

1978

BLACK BEAR HARVEST

This report presents the data collected by Wildlife Managers through the registration procedure. The data is presented in tables and no analysis is attempted. Anyone studying these figures should keep in mind that the number of bear taken in any area is due in part to the amount of hunter effort expended. At present we have no means of determining the relative influences of hunting pressure and bear density upon the number taken from an area.

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Table 1: Black Bear Harvest by County - 1978

County	Special Season	Deer Season	Total
Aitkin	77	26	103
Becker	9	3	12
Beltrami	21	1	22
Carlton	10	4	14
Cass	45	5	50
Clearwater	1	1	2
Cook	96	2	98
Crow Wing	9	0	9
Hubbard	18	4	22
Itasca	129	25	154
Kanabec	25	3	28
Koochiching	72	16	88
Lake	76	2	78
Lake of the Woods	15	0	15
Mahnomen	1	2	3
Mille Lacs	2	5	7
Morrison	0	4	4
Pine	21	37	58
Roseau	6	2	8
St. Louis	185	25	210
Wadena	1	0	1
Unknown	4	4	8
Totals	823	171	994

Table 2: Black Bear Harvest by Kill Block - 1978

Block	Males Taken		Females Taken		Unknown		Totals		
	Season	November	Season	November	Season	November	Season	November	Both Season
10	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
12	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
17	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	2
18	4	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	5
19	5	0	3	1	0	0	8	1	9
20	4	2	1	0	0	0	5	2	7
22	5	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	6
23	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
24	8	1	9	3	0	0	17	4	21
26	35	2	28	6	0	0	63	8	71
27	4	0	9	4	0	0	13	4	17
28	2	1	6	0	0	0	8	1	9
29	15	0	10	3	0	0	25	3	28
30	4	2	2	2	0	0	6	4	10
31	15	1	19	0	0	0	34	1	35
32	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
33	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
34	3	0	4	3	0	0	7	3	10
35	4	0	5	0	0	0	9	0	9
8	24	0	13	0	0	0	37	0	37
39	6	0	4	0	0	0	10	0	10
40	22	0	23	1	0	0	45	1	46
41	6	0	26	0	0	0	32	0	32
42	4	0	8	0	0	0	12	0	12
43	4	0	2	1	0	0	6	1	7
44	4	1	15	1	0	0	19	2	21
45	9	0	7	0	0	0	16	0	16
46	6	0	4	1	0	0	10	1	11
47	2	5	3	4	0	1	5	10	15
48	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2
49	0	2	3	2	0	0	3	4	7
50	16	6	19	3	0	0	35	9	44
51	17	2	19	2	0	0	36	4	40
52	21	3	16	1	0	0	37	4	41
53	4	3	1	1	1	0	6	4	10
54	4	0	7	0	0	0	11	0	11
55	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
56	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
57	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
58	8	2	9	1	0	0	17	3	20
59	6	0	6	0	1	0	13	0	13

Table 2: (Continued) Black Bear Harvest by Kill Block - 1978

Block	Males Taken		Females Taken		Unknown		Totals		
	Season	November	Season	November	Season	November	Season	November	Both Season
60	10	1	3	0	0	0	13	1	14
61	5	3	18	2	0	0	23	5	28
62	15	0	16	4	0	0	31	4	35
63	15	0	6	3	0	1	21	4	25
64	14	0	11	2	0	0	25	2	27
65	11	0	2	0	0	0	13	0	13
66	13	0	19	0	0	0	32	0	32
67	1	13	4	5	0	0	5	18	23
68	5	6	8	1	0	0	13	7	20
69	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
70	7	4	2	7	0	0	9	11	20
71	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
72	4	2	0	1	0	0	4	3	7
73	2	2	0	1	0	0	2	3	5
74	16	0	7	0	0	0	23	0	23
75	7	5	5	10	0	0	12	15	27
78	3	4	8	0	0	0	11	4	15
79	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
80	4	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	5
82	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	3	4
87	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
88	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	2
98	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
154	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Unknown	5	1	4	1	0	5	9	7	16
Totals	419	79	402	85	2	7	823	171	994

Table 3: Special Bear Season - 1978 Black Bear Harvest Tabulated by Date Taken.

Date Taken	Number of Bear Taken			Total
	Male	Female	Unknown	
Tuesday, Sept. 5	100	93	0	193
Wednesday, Sept. 6	44	57	0	101
Thursday, Sept. 7	31	39	1	71
Friday, Sept. 8	36	26	0	62
Saturday, Sept. 9	28	21	0	49
Sunday, Sept. 10	22	17	0	39
Monday, Sept. 11	6	7	0	13
First Week Totals	267	260	1	528
Tuesday, Sept. 12	9	6	0	15
Wednesday, Sept. 13	5	9	0	14
Thursday, Sept. 14	13	7	0	20
Friday, Sept. 15	7	11	0	18
Saturday, Sept. 16	9	17	0	26
Sunday, Sept. 17	9	7	0	16
Monday, Sept. 18	7	3	0	10
Second Week Totals	59	60	0	119
Tuesday, Sept. 19	4	5	0	9
Wednesday, Sept. 20	7	5	0	12
Thursday, Sept. 21	5	7	0	12
Friday, Sept. 22	4	5	0	9
Saturday, Sept. 23	6	6	0	12
Sunday, Sept. 24	13	6	0	19
Monday, Sept. 25	6	6	0	12
Third Week Totals	45	40	0	85
Tuesday, Sept. 26	5	0	0	5
Wednesday, Sept. 27	1	4	0	5
Thursday, Sept. 28	0	3	0	3
Friday, Sept. 29	1	0	0	1
Saturday, Sept. 30	4	5	0	9
Sunday, Oct. 1	0	1	0	1
Monday, Oct. 2	1	0	0	1
Fourth Week Totals	12	13	0	25

Table 3: (Continued) Special Bear Season - 1978 Black Bear
Harvest Tabulated by Date Taken.

Date Taken	Number of Bear Taken			Total
	Male	Female	Unknown	
Tuesday, Oct. 3	0	1	0	1
Wednesday, Oct. 4	3	1	0	4
Thursday, Oct. 5	1	2	0	3
Friday, Oct. 6	3	3	0	6
Saturday, Oct. 7	4	1	0	5
Sunday, Oct. 8	2	1	0	3
Monday, Oct. 9	2	0	0	2
Fifth Week Totals	15	9	0	24
Tuesday, Oct. 10	3	1	0	4
Wednesday, Oct. 11	0	2	0	2
Thursday, Oct. 12	0	1	0	1
Friday, Oct. 13	4	2	0	6
Saturday, Oct. 14	0	2	0	2
Sunday, Oct. 15	2	1	0	3
Monday, Oct. 16	0	0	0	0
Sixth Week Totals	9	9	0	18
Tuesday, Oct. 17	1	0	0	1
Wednesday, Oct. 18	2	1	0	3
Thursday, Oct. 19	1	0	0	1
Friday, Oct. 20	1	1	0	2
Saturday, Oct. 21	0	2	0	2
Sunday, Oct. 22	0	1	0	1
Monday, Oct. 23	3	1	0	4
Tuesday, Oct. 24	2	1	0	3
Seventh Week Totals	10	7	0	17
Unknown	2	4	1	7
TOTALS	419	402	2	823

Table 4: Firearms Deer Season - 1978 Black Bear Harvest Tabulated by Date Taken.

Date Taken	Number of Bear Taken			Total
	Male	Female	Unknown	
Saturday, Nov. 4	18	28	1	47
Sunday, Nov. 5	15	24	0	39
Monday, Nov. 6	8	4	0	12
Tuesday, Nov. 7	5	2	1	8
Wednesday, Nov. 8	4	3	0	7
Thursday, Nov. 9	5	1	0	6
Friday, Nov. 10	0	0	0	0
Saturday, Nov. 11	8	5	0	13
Sunday, Nov. 12	1	4	0	5
Monday, Nov. 13	0	3	0	3
Tuesday, Nov. 14	0	0	0	0
Wednesday, Nov. 15	1	0	0	1
Thursday, Nov. 16	2	1	0	3
Friday, Nov. 17	2	1	0	3
Saturday, Nov. 18	5	2	0	7
Sunday, Nov. 19	4	5	0	9
Friday, Nov. 24	1	2	0	3
Saturday, Nov. 25	0	0	0	0
Sunday, Nov. 26	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	5	5
TOTALS	79	85	7	171

Table 5: 1978 Black Bear Harvest Totals

Season	Number of Bear Taken			Total
	Male	Female	Unknown	
Special Bear	419 (51%)*	402 (49%)	2	823
November	79 (48%)	85 (52%)	7	171
Both Seasons	498 (51%)	487 (49%)	9	994

* Percentage as total of identified bears

Table 6: Black Bear Harvests in Recent Years, 1971-1978.

Year	Special Bear Season	Deer Season	Total
1971	43 (100%)	closed	43
1972	125 (70%)	53	178
1973	215 (61%)	137	352
1974	472 (73%)	172	644
1975	364 (70%)	158	522
1976	312 (74%)	107	419
1977	514 (73%)	187	701
1978	823 (83%)	171	994

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