

# 2024 Nebraska Draw Results



## General Bull Elk

In 2024, Nebraska residents submitted 4,602 applications (110 group applications) for 146 bull elk permits. 659 individuals purchased elk bonus points. Bull elk drawing data were calculated using First Choice options only.

Table 1. 2024 General Bull Elk applicants by bonus point pool.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Unit 1 Bull	175	143	98	116	73	63	68	57	50	50	47	940
Unit 2 Bull	88	67	27	35	40	35	17	19	17	13	13	371
Unit 3 Bull	105	69	43	47	45	30	33	38	34	26	34	504
Unit 4 Bull	119	73	71	44	46	51	28	28	30	26	33	549
Unit 5 Bull	199	171	146	128	100	105	87	65	83	53	81	1218
Unit 6 Bull	53	32	36	38	19	20	15	11	6	7	5	242
Unit 7 Bull	46	50	35	31	19	19	15	8	6	2	6	237
Unit 8 Bull	18	8	16	4	4	3	2	-	-	3	3	61
Unit 9 Bull	16	8	8	3	7	4	7	1	1	2	2	59
Unit 10 Bull	28	14	12	6	1	6	3	5	3	4	2	84
Unit 11 Bull	9	7	5	3	1	2	1	2	3	-	-	33
Unit 12 Bull	29	30	17	13	13	12	6	5	6	2	2	135
Unit 13 Bull	22	6	9	5	4	4	-	1	-	1	1	53
Unit 14 Bull	24	12	9	5	8	3	3	1	-	-	-	65
<b>Total</b>	931	690	532	478	380	357	285	241	239	189	229	4551

Table 2. 2024 General Bull Elk successful applicants from each point pool of applicants and total general permits issued.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Unit 1 Bull	-	2	-	1	2	1	3	3	-	1	3	16
Unit 2 Bull	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	-	2	10
Unit 3 Bull	1	1	2	1	1	-	-	1	2	5	2	16
Unit 4 Bull	2	1	2	3	1	4	1	-	2	2	2	20
Unit 5 Bull	-	1	2	1	2	2	3	4	2	1	1	19
Unit 6 Bull	-	-	3	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	9
Unit 7 Bull	-	3	1	2	1	3	5	-	-	-	1	16
Unit 8 Bull	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	-	6
Unit 9 Bull	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	-	6
Unit 10 Bull	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	6
Unit 11 Bull	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3
Unit 12 Bull	-	-	-	1	3	-	1	-	2	-	-	7
Unit 13 Bull	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Unit 14 Bull	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	5
<b>Total</b>	6	10	15	12	13	17	17	13	12	14	13	142

Table 3. Theoretical draw odds for each unit and point pool of applicants. This is not weighted by application numbers, but compares relative odds based on bonus points of applicant. See Table 4 for a weighted comparison.

Unit		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Unit 1 Bull	1:	273	136	91	68	55	45	39	34	30	27	25
Unit 2 Bull		155	78	52	39	31	26	22	19	17	16	14
Unit 3 Bull		153	76	51	38	31	25	22	19	17	15	14
Unit 4 Bull		114	57	38	28	23	19	16	14	13	11	10
Unit 5 Bull		296	148	99	74	59	49	42	37	33	30	27
Unit 6 Bull		96	48	32	24	19	16	14	12	11	10	9
Unit 7 Bull		56	28	19	14	11	9	8	7	6	6	5
Unit 8 Bull		36	18	12	9	7	6	5	4	4	4	3
Unit 9 Bull		39	20	13	10	8	7	6	5	4	4	4
Unit 10 Bull		51	26	17	13	10	9	7	6	6	5	5
Unit 11 Bull		39	20	13	10	8	7	6	5	4	4	4
Unit 12 Bull		72	36	24	18	14	12	10	9	8	7	7
Unit 13 Bull		51	26	17	13	10	9	7	6	6	5	5
Unit 14 Bull		36	18	12	9	7	6	5	5	4	4	3
<b>Overall</b>		<b>139</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>

Table 4. Weighted mathematical draw probability, weighted by pool based on applications per permit and pool. This table demonstrates how each individual is weighted based on their bonus point pool and is corrected for the number of applicants, which is not uniform across permits and pools as the data in Table 1 shows.

Unit		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Unit 1 Bull		0.4%	0.7%	1.1%	1.5%	1.8%	2.2%	2.6%	2.9%	3.3%	3.7%	4.0%
Unit 2 Bull		0.6%	1.3%	1.9%	2.6%	3.2%	3.9%	4.5%	5.2%	5.8%	6.5%	7.1%
Unit 3 Bull		0.7%	1.3%	2.0%	2.6%	3.3%	3.9%	4.6%	5.2%	5.9%	6.6%	7.2%
Unit 4 Bull		0.9%	1.8%	2.6%	3.5%	4.4%	5.3%	6.2%	7.0%	7.9%	8.8%	9.7%
Unit 5 Bull		0.3%	0.7%	1.0%	1.4%	1.7%	2.0%	2.4%	2.7%	3.0%	3.4%	3.7%
Unit 6 Bull		1.0%	2.1%	3.1%	4.1%	5.2%	6.2%	7.3%	8.3%	9.3%	10.4%	11.4%
Unit 7 Bull		1.8%	3.6%	5.4%	7.2%	9.0%	10.8%	12.5%	14.3%	16.1%	17.9%	19.7%
Unit 8 Bull		2.8%	5.6%	8.5%	11.3%	14.1%	16.9%	19.7%	-	-	28.2%	31.0%
Unit 9 Bull		2.6%	5.1%	7.7%	10.2%	12.8%	15.3%	17.9%	20.4%	23.0%	25.5%	28.1%
Unit 10 Bull		2.0%	3.9%	5.9%	7.8%	9.8%	11.7%	13.7%	15.6%	17.6%	19.5%	21.5%
Unit 11 Bull		2.6%	5.1%	7.7%	10.3%	12.8%	15.4%	17.9%	20.5%	23.1%	-	-
Unit 12 Bull		1.4%	2.8%	4.1%	5.5%	6.9%	8.3%	9.7%	11.0%	12.4%	13.8%	15.2%
Unit 13 Bull		1.9%	3.9%	5.8%	7.8%	9.7%	11.7%	-	15.6%	-	19.5%	21.4%
Unit 14 Bull		2.7%	5.5%	8.2%	11.0%	13.7%	16.5%	19.2%	22.0%	-	-	-
<b>Overall</b>		<b>0.9%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>

Table 5. Analysis of bonus drawing system, including total applicants, mean bull drawing number, percentile rank, expected vs actual drawing probabilities, expected and actual permit distributions by bonus point pool. Expected data if completely random drawing is included for comparison.

Drawing Data		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total applicants		931	690	532	478	380	357	285	241	239	189	229
Avg Bull Drawing Number		3640	2984	2620	2288	2070	1800	1538	1517	1483	1213	1283
Avg Bull Number Percentile rank		72%	59%	52%	45%	41%	36%	31%	30%	29%	24%	26%
Mathematical drawing probability		0.7%	1.4%	2.2%	2.9%	3.6%	4.3%	5.0%	5.7%	6.5%	7.2%	7.9%
Actual drawing success		0.6%	1.4%	2.8%	2.5%	3.4%	4.8%	6.0%	5.4%	5.0%	7.4%	5.7%
Expected permit distribution		8.2	11.2	13.8	14.1	14.6	16.1	14.2	12.8	13.3	12.1	15.7
Actual permit distribution		6	10	15	12	13	17	17	13	12	14	13
Percent of 1 <sup>st</sup> Choice for Units 1-5		74%	76%	72%	77%	80%	80%	82%	86%	90%	89%	91%

## General Antlerless Elk

In 2024, Nebraskans submitted 1,975 applications for 536 General Antlerless Elk permits compared to 2,199 applications for 549 permits in 2023. Antlerless Elk drawing data were calculated using those applicants that selected an Antlerless as a first choice and those unsuccessful Bull applicants that had an antlerless as a second choice option.

Table 7. Odds of drawing 2023 General Antlerless Elk permits.

Unit	Applications	Issued	Draw Success	Odds
Unit 1 Early Antlerless	110	25	23%	1: 4.4
Unit 1 Late Antlerless	153	35	23%	4.4
Unit 2 Early Antlerless	42	15	36%	2.8
Unit 2 Late Antlerless	89	25	28%	3.6
Unit 3 Early Antlerless	88	40	45%	2.2
Unit 3 Late Antlerless	132	40	30%	3.3
Unit 4 Early Antlerless	175	70	40%	2.5
Unit 4 Late Antlerless	106	30	28%	3.5
Unit 5 Early Antlerless	320	30	9%	10.7
Unit 5 Late Antlerless	269	20	7%	13.5
Unit 6 Early Antlerless	48	25	52%	1.9
Unit 6 Late Antlerless	41	15	37%	2.7
Unit 7 Antlerless	156	36	23%	4.3
Unit 8 Antlerless	29	30	103%	1.0
Unit 9 Antlerless	19	10	53%	1.9
Unit 10 Antlerless	31	35	113%	0.9
Unit 11 Antlerless	12	13	108%	0.9
Unit 12 Antlerless	71	16	23%	4.4
Unit 13 Antlerless	54	10	19%	5.4
Unit 14 Antlerless	30	16	53%	1.9
<b>Total/Overall</b>	<b>1975</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>3.7</b>

## General Elk Applications

Overall, the number of applicants for elk permits has declined from the peak in 2021.

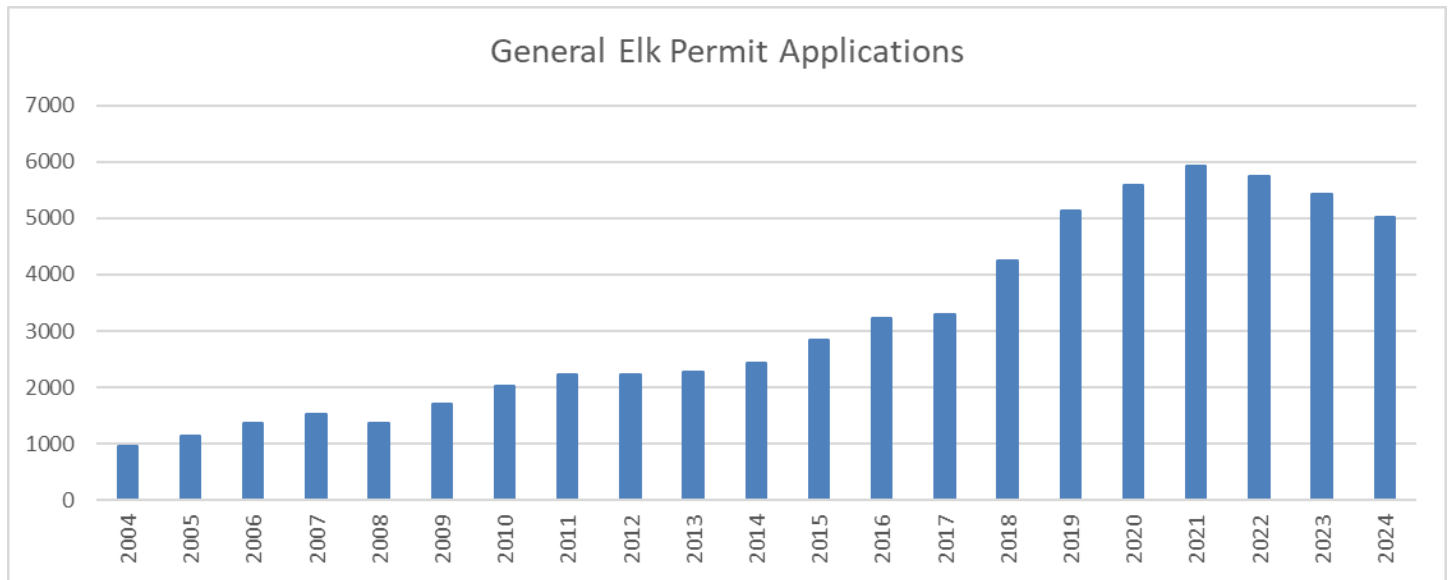


Table 6. Matrix of applicant choices between Bull and Antlerless permits. In 2024, 35% of applicants made no second choice selection (69-74% in 2018-2022) and 10% of applicants selected only antlerless options (13-14% 2018-2022). These are significant deviations from past years, it's likely that the new permit system aided hunters in applying for second choice options. Percent of total applicants are in parenthesis.

		SECOND CHOICE			Total
		BULL	ANTLERLESS	BLANK	
FIRST CHOICE	BULL	1504 (30%)	1497 (30%)	1550 (31%)	4551 (90%)
	ANTLERLESS	51 (1.1%)	234 (4.7%)	193 (3.8%)	478 (10%)
	Total	1555 (31%)	1731 (34%)	1743 (35%)	5029 (100%)

## Limited Landowner Bull Elk

Table 8. Number of applicants by unit and preference point pool for 2024 Limited Landowner Bull Elk permits. Resident landowners are awarded 1 point and nonresident landowners are awarded 0.9 preference points in unsuccessful drawings. 27 landowners purchased elk preference points.

Unit	0	0.9	1	1.8	2	2.7	3	3.6	4	5	Total
Unit 1 - Bull	13	2	12	1	9	1	10	2	4	-	54
Unit 2 - Bull	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Unit 3 - Bull	31	1	14	3	13	1	13	2	7	9	94
Unit 4 - Bull	36	2	20	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	61
Unit 5 - Bull	45	-	24	1	26	-	12	-	6	1	115
Unit 6 - Bull	14	-	12	1	10	-	1	-	-	-	38
Unit 7 - Bull	12	-	10	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	24
Unit 8 - Bull	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Unit 9 - Bull	5	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	9
Unit 10 - Bull	2	-	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	9
Unit 11 - Bull	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Unit 12 - Bull	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Unit 13 - Bull	3	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Unit 14 - Bull	1	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>444</b>

Table 9. Number successful by unit and preference point pool for 2024 Limited Landowner Bull Elk permits.

Unit	0	0.9	1	1.8	2	2.7	3	3.6	4	5	Total
Unit 1 - Bull	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	4	-	12
Unit 2 - Bull	3	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Unit 3 - Bull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	12
Unit 4 - Bull	-	-	13	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	16
Unit 5 - Bull	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	6	1	15
Unit 6 - Bull	-	-	-	-	6	-	1	-	-	-	7
Unit 7 - Bull	-	-	10	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	12
Unit 8 - Bull	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Unit 9 - Bull	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Unit 10 - Bull	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Unit 11 - Bull	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Unit 12 - Bull	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Unit 13 - Bull	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Unit 14 - Bull	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>105</b>

Table 10. Percent drawing success by unit and preference point pool for Limited Landowner Bull Elk permits.

Unit	0	0.9	1	1.8	2	2.7	3	3.6	4	5
Unit 1 - Bull	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	60%	100%	100%	#DIV/0!
Unit 2 - Bull	75%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 3 - Bull	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	43%	100%
Unit 4 - Bull	0%	0%	65%	-	100%	-	100%	-	-	-
Unit 5 - Bull	0%	-	0%	0%	0%	-	67%	-	100%	100%
Unit 6 - Bull	0%	-	0%	0%	60%	-	100%	-	-	-
Unit 7 - Bull	0%	-	100%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 8 - Bull	67%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 9 - Bull	0%	-	100%	100%	100%	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 10 - Bull	0%	-	50%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 11 - Bull	25%	-	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 12 - Bull	63%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 13 - Bull	0%	-	40%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unit 14 - Bull	0%	0%	75%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## Limited Landowner Antlerless Elk

Table 11. Applicants, permits issued and drawing success for Limited Landowner Antlerless Elk permits.

Unit	Applicants	Quota	Issued	Draw Success
Unit 1 - Antlerless	51	45	45	88%
Unit 2 - Antlerless	11	30	11	100%
Unit 3 - Antlerless	99	60	59	60%
Unit 4 - Antlerless	71	75	71	100%
Unit 5 - Antlerless	107	45	37	35%
Unit 6 - Antlerless	29	45	29	100%
Unit 7 - Antlerless	16	27	15	94%
Unit 8 - Antlerless	5	15	5	100%
Unit 9 - Antlerless	7	7	7	100%
Unit 10 - Antlerless	6	26	6	100%
Unit 11 - Antlerless	2	7	2	100%
Unit 12 - Antlerless	4	12	4	100%
Unit 13 - Antlerless	6	4	5	83%
Unit 14 - Antlerless	3	12	3	100%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>72%</b>

## Landowner Elk Applications

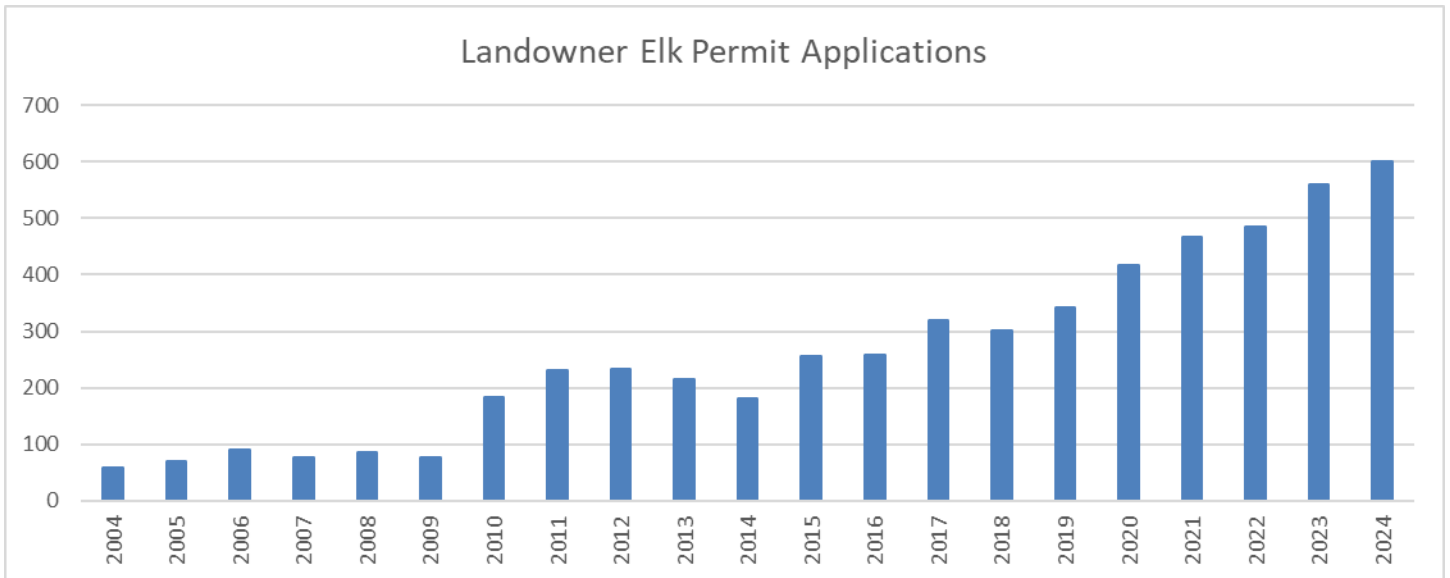


Table 6. Matrix of applicant choices between Bull and Antlerless permits. 24% of 1<sup>st</sup> choice bull permit applicants don't apply for an antlerless permit. Percent of total applicants are in parenthesis.

		SECOND CHOICE			Total
		BULL	ANTLERLESS	BLANK	
FIRST CHOICE	BULL	-	336 (55%)	108 (18%)	444 (74%)
	ANTLERLESS	3 (0.5%)	1 (0.2%)	154 (26%)	158 (26%)
	Total	3 (0.5%)	337 (56%)	158 (44%)	602 (100%)

## General Deer

In 2024, Nebraskans submitted 2,922 applications (46 group applications) and nonresidents submitted 2,154 applications (221 group applications) for deer permits in the draw. 167 residents and 833 nonresidents purchased deer preference points.

Table 12. Number of applicants (group members included), permits available and overall percent draw success.

<b>Unit</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Permits Available</b>	<b>Percent Drawn</b>
Frenchman MDCA - R	1931	1020	53%
Platte MDCA - R	1037	595	57%
Buffalo MDCA - NR	112	120	100%
Calamus West - NR	167	210	100%
Frenchman MDCA - NR	648	180	28%
Loup West - NR	34	105	100%
Pine Ridge MDCA - NR	433	135	31%
Plains - NR	167	150	90%
Platte MDCA - NR	277	105	38%
Republican MDCA - NR	44	7	16%
Sandhills - NR	374	180	48%
Upper Platte - NR	119	120	100%
Statewide Archery - NR	1422	3000	100%
Statewide Muzzleloader - NR	588	1000	100%

Table 13. First Choice deer applications by preference point pool.

<b>Unit</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Total</b>
Frenchman MDCA - R	1277	611	12	3		1903
Platte MDCA - R	730	283	6			1019
Buffalo MDCA - NR	86	2				88
Calamus West - NR	118	1				119
Frenchman MDCA - NR	373	162	85	4	1	625
Loup West - NR	31	1				32
Pine Ridge MDCA - NR	297	113	3			413
Plains - NR	132	2				134
Platte MDCA - NR	157	92	21	1		271
Republican MDCA - NR	43	0	1			44
Sandhills - NR	321	13	2	1		337
Upper Platte - NR	86	5				91
Statewide Archery - NR	1107	25				1132
Statewide Muzzleloader - NR	409	14				423



Table 14. Successful applications by preference point pool.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4	Total*
Frenchman MDCA - R	365	611	12	3	-	991
Platte MDCA - R	288	283	6	-	-	577
Buffalo MDCA - NR	94	2	-	-	-	96
Calamus West - NR	131	2	-	-	-	133
Frenchman MDCA - NR	-	67	85	4	1	157
Loup West - NR	34	1	-	-	-	35
Pine Ridge MDCA - NR	-	112	3	-	-	115
Plains - NR	114	3	-	-	-	117
Platte MDCA - NR	-	77	21	1	-	99
Republican MDCA - NR	2	4	1	-	-	7
Sandhills - NR	125	15	2	1	-	143
Upper Platte - NR	87	5	-	-	-	92
Statewide Archery - NR	1192	31	-	-	-	1223
Statewide Muzzleloader - NR	476	17	-	-	-	493

\*Totals won't match Permits Available or Total Applicants due to buddy permits.

Table 15. Draw probabilities by applicant preference point pool.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4
Frenchman MDCA - R	29%	100%	100%	100%	-
Platte MDCA - R	39%	100%	100%	-	-
Buffalo MDCA - NR	109%	100%	-	-	-
Calamus West - NR	111%	200%	-	-	-
Frenchman MDCA - NR	0%	41%	100%	100%	100%
Loup West - NR	110%	100%	-	-	-
Pine Ridge MDCA - NR	0%	99%	100%	-	-
Plains - NR	86%	150%	-	-	-
Platte MDCA - NR	0%	84%	100%	100%	-
Republican MDCA - NR	5%	-	100%	-	-
Sandhills - NR	39%	115%	100%	100%	-
Upper Platte - NR	101%	100%	-	-	-
Statewide Archery - NR	108%	124%	-	-	-
Statewide Muzzleloader - NR	116%	121%	-	-	-

\*Draw odds greater than 100% are due to successful second choice applications.

## General Antelope

In 2024, Nebraskans submitted 3,783 applications (372 group applications) for 575 limited quota antelope permits, 654 individuals purchase antelope preference points. Nonresidents submitted 416 applications (49 group applications) for the statewide archery permit

Table 16. Total First Choice applications for Firearm Antelope permits broken down by unit and preference point pool.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Firearm-Banner North	133	95	70	55	14	3	1	-	336
Firearm-Banner South	95	83	59	64	14	-	-	-	353
Firearm-Box Butte East	32	13	24	15	7	-	-	-	79
Firearm-Box Butte West	106	84	77	62	53	1	-	-	410
Firearm-Cherry	114	74	55	64	11	-	-	-	310
Firearm-Cheyenne	92	54	38	38	16	1	-	-	228
Firearm-Dismal	97	48	50	54	20	1	1	-	255
Firearm-Eastern Sandhills	61	26	20	14	-	-	-	-	112
Firearm-Garden	87	70	66	35	23	7	-	-	259
Firearm-North Sioux	233	172	154	107	98	76	22	1	897
North Sioux Muzzleloader	32	28	28	21	15	13	1	2	164
Prairie Muzzleloader	113	101	98	58	9	3	1	-	384
NR-Statewide Archery Antelope	398	17	-	-	1	-	-	-	298
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1593</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4199</b>

Table 17. Draw success of First Choice applicants by unit and preference point pool.

Unit	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Firearm-Banner North	0%	0%	0%	33%	129%	100%	100%	-	50
Firearm-Banner South	0%	0%	0%	58%	100%	-	-	-	60
Firearm-Box Butte East	0%	0%	0%	67%	100%	-	-	-	20
Firearm-Box Butte West	0%	0%	0%	0%	79%	200%	-	-	50
Firearm-Cherry	0%	0%	0%	61%	118%	-	-	-	60
Firearm-Cheyenne	0%	0%	0%	29%	100%	100%	-	-	30
Firearm-Dismal	0%	0%	0%	13%	100%	100%	100%	-	30
Firearm-Eastern Sandhills	0%	0%	0%	143%	-	-	-	-	20
Firearm-Garden	0%	0%	0%	17%	100%	100%	-	-	40
Firearm-North Sioux	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	72%	100%	100%	100
North Sioux Muzzleloader	0%	0%	0%	0%	20%	115%	100%	100%	25
Prairie Muzzleloader	0%	0%	2%	124%	111%	100%	100%	-	90
NR-Statewide Archery Antelope	49%	100%	-	-	100%	-	-	-	250

\*Draw odds greater than 100% are due to successful second choice applications.

## Landowner Antelope

There were 141 applications submitted limited landowner antelope permits. All were successful in drawing.