

Salmon Region

Deer:

Mule deer fawns fared better in Units 21A, 30, 30A, 29, 37, 37A last winter and spring with 55 percent survival compared to Units 21, 28, 36B, 36A, which had 37 percent survival.

While the Salmon Region does not account for large harvest numbers of deer, the success rates were above the state average last year, and there was a large percentage of mature bucks in the harvest.

Elk:

In some areas, hunters should see a fair number of spikes, which usually make up the majority of the harvest.

Unit 21 elk numbers were up, but the bull ratio of 13 per 100 cows was below Fish and Game's objectives. The success rate has been 13 percent for the past three years for the general season, with 21 percent of the harvest being six-point or larger bulls.

Unit 21A had a winter bull ratio of 19 per 100 cows. The success rate has been 25 percent, with 13 percent of the harvest six-point or larger bulls.

In Unit 28, the cow population dropped and the bull ratio fell. The success rate for the general elk season has been 19 percent, with 33 percent of the harvest six-point or larger bulls.

Unit 36B has a low bull ratio of nine per 100 cows. Success rates have been dropping over the past several years.