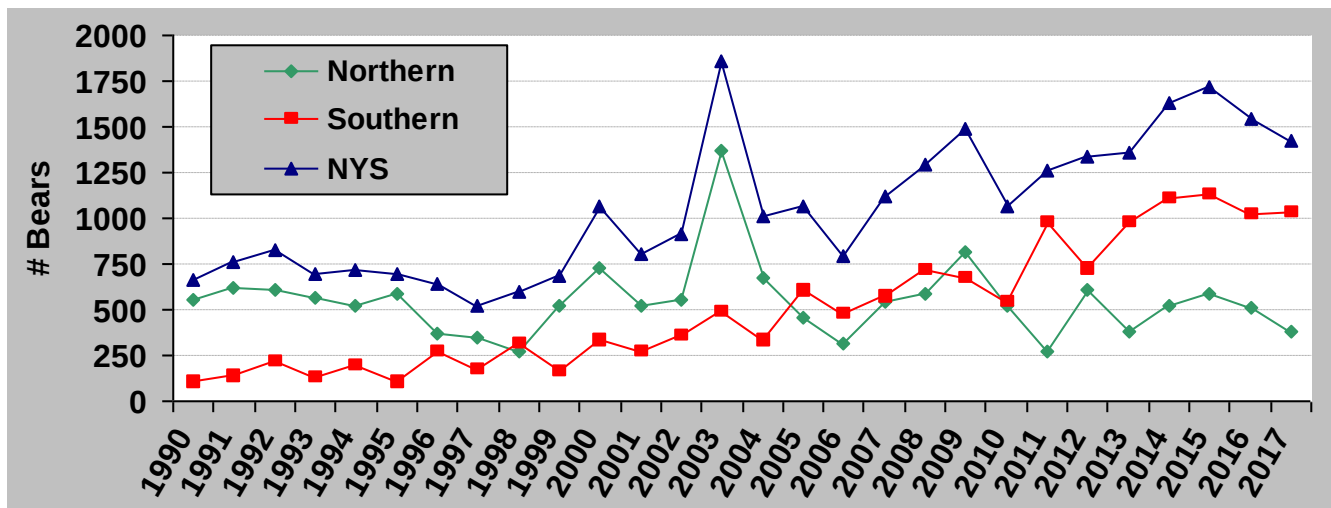
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Black Bear Harvest History

Northern Zone							Southern Zone						State Totals					
Year	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total
2017	82	25	33	242	1	383	150	330	12	537	8	1,037	232	355	45	779	9	1,420
2016	238	48	61	167		514	228	379	10	398	10	1,025	466	427	71	565	10	1,539
2015	183	53	94	253		583	192	327	17	596		1,132	375	380	111	849		1,715
2014	291	26	42	159		518	337	305	16	452		1,110	628	331	58	611		1,628
2013	84	15	35	246		380		317	6	655		978	84	332	41	901		1,358
2012	386	39	49	132		606		332	6	393		731	386	371	55	525		1,337
2011	70	3	9	193		275		290	21	672		983	70	293	30	865		1,258
2010	255	35	71	160		521		280	10	253		543	255	315	81	413		1,064
2009	426	44	128	216		814		266	10	397		673	426	310	138	613		1,487
2008	85	13	99	385		582		219	18	476		713	85	232	117	861		1,295
2007	306	28	61	149		544		219	9	345		573	306	247	70	494		1,117
2006	74	9	16	219		318		228	9	241		478	74	237	25	460		796
2005	184	19	45	205		453		208	11	394		613	184	227	56	599		1,066
2004	425	49	54	146		674		178	4	158		340	425	227	58	304		1,014
2003	730	35	112	493		1,370		221	10	262		493	730	256	122	755		1,863
2002	182	16	30	322		550		111	4	247		362	182	127	34	569		912
2001	240	18	52	213		523		127	2	148		277	240	145	54	361		800
2000	180	12	37	499		728		95	2	245		342	180	107	39	744		1,070
1999	270	37	34	182		523		89	1	72		162	270	126	35	254		685
1998	32	13	11	221		277		63	2	255		320	32	76	13	476		597

Season Key: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular Y = Youth



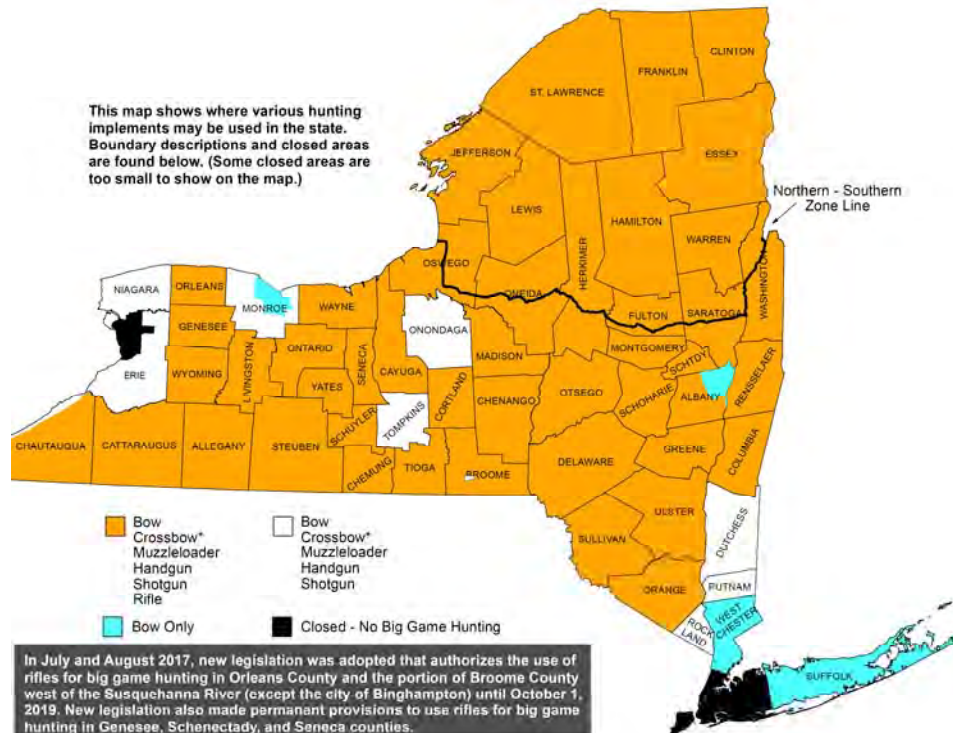
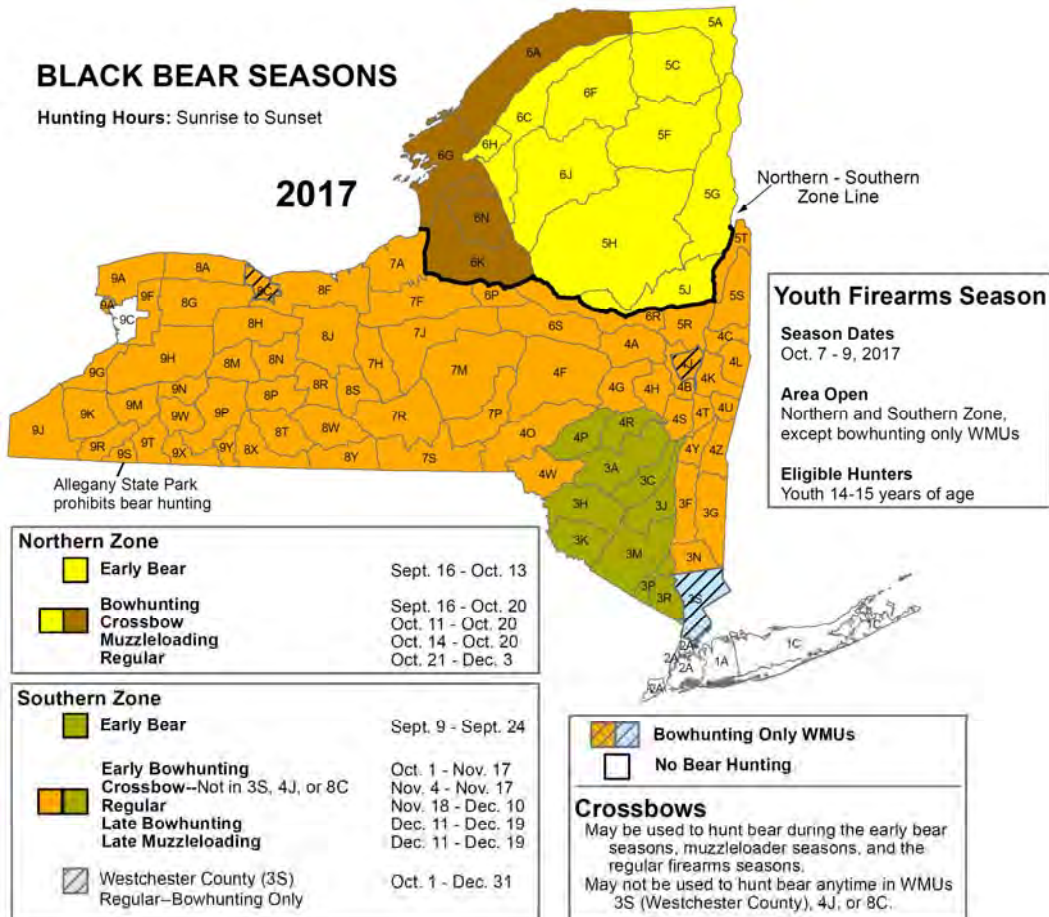
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2017 Bear Hunting Seasons

BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

2017



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Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

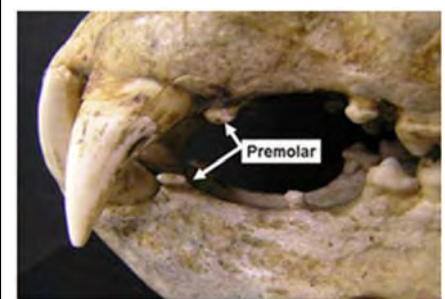


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2017



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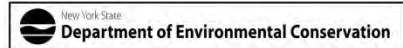
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.
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Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



Division of Fish, Wildlife and Marine Resources
Bureau of Wildlife

See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html for more information on New York's Black Bear Management Plan.

Hunting the Black Bear in New York



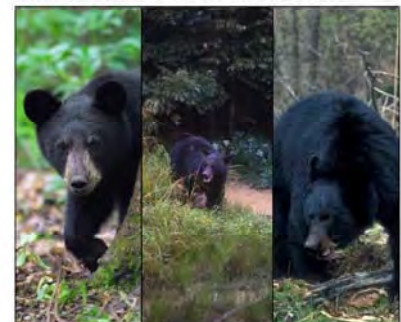
This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf



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BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2018



Lauren McAllister with her St. Lawrence County black bear, September 2018.

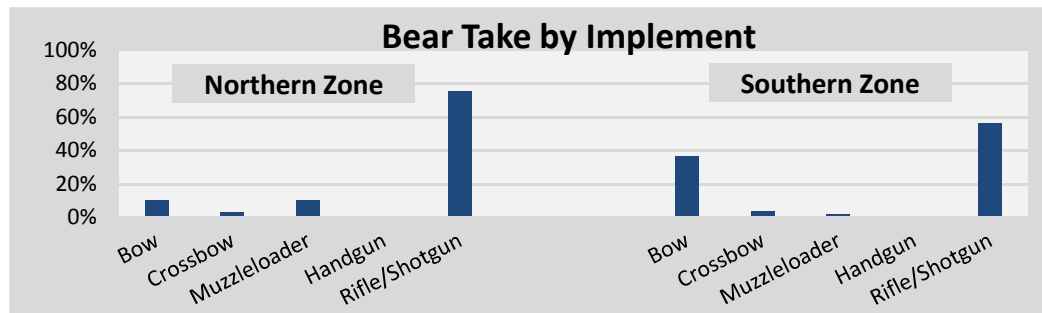


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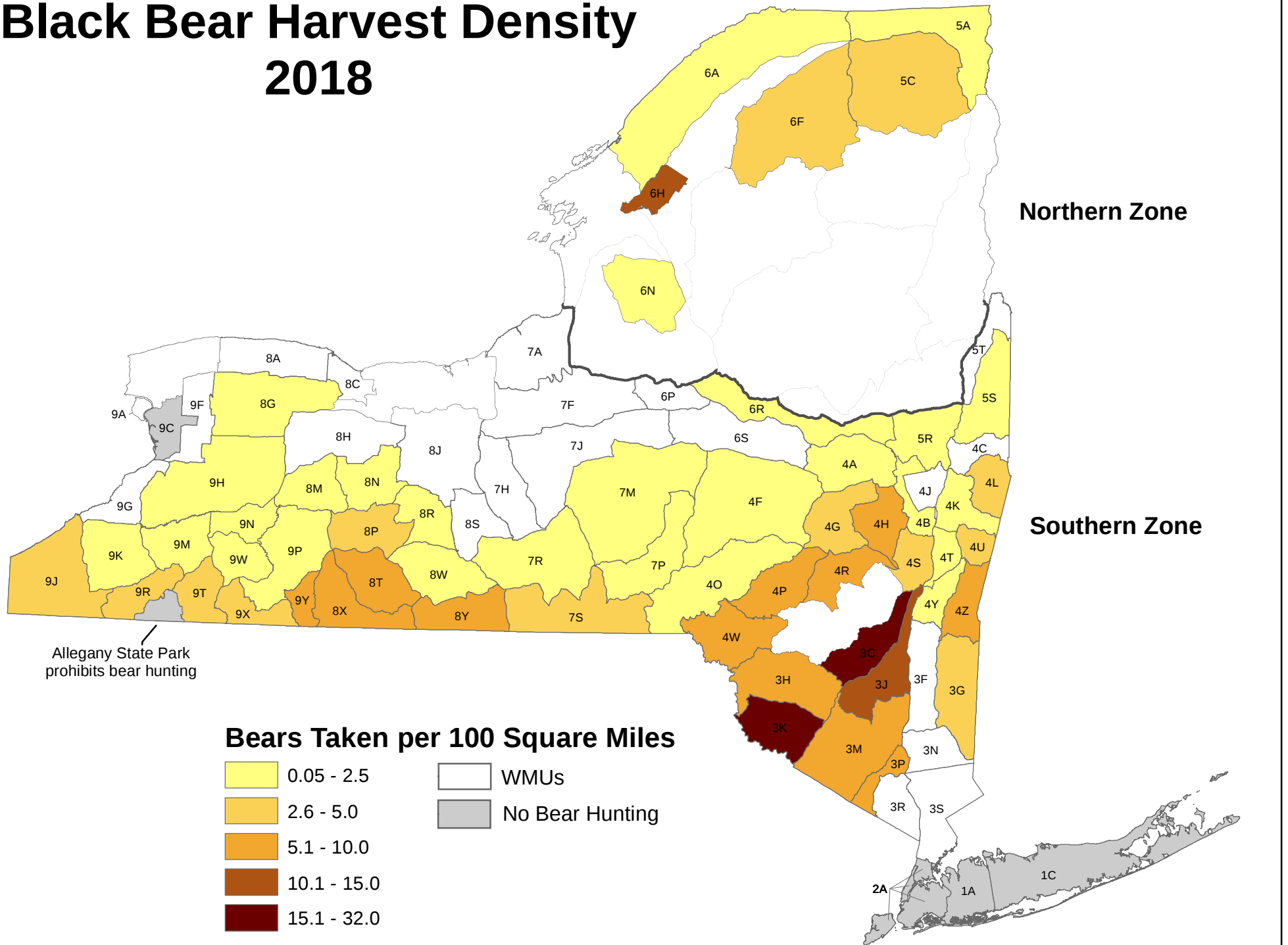
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2018 Bear Harvest Summary

	2018	2017	5-Year Average (2013 - 2017)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	491	383	476	515
Early	259	82	176	172
Bow	55	25	33	15
Muzzleloader	48	33	53	25
Regular	129	242	213	303
Youth	0	1	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	45% - 55%	38% - 62%	38% - 62%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	804	1,037	1,056	207
Early	179	150	227	NA
Bow	294	330	332	54
Muzzleloader	18	12	12	1
Regular	302	537	528	153
Youth	11	8	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	41% - 59%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,295	1,420	1,532	722
Early	438	232	357	172
Bow	349	355	365	69
Muzzleloader	66	45	65	26
Regular	431	779	741	455
Youth	11	9	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	42% - 58%	39% - 61%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2018



2018 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5A	5	0	1	2	0	8
5C	28	8	4	14	0	54
5F	15	3	2	4	0	24
5G	16	6	8	8	0	38
5H	73	15	6	24	0	118
5J	7	6	7	10	0	30
6A	0	1	0	3	0	4
6C	35	2	7	19	0	63
6F	30	3	6	14	0	53
6G	0	0	2	0	0	2
6H	11	2	0	5	0	18
6J	39	7	5	12	0	63
6K	0	2	0	6	0	8
6N	0	0	0	8	0	8
Northern Zone						491
Early						259
Bowhunting						55
Muzzleloader						48
Regular						129
Youth						0

Southern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
3A	21	12	0	8	1	42
3C	50	28	1	16	3	98
3G	0	7	1	5	0	13
3H	15	11	0	15	0	41
3J	16	18	0	11	0	45
3K	28	15	0	21	0	64

3M	13	25	1	13	0	52
3P	0	3	3	4	0	10
4A	0	1	0	0	0	1
4B	0	0	0	3	0	3
4F	0	1	0	0	0	1
4G	0	4	0	14	0	18
4H	0	8	0	8	0	16
4K	0	4	0	2	0	6
4L	0	5	0	3	0	8
4O	0	9	1	9	0	19
4P	18	6	0	8	0	32
4R	18	6	0	1	2	27
4S	0	6	0	4	1	11
4T	0	0	0	3	0	3
4U	0	3	0	2	1	6
4W	0	14	0	15	0	29
4Y	0	3	0	1	0	4
4Z	0	8	0	6	1	15
5R	0	2	0	0	0	2
5S	0	3	0	6	0	9
6R	0	3	1	8	0	12
7M	0	1	0	1	0	2
7P	0	1	0	4	0	5
7R	0	0	0	2	0	2
7S	0	4	1	12	0	17
8G	0	0	0	1	0	1
8M	0	1	0	0	0	1
8N	0	3	0	2	0	5
8P	0	8	1	7	0	16
8R	0	1	0	1	0	2
8T	0	11	0	12	0	23

8W	0	0	0	5	0	5
8X	0	10	1	14	0	25
8Y	0	12	0	12	0	24
9A	0	2	0	0	0	2
9H	0	1	1	2	0	4
9J	0	5	0	13	0	18
9K	0	3	1	3	1	8
9M	0	2	0	5	0	7
9N	0	2	0	0	0	2
9P	0	5	1	8	0	14
9R	0	4	0	2	0	6
9T	0	2	3	4	0	9
9W	0	0	0	2	1	3
9X	0	7	1	1	0	9
9Y	0	4	0	3	0	7

Southern Zone	804
Early	179
Bowhunting	294
Muzzleloader	18
Regular	302
Youth	11

State Total	1,295
Early	438
Bowhunting	349
Muzzleloader	66
Regular	431
Youth	11

NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*

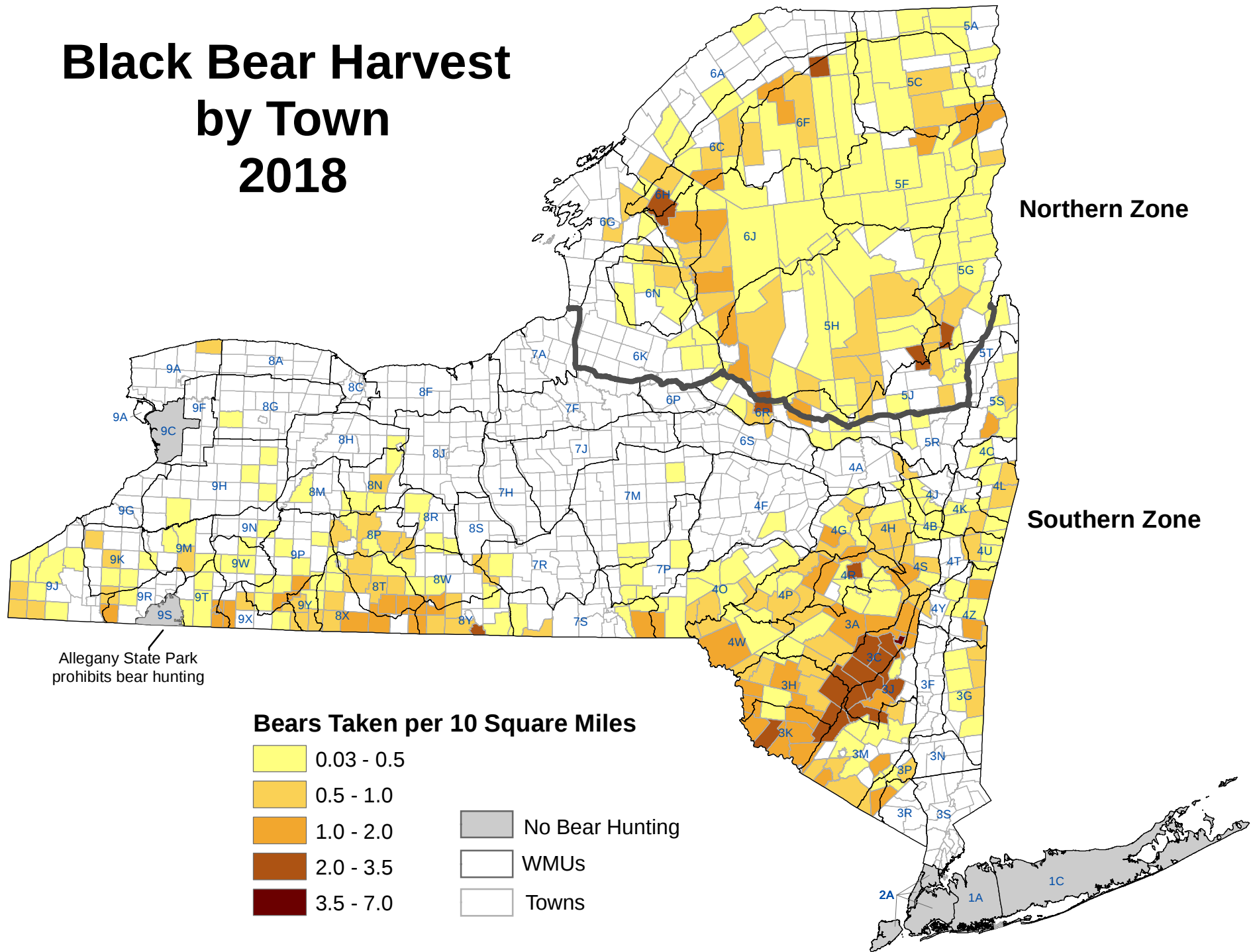
NZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	117	25	22	58	0	222
Male	142	30	26	71	0	269
SZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	73	119	7	122	4	325
Male	106	175	11	180	7	479

*Sex was not reported for all bears.



* Only Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) with reported bear harvests are included here.

Black Bear Harvest by Town 2018



2018 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern Zone							TOTAL	10	6	2	10	0	28	Oswego	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Redfield	0	0	0	1	0	1
Altona	1	0	2	0	0	3	Arietta	1	0	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ausable	6	1	0	0	0	7	Benson	1	0	1	3	0	5	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Beekmantown	1	0	0	1	0	2	Hope	3	0	1	0	0	4	Hadley	6	1	0	2	0	9
Black Brook	6	0	2	5	0	13	Indian Lake	1	0	0	0	0	1	Moreau	0	0	0	1	0	1
Clinton	1	0	0	0	0	1	Inlet	0	0	0	1	0	1	Providence	0	0	1	0	0	1
Ellenburg	3	0	0	2	0	5	Lake Pleasant	0	0	0	1	0	1	Wilton	0	0	2	0	0	2
Moers	0	0	0	2	0	2	Long Lake	3	0	3	0	0	6	TOTAL	6	1	3	3	0	13
Peru	1	1	1	0	0	3	Wells	6	1	0	5	0	12	St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Saranac	7	0	0	2	0	9	TOTAL	15	1	5	10	0	31	Canton	0	2	1	0	0	3
Schuyler Falls	1	0	0	0	0	1	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Clare	2	0	0	4	0	6
TOTAL	27	2	5	12	0	46	Fairfield	9	0	0	0	0	9	Colton	2	0	3	3	0	8
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Norway	1	1	0	0	0	2	Edwards	1	0	0	4	0	5
Chesterfield	8	0	1	0	0	9	Ohio	10	4	1	1	0	16	Fine	5	1	0	1	0	7
Crown Point	0	2	0	1	0	3	Russia	6	2	1	0	0	9	Fowler	3	0	0	0	0	3
Elizabethtown	3	0	0	0	0	3	Salisbury	4	0	0	1	0	5	Gouverneur	0	0	0	1	0	1
Essex	1	0	0	1	0	2	Webb	1	2	0	1	0	4	Hopkinton	11	0	0	3	0	14
Jay	1	0	1	0	0	2	TOTAL	31	9	2	3	0	45	Louisville	0	0	0	1	0	1
Keene	1	0	0	0	0	1	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Macomb	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lewis	0	0	1	0	0	1	Antwerp	2	0	0	4	0	6	Parishville	9	0	0	1	0	10
Moriah	0	0	3	0	0	3	Champion	0	2	0	0	0	2	Piercefield	0	0	0	2	0	2
Newcomb	2	0	0	0	0	2	Le Ray	5	0	0	0	0	5	Pierrepont	0	1	0	2	0	3
North Elba	0	0	1	2	0	3	Philadelphia	0	0	0	1	0	1	Pitcairn	4	1	2	2	0	9
North Hudson	1	0	0	0	0	1	Watertown	0	0	2	0	0	2	Russell	5	0	1	2	0	8
Schroon	2	0	1	0	0	3	Wilna	10	2	2	4	0	18	TOTAL	42	5	7	27	0	81
Ticonderoga	1	1	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	17	4	4	9	0	34	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Westport	1	0	0	0	0	1	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Bolton	3	1	0	1	0	5
Wilmington	2	5	0	2	0	9	Croghan	13	3	0	4	0	20	Chester	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	23	8	8	6	0	45	Diana	2	0	0	4	0	6	Hague	1	0	0	0	0	1
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Greig	9	1	0	1	0	11	Horicon	0	0	2	0	0	2
Bellmont	2	1	0	2	0	5	Harrisburg	0	1	0	2	0	3	Johnsburg	8	0	0	5	0	13
Brandon	1	0	0	0	0	1	Lowville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lake George	2	2	0	3	0	7
Dickinson	6	0	1	2	0	9	Lyonsdale	4	0	0	0	0	4	Lake Luzerne	2	0	3	0	0	5
Duane	1	0	0	0	0	1	Martinsburg	0	0	0	5	0	5	Queensbury	0	1	0	0	0	1
Franklin	2	2	0	1	0	5	Montague	0	0	0	1	0	1	Stony Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harrietstown	1	2	0	0	0	3	New Bremen	2	0	1	0	0	3	Thurman	1	2	0	1	0	4
Malone	1	0	0	1	0	2	Pinckney	0	0	0	1	0	1	Warrensburg	3	2	0	0	0	5
Santa Clara	1	0	1	0	0	2	Turin	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	21	8	5	11	0	45
Tupper Lake	3	1	0	1	0	5	Watson	4	0	0	2	0	6	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Waverly	2	0	2	1	0	5	West Turin	0	0	1	0	0	1	Dresden	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	20	6	4	8	0	38	TOTAL	34	5	2	22	0	63	Whitehall	0	0	1	0	0	1
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	0	1	1	0	2
Bleecker	0	0	0	2	0	2	Ava	0	0	0	1	0	1	Southern Zone						
Caroga	0	0	0	2	0	2	Boonville	2	0	0	1	0	3	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Johnstown	2	0	0	1	0	3	Forestport	11	0	0	1	0	12	Berne	0	1	0	2	0	3
Mayfield	4	0	0	0	0	4	Steuben	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bethlehem	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northampton	0	2	0	0	0	2	Western	0	0	0	2	0	2	Coeymans	0	0	0	1	0	1
Oppenheim	1	1	2	4	0	8	TOTAL	13	0	0	6	0	19	Guilderland	0	0	0	2	0	2
Stratford	3	3	0	1	0	7														

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New Scotland	0	1	0	0	0	1	Harmony	0	1	0	1	0	2	Northeast	0	0	0	4	0	4
Rensselaerville	0	5	0	1	0	6	Mina	0	0	0	2	0	2	Pawling	0	1	0	1	0	2
Westerlo	0	0	0	3	0	3	Poland	0	1	0	2	0	3	Stanford	0	0	0	2	0	2
TOTAL	0	7	0	10	0	17	Ripley	0	0	0	1	0	1	Union Vale	0	1	0	0	0	1
Allegany	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Sherman	0	0	0	1	0	1	Washington	0	1	0	0	0	1
Alfred	0	0	0	1	0	1	Stockton	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	8	1	7	0	16
Allen	0	0	1	0	0	1	Westfield	0	2	0	0	0	2	Erie	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Alma	0	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	11	1	15	1	28	Concord	0	0	1	0	0	1
Amity	0	1	0	0	0	1	Chemung	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	0	1	0	0	1
Andover	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ashland	0	3	0	2	0	5	Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Burns	0	0	0	1	0	1	Big Flats	0	1	0	3	0	4	Oppenheim	0	0	1	0	0	1
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Scio	0	2	0	3	0	5	Guilford	0	0	0	1	0	1	Athens	0	1	0	0	0	1
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Wellsville	0	2	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	3	0	4	Catskill	5	0	0	1	0	6
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Wirt	0	1	0	0	0	1	Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	1	2	Greenville	0	2	0	0	0	2
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Fenton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Copake	0	0	0	1	0	1	Prattsville	1	0	0	0	0	1
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Sanford	0	1	0	1	0	2	Hillsdale	0	4	0	1	1	6	TOTAL	21	10	0	4	3	38
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New Albion	0	0	0	1	0	1	Kortright	1	0	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
Olean	0	1	0	3	0	4	Masonville	0	0	1	0	0	1	Montgomery	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Portville	0	2	2	1	0	5	Middletown	4	4	0	1	0	9	Mohawk	0	1	0	0	0	1
Randolph	0	1	0	0	0	1	Roxbury	7	2	0	1	0	10	Palatine	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	7	3	14	1	25	Sidney	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	1	0	2
Chautauqua	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Stamford	2	0	0	1	0	3	Niagara	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Arkwright	0	1	1	0	0	2	Tompkins	0	3	0	4	0	7	Somerset	0	2	0	0	0	2
Carroll	0	2	0	2	0	4	Walton	1	1	0	1	0	3	TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2
Chautauqua	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	24	29	1	27	0	81	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Cherry Creek	0	1	0	0	1	2	Dutchess	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Trenton	0	0	0	1	0	1
Clymer	0	0	0	2	0	2	Amenia	0	3	0	0	0	3	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
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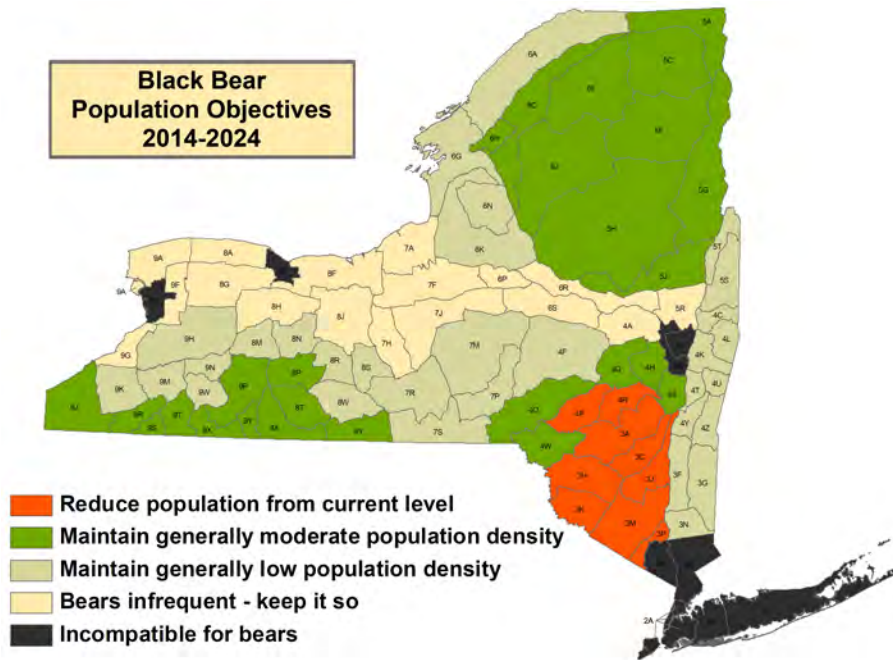
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Naples	0	0	0	1	0	1	Reading	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ulster	E	B	M	R	Y	T
South Bristol	0	2	0	0	0	2	Tyrone	0	0	0	1	0	1	Denning	5	1	1	1	0	8
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Orange	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Steuben	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hardenburgh	3	0	0	0	0	3
Blooming Grove	0	4	0	0	0	4	Addison	0	1	0	2	0	3	Hurley	4	3	0	1	0	8
Crawford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Avoca	0	1	0	0	0	1	Kingston	2	3	0	0	0	5
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Warwick	2	2	2	4	0	10	Hartsville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wawarsing	16	4	0	5	2	27
Wawayanda	1	2	0	0	0	3	Hornby	0	0	0	1	0	1	Woodstock	5	4	0	2	0	11
Woodbury	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hornellsville	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	77	55	1	36	4	173
TOTAL	10	23	3	18	0	54	Howard	0	0	0	4	0	4	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
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TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1	Thurston	0	0	0	2	0	2	Jackson	0	1	0	0	0	1
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Berlin	0	3	0	0	0	3	Urbana	0	2	0	1	0	3	White Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1
East Greenbush	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wayland	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	3	0	7	0	10
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Schodack	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bethel	2	1	0	1	0	4	Yates	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Stephentown	0	0	0	1	0	1	Callicoon	1	1	0	1	0	3	Jerusalem	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	9	0	7	0	16	Cochecton	1	0	0	4	0	5	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Delaware	2	1	0	1	0	4	NYS Total	1,295					
Charlton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fallsburgh	2	2	0	0	0	4	Early	438					
Milton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Forestburg	2	3	0	1	0	6	Bowhunting	349					
TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2	Fremont	0	1	0	4	0	5	Muzzleloader	66					
Schenectady	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Highland	3	4	0	4	0	11	Regular	431					
Rotterdam	0	2	0	0	0	2	Liberty	6	3	0	1	0	10	Youth	11					
TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2	Lumberland	5	0	0	3	0	8							
Schoharie	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Mamakating	12	7	0	7	0	26							
Blenheim	0	1	0	3	0	4	Neversink	3	3	0	1	0	7							
Broome	0	0	0	2	0	2	Rockland	1	2	0	0	0	3							
Conesville	1	0	0	3	0	4	Thompson	3	5	0	1	0	9							
Fulton	0	1	0	2	0	3	Tusten	3	0	0	5	0	8							
Gilboa	0	2	0	2	0	4	TOTAL	46	33	0	34	0	113							
Middleburg	0	1	0	3	0	4	Tioga	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Schoharie	0	0	0	1	0	1	Barton	0	0	0	1	0	1							
TOTAL	1	5	0	16	0	22	Nichols	0	1	1	1	0	3							
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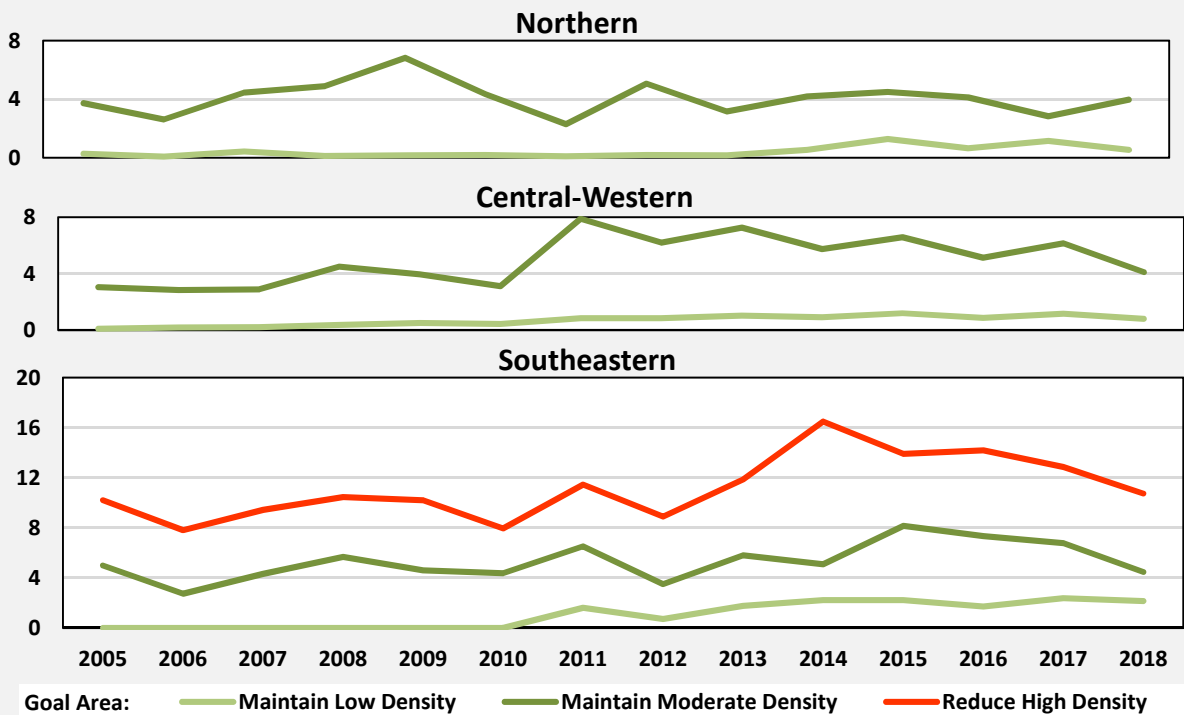
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Black Bear Harvest by Population Management Objective



Bears Taken per 100 Square Miles



Management Goals were established in 2014, and an early bear season was initiated in portions of southeastern New York that same year to reduce the high density bear population.

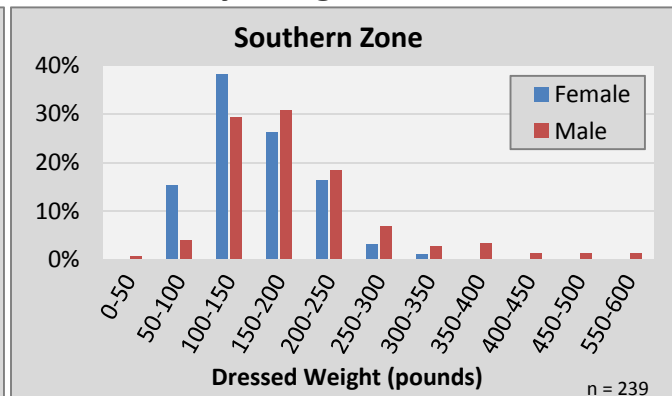
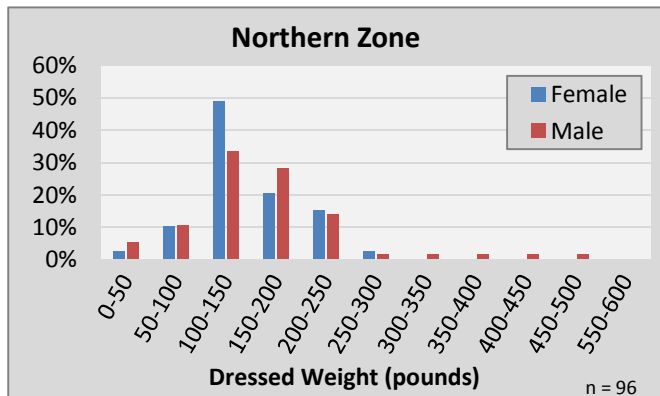
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2018

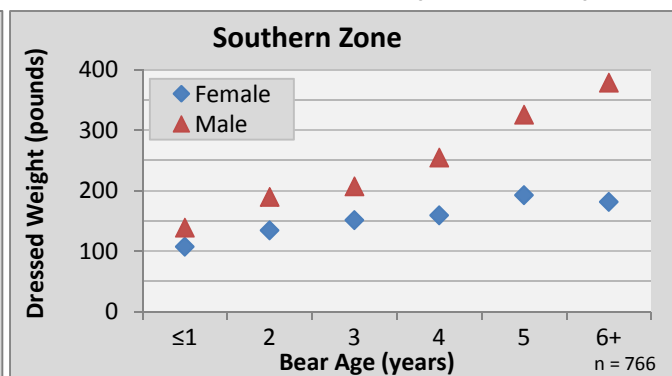
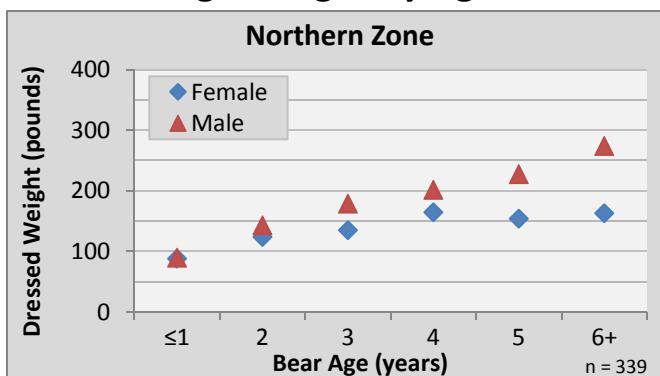
Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	585	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Shandaken	3A
2	550	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Marbletown	3C
3	485	Male	Muzzleloading	St Lawrence	Pitcairn	6C
4	459	Male	Regular	Chemung	Chemung	8Y
5	454	Male	Regular	Ulster	New Paltz	3J
6	440	Male	Regular	Dutchess	Stanford	3G
7	425	Male	Bowhunting	Orange	Highlands	3P
8	400	Male	Early	St Lawrence	Pitcairn	6C
9	390	Male	Early	Sullivan	Liberty	3H
10	385	Male	Early	Greene	Catskill	3A

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 28% of the bears reported in 2018.

Distribution of Harvested Black Bears by Weight (2018)



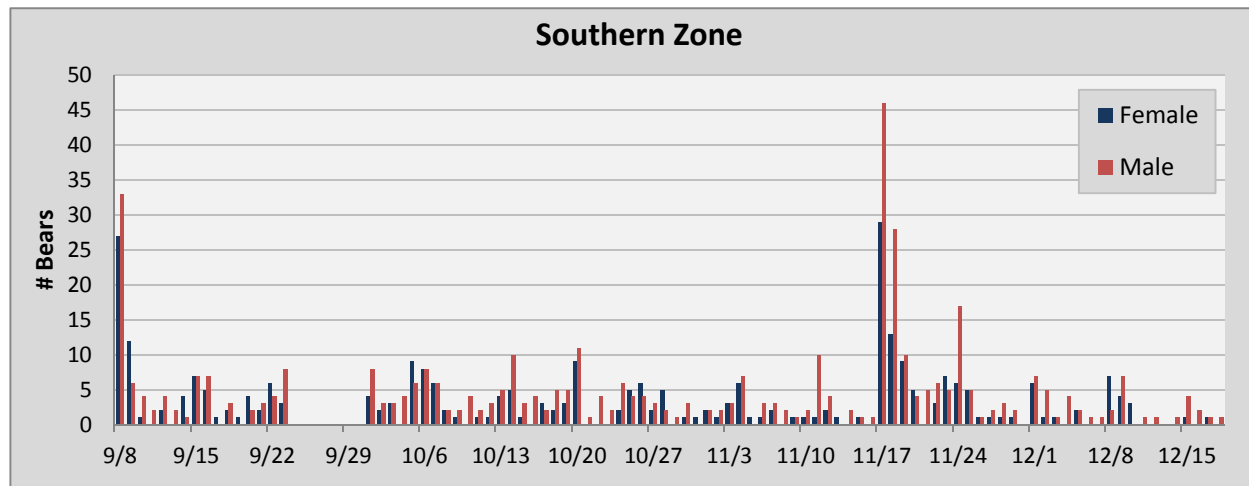
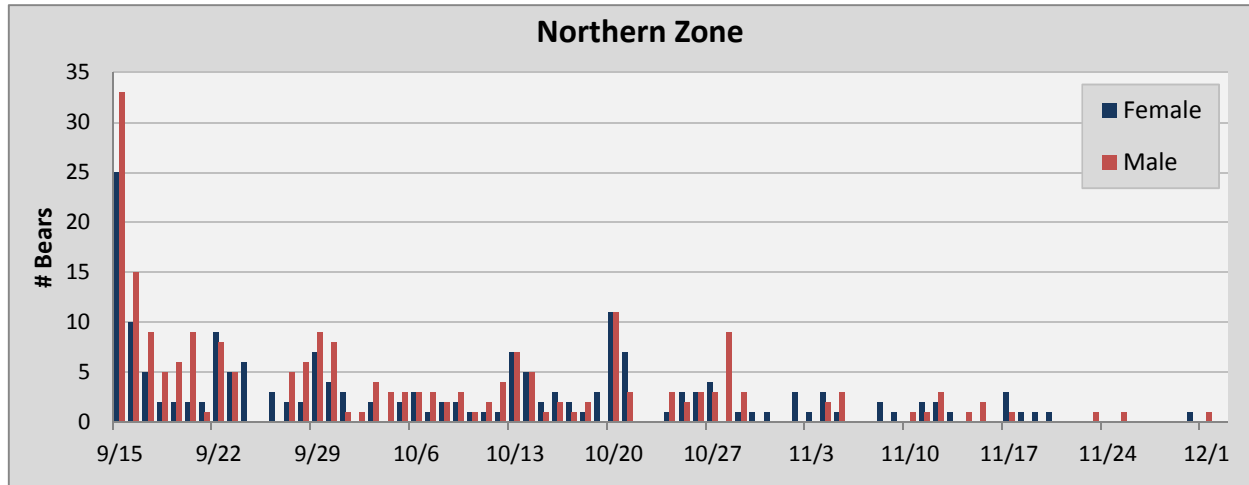
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears (2015-2017)



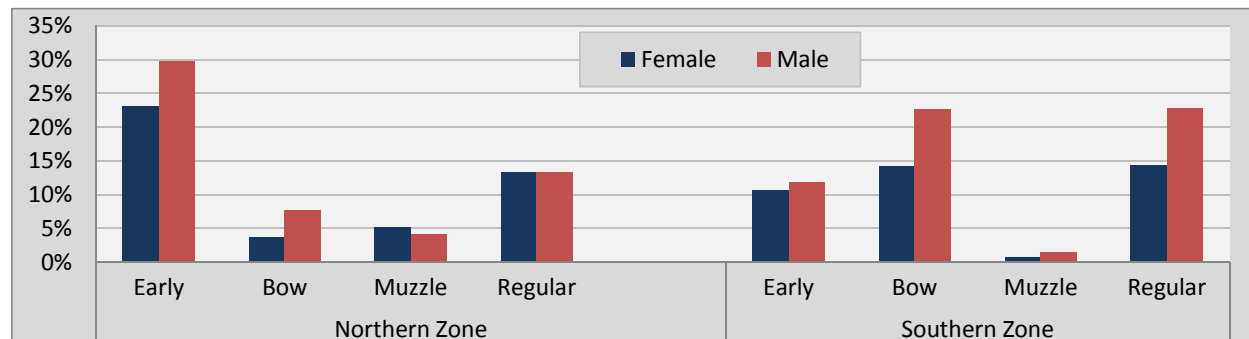
Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear teeth from the 2018 seasons have not yet been analyzed.

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2018 Reported Bear Take by Day



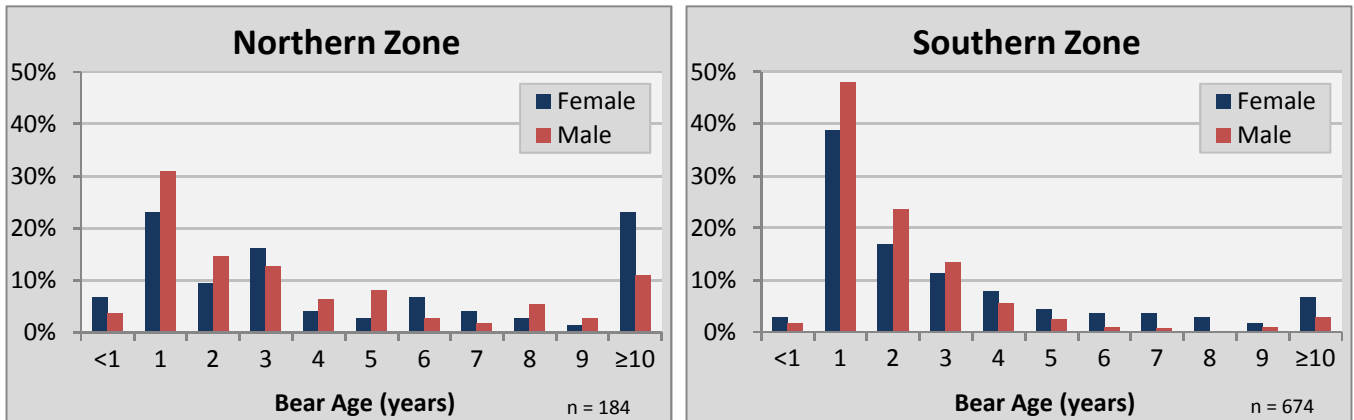
2018 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



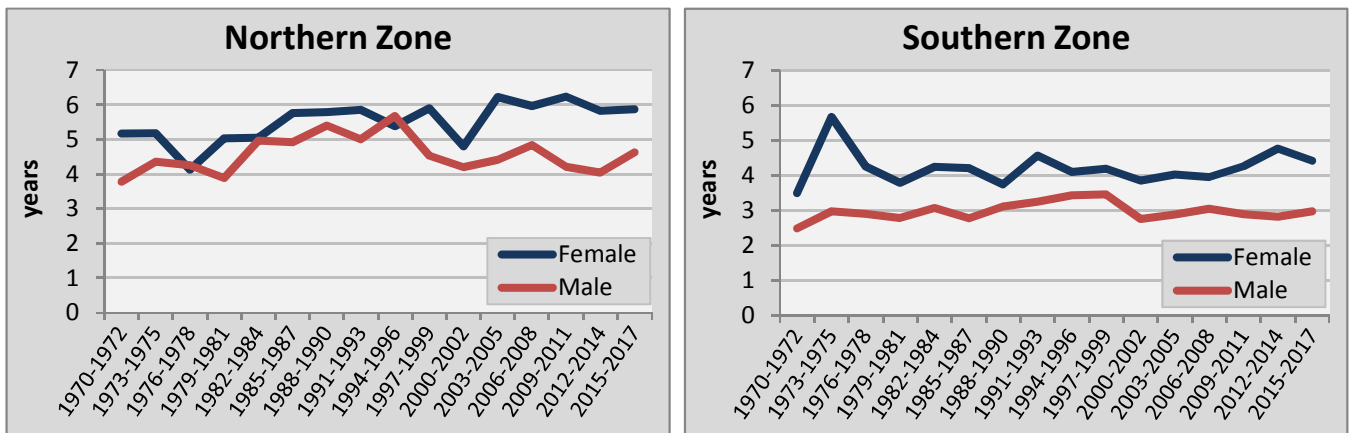
Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Youth Seasons were <1% of the total harvest.

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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2017



Average Age of Harvested Bears



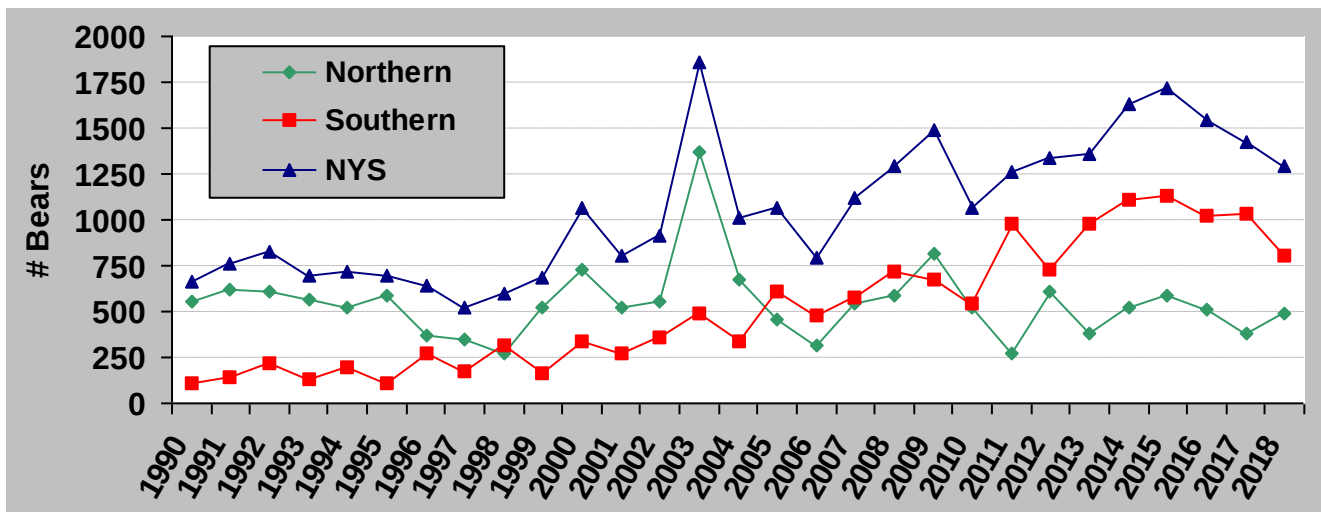
Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear ages from the 2018 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2019 report. Bear cubs (<1 year) may be legally taken in the Northern Zone, but bears known to be <1 year old are not legal for harvest in the Southern Zone. However, in the Southern Zone, some cubs achieve a similar size to some small yearling or adult bears and can only be verified as cubs by examination of their teeth after harvest.

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Black Bear Harvest History

	Northern Zone						Southern Zone						State Totals					
Year	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total
2018	259	55	48	129	0	491	179	294	18	302	11	804	438	349	66	431	11	1,295
2017	82	25	33	242	1	383	150	330	12	537	8	1,037	232	355	45	779	9	1,420
2016	238	48	61	167		514	228	379	10	398	10	1,025	466	427	71	565	10	1,539
2015	183	53	94	253		583	192	327	17	596		1,132	375	380	111	849		1,715
2014	291	26	42	159		518	337	305	16	452		1,110	628	331	58	611		1,628
2013	84	15	35	246		380		317	6	655		978	84	332	41	901		1,358
2012	386	39	49	132		606		332	6	393		731	386	371	55	525		1,337
2011	70	3	9	193		275		290	21	672		983	70	293	30	865		1,258
2010	255	35	71	160		521		280	10	253		543	255	315	81	413		1,064
2009	426	44	128	216		814		266	10	397		673	426	310	138	613		1,487
2008	85	13	99	385		582		219	18	476		713	85	232	117	861		1,295
2007	306	28	61	149		544		219	9	345		573	306	247	70	494		1,117
2006	74	9	16	219		318		228	9	241		478	74	237	25	460		796
2005	184	19	45	205		453		208	11	394		613	184	227	56	599		1,066
2004	425	49	54	146		674		178	4	158		340	425	227	58	304		1,014
2003	730	35	112	493		1,370		221	10	262		493	730	256	122	755		1,863
2002	182	16	30	322		550		111	4	247		362	182	127	34	569		912
2001	240	18	52	213		523		127	2	148		277	240	145	54	361		800
2000	180	12	37	499		728		95	2	245		342	180	107	39	744		1,070
1999	270	37	34	182		523		89	1	72		162	270	126	35	254		685

Season Key: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular Y = Youth



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Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

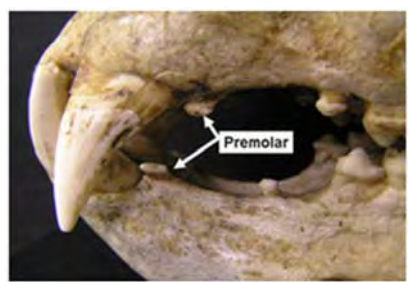


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2018



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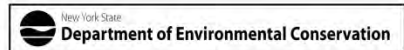
Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.
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Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



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See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

Hunting the Black Bear in New York



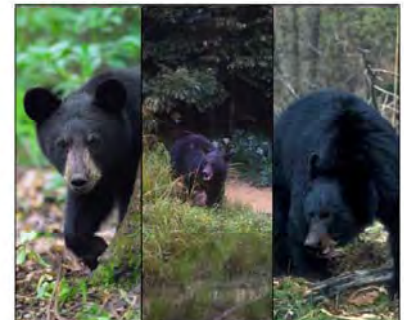
This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf



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Kody Schrum packing out the black bear he took in the Town of Denning, Ulster County, November 2019.

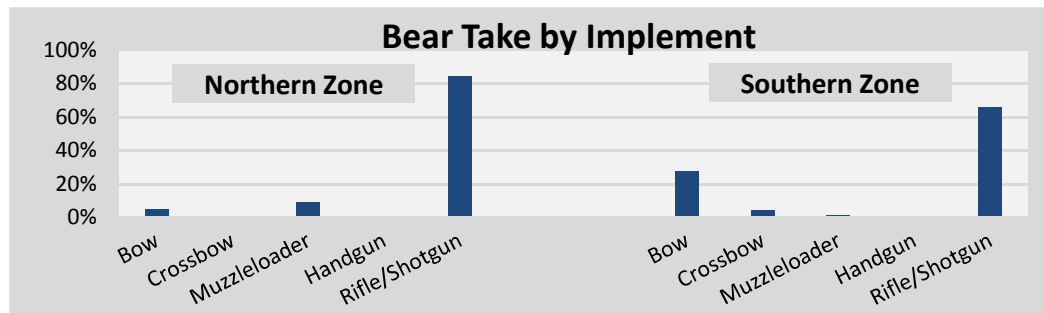


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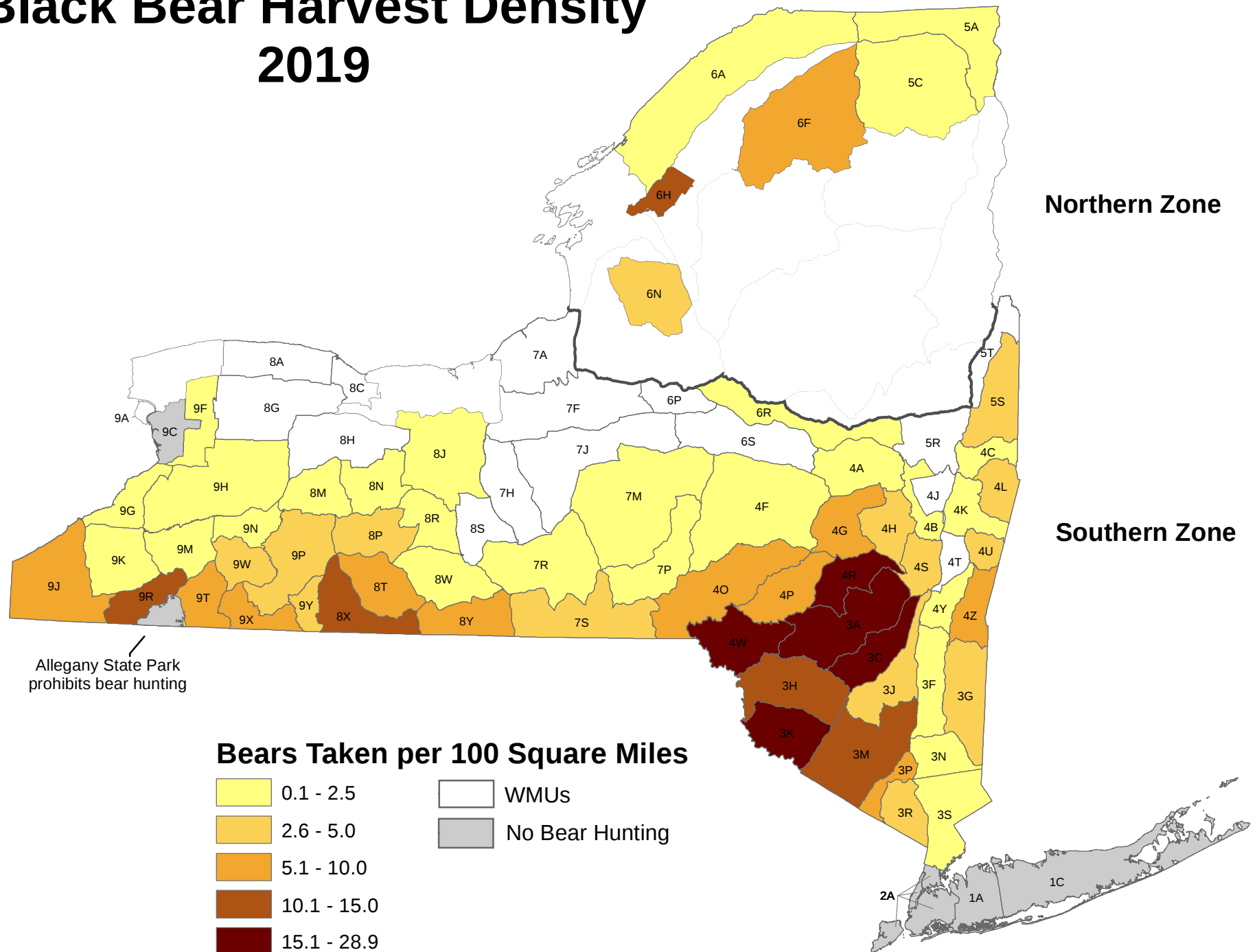
NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

2019 Bear Harvest Summary

	2019	2018	5-Year Average (2014 - 2018)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	326	491	498	515
Early	64	259	211	172
Bow	19	55	41	15
Muzzleloader	30	48	56	25
Regular	213	129	190	303
Youth	0	0	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	46% - 54%	45% - 55%	38% - 62%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	1,179	804	1,022	207
Early	184	179	217	NA
Bow	352	294	327	54
Muzzleloader	17	18	15	1
Regular	619	302	457	153
Youth	7	11	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	41% - 59%	41% - 59%	41% - 59%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,505	1,295	1,519	722
Early	248	438	428	172
Bow	371	349	368	69
Muzzleloader	47	66	70	26
Regular	832	431	647	455
Youth	7	11	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	42% - 58%	42% - 58%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%



Black Bear Harvest Density 2019



2019 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5A	1	1	1	8	0	11
5C	5	3	3	11	0	22
5F	2	0	0	6	0	8
5G	10	0	4	13	0	27
5H	11	2	7	44	0	64
5J	4	0	0	5	0	9
6A	0	5	1	12	0	18
6C	8	1	3	19	0	31
6F	12	2	3	45	0	62
6G	0	0	0	1	0	1
6H	5	0	2	10	0	17
6J	6	2	2	21	0	31
6K	0	0	1	6	0	7
6N	0	3	3	12	0	18
Northern Zone						326
Early						64
Bowhunting						19
Muzzleloader						30
Regular						213
Youth						0

Southern						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
3A	33	9	1	83	1	127
3C	19	6	0	28	0	53
3F	0	2	0	0	0	2
3G	0	13	0	9	0	22
3H	18	21	0	34	0	73

3J	2	2	0	13	0	17
3K	53	24	0	32	1	110
3M	19	26	1	35	0	81
3N	0	1	0	0	0	1
3P	1	5	0	3	0	9
3R	0	8	0	0	0	8
3S	0	2	0	0	0	2
4A	0	1	0	1	0	2
4B	0	0	0	3	0	3
4C	0	0	0	3	0	3
4F	0	2	0	12	0	14
4G	0	9	0	14	0	23
4H	0	6	0	4	0	10
4K	0	3	1	2	0	6
4L	0	4	0	6	0	10
4O	0	20	4	24	1	49
4P	18	9	1	6	0	34
4R	21	7	0	26	0	54
4S	0	5	0	5	0	10
4U	0	3	0	1	0	4
4W	0	19	0	56	1	76
4Y	0	0	0	1	0	1
4Z	0	7	0	4	2	13
5S	0	3	1	11	0	15
6R	0	0	1	4	0	5
7M	0	1	0	1	0	2
7P	0	1	0	2	0	3
7R	0	2	0	5	0	7
7S	0	9	0	13	0	22
8J	0	0	0	2	0	2
8M	0	0	0	2	0	2

8N	0	3	0	3	0	6
8P	0	8	1	8	0	17
8R	0	2	0	4	0	6
8T	0	17	2	14	0	33
8W	0	3	0	7	0	10
8X	0	20	2	23	1	46
8Y	0	15	0	12	0	27
9F	0	0	1	0	0	1
9G	0	0	0	1	0	1
9H	0	1	0	1	0	2
9J	0	10	0	31	0	41
9K	0	2	0	7	0	9
9M	0	0	0	4	0	4
9N	0	2	0	1	0	3
9P	0	6	0	17	0	23
9R	0	9	0	15	0	24
9S	0	0	0	1	0	1
9T	0	6	0	9	0	15
9W	0	5	0	4	0	9
9X	0	11	1	9	0	21
9Y	0	2	0	3	0	5

Southern Zone						1,179
Early						184
Bowhunting						352
Muzzleloader						17
Regular						619
Youth						7

State Total		1,505
Early		248
Bowhunting		371
Muzzleloader		47
Regular		832
Youth		7

2019 BEAR TAKE BY SEX

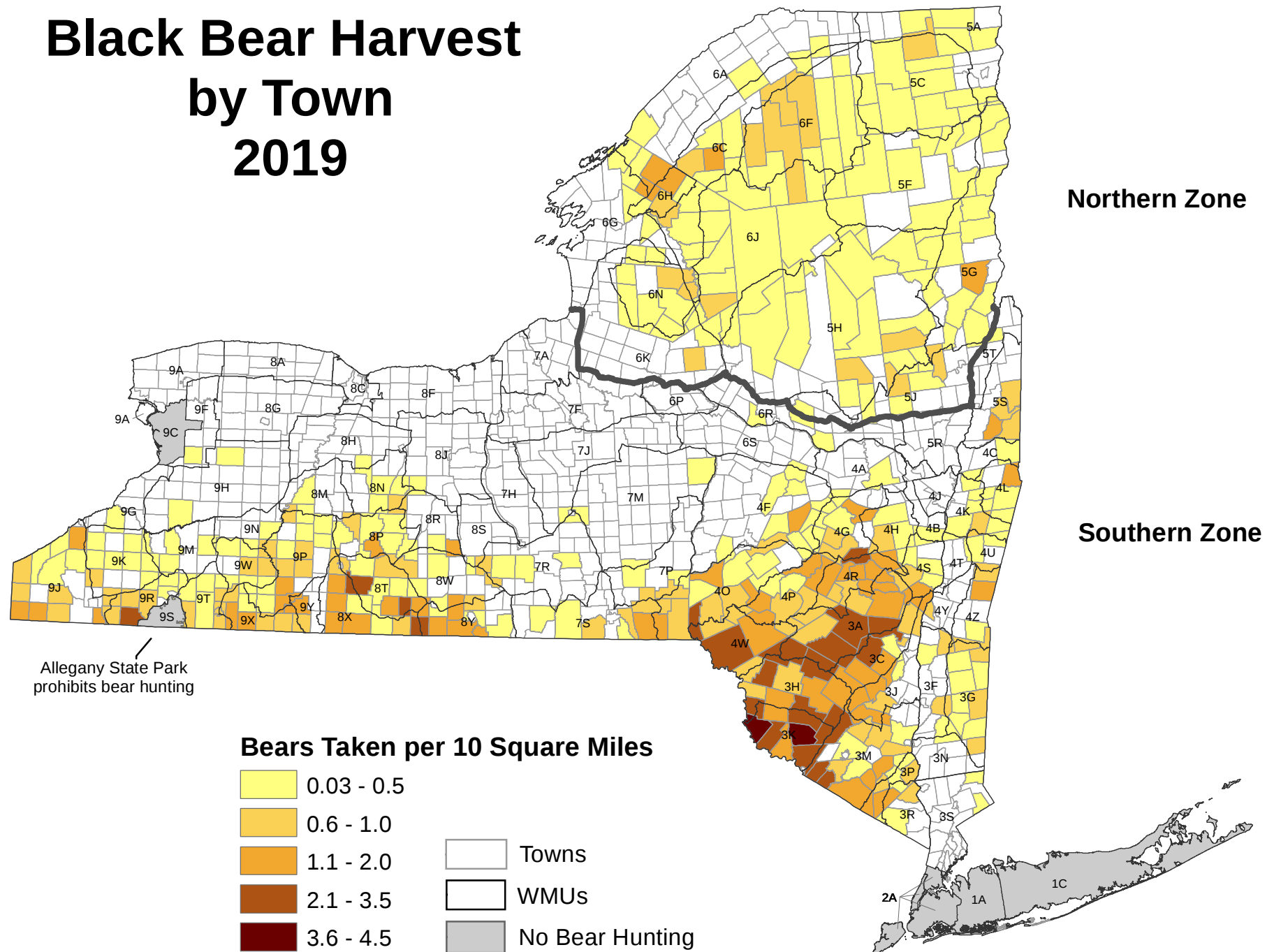
NZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	29	9	14	97	0	149
Male	35	10	16	116	0	177
SZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Female	76	145	7	256	3	487
Male	108	207	10	363	4	692



Nick Crecco; December 2019; Dutchess County, Town of East Fishkill, WMU 3G.

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Black Bear Harvest by Town 2019



2019 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY

Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern Zone																				
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Inlet	1	0	2	0	0	3	Providence	0	0	0	1	0	1
Altona	0	1	1	0	0	2	Lake Pleasant	0	0	1	3	0	4	Total	1	0	0	8	0	9
Ausable	0	2	0	0	0	2	Long Lake	3	0	0	5	0	8	St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Black Brook	3	0	0	4	0	7	Morehouse	1	0	0	2	0	3	Clare	0	0	0	8	0	8
Chazy	0	0	0	1	0	1	Wells	0	1	0	3	0	4	Clifton	0	0	4	1	0	5
Clinton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	5	1	5	21	0	32	Colton	3	1	0	11	0	15
Dannemora	0	0	2	0	0	2	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	De Kalb	0	0	1	1	0	2
Ellenburg	3	1	0	3	0	7	Ohio	4	0	1	1	0	6	Edwards	1	0	0	5	0	6
Moers	0	0	1	2	0	3	Webb	1	2	0	4	0	7	Fine	1	0	0	4	0	5
Peru	0	0	0	3	0	3	Total	5	2	1	5	0	13	Fowler	0	2	0	2	0	4
Saranac	0	0	0	2	0	2	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hammond	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	6	4	4	16	0	30	Alexandria	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hermon	2	0	0	0	0	2
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Antwerp	1	5	1	8	0	15	Hopkinton	1	0	2	9	0	12
Chesterfield	0	0	0	1	0	1	Champion	0	0	2	0	0	2	Lawrence	0	0	0	1	0	1
Crown Point	0	0	0	2	0	2	Le Ray	0	0	0	2	0	2	Parishville	0	0	0	7	0	7
Elizabethtown	2	0	0	1	0	3	Philadelphia	4	0	0	0	0	4	Piercefield	0	0	0	2	0	2
Jay	0	0	0	1	0	1	Theresa	0	0	0	1	0	1	Pitcairn	0	0	1	1	0	2
Minerva	1	0	0	2	0	3	Wilna	3	0	0	2	0	5	Potsdam	0	0	0	1	0	1
Moriah	0	0	1	2	0	3	Worth	0	0	0	1	0	1	Russell	0	0	0	3	0	3
Newcomb	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	8	5	3	15	0	31	Total	8	3	8	57	0	76
North Elba	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T
North Hudson	0	0	0	1	0	1	Croghan	1	0	0	3	0	4	Bolton	1	0	0	0	0	1
Schroon	0	0	0	4	0	4	Diana	2	0	0	5	0	7	Chester	3	0	0	1	0	4
Westport	0	0	0	1	0	1	Greig	2	0	0	0	0	2	Hague	3	0	1	3	0	7
Willsboro	0	0	0	1	0	1	Harrisburg	0	0	0	2	0	2	Johnsburg	0	0	0	1	0	1
Wilmington	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lewis	0	0	0	2	0	2	Lake George	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total	3	0	1	19	0	23	Leyden	1	0	0	0	0	1	Lake Luzerne	2	0	0	2	0	4
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Lyonsdale	0	0	1	4	0	5	Stony Creek	0	0	2	3	0	5
Bellmont	0	0	0	2	0	2	Martinsburg	0	2	1	4	0	7	Thurman	0	0	0	2	0	2
Brandon	2	0	0	0	0	2	New Bremen	1	0	0	1	0	2	Total	9	0	4	12	0	25
Brighton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Osceola	0	0	1	0	0	1	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Duane	0	0	0	1	0	1	Pinckney	0	0	1	1	0	2	Dresden	0	0	0	2	0	2
Franklin	0	0	0	1	0	1	Turin	0	0	0	3	0	3	Fort Ann	1	0	0	0	0	1
Harrietstown	0	0	0	2	0	2	Watson	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	1	0	0	2	0	3
Moir	0	0	0	2	0	2	West Turin	0	1	0	1	0	2	Southern Zone						
Santa Clara	2	0	0	6	0	8	Total	7	3	4	27	0	41	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Tupper Lake	2	0	0	3	0	5	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Berne	0	1	0	1	0	2
Waverly	1	0	0	1	0	2	Boonville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Coeymans	0	0	0	2	0	2
Total	7	0	0	19	0	26	Forestport	0	1	0	2	0	3	Rensselaerville	0	0	0	4	0	4
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Western	0	0	0	3	0	3	Westerlo	0	1	0	1	0	2
Bleecker	2	0	0	1	0	3	Total	0	1	0	6	0	7	Total	0	2	0	8	0	10
Mayfield	0	0	0	3	0	3	Oswego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Allegany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Oppenheim	2	0	0	0	0	2	Redfield	0	0	0	2	0	2	Allen	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	4	0	0	4	0	8	Total	0	0	0	2	0	2	Alma	0	2	0	1	0	3
Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Amity	0	3	0	3	0	6
Arietta	0	0	0	1	0	1	Corinth	0	0	0	1	0	1	Angelica	0	0	0	3	0	3
Benson	0	0	1	4	0	5	Day	0	0	0	1	0	1	Belfast	0	2	0	0	0	2
Indian Lake	0	0	1	3	0	4	Edinburg	1	0	0	4	0	5	Birdsall	0	0	0	2	0	2
							Hadley	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bolivar	0	1	0	1	0	2

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Burns	0	0	0	1	0	1	Clymer	0	1	0	5	0	6	Roxbury	12	3	0	2	0	17
Caneadea	0	1	0	1	0	2	French Creek	0	2	0	3	0	5	Sidney	0	2	0	4	1	7
Clarksville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Gerry	0	0	0	2	0	2	Stamford	4	0	0	3	0	7
Cuba	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hanover	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tompkins	0	0	0	6	0	6
Friendship	0	1	0	0	0	1	Harmony	0	1	0	3	0	4	Walton	1	3	2	3	0	9
Genesee	0	1	1	3	0	5	Kiantone	0	0	0	3	0	3	Total	29	39	3	77	2	150
Grove	0	0	0	1	0	1	Mina	0	2	0	1	0	3	Dutchess	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Hume	0	0	0	1	0	1	North Harmony	0	0	0	3	0	3	Amenia	0	1	0	0	0	1
New Hudson	0	2	0	1	0	3	Poland	0	2	0	1	0	3	Beekman	0	1	0	0	0	1
Rushford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Pomfret	0	1	0	4	0	5	Dover	0	2	0	2	0	4
Scio	0	1	0	3	0	4	Portland	0	0	0	1	0	1	East Fishkill	0	0	0	1	0	1
Wellsville	0	2	0	2	0	4	Ripley	0	0	0	3	0	3	La Grange	0	1	0	2	0	3
West Almond	0	0	0	2	0	2	Stockton	0	0	0	2	0	2	Milan	0	2	0	0	0	2
Willing	0	2	0	1	0	3	Westfield	0	1	0	0	0	1	Northeast	0	2	0	1	0	3
Wirt	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	0	11	0	37	0	48	Pawling	0	2	0	0	0	2
Total	0	21	1	29	0	51	Chemung	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Pine Plains	0	2	0	0	0	2
Broome	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Ashland	0	0	0	2	0	2	Rhinebeck	0	1	0	0	0	1
Colesville	0	5	0	1	0	6	Big Flats	0	5	0	0	0	5	Stanford	0	0	0	1	0	1
Conklin	0	1	0	0	0	1	Chemung	0	2	0	0	0	2	Union Vale	0	2	0	0	0	2
Kirkwood	0	0	0	3	0	3	Elmira	0	1	0	0	0	1	Washington	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sanford	0	3	1	3	0	7	Horseheads	0	0	0	2	0	2	Total	0	17	0	7	0	24
Vestal	0	0	0	3	0	3	Southport	0	3	0	4	0	7	Erie	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Windsor	0	7	0	9	0	16	Total	0	11	0	8	0	19	Concord	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	0	16	1	19	0	36	Chenango	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Elma	0	0	1	0	0	1
Cattaraugus	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Afton	0	2	1	0	0	3	Total	0	0	1	1	0	2
Allegany	0	1	0	2	0	3	Bainbridge	0	0	0	1	0	1	Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Carrollton	0	2	0	3	0	5	Greene	0	1	0	0	0	1	Oppenheim	0	0	1	3	0	4
Cold Spring	0	3	0	3	0	6	Total	0	3	1	1	0	5	Total	0	0	1	3	0	4
Dayton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Columbia	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Greene	E	B	M	R	Y	T
East Otto	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ancram	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ashland	2	0	0	2	0	4
Farmersville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Austerlitz	0	4	0	0	0	4	Athens	0	1	0	0	0	1
Great Valley	0	0	0	2	0	2	Chatham	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cairo	1	1	0	2	0	4
Hinsdale	0	0	0	3	0	3	Germantown	0	0	0	1	0	1	Catskill	1	2	1	5	0	9
Humphrey	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hillsdale	0	2	0	3	1	6	Coxsackie	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ischua	0	0	0	1	0	1	New Lebanon	0	1	0	0	0	1	Durham	1	1	0	6	0	8
Leon	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	0	7	0	6	1	14	Greenville	0	1	0	0	0	1
Little Valley	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cortland	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Halcott	1	0	0	1	0	2
Machias	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cortlandville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hunter	4	0	0	9	0	13
Mansfield	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	1	0	0	0	1	Jewett	2	1	0	4	0	7
Napoli	0	0	0	2	0	2	Delaware	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Lexington	0	0	0	8	0	8
New Albion	0	1	0	0	0	1	Andes	5	1	0	2	0	8	Prattsville	2	0	0	2	0	4
Olean	0	1	0	1	0	2	Bovina	0	1	0	1	0	2	Windham	2	2	0	4	0	8
Persia	0	0	0	1	0	1	Colchester	3	2	0	11	0	16	Total	16	10	1	43	0	70
Portville	0	2	0	2	0	4	Davenport	0	2	0	2	0	4	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Randolph	0	0	0	3	0	3	Delhi	1	0	0	0	0	1	Herkimer	0	0	0	1	0	1
Salamanca	0	1	0	0	0	1	Deposit	0	2	1	6	0	9	Total	0	0	0	1	0	1
South Valley	0	4	0	6	0	10	Franklin	0	2	0	1	0	3	Livingston	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Total	0	18	0	34	0	52	Hamden	2	3	0	2	0	7	Mount Morris	0	0	0	1	0	1
Chautauqua	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hancock	0	14	0	30	1	45	Nunda	0	1	0	0	0	1
Arkwright	0	0	0	1	0	1	Harpersfield	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ossian	0	1	0	0	0	1
Carroll	0	0	0	2	0	2	Masonville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Portage	0	1	0	1	0	2
Charlotte	0	0	0	1	0	1	Meredith	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	0	3	0	2	0	5
Chautauqua	0	1	0	0	0	1	Middletown	1	2	0	3	0	6	Madison	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Cherry Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1														

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Brookfield	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ramapo	0	3	0	0	0	3	Total	0	50	5	57	1	113
Total	0	0	0	1	0	1	Stony Point	0	2	0	0	0	2	Sullivan	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Montgomery	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Total	0	5	0	0	0	5	Bethel	5	4	0	4	0	13
Palatine	0	0	0	1	0	1	Schenectady	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Callicoon	3	4	0	3	0	10
Total	0	0	0	1	0	1	Duanesburg	0	1	0	1	0	2	Cochecton	4	5	0	2	0	11
Ontario	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Total	0	1	0	1	0	2	Delaware	0	2	0	0	0	2
Naples	0	0	0	1	0	1	Schoharie	E	B	M	R	Y	T	fallsburg	4	0	0	5	0	9
Richmond	0	0	0	1	0	1	Blenheim	0	1	0	1	0	2	Forestburgh	8	6	0	4	2	20
South Bristol	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cobleskill	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fremont	0	3	0	2	0	5
Total	0	0	0	3	0	3	Conesville	2	4	0	5	0	11	Highland	5	3	0	3	0	11
Orange	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Fulton	0	1	0	1	0	2	Liberty	3	2	0	2	0	7
Blooming Grove	1	1	0	2	0	4	Gilboa	0	1	0	3	0	4	Lumberland	7	0	0	2	0	9
Chester	0	2	0	3	0	5	Jefferson	0	0	0	1	0	1	Mamakating	12	3	0	13	0	28
Cornwall	0	1	0	0	0	1	Middleburgh	0	4	0	5	0	9	Neversink	2	2	0	15	0	19
Crawford	0	0	0	3	0	3	Richmondville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Rockland	3	5	0	16	0	24
Deerpark	6	6	0	5	0	17	Summit	0	0	0	2	0	2	Thompson	8	3	0	9	0	20
Goshen	0	1	0	1	0	2	Total	2	12	0	19	0	33	Tusten	8	3	0	8	0	19
Greenville	4	2	1	3	0	10	Schuyler	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Total	72	45	0	88	2	207
Highlands	2	0	0	0	0	2	Catharine	0	2	0	0	0	2	Tioga	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Minisink	1	1	0	3	0	5	Cayuta	0	0	0	2	0	2	Owego	0	0	0	1	0	1
Monroe	1	0	0	1	0	2	Montour	0	1	0	0	0	1	Richford	0	0	0	1	0	1
Montgomery	0	1	0	2	0	3	Orange	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tioga	0	2	0	0	0	2
New Windsor	0	3	0	0	0	3	Reading	0	1	0	2	0	3	Total	0	2	0	2	0	4
Newburgh	0	1	0	1	0	2	Tyrone	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tompkins	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Tuxedo	0	3	0	3	0	6	Total	0	4	0	6	0	10	Danby	0	0	0	1	0	1
Wallkill	0	3	0	0	0	3	Steuben	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Newfield	0	1	0	1	0	2
Warwick	4	7	0	6	0	17	Addison	0	3	0	4	0	7	Total	0	1	0	2	0	3
Wawayanda	0	1	0	2	0	3	Avoca	0	2	1	2	0	5	Ulster	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Woodbury	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bath	0	1	0	5	0	6	Denning	11	0	0	22	0	33
Total	19	34	1	35	0	89	Cameron	0	0	0	1	0	1	Gardiner	0	0	0	4	0	4
Otsego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Campbell	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hardenburgh	1	0	0	4	0	5
Cherry Valley	0	0	0	1	0	1	Canisteo	0	9	1	3	0	13	Hurley	1	0	0	0	0	1
Maryland	0	0	0	2	0	2	Caton	0	1	0	3	0	4	Kingston	0	0	0	1	0	1
Middlefield	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cohocton	0	2	0	1	0	3	Marbletown	2	2	0	4	0	8
Otego	0	1	0	0	0	1	Corning	0	1	0	1	0	2	Olive	3	0	0	10	0	13
Roseboom	0	0	0	1	0	1	Dansville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Rochester	1	2	0	8	0	11
Worcester	0	2	0	4	0	6	Erwin	0	4	0	1	0	5	Rosendale	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	0	3	0	9	0	12	Greenwood	0	3	0	3	0	6	Saugerties	2	1	0	2	0	5
Putnam	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hartsville	0	2	0	1	1	4	Shandaken	9	4	0	15	1	29
Patterson	0	2	0	1	0	3	Hornellsville	0	1	0	2	0	3	Shawangunk	1	1	0	5	0	7
Total	0	2	0	1	0	3	Howard	0	0	0	3	0	3	Wawarsing	10	2	0	11	0	23
Rensselaer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Jasper	0	0	0	2	0	2	Woodstock	5	3	0	8	0	16
Berlin	0	1	0	2	0	3	Lindley	0	7	0	4	0	11	Total	46	16	0	94	1	157
Brunswick	0	1	0	0	0	1	Prattsburg	0	0	0	2	0	2	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Hoosick	0	0	0	2	0	2	Rathbone	0	3	2	1	0	6	Cambridge	0	0	0	4	0	4
Nassau	0	3	1	0	0	4	Thurston	0	0	0	1	0	1	Jackson	0	1	0	3	0	4
Petersburgh	0	1	0	4	0	5	Troupsburg	0	2	0	6	0	8	Salem	0	2	0	1	0	3
Poestenkill	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tuscarora	0	1	1	1	0	3	White Creek	0	0	1	3	0	4
Sand Lake	0	0	0	1	0	1	Urbana	0	1	0	1	0	2	Total	0	3	1	11	0	15
Schodack	0	2	0	0	0	2	Wayland	0	2	0	1	0	3	Westchester	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Stephentown	0	0	0	1	0	1	West Union	0	1	0	4	0	5	North Salem	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	0	8	1	11	0	20	Wheeler	0	1	0	1	0	2	Pound Ridge	0	1	0	0	0	1
Rockland	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Woodhull	0	1	0	2	0	3	Total	0	2	0	0	0	2

* Only towns and counties with bear harvests are reported here.

Wyoming	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Bennington	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	0	1	0	0	0	1
Yates	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Italy	0	2	0	1	0	3
Middlesex	0	1	0	0	0	1
Potter	0	1	0	1	0	2
Total	0	4	0	2	0	6

NYS Total	1,505
Early	248
Bowhunting	371
Muzzleloader	47
Regular	832
Youth	7



Austin and Peter Reid; October 2019; Yates County, Town of Italy, WMU 8N.



Brian Zelinsky; November 2019; Ulster County, Town of Wawarsing, WMU 3J.

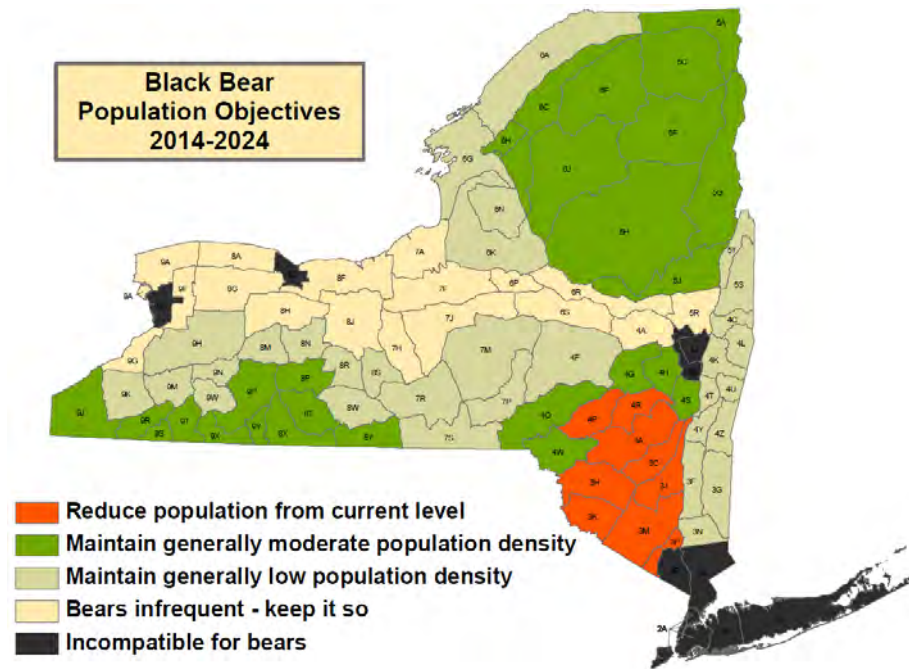


Adam Zapotok; November 2019; Allegany County, Town of Bolivar, WMU 9X.

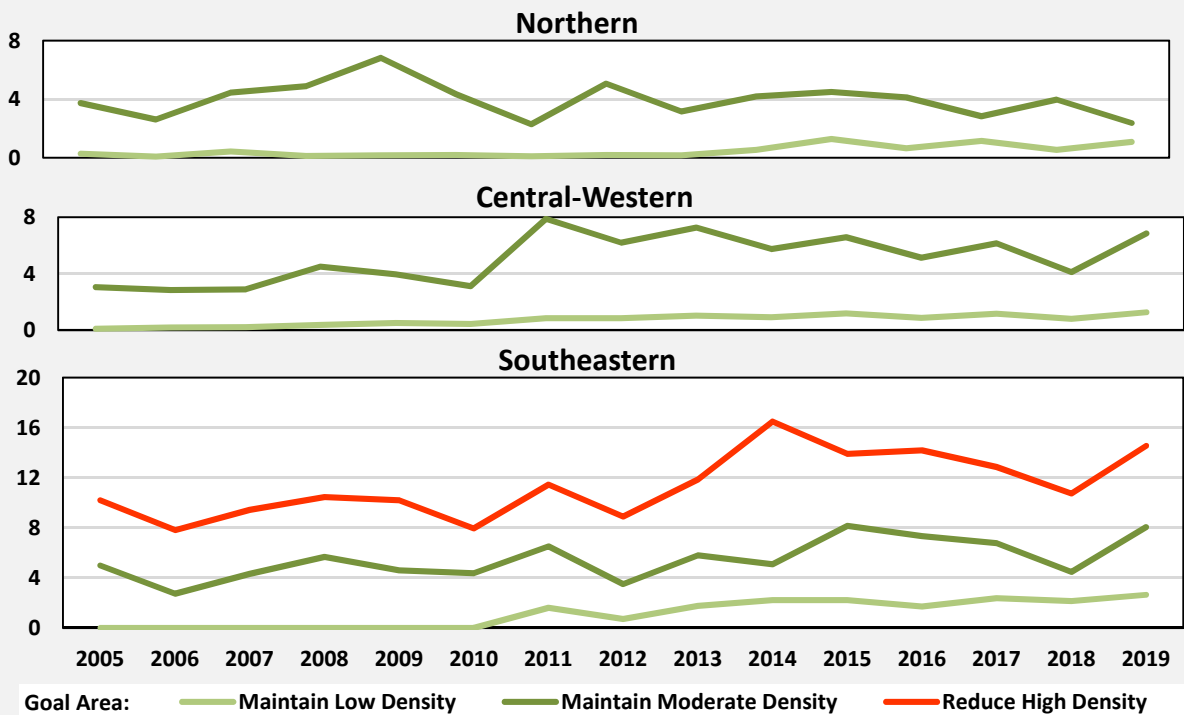
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Black Bear Harvest by Population Management Objective



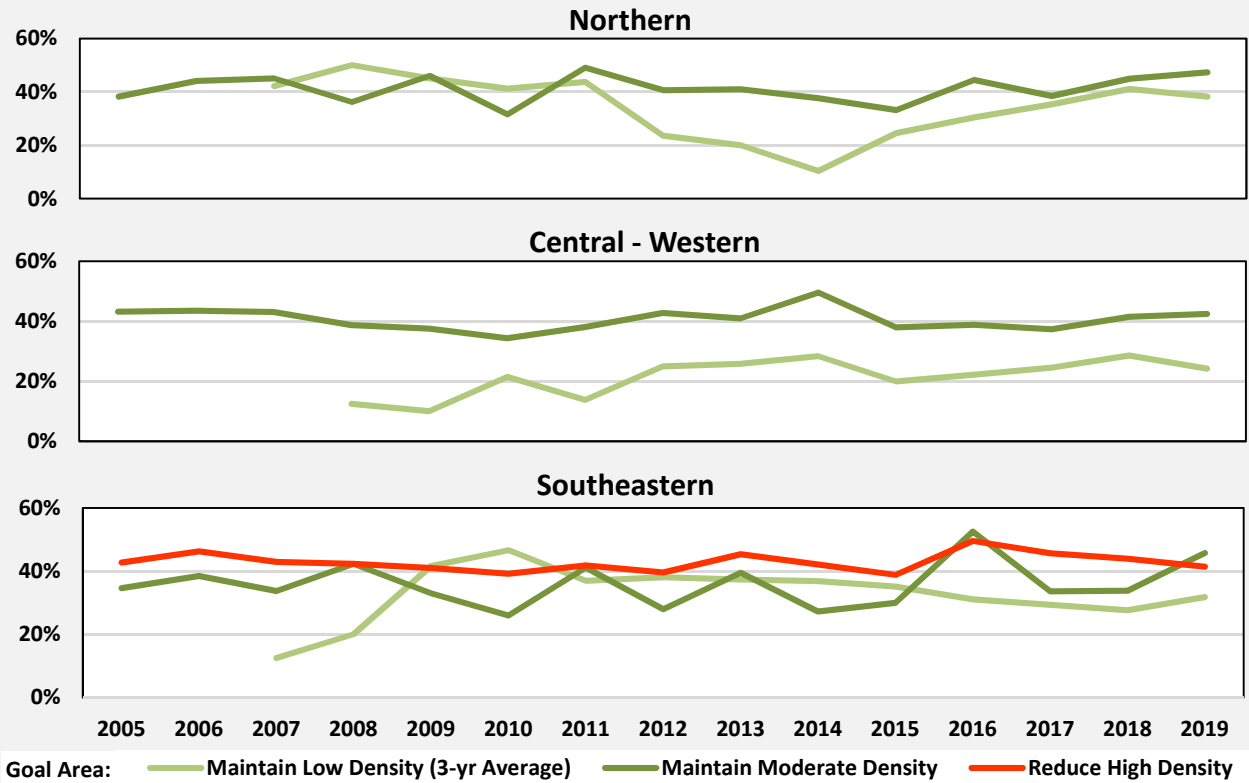
Bears Taken per 100 Square Miles



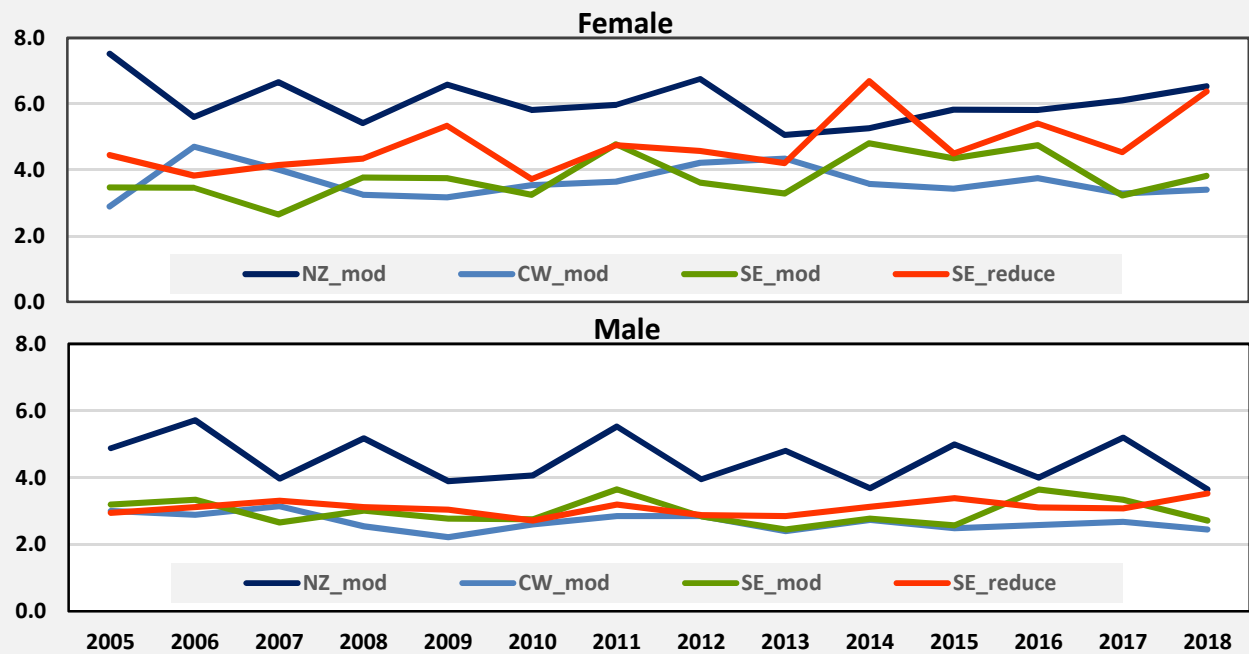
Management Goals were established in 2014, and an early bear season was initiated in portions of southeastern New York that same year to reduce the high density bear population.

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% Female in Bear Harvest by Management Zone



Black Bear Average Age at Harvest by Management Zone



Bear ages from the 2019 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2020 report.

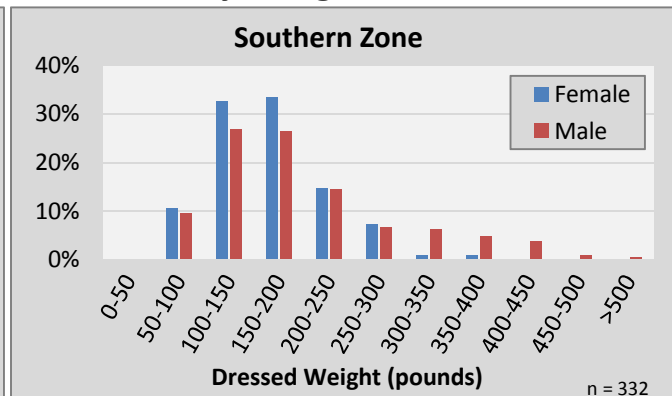
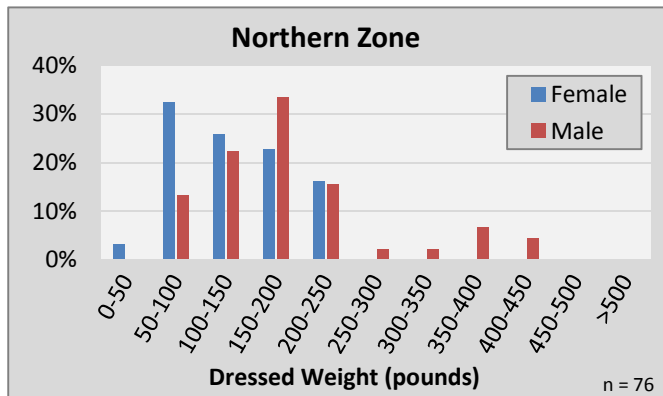
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2019

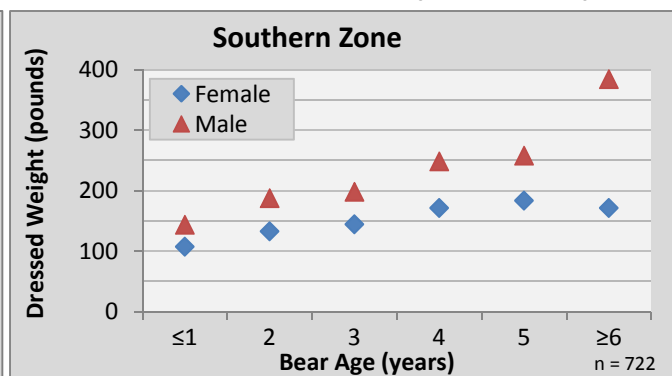
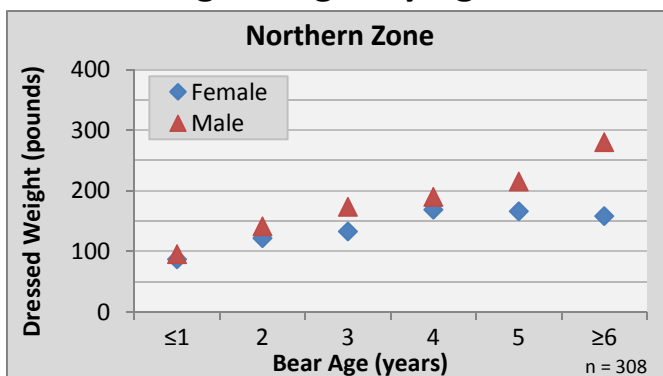
Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	643	Male	Bowhunting	Sullivan	Thompson	3K
2	480	Male	Regular	Chautauqua	Harmony	9J
3	460	Male	Regular	Steuben	Greenwood	8X
4	436	Male	Regular	Orange	Wawayanda	3M
5	432	Male	Regular	Sullivan	Fallsburg	3H
6	430	Male	Muzzleloading	St Lawrence	Hopkinton	6F
7	427	Male	Regular	Sullivan	Rockland	4W
8	425	Male	Bowhunting	Dutchess	Northeast	4Z
9	425	Male	Regular	Allegany	Allen	9P
10	412	Male	Bowhunting	Dutchess	Union Vale	3G

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 30% of the bears reported in 2019.

Distribution of Harvested Black Bears by Weight (2019)



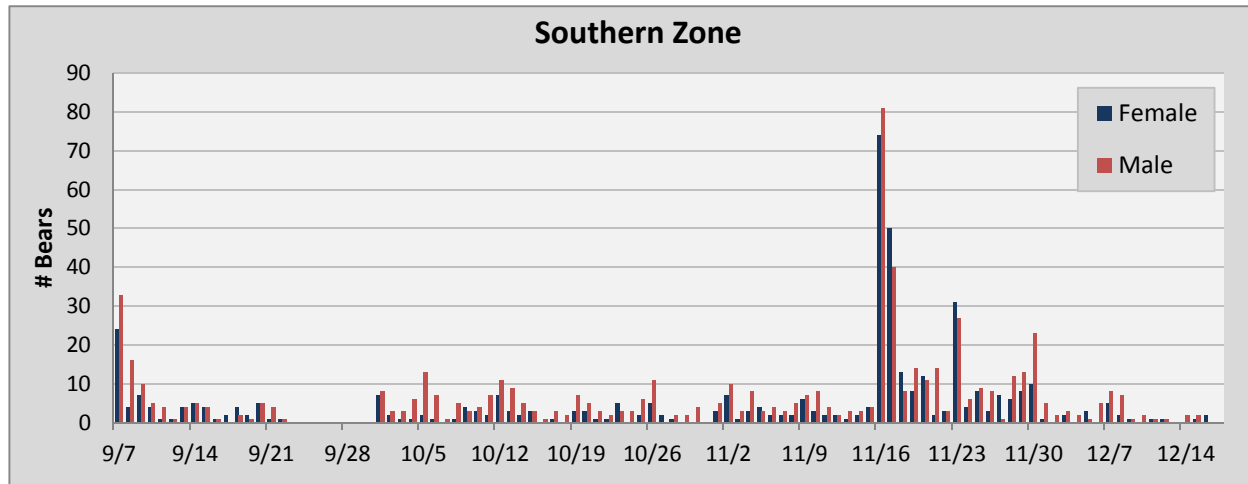
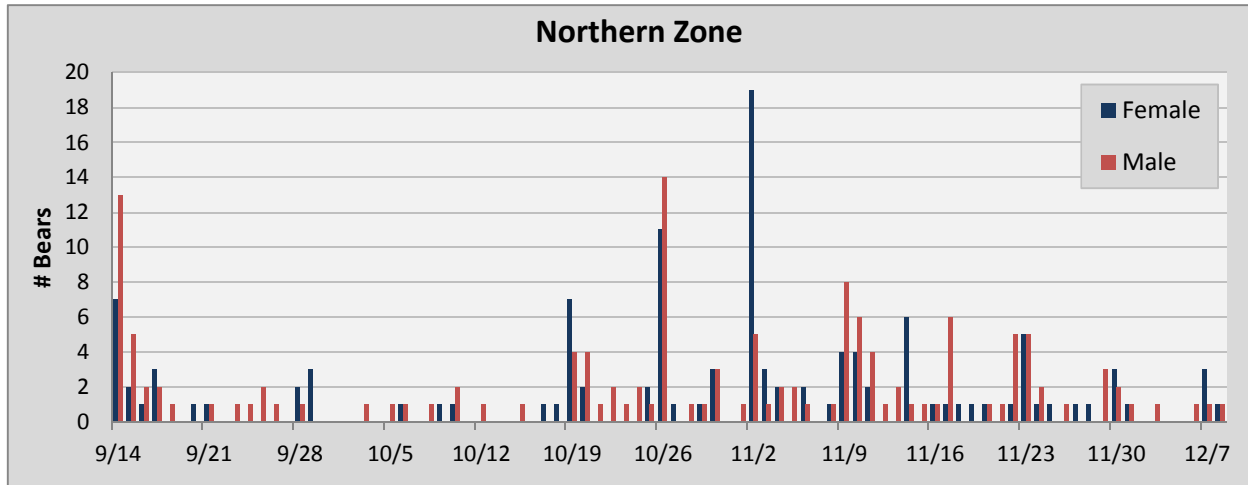
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears (2016-2018)



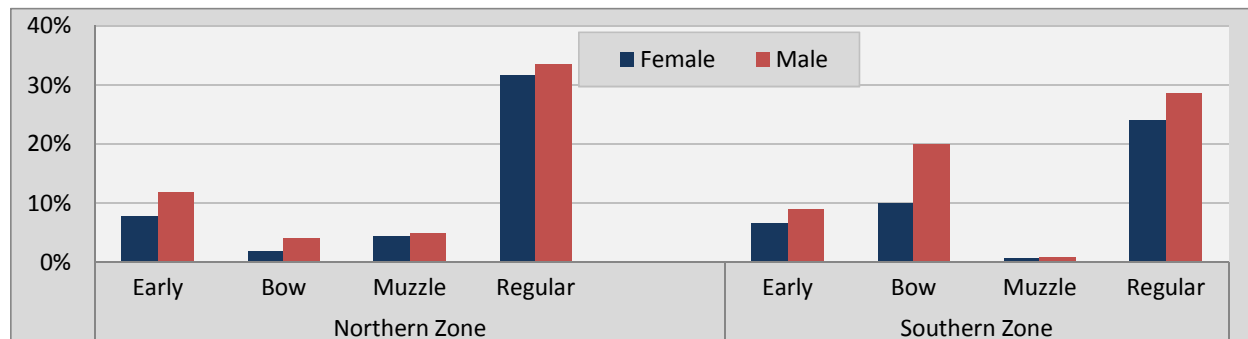
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2019 Reported Bear Take by Day



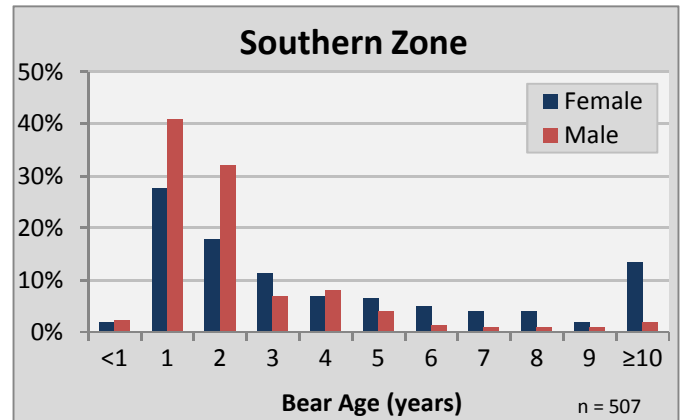
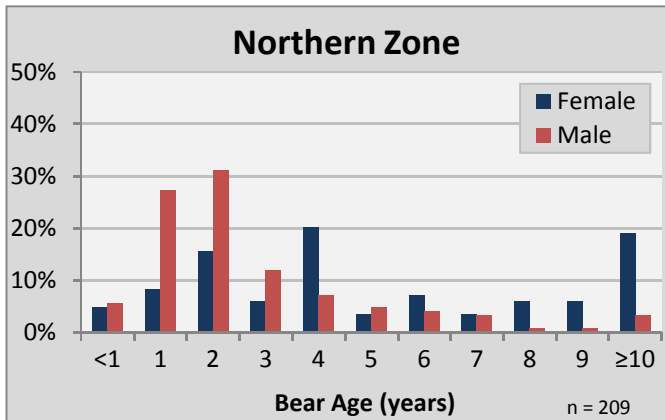
2019 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



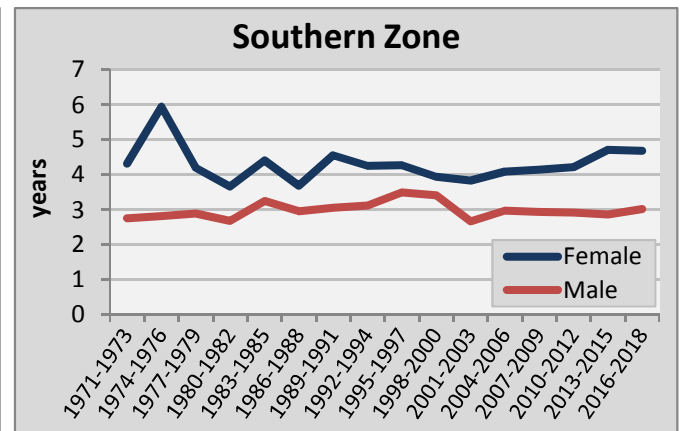
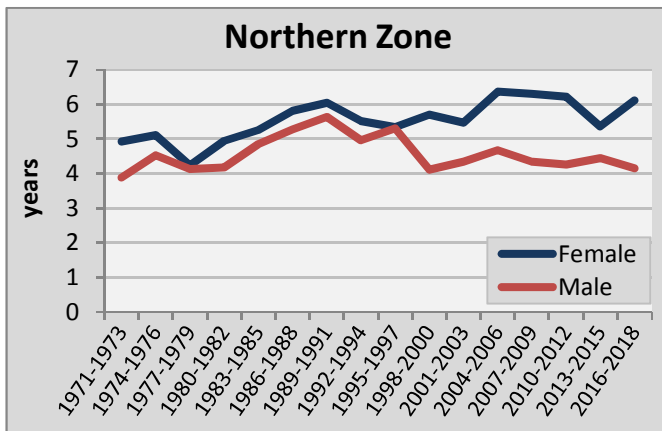
Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Youth Season was <1% of the total harvest.

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Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2018



Average Age of Harvested Bears



Garet Comer; October 2019; Ulster County. Town of Woodstock, WMU 3A.

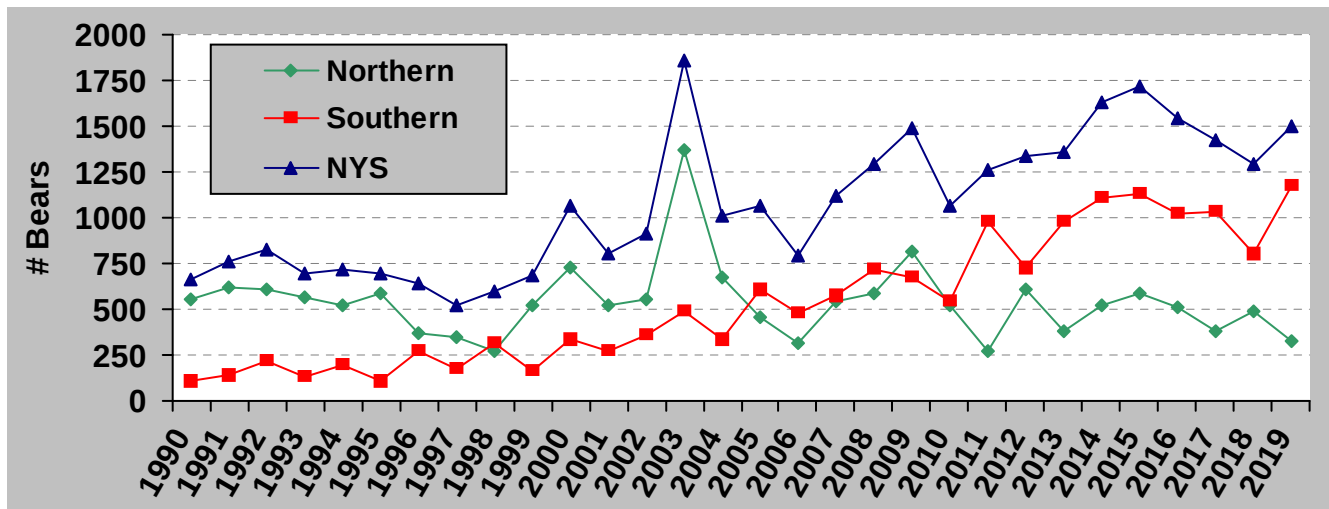
Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear ages from the 2019 seasons have not yet been determined and will be included in the 2020 report. Bear cubs (<1 year) may be legally taken in the Northern Zone, but bears known to be <1 year old are not legal for harvest in the Southern Zone. However, in the Southern Zone, some cubs achieve a similar size to some small yearlings or adult bears and can only be verified as cubs by examination of their teeth after harvest.

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Black Bear Harvest History

	Northern Zone						Southern Zone						State Totals					
Year	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total
2019	64	19	30	213	0	326	184	352	17	619	7	1,179	248	371	47	832	7	1,505
2018	259	55	48	129	0	491	179	294	18	302	11	804	438	349	66	431	11	1,295
2017	82	25	33	242	1	383	150	330	12	537	8	1,037	232	355	45	779	9	1,420
2016	238	48	61	167		514	228	379	10	398	10	1,025	466	427	71	565	10	1,539
2015	183	53	94	253		583	192	327	17	596		1,132	375	380	111	849		1,715
2014	291	26	42	159		518	337	305	16	452		1,110	628	331	58	611		1,628
2013	84	15	35	246		380		317	6	655		978	84	332	41	901		1,358
2012	386	39	49	132		606		332	6	393		731	386	371	55	525		1,337
2011	70	3	9	193		275		290	21	672		983	70	293	30	865		1,258
2010	255	35	71	160		521		280	10	253		543	255	315	81	413		1,064
2009	426	44	128	216		814		266	10	397		673	426	310	138	613		1,487
2008	85	13	99	385		582		219	18	476		713	85	232	117	861		1,295
2007	306	28	61	149		544		219	9	345		573	306	247	70	494		1,117
2006	74	9	16	219		318		228	9	241		478	74	237	25	460		796
2005	184	19	45	205		453		208	11	394		613	184	227	56	599		1,066
2004	425	49	54	146		674		178	4	158		340	425	227	58	304		1,014
2003	730	35	112	493		1,370		221	10	262		493	730	256	122	755		1,863
2002	182	16	30	322		550		111	4	247		362	182	127	34	569		912
2001	240	18	52	213		523		127	2	148		277	240	145	54	361		800
2000	180	12	37	499		728		95	2	245		342	180	107	39	744		1,070

Season Key: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular Y = Youth

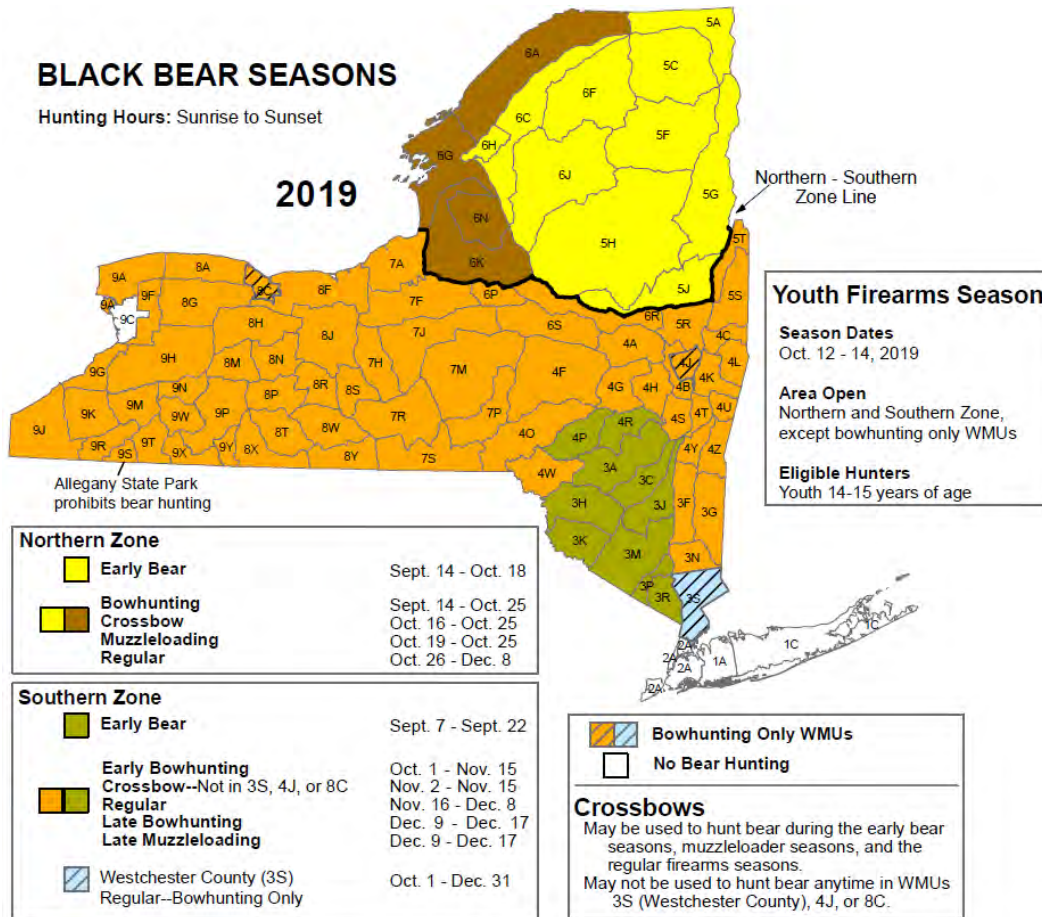


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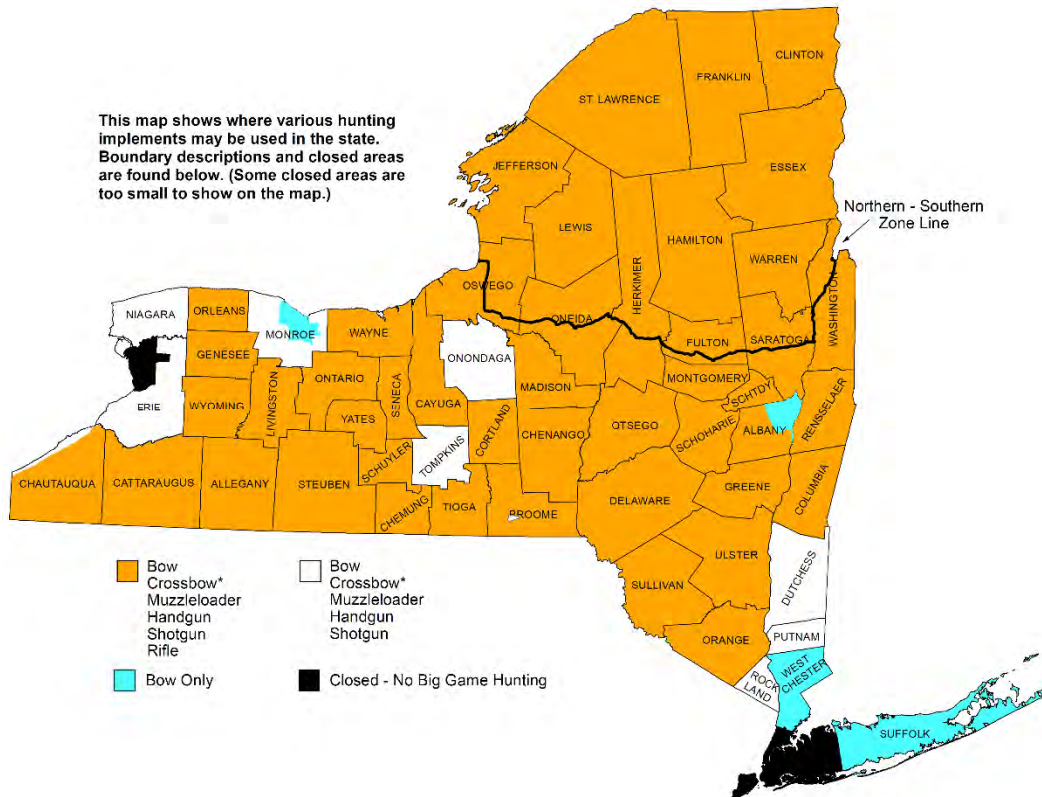
BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Hunting Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

2019



This map shows where various hunting implements may be used in the state. Boundary descriptions and closed areas are found below. (Some closed areas are too small to show on the map.)



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Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.

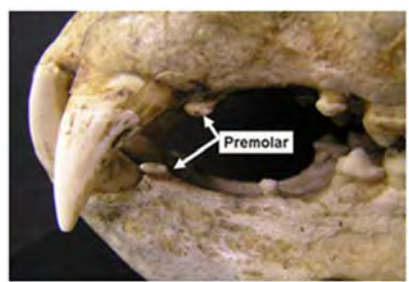


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

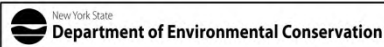
Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2019



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Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.



Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



Division of Fish, Wildlife and Marine Resources
Bureau of Wildlife

See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html
for New York's Black Bear program.

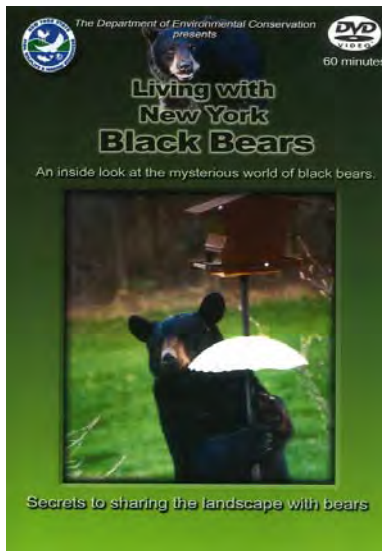


Hunting the Black Bear in New York



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



Living with New York Black Bears DVD is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

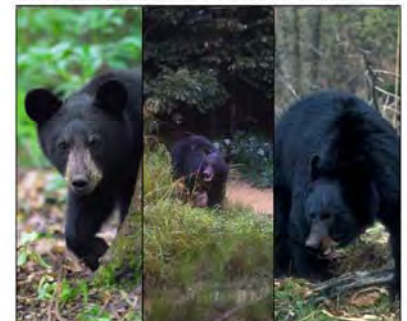
Reducing Human-Bear Conflict



See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/6995.html
for strategies to keep humans and bears safe.

An Evaluation of **Black Bear** Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf