

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

2025-26 BEAR HARVEST LIMIT UPDATE

September 29, 2025

BMZ 11, 12, and 13 are closed as a closure limit has been reached. BMZs 8 and 14 open again October 15 for the general season. Bear season is OPEN in all other zones.

ZONE	GMU'S IN ZONE	HARVEST AS OF September 29, 2025		SUSTAINABLE HARVEST LIMIT		CLOSURE LIMIT (10% of Sustainable Harvest)		REMAINING BEFORE HARVEST LIMIT REACHED		ZONE STATUS	CLOSED AS OF:
		Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female		
1	4-7, 51, 52	69	31	168	67	17	7	99	36	OPEN	
2	2	7	3	15	6	2	1	8	3	OPEN	
3	49, 50, 53	16	10	65	26	7	3	49	16	OPEN	
4	45, 46, 48	28	9	109	43	11	4	81	34	OPEN	
5	54, 55, 57	38	8	108	43	11	4	70	35	OPEN	
6	39-43, 47, 56, 58, 59	7	3	51	20	5	2	44	17	OPEN	
8	8	0	0	11	4	1	1	11	4	CLOSED	
9	9, 10	23	10	36	14	4	1	13	4	OPEN	
10	12, 13, 15-18, 20- 24, 26, 27	55	19	197	79	20	8	142	60	OPEN	
11	37, 38	33	16	36	14	4	1	3	0	CLOSED	9/02/2025
12	34	25	14	33	13	3	1	8	0	CLOSED	8/22/2025
13	36	8	5	16	6	2	1	8	1	CLOSED	9/02/2025
14	14	0	0	19	7	2	1	19	7	CLOSED	
	STATEWIDE	309	128	864	342						

See the Rules and Information Booklet (RIB) for specific hunting regulations

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10% Closure Limits: Zones close when 90% of the total or female harvest limit is met, whichever comes first. Office (505) 618-0998

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