

# **MOUNTAIN GOAT**

There was no season for Mountain Goats in the Black Hills for 2009.

Comparison of the 1997-2009 Black Hills Mountain Goat seasons

<i>Year</i>	<i>Apps/License</i>	<i>Billies Harvested</i>	<i>Nannies Harvested</i>	<i>Success</i>	<i>Avg. Days Hunted</i>
1997	1,600/4	3	1	100%	3.5
1998	1,776/4	4	0	100%	3.5
1999	1,867/4	4	0	100%	4.25
2000	1,873/4	3	0	75%	2.25
2001	1,919/4	2	2	100%	1.5
2002	1,955/3	2	1	100%	1.7
2003	2,046/3	1	2	100%	5.7
2004	2,189/3	1	2	100%	6.3
2005	2,591/2	0	2	100%	2.5
2006	2,678/2	0	1	50%	5.5
2007	No Season				
2008	No Season				
2009	No Season				

# **BIGHORN SHEEP**

This was the tenth year bighorn sheep licenses were made available outside Custer State Park. The 2009 season was open from October 3 through November 30. In addition to the traditional unit in Pennington County west of SD Highway 79, an additional unit 2 was created in 2008 in Custer County west of Highway 79 with one license available. There were 3,541 applicants for the five any-bighorn licenses (3,069 for unit 1 and 472 for unit 2). All hunters were surveyed and all were successful at harvesting a ram. They reported hunting 43 total days, an average of 8.6 days per hunter.

Comparison of the 2000-2009 Black Hills Bighorn Sheep seasons

<i>Year</i>	<i>Apps/License</i>	<i>Rams Harvested</i>	<i>Ewes Harvested</i>	<i>Success</i>	<i>Avg. Days Hunted</i>
2000	1,197/2	2	0	100%	4.0
2001	1,459/2	2	0	100%	1.5
2002	1,724/2	2	0	100%	4.0
2003	1,880/2	2	0	100%	2.5
2004	2,087/3	3	0	100%	6.0
2005	2,741/3	3	0	100%	6.7
2006	3,003/3	3	0	100%	6.0
2007	3,514/4	4	0	100%	7.3
2008	3,533/5	5	0	100%	4.8
2009	3,541/5	5	0	100%	8.6