

2022 Spring Turkey Harvest Report

The post-season spring turkey harvest survey was conducted by phone and email. Approximately 25% of hunters with OTC licenses were randomly selected to participate in the spring survey, and 100% of limited license holders were selected to receive surveys. Hunters with either license that provided email addresses to CPW were given the opportunity to respond via an email survey. The survey successfully contacted 2,000 spring turkey license holders. It is estimated that nearly 20,202 hunters pursued spring turkeys in Colorado in the spring of 2022. The number of turkey hunters in Colorado, while a slight decrease from 2021, has increased by 250% since 1999.

Over-the-Counter Licenses

Within the OTC sample, 25% reported harvesting a bird. The **statewide harvest estimate for 2022 is $4,794 \pm 499$ (4,320 – 5,320)** for Unlimited OTC areas. This is slightly lower than the 2021 estimate of **$5,185 \pm 578$ (4,639 – 5,795)**. Responses from hunters indicate that OTC hunters hunted **$85,676 \pm 5,356$ (80,483 – 91,023)** days during the 2022 spring season.

Limited Licenses

Within the limited sample, 44% reported harvesting a bird. Within the limited subset, estimates for hunter numbers, days, and harvest are provided by Hunt Code. The **statewide limited harvest estimate is 629 ± 59 (574 – 690) in 2022**. This is slightly higher than the 2021 estimate of **$598 + 61$ (539 – 663)**. Limited permit holders hunted **$6,698 \pm 441$ (6,271 – 7,154)** days during the 2022 spring season.

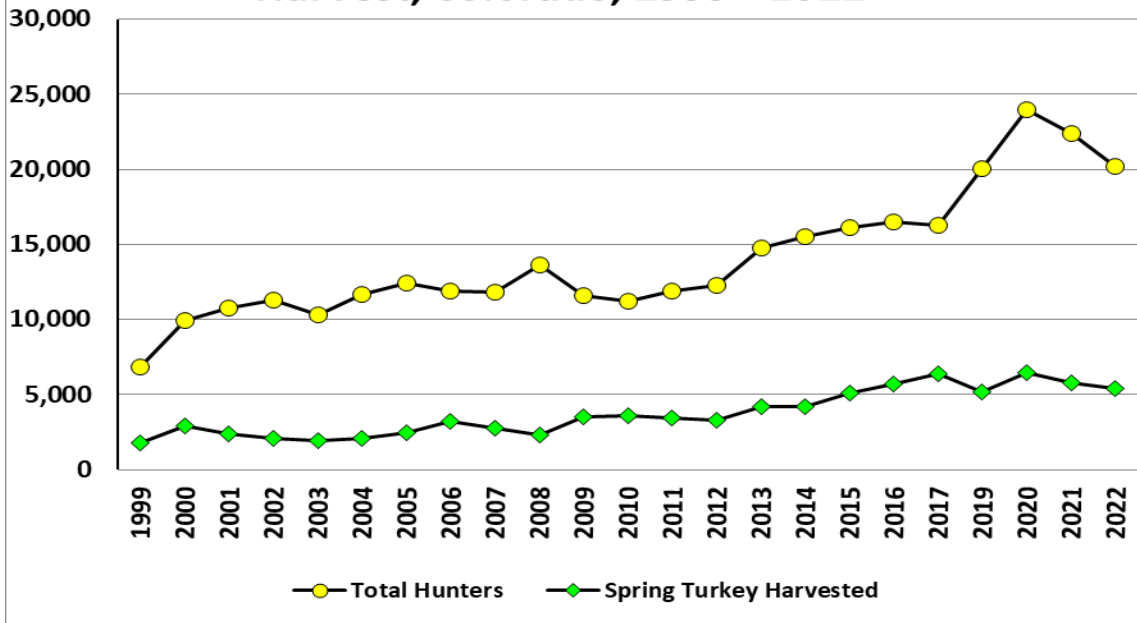
Statewide (all licenses)

For limited and OTC licenses combined, the 2022 statewide harvest estimate is **$5,423 \pm 517$ (4,930 – 5,966)**. This is lower than the 2021 estimate of **$5,782 \pm 594$ (5,218 – 6,408)**. Hunters spent nearly 105,000 days in the field during the spring turkey season.

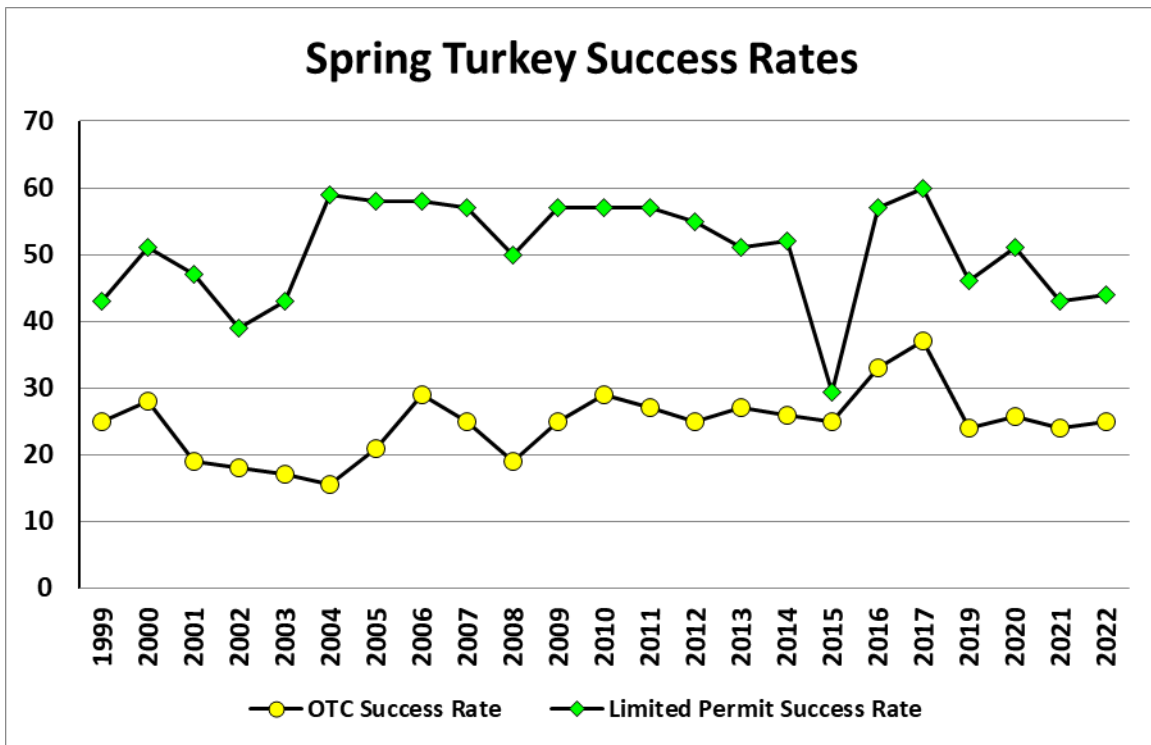
Hunter Statistics and Harvest Estimates by County and Hunt Code

The following summary tables provide estimates of hunter numbers, days in the field and spring turkey harvest statewide and by county. Estimates are followed by the standard error of the estimate, and 95% upper (UCI) and lower (LCI) confidence intervals around the estimate.

Statewide Spring Turkey Hunters and Harvest, Colorado, 1999 - 2022



Spring Turkey Success Rates



**Unlimited OTC Spring Turkey Harvest (↓)
2022**

County*	Hunters	SE Hunters	LCL Hunters	UCL Hunters	Days	SE Days	LCL Days	UCL Days	Harvest	SE Harvest	LCL Harvest	UCL Harvest
Lake	969	125	753	1247	5129	906	3638	7231	335	74	218	514
Archuleta	1128	135	893	1424	4177	666	3061	5699	300	70	190	471
Delta	705	107	524	948	2556	489	1762	3707	247	64	150	406
Larimer	1234	140	988	1541	4935	784	3621	6726	247	64	150	406
Las Animas	687	106	509	928	2397	524	1569	3661	247	64	150	406
Mesa	1146	135	909	1443	4265	736	3049	5966	247	64	150	406
Montezuma	617	101	449	847	2274	420	1588	3255	247	64	150	406
Weld	758	111	570	1008	3419	752	2233	5235	247	64	150	406
Montrose	934	123	722	1209	3719	641	2659	5201	229	61	137	384
Douglas	1516	155	1241	1851	6010	829	4592	7865	212	59	124	362
Garfield	917	122	707	1188	4688	931	3188	6894	212	59	124	362
Huerfano	740	110	555	988	2291	376	1665	3154	194	57	111	340
Elbert	934	123	722	1208	4001	789	2728	5868	176	54	98	317
Pueblo	934	123	722	1208	3366	633	2336	4852	176	54	98	317
Fremont	1005	128	784	1288	4071	673	2951	5618	141	48	73	271
Custer	476	89	331	683	1251	284	807	1941	123	45	62	247
El Paso	300	70	190	472	1040	325	571	1893	88	38	39	199
San Miguel	194	57	111	340	758	304	355	1617	88	38	39	199
Boulder	529	93	376	744	1604	361	1037	2481	71	34	29	174
Jefferson	476	88	332	683	1251	271	822	1904	71	34	29	174
Park	846	117	645	1109	2485	411	1800	3430	71	34	29	174
Rio Blanco	317	72	204	493	1551	461	877	2743	71	34	29	174
Yuma	353	76	232	535	1005	245	627	1609	71	34	29	174
Dolores	300	70	190	472	1163	341	663	2041	53	30	19	147
Logan	194	57	111	340	723	368	282	1852	53	30	19	147
Otero	176	54	98	317	529	201	257	1086	53	30	19	147

Teller	1058	131	830	1347	4001	659	2903	5514	53	30	19	147
Adams	123	45	61	248	229	104	98	535	35	24	10	119
Arapahoe	88	38	39	199	476	280	164	1384	35	24	10	119
Bent	176	54	98	317	1058	462	467	2397	35	24	10	119
Chaffee	529	93	375	745	2291	473	1536	3419	35	24	10	119
Clear Creek	141	48	73	271	300	129	133	673	35	24	10	119
Gilpin	106	42	50	224	353	189	132	944	35	24	10	119
Kiowa	106	42	50	223	335	136	156	719	35	24	10	119
Ouray	212	59	123	362	423	155	211	848	35	24	10	119
Phillips	53	30	19	147	123	75	41	368	35	24	10	119
Baca	53	30	19	147	159	92	55	456	18	17	4	87
Costilla	194	57	111	340	1058	342	570	1964	18	17	4	87
Denver	18	17	4	87	35	34	7	174	18	17	4	87
Gunnison	247	64	150	407	723	225	398	1311	18	17	4	87
Kit Carson	53	30	19	147	123	71	44	350	18	17	4	87
Morgan	194	57	111	340	511	207	238	1098	18	17	4	87
Prowers	71	34	29	174	529	327	173	1615	18	17	4	87
Sedgwick	88	38	39	199	194	101	74	508	18	17	4	87
Washington	35	24	10	119	35	24	10	119	18	17	4	87
Alamosa	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheyenne	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Conejos	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crowley	35	24	10	119	176	130	48	643	0	0	0	0
Eagle	18	17	4	87	35	34	7	174	0	0	0	0
Grand	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hinsdale	53	30	19	147	229	142	75	701	0	0	0	0
Jackson	53	30	19	147	123	75	41	368	0	0	0	0
La Plata	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lincoln	35	24	10	119	53	38	15	189	0	0	0	0
Mineral	71	34	29	174	176	94	66	469	0	0	0	0
Moffat	88	38	39	199	159	82	61	412	0	0	0	0
Pitkin	35	24	10	119	176	141	44	700	0	0	0	0

Rio Grande	35	24	10	119	71	54	19	268	0	0	0	0
Routt	0	0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saguache	159	51	85	294	388	137	198	759	0	0	0	0
San Juan	53	30	19	147	141	80	50	398	0	0	0	0
Summit	18	17	4	87	18	17	4	87	0	0	0	0
Unknown	106	42	50	224	317	137	141	713	0	0	0	0
Total	18665	294	18098	19250	85676	2733	80483	91203	4794	255	4320	5320

**Limited Spring Turkey Harvest
2022**

Hunt Code*	Hunters	SE	LCL	UCL	Days	SE	LCL	UCL	Harvest	SE	LCL	UCL
		Hunters	Hunters	Hunters		Days	Days	Days		Harvest	Harvest	Harvest
TM002O1R	15	0	15	15	45	11	28	72	9	3	4	17
TM015O1R	13	2	10	17	38	8	25	57	4	2	1	12
TM021O1R	10	0	10	10	38	11	22	67	8	2	5	13
TM023O1R	11	4	6	21	83	38	35	193	8	4	3	21
TM023P1R	23	3	18	28	125	44	64	243	13	4	7	24
TM025O1R	32	4	26	40	162	34	108	242	13	4	7	24
TM034O1R	36	3	32	42	155	21	119	201	7	3	3	17
TM035O1R	16	3	12	22	52	23	23	118	8	3	4	17
TM043O1R	50	5	41	60	240	54	156	370	26	6	16	42
TM044O1R	66	5	56	77	459	71	340	620	31	7	20	47
TM047O1R	15	0	15	15	39	14	20	77	3	3	1	15
TM059K1R	10	0	10	10	38	14	20	75	3	2	1	10
TM059O1R	5	0	5	5	15	2	12	20	4	1	2	7
TM059O2R	10	0	10	10	96	28	55	169	6	2	4	11
TM080O1R	10	0	10	10	64	27	29	140	0	0	NA	NA
TM081O1R	9	1	6	12	47	13	27	81	3	2	1	9
TM091K1R	154	9	137	174	597	66	482	741	30	8	18	51
TM091O1R	47	2	42	51	217	43	148	319	24	5	17	35
TM091O2R	41	4	34	49	161	36	105	247	20	5	13	32
TM092O1R	38	5	30	47	169	31	118	242	19	5	11	31
TM092O2R	45	3	39	51	236	44	164	338	21	5	14	33
TM096O1R	93	4	86	100	348	37	283	428	35	7	24	51
TM096O2R	88	5	79	98	467	56	370	590	27	6	17	42
TM096P1R	156	6	144	169	508	47	425	608	85	10	67	108
TM096P2R	142	8	127	159	456	59	354	588	64	10	47	86
TM101O1R	38	2	34	42	186	32	133	261	14	4	8	25

TM101O2R	29	5	21	40	155	35	100	239	16	5	9	30
TM103K1R	36	4	30	44	164	42	99	269	11	6	4	28
TM103O1R	48	2	45	52	207	32	154	279	30	5	22	41
TM103O2R	43	4	35	51	173	31	122	244	8	4	3	20
TM124K1R	15	0	15	15	40	8	27	60	0	0	NA	NA
TM124O1R	22	2	18	26	115	19	83	159	10	3	6	18
TM127O1R	24	3	18	31	104	39	51	212	8	4	3	18
TM139O1R	15	0	15	15	105	62	36	309	5	5	1	26
TM140O1R	26	3	21	32	92	17	64	133	4	3	1	13
TM140O2R	18	2	15	22	71	15	47	106	4	2	1	12
TM444O1R	42	2	37	47	227	29	177	291	28	4	20	38
TM444P1R	20	4	13	30	78	31	37	164	13	4	6	25
TM851O1R	28	2	25	32	128	20	94	173	9	4	5	19
TOTAL	1537	22	1494	1581	6698	225	6271	7154	629	30	574	690

*Hunt codes not listed above received no responses during the survey.