

Summary of 2003 Piedmont NWR Deer Hunts

TYPE HUNT	DATES	HUNTER DAYS	HARVEST
Archery (ES)	Sept 13 - 28	384	24
Handicapped Hunt (ES)	Oct 17 - 18	46	12
Buck Only	Oct 23 - 25	3084	91
Primitive Weapons (ES)	Oct 30 - Nov 1	2907	116
Either Sex I	Nov 14 - 15	1964	217
Either Sex II	Nov 21 - 22	1994	81
Total:		10,349	541

PIEDMONT DEER HUNTS HARVEST DATA 1997-2003

TYPE HUNT	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
ARCHERY	16	14	12	15	20	17	24
DISABLED HUNT	13	9	13	17	10	8	12
BUCK ONLY	183	107	171	105	172	197	91
PRIMITIVE WEAPON	139	180	151	130	139	127	116
EITHER SEX I	159	133	144	181	166	112	217
EITHER SEX II	59	78	65	102	77	85	81
TOTAL:	569	521	556	550	584	546	541
 # GUN HUNT PERMITS AVAILABLE:	 6000	 6000	 6000	 5000	 5000	 5000	 5000

PIEDMONT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Deer Kill by Compartment
2003

Compartment #	Deer		Compartment #	Deer		Compartment #	Deer
1	10		13	9		25	12
2	27		14	8		26	7
3	27		15	19		27	13
4	21		16	28		28	13
5	7		17	23		29	26
6	19		18	23		30	7
7	10		19	21		31	8
8	17		20	7		32	10
9	7		21	18		33	23
10	12		22	8		34	9
11	10		23	13		HIT	46
12	10		24	14			

Total Harvest = 541 deer

2003 Piedmont Quota Gun Deer Harvest

	Age Class						TOTAL
	½	1 ½	2 ½	3 ½	4 ½	5 ½ +	
MALE	56	154	70	22	1	1	304
FEMALE	56	55	65	32	16	13	237

Percent of Antlered Bucks = 46%

TYPE HUNT	Age Class											
	½		1 ½		2 ½		3 ½		4 ½		5 ½ +	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Archery	3	1	4	10	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
Disabled	0	3	2	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Buck Only	0	0	60	0	28	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Primitive Weapons	19	19	26	12	6	21	4	7	0	2	0	0
1 st Either Sex	23	22	44	20	30	34	10	16	0	11	0	7
2 nd Either Sex	11	11	18	10	4	6	4	7	0	3	1	6
TOTAL	56	56	154	55	70	65	22	32	1	16	1	13
Percent of Total	10	10	28	10	13	12	4	6	1	3	1	2

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Male	304	56%
Female	237	44%

Piedmont National Wildlife Refuge's 2003 **BIG** BUCKS

ARCHERY

Total killed = 24

#Bucks = 9

#Does = 15

Big Deer:

10 pts.	3.5 yrs	125 lbs.
8 pts.	2.5 yrs	96 lbs.
6 pts.	1.5 yrs	75 lbs.

HUNT FOR WHEELCHAIR-BOUND

Total killed = 12

#Bucks = 4

#Does = 8

Big Bucks:

8 pts.	3.5 yrs	138 lbs.
8 pts.	3.5 yrs	151 lbs.

32 wheelchair-bound hunters participated this year in the 13th annual hunt.

BUCK ONLY HUNT

Total killed = 91

Big Bucks:

11 pt.	3.5 yrs	142 lbs.
11 pt.	4.5 yrs	123 lbs.
10 pt.	2.5 yrs	118 lbs.
9 pt.	2.5 yrs	110 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	129 lbs.

** Several other nice 9, 8, and 7 pointers were taken.

PRIMITIVE WEAPONS HUNT

Total killed = 116

Bucks = 55

Does = 61

Big Bucks:

10 pt.	3.5 yrs	144 lbs.
9 pt.	3.5 yrs	111 lbs.
9 pt.	3.5 yrs	100 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	101 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	104 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	106 lbs.

** Several other nice 8 and 7 pointers were taken.

1ST EITHER SEX HUNT

Total killed = 217

#Bucks = 107

#Does = 110

Big Bucks:

10 pt.	2.5 yrs	92 lbs.
10 pt.	2.5 yrs	86 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	115 lbs.
8 pt.	3.5 yrs	112 lbs.
7 pt.	2.5 yrs	91 lbs.

** Several other nice 8, 7 and 6 pointers were taken.

2ND EITHER SEX HUNT

Total killed = 81

#Bucks = 38

#Does = 43

Big Bucks:

10 pt.	2.5 yrs	115 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	131 lbs.
8 pt.	3.5 yrs	119 lbs.
8 pt.	2.5 yrs	117 lbs.

** Several other nice 10,9, 8, 7 and 6 pointers were taken.

PIEDMONT NWR
2003 QUOTA DEER HUNTS
APPLICATION AND DRAWING

APPLIED 1ST CHOICE	AUG. 29 DRAWN	SOLD POST- DRAW	TOTAL	OCT. 7 PAID	VACANT
		BUCK ONLY			
2040	1290	0	1290	1028	0
		PRIMITIVE	WEAPONS		
746	1044	206	1250	969	0
		1ST EITHER	SEX		
1472	1255	0	1255	982	0
		2ND EITHER	SEX		
246	769	228	997	997	35

Piedmont Refuge sets the quota (1250 hunters) for deer hunts at a level higher than we expect hunters to pay and attend hunts. The refuge estimates that for a quota of 1,250 hunters about 1,060 will pay the permit fee by the deadline, and that not all these hunters will actually hunt. Attendance of hunts varies with weather conditions for a particular hunt. The refuge does **NOT** sell permits for slots drawn and not paid or after the payment deadline.

2003 DEER HUNT VOLUNTEER HOURS

HUNT	#VOLUNTEERS	HOURS	DAYS
Disabled Hunt	32	672	3
Buck Only Hunt	2	11	2
Primitive Weapons	1	14	2
1st Either Sex Hunt	2	24	2
2nd Either Sex Hunt	0	0	0
Quota Hunt Total	37	721	9