

2002 ESTIMATED NUMBER OF SAGE GROUSE HUNTERS
HUNTER DAYS AND HARVEST BY AREA

AREA	NUMBER HUNTERS	NUMBER HUNTER DAYS	HARVEST
2 Grey's River	40	119	119
3 Bridger	231	615	271
4 Seedskaadee	152	423	218
5 Uinta	185	311	264
6 Flaming Gorge	86	152	152
7 Eden	271	938	522
8 Beaver Rim	317	529	614
9 Red Desert	73	522	258
10 Bitter Creek	7	13	26
11 Clark	53	139	126
12 Cody	40	79	46
14 Wind River	7	7	0
15 Lovell	59	172	93
16 Greybull River	40	86	13
17 Grass Creek	59	79	73
18 Copper Mountain	53	119	119
19 Shell	20	33	59
20 Hyattville	13	20	7
21 Kirby Creek	26	79	13
22 Shirley Mountains	86	126	119
24 Snowy Range	66	178	119
25 Sierra Madre	292	643	585
27 Laramie Peak	198	330	357
30 Southeast	6	6	0
32 North Natrona	53	73	46
33 Rattlesnake	40	59	66
35 Pine Ridge	6	6	0
36 Lance Creek	6	20	0
37 Southern Big Horns	53	363	53
38 Savageton	26	33	0
40 Big Horn Mountains	26	86	7
41 Spotted Horse	73	145	53
44 Black Hills	20	59	7
45 Ferris	53	86	152
UNKNOWN	211	516	278
TOTAL	2,947	7,164	4,835

*Areas not listed indicate no hunting reported

**WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
CHAPTER 11
SAGE GROUSE HUNTING SEASONS**

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302 and §23-2-105(d).

Section 2. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes; and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Daily bag limit" means the maximum number of sage grouse that may be legally taken in a single day.

(b) "Nontoxic shot" means steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-iron, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron, tungsten-polymer and tin shot or any other federally approved nontoxic shot.

(c) "Possession limit" means the maximum number of sage grouse that may be legally in possession. Sage grouse in transit or storage shall be considered in possession.

Section 3. Hunting Seasons Established. There shall be open seasons for the hunting of sage grouse as set forth in the Hunting Regulations (Section 4), Archery Regulations (Section 5), Falconry Seasons (Section 6) and Hunt Area Descriptions (Section 7) of this Chapter.

Section 4. Hunting Regulations.

(a) Shooting Hours. Shooting hours for the hunting of sage grouse shall be one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.

(b) Nontoxic shot shall be required for hunting sage grouse on all of the national wildlife refuges open for hunting.

(c) Open Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limits and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Date of Seasons		Bag Limits		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Sept. 22	Oct. 7	3	6	Any sage grouse
2, 3					CLOSED

Section 5. Archery Regulations.

(a) There shall be an open season for the hunting of sage grouse with archery equipment in all open areas as set forth in Section 4 of this Chapter.

Section 6. Falconry Seasons.

(a) There shall be an open season for the hunting of sage grouse with falcons in accordance with limitations set forth in Section 4 of this Chapter.

(b) Hunt areas listed in Section 4 of this Chapter as open shall open September 1 and close February 28.

(c) The daily bag limit shall be one (1) sage grouse and the possession limit shall be two (2) sage grouse.

Section 7. Hunt Area Descriptions.

(a) Area and Number.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding the lands described in Area 2 and Area 3.

Area 2. Beginning where the Goshen-Niobrara County line intersects the Wyoming-Nebraska state line; southerly along said state line to the point where the Wyoming-Nebraska-Colorado state lines intersect; westerly along the Wyoming-Colorado state line to the divide between the North Platte and Laramie Rivers; northerly along said divide to the head of Rock Creek; northerly down said creek to Interstate Highway 80; westerly along said interstate to Wyoming Highway 13; northeasterly along said highway to U.S. Highway 30-287; northerly along said highway to the Fetterman Road (Albany County Road 61); northeasterly along said road to the Palmer Canyon Road (Albany County Road 721); northeasterly along said road to the Albany-Platte County line; northerly along said line to the Platte-Converse County line; northerly then easterly along said line to the Platte-Niobrara County line; easterly along said line to the Goshen-Niobrara County line; easterly along said line to the Wyoming-Nebraska state line.

Area 3. All lands in the Snake River drainage in Lincoln, Sublette and Teton Counties.

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