

Maine's 2009 Fall Wild Turkey Hunting Season

The fall wild turkey hunting season included three zones defined by allowable weapon type for hunting. These were defined as Archery Zone 1, October 10 to October 24, including wildlife management districts 12, 15,16,17, 20, 24, 25 and 26; Archery Zone 2, October 1 to October 30, including wildlife management districts 21, 22 and 23; and Shotgun Zone 3, October 17 to October 23, including wildlife management districts 15, 16, 17, and 20 through 25. Hunters were allowed to take one turkey, which could be either sex of any age. The total fall harvest of 712 was slightly above the 2008 harvest of 685 wild turkeys. 85% of the 712 turkeys harvested in the fall were taken by shotgun.

Geographic Distribution of the Harvest

WMD	Total
12	2
15	68
16	75
17	122
18	1
20	61
21	81
22	72
23	90
24	34
25	92
26	14
Grand Total	712

Sex and Age Distribution of the Harvest

Tom turkeys made up 22% (153) of the harvest and Jakes made up 14% (94). Hen turkeys made up 44% (303) of the harvest and Jennies made up 19% (128).