



New Mexico Department of Wildlife 2026-27 BEAR HARVEST LIMIT UPDATE

August 18, 2026



Bear season is closed in BMZs 1, 2, 8, 10 and 14 until the start of the archery season on September 1st.

ZONE	GMU'S IN ZONE	SUSTAINABLE HARVEST LIMIT		HARVEST AS OF August 18, 2026		REMAINING BEFORE CLOSURE		ZONE STATUS	CLOSED AS OF:
		Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female		
1	4-7, 51, 52	168	67	1	1	150	59	CLOSED	
2	2	15	6	1	1	12	4	CLOSED	
3	49, 50, 53	65	26	1	0	57	23	OPEN	
4	45, 46, 48	109	43	4	2	94	37	OPEN	
5	54, 55, 57	108	43	14	3	83	36	OPEN	
6	39-43, 47, 56, 58, 59	51	20	3	0	43	18	OPEN	
8	8	11	4	0	0	10	3	CLOSED	
9	9, 10	36	14	6	3	26	10	OPEN	
10	12, 13, 15-18, 20-24, 26, 27	197	79	0	0	177	71	CLOSED	
11	37, 38	36	14	2	1	30	12	OPEN	
12	34	33	13	4	1	26	11	OPEN	
13	36	16	6	1	0	13	5	OPEN	
14	14	19	7	0	0	17	6	CLOSED	
	STATEWIDE	864	342	37	12				

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

Bear Management Zones will be closed when 90% of the total or female sustainable harvest limit is reached, whichever comes first. This accounts for the time between harvest and reporting.

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