

BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2022



*Ryan O'Neill with his black bear taken in Cattaraugus County, Town of Allegany,
WMU 9T, October 2022.*

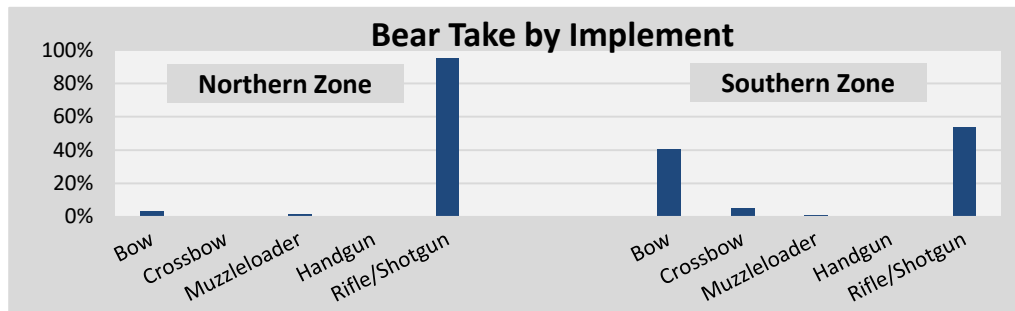


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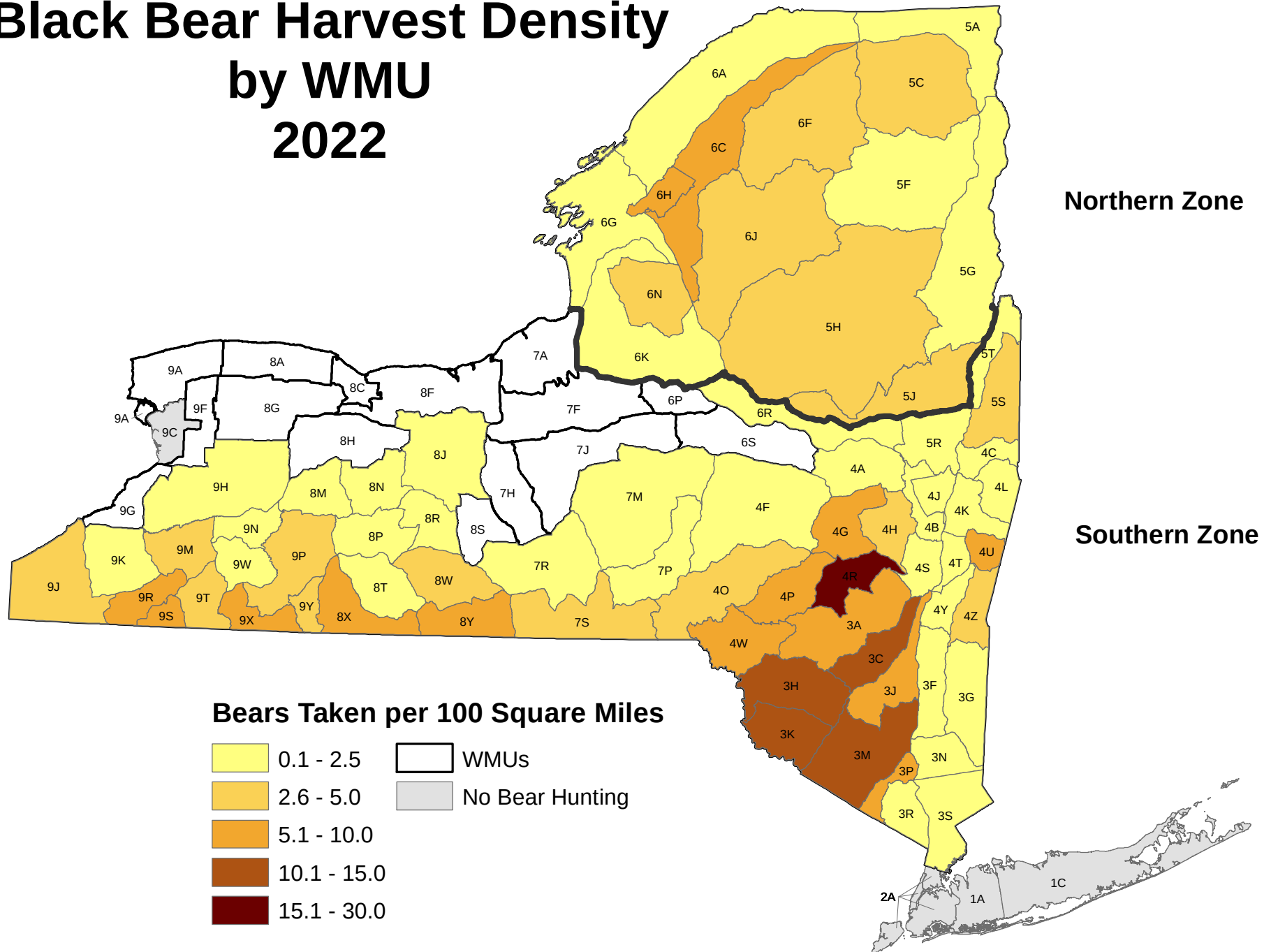
2022 Bear Harvest Summary

	2022	2021	5-Year Average (2017 - 2021)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
Northern Zone	458	403	435	515
Early	NA*	NA*	176	172
Bow	15	12	32	15
Muzzleloader	8	12	37	25
Regular	434	376	224	303
Youth	1	3	1	NA
% Female : % Male	40% - 60%	46% - 54%	44% - 56%	43% - 57%
Southern Zone	860	943	1,023	207
Early	234	100	196	NA
Bow	348	322	343	54
Muzzleloader	4	23	15	1
Regular	274	490	461	153
Youth	0	8	9	NA
% Female : % Male	43% - 57%	38% - 62%	41% - 59%	37% - 63%
New York State	1,318	1,346	1,458	722
Early	234	100	336	172
Bow	363	334	375	69
Muzzleloader	12	35	52	26
Regular	708	866	685	455
Youth	1	11	10	NA
% Female : % Male	42% - 58%	40% - 60%	42% - 58%	41% - 59%



* In 2021, DEC simplified the bear hunting seasons in the Adirondack WMUs by expanding the regular season to incorporate the early, bow, and muzzleloader season. Bow and muzzleloader season continued in the other Northern Zone WMUs.

Black Bear Harvest Density by WMU 2022



2022 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		0	0	11	0	11
5C		0	0	35	0	35
5F		0	0	15	0	15
5G		0	0	24	0	24
5H		0	0	117	1	118
5J		0	0	25	0	25
6A		5	4	2	0	11
6C		0	0	67	0	67
6F		0	0	46	0	46
6G		1	0	0	0	1
6H		0	0	17	0	17
6J		0	0	60	0	60
6K		4	2	6	0	12
6N		5	2	9	0	16
Northern Zone						458
Early						
Bowhunting						15
Muzzleloader						8
Regular						434
Youth						1

<u>Southern</u>						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T
3A	34	9	0	15	0	58
3C	26	10	0	7	0	43
3F	0	2	0	3	0	5
3G	0	10	0	0	0	10
3H	35	22	0	5	0	62

3J	5	10	0	5	0	20
3K	30	16	0	11	0	57
3M	36	37	0	17	0	90
3N	0	3	0	0	0	3
3P	4	6	0	1	0	11
3R	2	3	0	0	0	5
3S	0	2	0	0	0	2
4A	0	3	0	1	0	4
4B	0	2	0	2	0	4
4C	0	1	0	3	0	4
4F	0	3	0	1	0	4
4G	0	13	0	12	0	25
4H	0	8	0	4	0	12
4J	0	1	0	0	0	1
4K	0	4	0	2	0	6
4L	0	2	0	2	0	4
4O	0	15	1	14	0	30
4P	18	10	0	6	0	34
4R	28	9	0	8	0	45
4S	0	1	0	0	0	1
4T	0	0	0	1	0	1
4U	0	5	0	3	0	8
4W	16	11	0	14	0	41
4Y	0	2	0	0	0	2
4Z	0	3	0	4	0	7
5R	0	0	0	1	0	1
5S	0	9	0	6	0	15
5T	0	0	0	2	0	2
6R	0	6	1	4	0	11
7M	0	2	0	2	0	4
7P	0	2	0	0	0	2

7R	0	2	0	1	0	3
7S	0	12	0	12	0	24
8J	0	2	0	0	0	2
8M	0	3	0	0	0	3
8N	0	2	0	0	0	2
8P	0	4	0	4	0	8
8R	0	4	0	2	0	6
8T	0	3	0	6	0	9
8W	0	7	0	4	0	11
8X	0	12	0	11	0	23
8Y	0	8	0	11	0	19
9H	0	0	0	1	0	1
9J	0	11	0	10	0	21
9K	0	3	0	6	0	9
9M	0	4	0	6	0	10
9N	0	0	0	4	0	4
9P	0	7	0	9	0	16
9R	0	8	1	6	0	15
9S	0	2	0	7	0	9
9T	0	2	0	7	0	9
9W	0	1	0	4	0	5
9X	0	7	0	4	0	11
9Y	0	2	1	3	0	6

Southern Zone	860
Early	234
Bowhunting	348
Muzzleloader	4
Regular	274
Youth	0

State Total	1,318
Early	234
Bowhunting	363
Muzzleloader	12
Regular	708
Youth	1

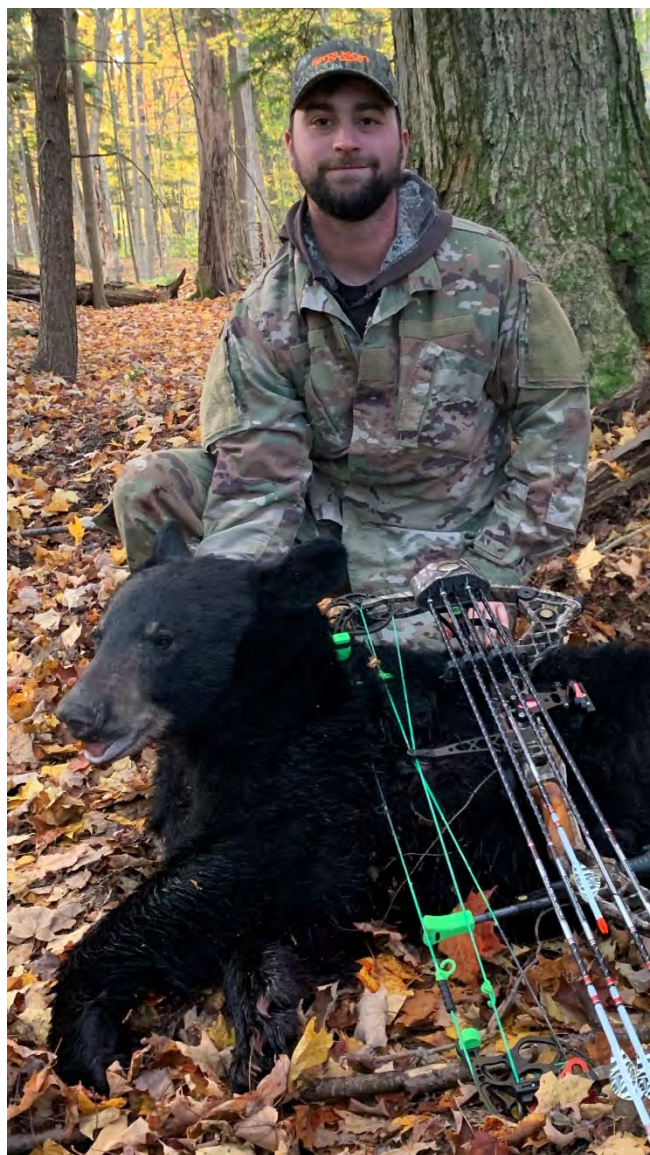


Dylan Olson with his black bear taken in Albany County, Town of Berne, WMU 4H, December 2022.

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Evan Fartsalas, age 14, with his black bear taken in the Town of Wawarsing, Ulster County, WMU 3H, October 2022.

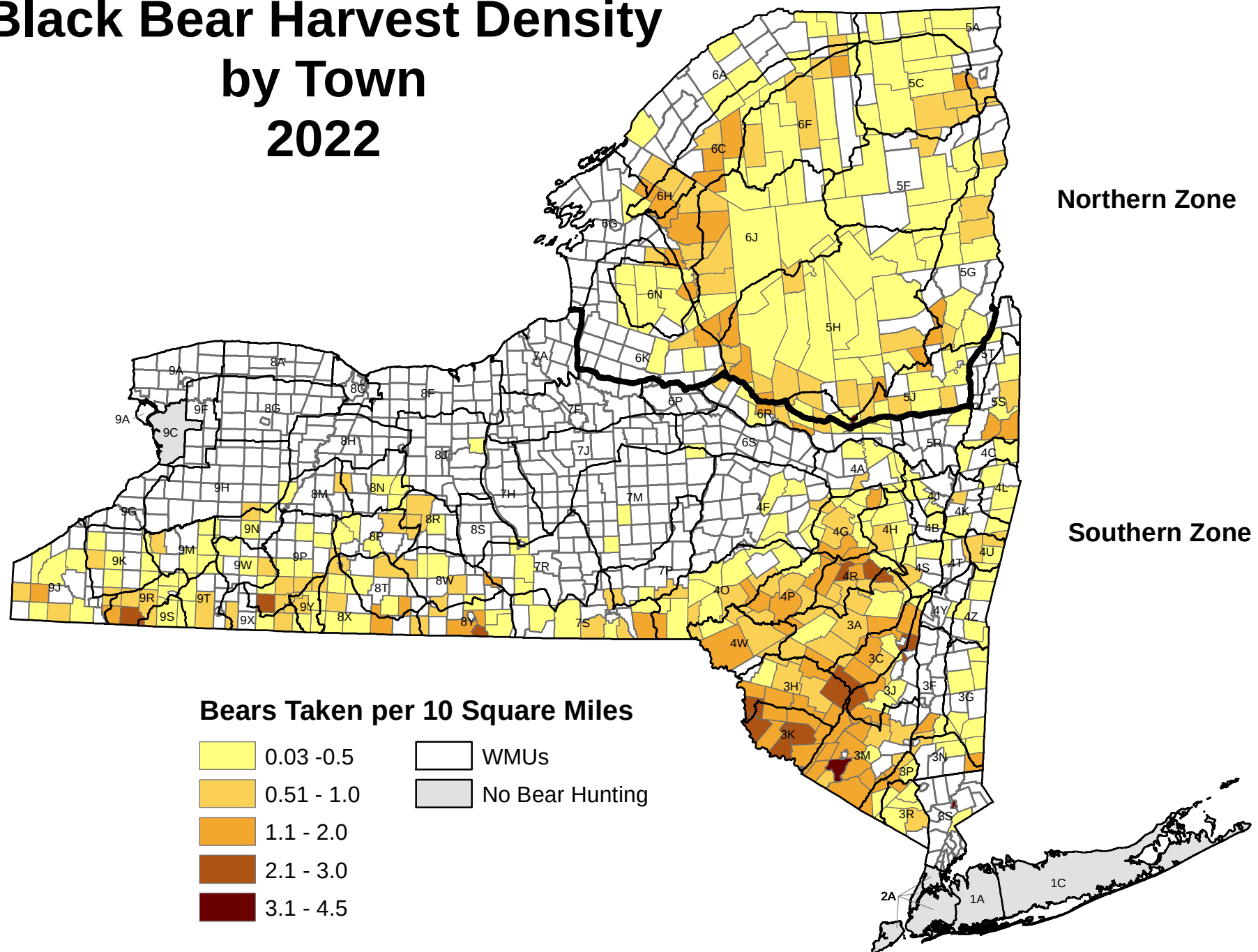


Jake Joseph with his black bear taken in the Town of Stockton, Chautauqua County, WMU 9K, October 2022.



Kevin Klinedinst, age 18, with his black bear taken in the Town of Cohecton, Sullivan County, WMU 3H, October 2022.

Black Bear Harvest Density by Town 2022



2022 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Northern Zone							Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Redfield	0	2	0	1	0	3			
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Arietta	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	2	0	1	0	3			
Altona	0	0	0	1	0	1	Benson	0	0	0	3	0	3	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T			
Ausable	0	0	0	2	0	2	Hope	0	0	0	2	0	2		Corinth	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Black Brook	0	0	0	8	0	8	Indian Lake	0	0	0	1	0	1		Day	0	0	0	3	0	3		
Clinton	0	0	0	2	0	2	Inlet	0	0	0	4	0	4		Greenfield	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Dannemora	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lake Pleasant	0	0	0	3	0	3		Hadley	0	0	0	4	0	4		
Ellenburg	0	0	0	2	0	2	Long Lake	0	0	0	5	0	5		Moreau	0	0	0	1	0	1		
Mooers	0	0	0	2	0	2	Morehouse	0	0	0	4	0	4		Providence	0	0	0	3	0	3		
Peru	0	0	0	6	0	6	Wells	0	0	0	7	0	7		Wilton	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Saranac	0	0	0	2	0	2	Total	0	0	0	30	0	30		Total	0	0	0	17	0	17		
Schuyler Falls	0	0	0	4	0	4	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T		St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T		
Total	0	0	0	30	0	30		Fairfield	0	0	0	5	0	5		Canton	0	0	0	4	0	4	
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T		Norway	0	0	0	3	0	3		Clare	0	0	0	5	0	5	
	Crown Point	0	0	0	5	0		5	Ohio	0	0	0	8	0		8	Clifton	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Elizabethtown	0	0	0	1	0		1	Russia	0	0	0	8	0		8	Colton	0	0	0	12	0	12
	Essex	0	0	0	2	0		2	Salisbury	0	0	0	6	1		7	Edwards	0	0	0	6	0	6
	Keene	0	0	0	1	0		1	Webb	0	0	0	8	0		8	Fine	0	0	0	7	0	7
	Lewis	0	0	0	2	0	2	Total	0	0	0	38	1	39		Hammond	0	0	0	1	0	1	
	Minerva	0	0	0	3	0	3	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T		Hermon	0	0	0	5	0	5	
Moriah	0	0	0	5	0	5	Antwerp		0	1	3	3	0	7		Hopkinton	0	0	0	10	0	10	
North Hudson	0	0	0	1	0	1	Le Ray		0	2	0	0	0	2	Lawrence	0	0	0	1	0	1		
Schroon	0	0	0	4	0	4	Philadelphia		0	1	0	5	0	6	Parishville	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Ticonderoga	0	0	0	4	0	4	Wilna		0	0	0	11	0	11	Pierrepont	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Westport	0	0	0	2	0	2	Worth		0	1	0	0	0	1	Pitcairn	0	0	0	8	0	8		
Wilmington	0	0	0	5	0	5	Total		0	5	3	19	0	27	Potsdam	0	0	0	2	0	2		
Total	0	0	0	35	0	35	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Russell	0	0	0	10	0	10			
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T		Croghan	0	0	0	21	0	21	Waddington	0	2	0	0	0	2		
	Bangor	0	0	0	3	0		3	Diana	0	0	0	12	0	12	Total	0	2	0	77	0	79	
	Bellmont	0	0	0	2	0		2	Greig	0	0	0	7	0	7	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T	
	Bombay	0	0	0	1	0		1	Harrisburg	0	0	0	3	0	3		Bolton	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Brandon	0	0	0	8	0		8	Leyden	0	0	0	1	0	1		Johnsburg	0	0	0	8	0	8
	Brighton	0	0	0	1	0		1	Lowville	0	0	0	4	0	4		Lake George	0	0	0	2	0	2
	Burke	0	0	0	1	0		1	Lyonsdale	0	0	0	2	0	2		Queensbury	0	0	0	1	0	1
	Dickinson	0	0	0	3	0		3	Martinsburg	0	1	0	1	0	2		Stony Creek	0	0	0	5	0	5
	Fort Covington	0	0	1	0	0		1	Montague	0	0	0	2	0	2		Warrensburg	0	0	0	8	0	8
	Franklin	0	0	0	5	0	5	New Bremen	0	0	0	3	0	3	Total	0	0	0	26	0	26		
Harrietstown	0	0	0	1	0	1	Osceola	0	0	0	4	0	4	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T			
Malone	0	0	0	4	0	4	Turin	0	0	1	3	0	4		Fort Ann	0	0	0	1	0	1		
Tupper Lake	0	0	0	2	0	2	Watson	0	0	0	7	0	7	Total	0	0	0	1	0	1			
Waverly	0	0	0	5	0	5	West Turin	0	3	0	0	0	3	Southern Zone									
Total	0	0	1	36	0	37	Total	0	4	1	70	0	75	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T			
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Berne	0	0	0	2	0	2			
	Bleecker	0	0	0	4	0	4	Annsville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bethlehem	0	1	0	1	0	2		
	Broadalbin	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ava	0	0	0	2	0	2	Guilderland	0	1	0	0	0	1		
	Ephratah	0	0	0	2	0	2	Boonville	0	0	3	6	0	9	Knox	0	2	0	0	0	2		
	Gloversville	0	0	0	2	0	2	Forestport	0	0	0	15	0	15	Rensselaerville	1	3	0	0	0	4		
	Johnstown	0	0	0	3	0	3	Remsen	0	0	0	2	0	2	Westerlo	0	1	0	1	0	2		
	Mayfield	0	0	0	4	0	4	Trenton	0	0	0	3	0	3	Total	1	8	0	4	0	13		
	Northampton	0	0	0	4	0	4	Western	0	1	0	1	0	2	Allegany	E	B	M	R	Y	T		
	Oppenheim	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	2	3	29	0	34		Alfred	0	0	0	2	0	2	
	Stratford	0	0	0	4	0	4	Oswego	E	B	M	R	Y	T		Alma	0	2	0	1	0	3	
Total	0	0	0	25	0	25																	

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Amity	0	1	0	1	0	2	Mina	0	0	0	3	0	3	Northeast	0	1	0	1	0	2
Andover	0	1	0	0	0	1	Poland	0	1	0	2	0	3	Pawling	0	2	0	0	0	2
Angelica	0	1	0	0	0	1	Sherman	0	3	0	2	0	5	Wappinger	0	1	0	2	0	3
Belfast	0	2	0	1	0	3	Stockton	0	2	0	0	0	2	Washington	0	2	0	0	0	2
Bolivar	0	1	0	0	0	1	Westfield	0	2	0	0	0	2	Total	0	12	0	4	0	16
Burns	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	0	15	0	16	0	31	Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Centerville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Chemung	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Johnstown	0	1	0	0	0	1
Friendship	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ashland	0	1	0	2	0	3	Oppenheim	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grove	0	0	0	1	0	1	Baldwin	0	1	0	0	0	1	Perth	0	1	0	0	0	1
Independence	0	1	0	0	0	1	Catlin	0	2	0	0	0	2	Total	0	2	0	1	0	3
New Hudson	0	0	0	1	0	1	Chemung	0	1	0	0	0	1	Greene	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Scio	0	0	0	3	0	3	Elmira	0	4	0	0	0	4	Ashland	3	0	0	1	0	4
Ward	0	0	0	2	0	2	Horseheads	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cairo	3	0	0	0	0	3
Wellsville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Southport	0	1	0	7	0	8	Catskill	0	1	0	1	0	2
West Almond	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	10	0	10	0	20	Durham	0	1	0	0	0	1
Willing	0	0	1	0	0	1	Chenango	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Greenville	0	1	0	0	0	1
Wirt	0	5	0	5	0	10	Afton	0	1	0	3	0	4	Halcott	1	0	0	1	0	2
Total	0	17	1	20	0	38	Pitcher	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hunter	1	1	0	0	0	2
Broome	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Total	0	2	0	3	0	5	Jewett	4	1	0	0	0	5
Binghamton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Columbia	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Lexington	2	0	0	3	0	5
Chenango	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ancram	0	2	0	0	0	2	New Baltimore	0	2	0	0	0	2
Colesville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	0	1	Prattville	4	2	0	0	0	6
Conklin	0	1	0	1	0	2	Canaan	0	0	0	1	0	1	Windham	6	1	0	3	0	10
Sanford	0	2	1	1	0	4	Chatham	0	4	0	0	0	4	Total	24	10	0	9	0	43
Vestal	0	2	0	2	0	4	Hillsdale	0	0	0	2	0	2	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Windsor	0	9	0	3	0	12	New Lebanon	0	2	0	0	0	2	Fairfield	0	0	0	1	0	1
Total	0	15	1	10	0	26	Stuyvesant	0	0	0	1	0	1	Herkimer	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cattaraugus	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Taghkanic	0	1	0	0	0	1	Manheim	0	1	0	1	0	2
Allegany	0	3	0	3	0	6	Total	0	9	0	5	0	14	Newport	0	1	0	0	0	1
Carrollton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cortland	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Salisbury	0	0	0	1	0	1
Cold Spring	0	4	1	0	0	5	Willet	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	3	0	3	0	6
Ellicottville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Total	0	0	0	1	0	1	Livingston	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Farmersville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Delaware	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Conesus	0	3	0	0	0	3
Franklinville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Andes	5	5	0	2	0	12	Total	0	3	0	0	0	3
Great Valley	0	0	0	2	0	2	Bovina	2	0	0	2	0	4	Montgomery	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Little Valley	0	1	0	0	0	1	Colchester	3	0	0	7	0	10	Florida	0	1	0	0	0	1
Machias	0	0	0	2	0	2	Davenport	0	0	0	1	0	1	Glen	0	1	0	0	0	1
Napoli	0	0	0	1	0	1	Delhi	4	0	0	0	0	4	St Johnsville	0	1	1	0	0	2
New Albion	0	0	0	1	0	1	Deposit	0	3	0	0	0	3	Total	0	3	1	0	0	4
Otto	0	0	0	2	0	2	Franklin	0	0	0	1	0	1	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Persia	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hamden	3	3	0	2	0	8	Sangerfield	0	0	0	1	0	1
Portville	0	2	0	1	0	3	Hancock	10	9	0	6	0	25	Total	0	0	0	1	0	1
Randolph	0	0	0	2	0	2	Kortright	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ontario	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Red House	0	0	0	3	0	3	Masonville	0	0	0	2	0	2	South Bristol	0	1	0	0	0	1
Salamanca	0	0	0	1	0	1	Middletown	3	4	0	2	0	9	Total	0	1	0	0	0	1
South Valley	0	4	0	6	0	10	Roxbury	5	4	0	3	0	12	Orange	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Yorkshire	0	1	0	0	0	1	Sidney	0	1	0	1	0	2	Chester	0	1	0	2	0	3
Total	0	17	1	28	0	46	Stamford	1	1	0	0	0	2	Cornwall	0	0	0	2	0	2
Chautauqua	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Tompkins	1	0	0	2	0	3	Crawford	4	1	0	2	0	7
Arkwright	0	1	0	0	0	1	Walton	2	1	0	3	0	6	Deerpark	4	1	0	4	0	9
Busti	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	39	32	0	35	0	106	Goshen	1	3	0	1	0	5
Carroll	0	2	0	2	0	4	Dutchess	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Greenville	1	2	0	0	0	3
Charlotte	0	0	0	2	0	2	Amenia	0	2	0	0	0	2	Hamptonburgh	0	1	0	0	0	1
Chautauqua	0	0	0	1	0	1	Beekman	0	1	0	0	0	1	Highlands	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cherry Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1	East Fishkill	0	2	0	0	0	2	Middletown	2	1	0	0	0	3
Clymer	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fishkill	0	1	0	1	0	2							
Ellington	0	0	0	1	0	1														
Harmony	0	2	0	2	0	4														

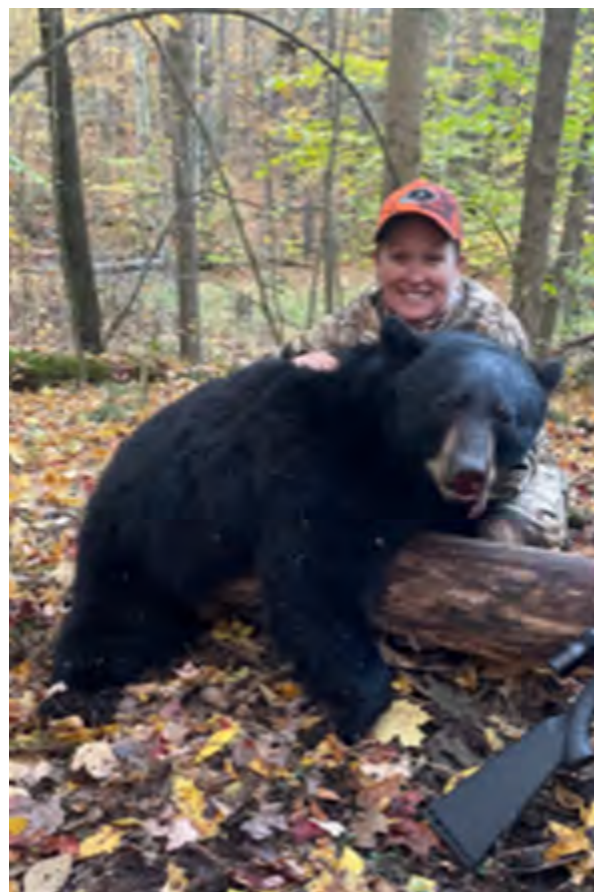
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Minisink	0	1	0	1	0	2	Summit	0	0	0	1	0	1	Denning	9	1	0	0	0	10
Monroe	2	1	0	0	0	3	Wright	0	3	0	0	0	3	Gardiner	0	1	0	0	0	1
Montgomery	2	2	0	1	0	5	Total	2	17	0	13	0	32	Hardenburgh	0	0	0	2	0	2
Mount Hope	0	4	0	0	0	4	Schuyler	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hurley	1	0	0	0	0	1
Newburgh	1	0	0	3	0	4	Cayuta	0	1	0	2	0	3	Marbletown	3	1	0	0	0	4
Port Jervis	2	1	0	0	0	3	Orange	0	0	0	1	0	1	New Paltz	0	0	0	1	0	1
Tuxedo	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	0	1	0	3	0	4	Olive	6	2	0	3	0	11
Wallkill	1	7	0	0	0	8	Seneca	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Rochester	5	5	0	1	0	11
Warwick	11	4	0	2	0	17	Seneca Falls	0	1	0	0	0	1	Saugerties	6	0	0	1	0	7
Wawayanda	4	5	0	2	0	11	Total	0	1	0	0	0	1	Shandaken	7	1	0	4	0	12
Woodbury	3	2	0	0	0	5	Steuben	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Shawangunk	3	2	0	1	0	6
Total	38	39	0	20	0	97	Addison	0	2	0	1	0	3	Ulster	1	4	0	2	0	7
Otsego	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Avoca	0	0	0	1	0	1	Wawarsing	15	10	0	4	0	29
Maryland	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bath	0	2	0	4	0	6	Woodstock	5	1	0	3	0	9
Middlefield	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bradford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Total	61	28	0	22	0	111
Roseboom	0	0	0	1	0	1	Canisteo	0	0	0	2	0	2	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
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Putnam	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Dansville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fort Ann	0	0	0	1	0	1
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Patterson	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hartsville	0	1	0	0	0	1	Jackson	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southeast	0	4	0	0	0	4	Hornellsville	0	1	0	2	0	3	Salem	0	3	0	2	0	5
Total	0	6	0	0	0	6	Lindley	0	1	0	1	0	2	White Creek	0	2	0	3	0	5
Rensselaer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Prattsburg	0	0	0	4	0	4	Total	0	9	0	10	0	19
Berlin	0	2	0	1	0	3	Pulteney	0	3	0	0	0	3	Westchester	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Grafton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Rathbone	0	0	0	1	0	1	Mount Kisco	0	1	0	0	0	1
Hoosick	0	1	0	0	0	1	Troupsburg	0	0	0	2	0	2	North Castle	0	1	0	0	0	1
North Greenbush	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wayland	0	0	0	1	0	1	Total	0	2	0	0	0	2
Schaghticoke	0	0	0	1	0	1	West Union	0	1	0	1	0	2	Wyoming	E	B	M	R	Y	T
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Stephentown	0	1	0	1	0	2	Total	0	21	0	25	0	46	Eagle	0	0	0	3	0	3
Total	0	6	0	6	0	12	Sullivan	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Pike	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rockland	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Bethel	8	7	0	0	0	15	Total	0	1	0	4	0	5
Clarkstown	0	3	0	0	0	3	Callicoon	1	0	0	0	0	1	Yates	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Haverstraw	1	0	0	0	0	1	Cochecton	4	0	0	5	0	9	Barrington	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ramapo	2	0	0	0	0	2	Delaware	3	1	0	0	0	4	Italy	0	1	0	0	0	1
Stony Point	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fallsburg	2	4	0	0	0	6	Jerusalem	0	2	0	1	0	3
Total	3	4	0	0	0	7	Forestburgh	7	4	0	0	0	11	Middlesex	0	1	0	0	0	1
Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Highland	4	0	0	1	0	5	Total	0	5	0	1	0	6
Saratoga	0	0	0	1	0	1	Liberty	4	3	0	0	0	7	NYS Total	1,318					
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Schenectady	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Mamakating	6	2	0	2	0	10	Bowhunting	363					
Princetown	0	0	0	1	0	1	Neversink	7	2	0	0	0	9	Muzzleloader	12					
Rotterdam	0	1	0	0	0	1	Rockland	4	2	0	1	0	7	Regular	708					
Total	0	1	0	1	0	2	Thompson	9	6	0	1	0	16	Youth	1					
Schoharie	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Tusten	5	2	0	3	0	10							
Blenheim	0	1	0	1	0	2	Total	66	39	0	15	0	120							
Broome	0	1	0	0	0	1	Tioga	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Cobleskill	0	1	0	0	0	1	Owego	0	2	0	2	0	4							
Conesville	2	1	0	2	0	5	Spencer	0	1	0	0	0	1							
Esperance	0	0	0	1	0	1	Tioga	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Fulton	0	1	0	4	0	5	Total	0	5	0	2	0	7							
Gilboa	0	5	0	2	0	7	Tompkins	E	B	M	R	Y	T							
Jefferson	0	1	0	0	0	1	Danby	0	1	0	0	0	1							
Middleburgh	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ithaca	0	1	0	0	0	1							
Richmondville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Total	0	2	0	0	0	2							
Schoharie	0	0	0	1	0	1	Ulster	E	B	M	R	Y	T							

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



Brian Glebus with his black bear taken in Essex County, Town of Crown Point, WMU 5G, October 2022.



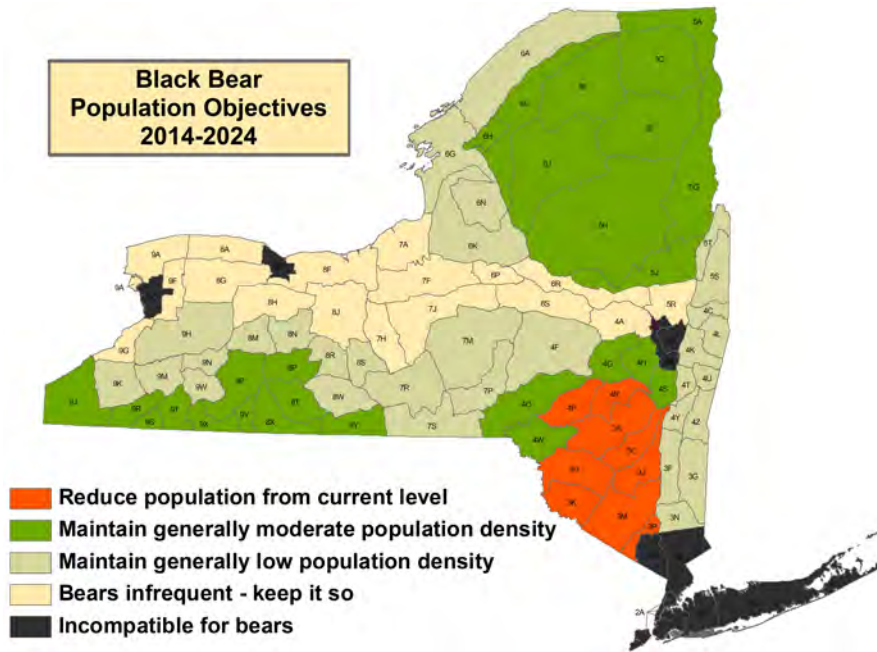
Sarah Noll with her black bear taken in Essex County, Town of Essex, WMU 5G, October 2022.



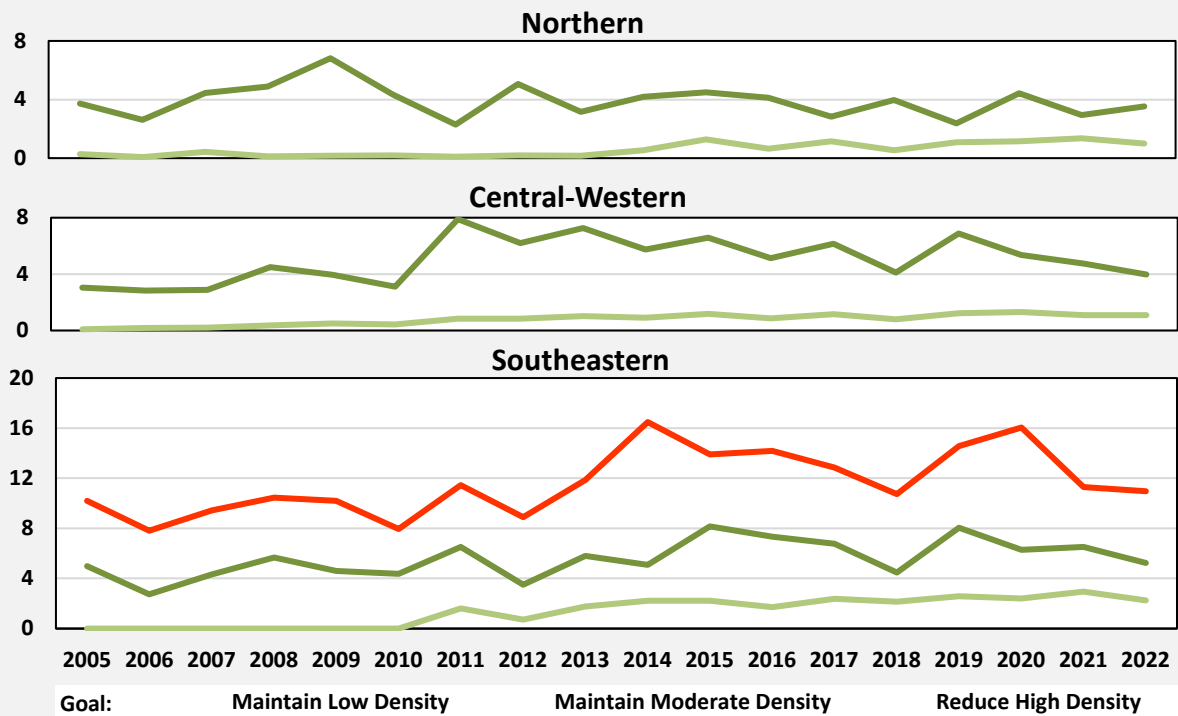
Ryan Lowe with his black bear taken in Ulster County, Town of Shandaken, WMU 3A, December 2022.

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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.

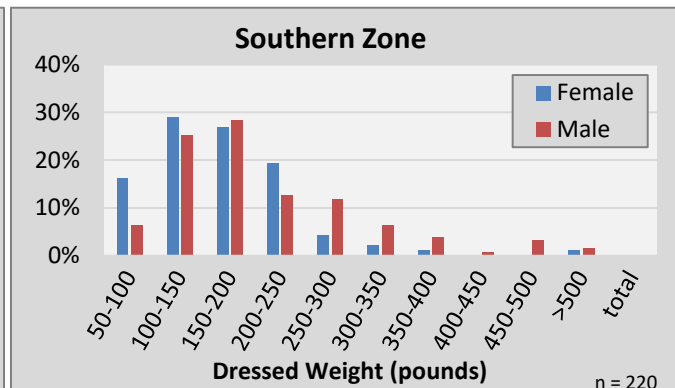
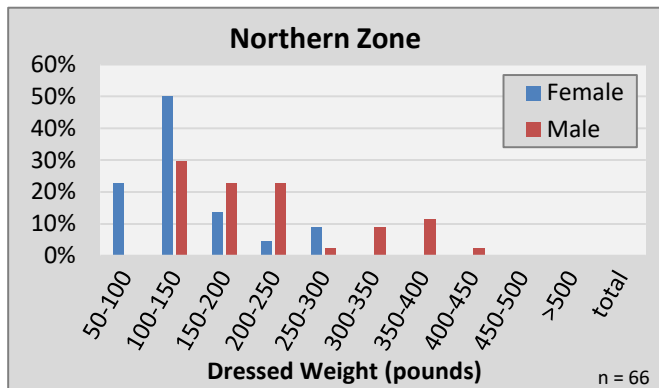
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Heaviest Reported Bears - 2022

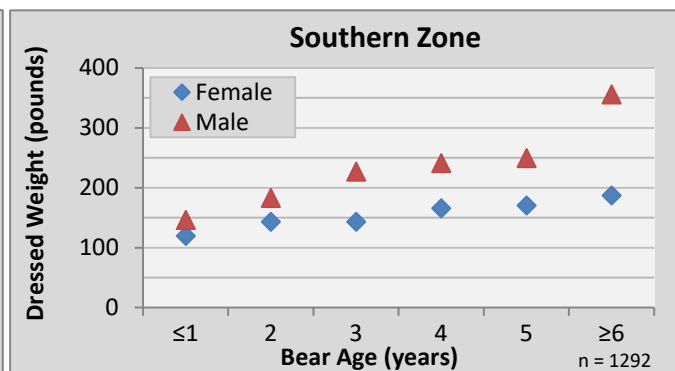
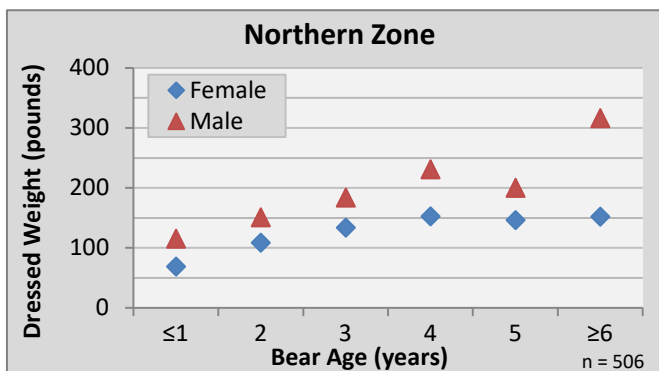
Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	520	Female	Bowhunting	Broome	Windsor	7S
2	500	Male	Regular	Cattaraugus	Otto	9M
3	500	Male	Regular	Allegany	Scio	9P
4	477	Male	Bowhunting	Otsego	Middlefield	4F
5	462	Male	Bowhunting	Wyoming	Castile	8M
6	460	Male	Regular	Cattaraugus	South Valley	9R
7	450	Unknown	Bowhunting	Rockland	Stony Point	3R
8	450	Male	Early	Ulster	Ulster	3C
9	426	Male	Early	Sullivan	Thompson	3H
10a	400	Unknown	Regular	St Lawrence	Canton	6C
10b	400	Male	Regular	Warren	Johnsburg	5H

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 26% of the bears reported in 2022.

Distribution of Harvested Black Bears by Weight - 2022



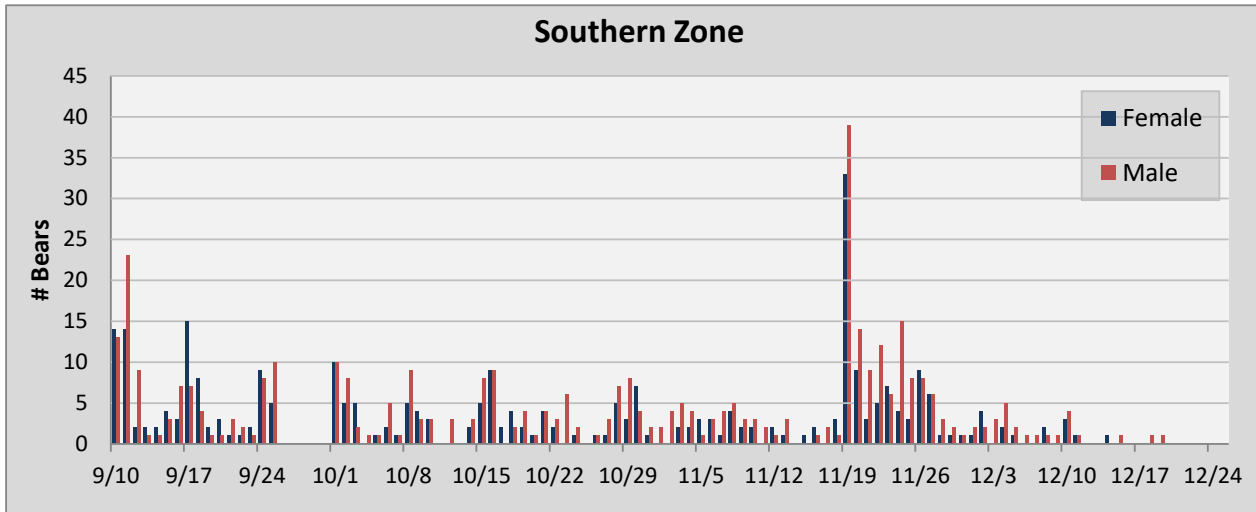
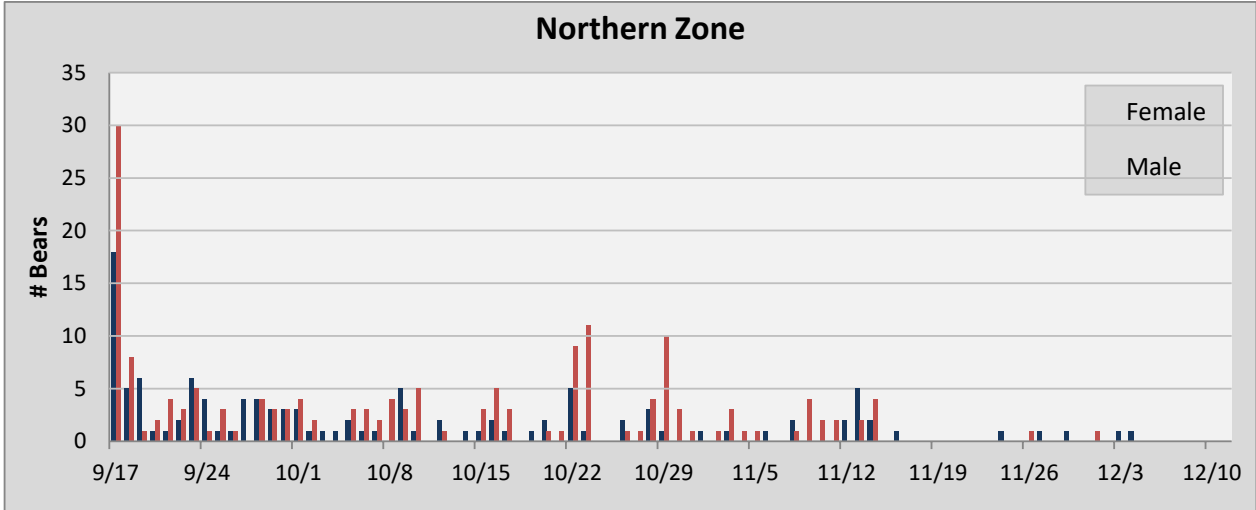
Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears (2018-2020)



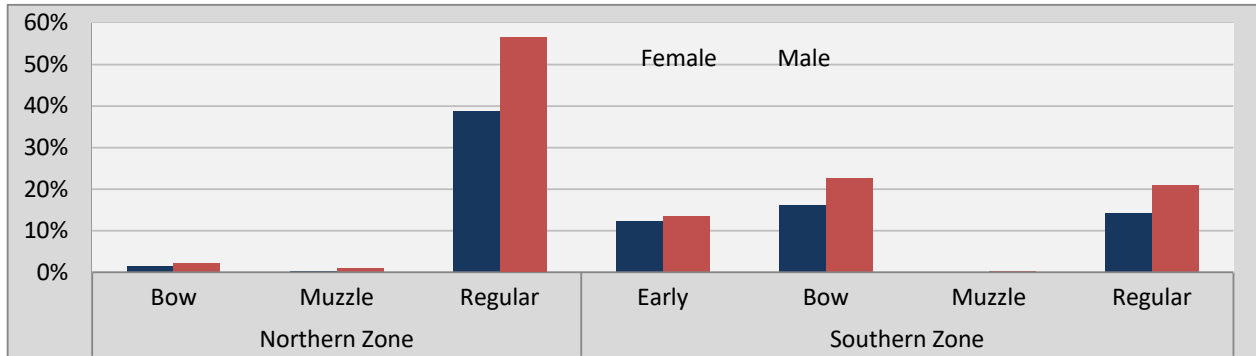
Note: Bear ages are determined by examining cross-sections of a premolar tooth (see www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/45598.html). Bear teeth from the 2021 and 2022 seasons are still being analyzed.

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Reported Bear Take by Day - 2022



Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex - 2022



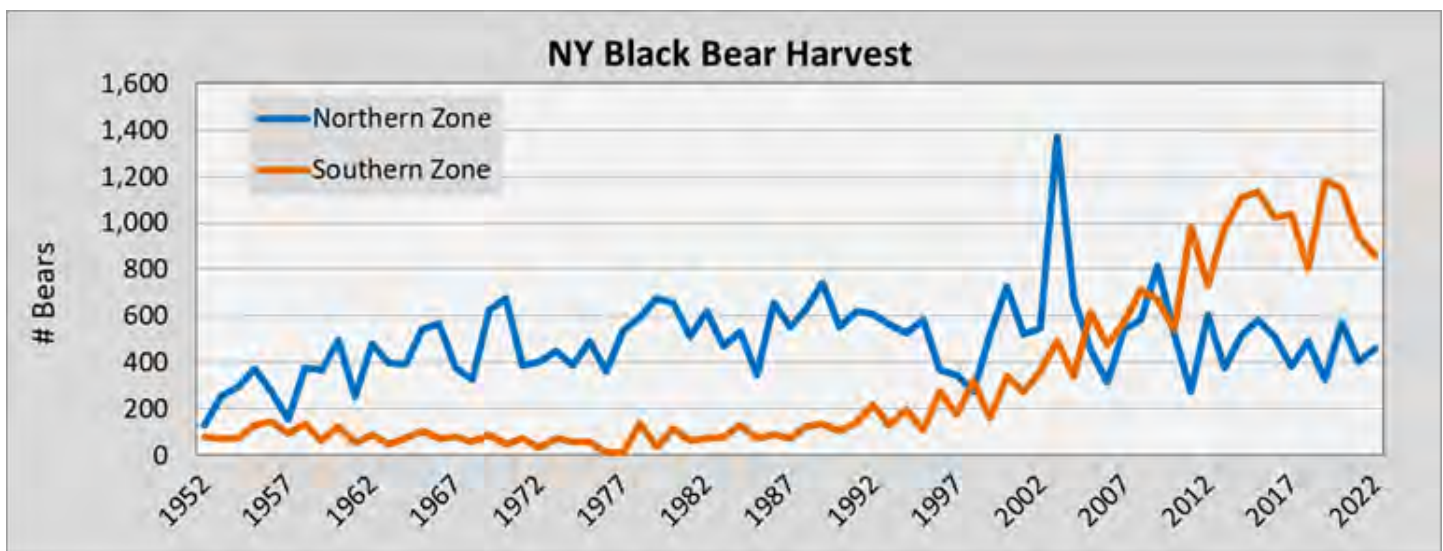
Notes: Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.
Male and female bear take during the Youth Season was <1% of the total harvest.

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Black Bear Harvest History

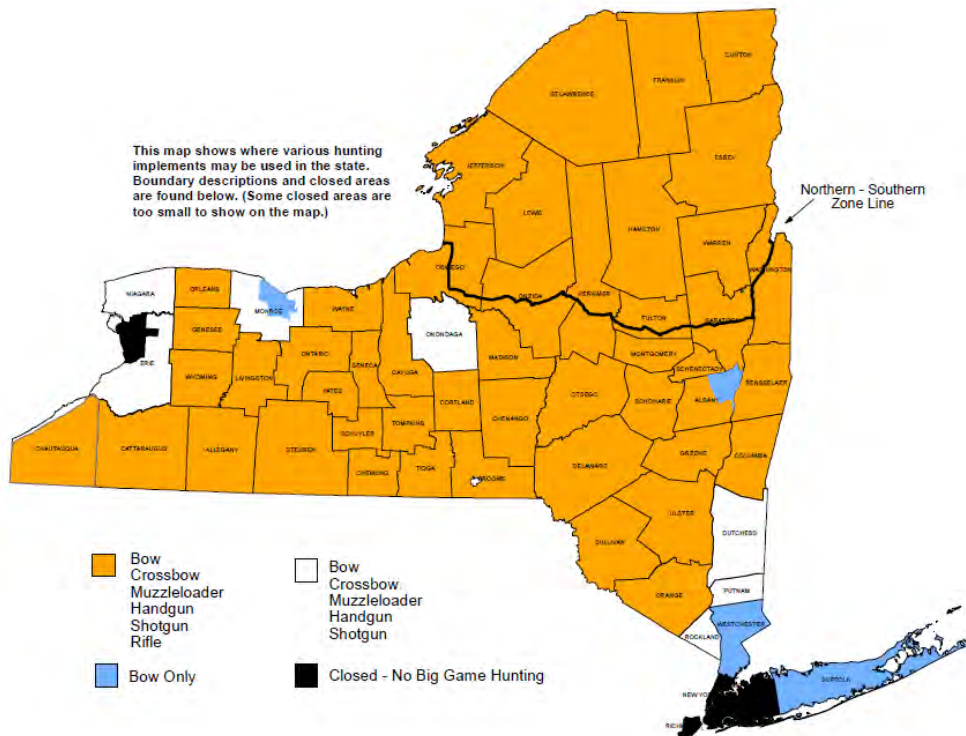
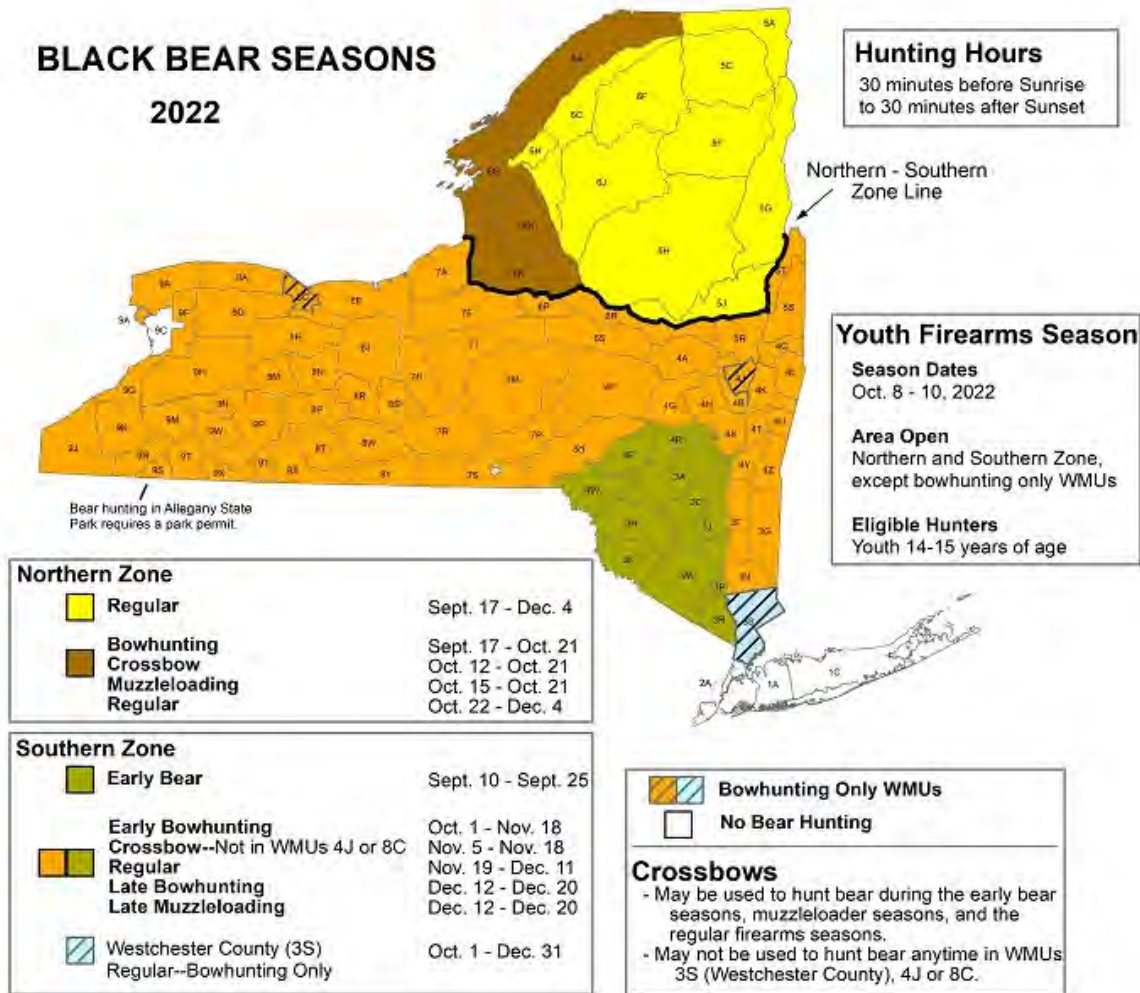
	Northern Zone						Southern Zone						State Totals					
Year	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total
2022		15	8	434	1	458	234	348	4	274	0	860	234	363	12	708	1	1,318
2021		12	12	376	3	403	100	322	23	490	8	943	100	334	35	866	11	1,346
2020	298	47	64	161	1	571	366	417	3	356	10	1,152	664	464	67	517	11	1,723
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

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



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**BLACK BEAR SEASONS
2022**



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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 through analysis 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 a **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperator** and receive a commemorative patch.

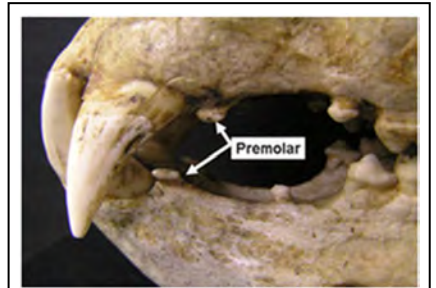


Figure 1. Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

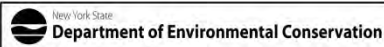
Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2022



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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



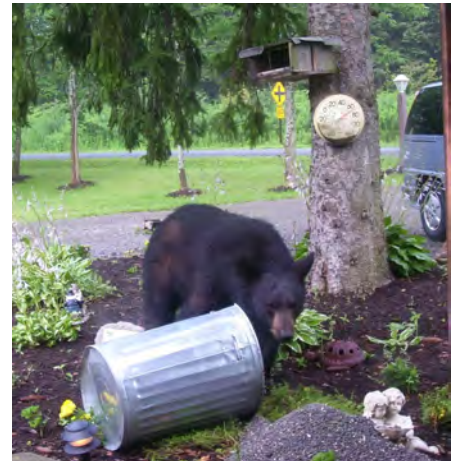
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Bureau of Wildlife

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

Reducing Human-Bear Conflict



See <https://bearwise.org/> for information
on how you can live responsibly with
black bears.



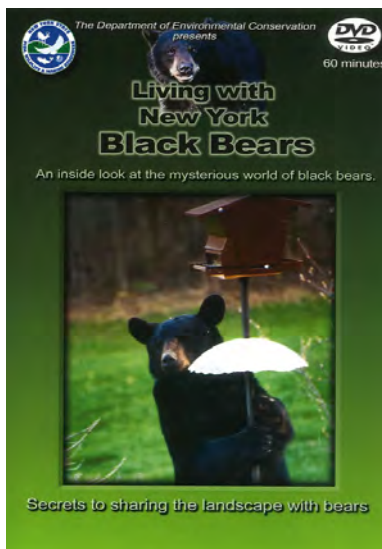
See www.dec.ny.gov/animals/6995.html
for strategies to keep humans and bears
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Hunting the Black Bear in New York



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

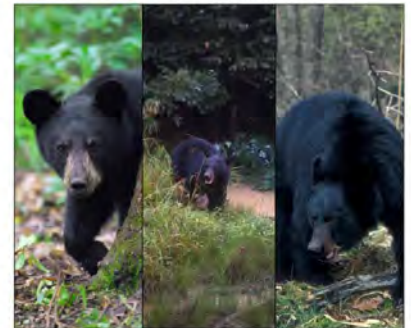
This booklet is full of tips for bear
hunters, before and after the harvest.
www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf



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

An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet describes various options
for bear management. www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bear_mgmtopt.pdf