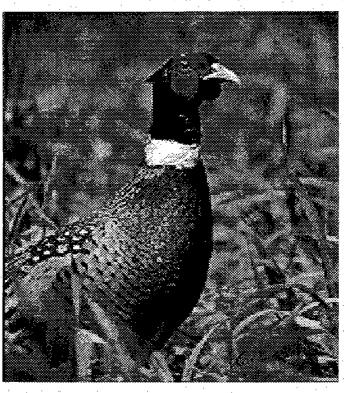
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#### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

## RESEARCH PROJECT SEGMENT (Inventory)

State: <u>UTAH</u> Project Title: <u>Statewide Wildlife</u>

Management, Investigations

and Surveys

Project No.: W-65-R Segment No.: 44

Job Title: Statewide Upland Game Inventory and Management

Job No.:  $\underline{A-4}$ 

Period Covered: October 1, 1995 to September 30, 1996

Abstract: This report identifies progress and accomplishments of Segment No. 44 objectives, 1995-96. Results of annual inventory and harvest surveys and long-term trends of population indices derived by each method are included in the Utah Upland Game Annual Report 1995. Data obtained in 1995 are compared to 1994 and long-term averages.

#### Project Statement Objectives:

- 1. To conduct efficient annual breeding and production surveys.
- 2. To determine annual harvest, hunters, and hunter-days and bag per hunter.
- 3. To describe and map all known sage and sharp-tailed grouse leks.
- 4. To describe and map all mourning dove, pheasant and cottontail survey routes.
- 5. To assess the impact of a federal migratory permit on small game license sales and mourning dove harvest estimates.
- 6. To evaluate Utah's upland game survey techniques in comparison to most recent research and develop the most cost effective and efficient survey methods.
- 7. To evaluate the feasibility of confidence intervals for Utah's small game harvest estimates.
- 8. Study the feasibility of combing Nongame rabbit surveys with Game Management surveys.
- 9. Evaluate the value of adding more dove call routes.
- 10. Explore the benefits of telephone survey to assess upland game hunter success.

Progress Statement and Summary of Work Completed During The Segment For Each Objective:

#### 1. To conduct efficient annual breeding and production surveys.

Ongoing Objective. Annual inventory procedures for ring-necked pheasants included winter sex ratio counts and summer roadside counts. The winter sex ratio counts were conducted from December 15, 1995 through February 10, 1996, as snow cover conditions allowed. Indices derived include hen-cock ratios and pheasants observed per 100 hours. Annual summer roadside counts (three or more per route) were conducted from July 22-August 22 on permanently established routes. Indices derived include pheasants per mile, young per mile, young per hen, mean brood and percent of hens with young.

Mourning dove breeding population trend was determined via the annual call count survey. This survey is part of a nationwide survey administered by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Call counts are conducted over 15 permanent, 20-mile routes. One count was made on each route between May 20-30, 1996.

Random brood counts were conducted on chukar and Hungarian partridge, forest grouse (ruffed and blue), sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, wild turkey and quail from June 15-August 22. Indices derived for each species include mean brood size, young per 100 adults and birds observed per 100 hours of effort.

Sage grouse strutting ground counts and sharp-tailed grouse dancing ground counts were conducted from March 15-May 15. Total cocks counted, average cocks per ground and percent change from 1993 for comparable grounds were determined on a county basis.

The Gambel's quail long period waterhole counts were completed in July and August. Limited valley quail random brood counts were made in several counties.

Cottontail rabbit roadside counts were conducted over pre-established routes between July 15 and August 22. Indices derived include rabbits per mile and young per 100 adults.

## 2. To determine annual harvest, hunters, and hunter-days and bag per hunter.

Ongoing Objective. Harvest questionnaires were mailed to determine the harvest of upland game birds, cottontail rabbit, and snowshoe hare. A sample of eligible licensees from the current year's (1995) resident small game license file and 1995 combination license file was used. The modified computerized pull-apart mailer was again used to obtain harvest data. Separate questionnaires were mailed to all ptarmigan, band-tailed pigeon and wild turkey permittees. Indices derived include total hunters, hunter-days, total harvest and hunter success per day, plus success for each season.

The upland game questionnaires were processed by the Division of Wildlife Resources Public Services Section. Wild turkey, band-tailed pigeon and ptarmigan questionnaires were analyzed separately by Wildlife Section personnel.

Upland game hunters were checked at checking stations, and random field checks were made during each hunting season. Indices derived include bag per hunter (per day), bag per 100 hours, average hours per hunter-day and average hours per bird bagged. Additional sex and age composition data were compiled for some species using wing samples collected at checking stations.

3. To describe and map all known sage and sharp-tailed grouse leks.

<u>Completed Objective.</u> Described and mapped all known sage grouse and sharp-tailed grouse leks and dancing grounds.

4. To describe and map all mourning dove, pheasant and cottontail survey routes.

<u>Completed Objective</u>. Described and mapped all mourning dove, pheasant and cottontail routes.

5. To assess the impact of a federal migratory permit on small game license sales and mourning dove harvest estimates.

Completed Objective. Reviewed implementation strategies used by other states who have already implemented the federal migratory bird permit program. Waterfowl Program Coordinator and Division's Information Systems Analyst attended training sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service pertaining to implementation of the federal migratory bird permit. Objective #5 has been completed to the extent possible until implementation of the federal migratory permit in Utah in 1998.

6. To evaluate Utah's upland game survey techniques in comparison to most recent research and develop the most cost effective and efficient survey methods.

Completed Objective. A survey of other states upland game inventory and survey techniques has been completed. Based on survey results, Utah collects more inventory and survey data on upland game than most surrounding western states. Formal recommendations for adding new surveys and deleting less valuable surveys for Utah's upland game will be provided as part of Grant Proposal renewal in 1996.

7. To evaluate the feasibility of confidence intervals for Utah's small game harvest estimates.

<u>Completed Objective.</u> The biometrician in DWR's Wildlife Section researched and applied statistically sound techniques to derive 90 percent confidence intervals for upland game harvest estimates. Results have been published in the 1995 Utah Upland Game Annual

Report.

8. Study the feasibility of combing Nongame rabbit surveys with Game Management surveys.

Completed Objective. We have visited with the furbearer biologist about combining the surveys. They have determined to drop their fall rabbit spotlight count because of a lack of correlation with bobcat recruitment and trap success. Therefore, we cannot combine the surveys and will continue to survey our summer roadside counts for cottontail recruitment and fall hunter success using current methodology.

9. Evaluate the value of adding more dove call routes.

Completed Objective. Discussion has been made with Dave Dolton of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concerning this indicating only moderate improvement in precision by adding 5 routes to our present 15. Rather than adding new routes, significant time was spent during Segment No. 43 in relocating existing routes into more representative habitat areas for doves. We will continue to "fine tune" dove routes in Utah into the future to ensure that routes capture a true picture of mourning dove breeding populations throughout the state.

10. Explore the benefits of telephone survey to assess upland game hunter success.

<u>Completed Objective.</u> Based on implications to Utah when the federal migratory bird harvest permit is implemented in 1998, we will hold off on a telephone survey to assess upland game harvest. Between now and 1998, we will consult closely with the Wildlife Section biometrician to determine the feasibility and cost of a telephone survey versus the pull-apart mail questionnaire currently in use.

Location of Work Performed: Statewide.

Costs Incurred:

**Recommendations:** This project should be continued for the purpose of determining trends of upland game population and harvest statistics in Utah.

# INTRODUCTION



The objective of Utah's upland game management program is to provide recreational hunting opportunity for sportsmen within the limits of the annual harvestable surplus for each species. It is based on the knowledge that populations of upland game experience relatively high rates of annual turnover. High reproductive rates are naturally compensated for by high death rates, whether hunting is allowed or not. Annual surveys are conducted to measure the production, trend and harvest of each upland game population.

This is the twenty-sixth edition of this Annual Upland Game Report. It is an annual performance report of information compiled during inventory and harvest surveys conducted under Federal Aid Project W-65-R, Job A-4. Information contained herein was compiled by conservation officers, biologists, wildlife managers and the upland game management staff of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources.

This report serves as a handbook of inventory and harvest data. It is designed primarily for the use of those concerned with the management of upland game. A separate section is devoted to each species of upland game in Utah. Data are presented primarily in tabular form with limited narrative comment. The first page of each section provides a brief summary of population status and trend as indicated by inventory and harvest data.

During 1996, a total of 57,401 Utah sportsmen spent 447,435 days afield in pursuit of various upland game species (Table 1). The harvest of upland game totaled 491,977 animals. The proportion of the total upland game hunters which pursued each species is shown in Table 2 and the percentage failing to bag at least one bird (from general mail questionnaire) of each species in Table 3.

In 1996, Utah upland game hunters were required to purchase a new document called a Habitat Authorization in order to pursue any of the upland game species. Funds derived from the Habitat Authorization will be used to purchase, develop and protect critical upland game habitat throughout Utah.

The regulations for 1996 upland game hunting seasons are shown in Appendix D.

## GENERAL HARVEST QUESTIONNAIRE

Harvest statistics were obtained from a random sample of licensed hunters by their response to a hunter harvest questionnaire. The combined upland game bird and rabbit-hare mail harvest questionnaire was again used.

A total of 14,088 upland game questionnaires, a 15.05 percent sample of Utah's potential resident upland game hunters, were mailed. Of the total, 669 (4.75%) questionnaires were undeliverable. Of the 13,419 questionnaires delivered, 4,028 (30.01%) useable upland game questionnaires were returned. Of those, 1,481 purchased a license but did not hunt upland game. By dividing the total of 93,577 eligible licensees by the usable returns (4,028), a projection factor of 23.231628 derived.

The 1996 hunter questionnaire sample size was greater than 10 percent of the total hunter population, so a follow-up questionnaire was not sent to those who failed to return the first one. A high rate of return is desirable in order to obtain an adequate sample of harvest estimates in counties where hunting pressure and harvest are limited. Extremely small samples from these counties tend to over-estimate the harvest and thus bias the results. Although harvest, number of hunters and days-afield may be over-estimated where small samples are obtained, harvest per hunter-day should be relatively precise.

Stand deviations and 90 percent confidence intervals for each species included on the general harvest questionnaire are derived from the average number of each species harvested per day.

Table 1. Summary of harvest statistics from the general mail questionnaire for 1996.	vest statisti	ics from the	ne general mai	i questionnai	re tor 1996.
	Hunters	Total	<b>Hunter-Days</b>	Bag Per	Bag Per Hunter
Species	Afield	Harvest	Afield	<b>Hunter-Day</b>	For Season
Pheasant	41,854	83,987	157,755	0.53	2.01
Mourning Dove	23,180	200,167	85,613	2.34	8.64
Band-Tailed Pigeon	37	85	125	0.74	2.49
Chukar Partridge	10,197	26,594	37,116	0.72	2.61
Sage Grouse	5,574	9,220	13,215	0.70	1.65
Forest Grouse	15,492	59,738	56,347	1.06	3.86
Quail	4,622	16,351	15,863	1.03	3.54
Hungarian Partridge	2,299	7,455	7,409	1.01	3.24
Wild Turkey					
Merriam's	320	<b>%</b>	1,151	0.07	0.26
Rio Grande	166	107	776	0.14	0.64
Sharp-Tailed Grouse	ł	ŀ	ł	i	;
White-Tailed Ptarmigan	12	4	16	0.88	1.17
Cottontail Rabbit	14,470	82,803	63,943	1.29	5.72
Snowshoe Hare	2,276	5,365	8,106	99.0	2.36
Total	1	491,977	447,435	:	1
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Total hunters afield for all species of upland game =

Table 2. Number and percent of total upland game hunters afield who reported hunting each species during 1989-96.

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Species	1989		1990 1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1989	1990	1991	1992 1993	1993	76	1995	1996
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Mourning Dove	21,696	22,700	22,700 22,632	18,021	19,725	20,743	20.896		16.30	17.30	36.55		33.10			40.28
Band-Tailed Pigeon*	23	တ	15	<u>8</u>	. 00	13	59		000	5						90.00
Chukar	10,910	11,195	10.577	11.125	10.128	8.455	260 6	10 197						_		, co
Sage Grouse	9,002		8.018	7.393	6.594	5,133	5 987	5.574			12.00					0 7.7
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Hungarian Partridge	2,136	2,305	2,662	3,198	2,090	1,899	2.294	2.299	3.20	3.60			3.51	200		4.01
Wild Turkey*									i !	) )		;				- - -
Merriam's	477	531	532	484	466	285	296	320	0.70	0.80	0.86	0.83	0.78	0.58		0 56
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Cottontail Rabbit	22,878	23,079	22,878 23,079 21,137 20,509	20,509	17.578	12.709	13.840	14.470	_			_	_		_	26.02
Snowshoe Hare	4,895	4,095	3,427	3,732	2,755	1.565	1.983	2.276								2 07
Total Hunters**	67,017	64,868	67,017 64,868 61,922 58,423	58,423	59,590	49.518	55,159	57.401		2	1		10.1	2	-	0.0
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'Although wild turkey, sharp-tailed grouse, band-tailed pigeon and white-tailed ptarmigan harvest was determined by separate questionnaires, it is assumed that these hunters are derived from the same group of hunters who reported hunting other upland game bird species.

\*\*This is not the total of the columns because many upland game hunters hunted more than one species.

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1963	795	3,317	74	53	691	∞	248	220		220	468	47	188	281	29	7.1	305	23	59	177	33
1964	91	3,115	23	9	681	6	566	268	47 4	45	154	53	144	229	63	94	316	30	62	150	<del>1</del>
1965	1,165	4,009	53	:	i	:	486	851	57	82	168	49	225	311	72	128	371	34	93	233	9
1966	1,242	4,297	23	136	1,067	5	523	881		54	131	41	133	331	40	106	315	34	63	219	29
1967	1,353	4,833	28	153	1,319	12	477	915		138	266	25	194	475	41	161	424	38	116	315	37
1968	1,422	5,223	27	236	1,312	13	495	1,095		185	449		171	665	27	171	457	33	132	347	28
1969	1,897	5,335	36	214	1,568	7	647	1,250	62 2	41	648	37	273	959	42	182	465	39	148	292	51
1970	1,546	4,686	33	193	1,274	5	466	962		257	603	£	509	999	3	126	314	4	101	210	48
1971	1,783	5,049	35	210	1,333	16	464	934		34	625	37	223	673	33	162	385	42	87	210	4
1972	1,743	4,617	38	270	1,421	<del>1</del> 9	457	827		23	593	44	27.1	794	34	154	339	45	120	224	54
1973	1,659	4,699	35	209	1,596	73	414	824		<b>5</b> 6	553	7	329	1,019	32	128	311	41	97	196	49
1974	2,347	5,323	44	323	1,951	17	511	955	54 2	92	899		388	1,259	⊱	157	333	47	108	227	48
1975	2,472	5,604	44	329	2,554	5	209	1,105		74	901		535	1,354	\$	177	406	44	121	220	22
1976	1,739	4,294	9	273	1,709	16	408	781		29	783		371	1,131	33	105	566	39	87	184	47
1977	1,874	5,175	36	295	1,967	5	511	943		94	972		528	1,388	38	125	299	42	106	247	43
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1979	2,222	7,024	32	343	2,671	5	528	1,150	46 4	8	1,215		585	1,69,1	35	130	403	32	119	243	49
1980	1,684	5,867	53	258	2,145	12	458	1,008		92	944	42	501	1,283	33	87	254	34	75	206	36
1981	1,305	4,637	<b>58</b>	239	1,558	<b>1</b> 2	302	699		84	493	-	297	741	<del>\$</del>	97	241	\$	25	172	33
1982	1,768	6,725	<b>5</b> 6	363	2,338	16	406	824	_	69	620	-	325	919	35	128	292	4	89	176	51
1983	1,645	7,153	23	348	2,381	5	362	880		94	729	<del>6</del>	900	1,118	27	105	310	34	82	225	36
1984	1,245	4,643	27	274	1,711	16	287	548		2	435		270	640	42	84	189	44	51	9/	42
1985	1,207	4,017	္က	221	1,500	<del>.</del>	208	426		61	376		228	929	35	61	148	41	35	54	65
1986	1,211	3,615	ee .	224	1,476	5	237	537	_	39	368	38	221	299	33	58	125	46	36	61	29
1987	863	2,837	ဓ္က	<del>2</del>	1,047	<u> </u>	194	537	36	2	307	82	143	671	2	46	11	4	34	94	35
1988	1,372	3,953	35	244	1,525	9	308	<b>1</b> 2		87	224	34	224	1,184	9	63	171	37	73	154	47
1989	1,126	2,985	38	184	1,184	9	263	614		83	468	39	257	961	27	89	160	43	23	108	<del>\$</del>
1990	886	2,745	99	161	1,234	<u>က</u>	282	632		62	483	34	233	810	33	54	132	41	46	117	39
1991	1,062	2,461	₹	202	1,301	<del>1</del> 6	309	809		86	461	43	262	829	32	69	152	45	29	153	44
1992	902	2,760	S	156	1,150	<del>7</del>	298	701	43 1	69	432	39	208	696	7	89	168	40	29	186	36
1993	1,035	2,086	20	194	1,038	<del>1</del>	354	533		91	347	55	346	633	55	85	192	44	75	110	68
1994	889	2,088	<del>ડ</del>	230	1,180	<del>5</del>	278	481	58 1	48	292	51	243	559	43	64	167	38	78	108	72
1995	919	2,452	37	224	1,286	1	259	554	47 1	69	347	49	27.7	790	35	95	241	39	54	123	44
1996	742	2,259	33	173	1,164	15	225	526	43 1	19	255	47	187	775	24	81	215	38	38	103	37
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The upland game questionnaire is designed to monitor statewide harvest trend from year to year. The more extensively a species is hunted, the more accurately the questionnaire measures the trend data. In an effort to improve the accuracy of indices for species which receive very little hunting pressure and harvest, and which have low densities and limited distribution, a unique questionnaire for that species is mailed to the permit holder. This method has been used for band-tailed pigeon, wild turkey, sharp-tailed grouse and white-tailed ptarmigan.

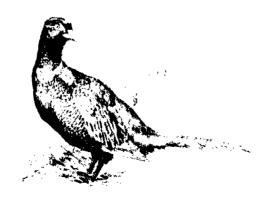
The annual harvest report is sometimes criticized for being inaccurate and without value. However, report users must recognize that the accuracy of the questionnaire is based on some basic assumptions. These assumptions are: (1) the returned useable sample is a completely random sample, (2) respondents recorded data correctly, i.e., they clearly understood the questionnaire, (3) respondents recorded data accurately, did not guess or lie, and (4) respondents correctly identified species hunted. If these assumptions are not met, projections of harvest by county may be over-estimated due to nonrespondent or memory biases. Extreme caution should be used in the interpretation of estimated harvest and hunters for specific species in specific counties. Rather, the long-term trend in these indices should be used in managing the populations.

Presently, the Upland Game Annual Report contains the best data available and therefore constitutes the basic facts of upland game management. Although this report has its limitations, the trend data is valuable in making professional judgments regarding upland game populations and harvest.

The annual report is used in wildlife planning. It can be used to establish relative importance among species and for developing new resources through transplants or habitat developments. It points out areas of needed research by indicating problems and possible causes. It documents population trends and it combines all this inventory information into one easily accessible publication. Thus it is used extensively by federal land management agencies in environmental impact statements and management plans. It will become increasingly more important in developing management plans and assessing impacts on wildlife habitat.

# RING-NECKED PHEASANT

## **SUMMARY**



The 1995-96 winter was fairly mild. Temperatures were above normal in November through March, while precipitation was below normal in November and December.

Weather conditions during the nesting season, however, were questionable in 1996. Statewide monthly average temperatures were above normal (April-August). Average precipitation was above normal. Pheasants observed on roadside routes was above 1995, but hens appeared to have less young.

Harvest statistics compiled from the questionnaire indicated a slight increase in success compared to 1995. Harvest increased 18 percent from 1995, but remained 58 percent below the long-term average. Opening weekend success was up compared to the previous year based upon field bag check data.

The pheasant hunt is the second most popular hunt in Utah. Mule deer hunting ranks first. Despite its popularity among Utah sportsmen, Utah's pheasant population continues to decline steadily. Primary reasons for population declines are due to outright losses of critical habitat and degradation of remaining habitat.

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), begun in 1985, has done little for Utah pheasant populations. Most CRP lands in Utah are in dryland farming areas. Pheasants prefer irrigated agricultural areas.

## Winter Sex Ratio Counts

Winter sex ratio counts provide an index as to how harvest of roosters only is affecting pheasant populations. In Utah, one rooster for every two, three or four hens is most common. One rooster for every ten hens is biologically acceptable in that one rooster can easily service ten hens in the wild. Based on this biological concept, hunting of rooster pheasants only does not appear to be affecting the populations.

Results of the survey for the winter of 1995-96 and long-term trends are shown in Tables 1, 2 and Figure 1 of this section. Statewide comparisons to the winter of 1994-95 and the 10-year (1986-95) average are as follows:

	Winter of 	Percent change from 1994-95	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Total pheasants counted (roadside)			
Hens per cock			
Pheasants observed per 100 hours			
Total hours effort (roadside)			

Winter sex ratio data was not collected in Utah in the winter of 1995-96.

## Roadside Counts

A summary of summer roadside pheasant counts for 1996 is shown in Table 3. Long-term trends of pheasants per mile, young per mile, young per hen, percent of hens with young and mean brood size are found in Tables 4-8 and Figure 2. Summer 1996 survey results compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total pheasants observed	404	+65	-66
Total miles driven	874.4	+6	-45
Pheasants per mile	0.46	+55	-34
Average brood size	4.90	-11	-12
Young per hen	3.08	-36	-18
Percent of hens with young	68	-9	-12

Total pheasants observed increased 65 percent and pheasants per mile increased 55 percent. Percent of hens with young decreased 9 percent while average brood size decreased 11 percent.

More pheasants were observed on roadside counts in 1996 than in 1995. However, reproductive success per adult hen was down from the previous year. Lower than normal precipitation during the nesting season (March-August) may have been responsible for decreased chick survival.

### Harvest

## Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the hunter questionnaire for 1996 are shown in Table 9. Long-term trends of pheasants bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 10-12, and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 13. A comparison of 1996 harvest statistics to 1995 and the previous 48-year average follow:

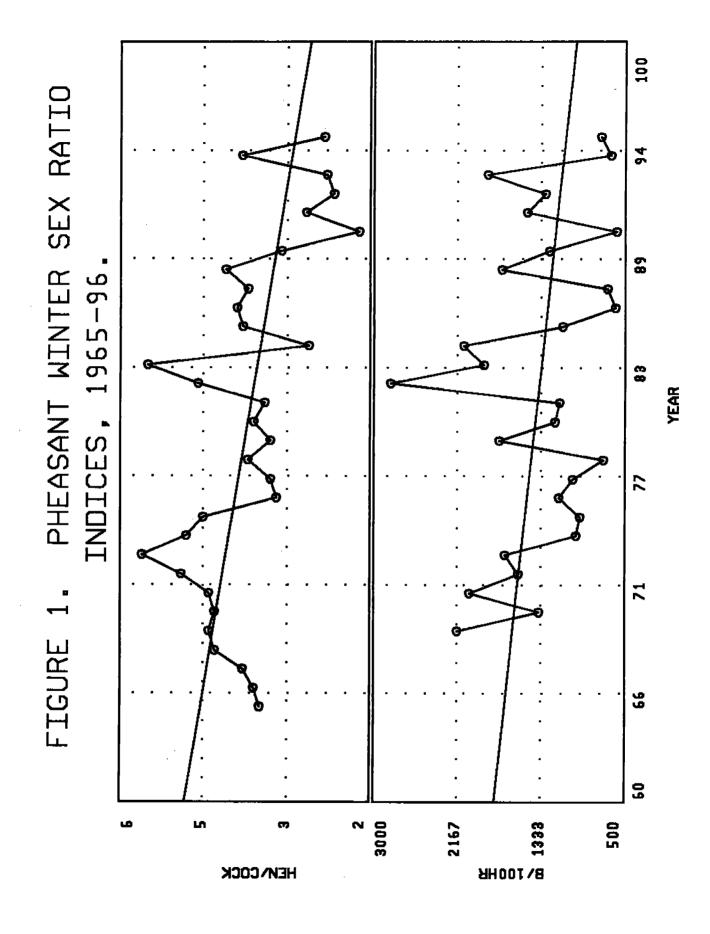
		Percent change	Percent change
		from	from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Pheasant hunters	41,854	+9	-44
Pheasants harvested	83,987	+18	-58
Hunter-days afieldl	157,755	+11	<del>-</del> 25
Pheasants per hunter-day	0.53	+6	-41
Pheasants per hunter	2.01	+9	-22

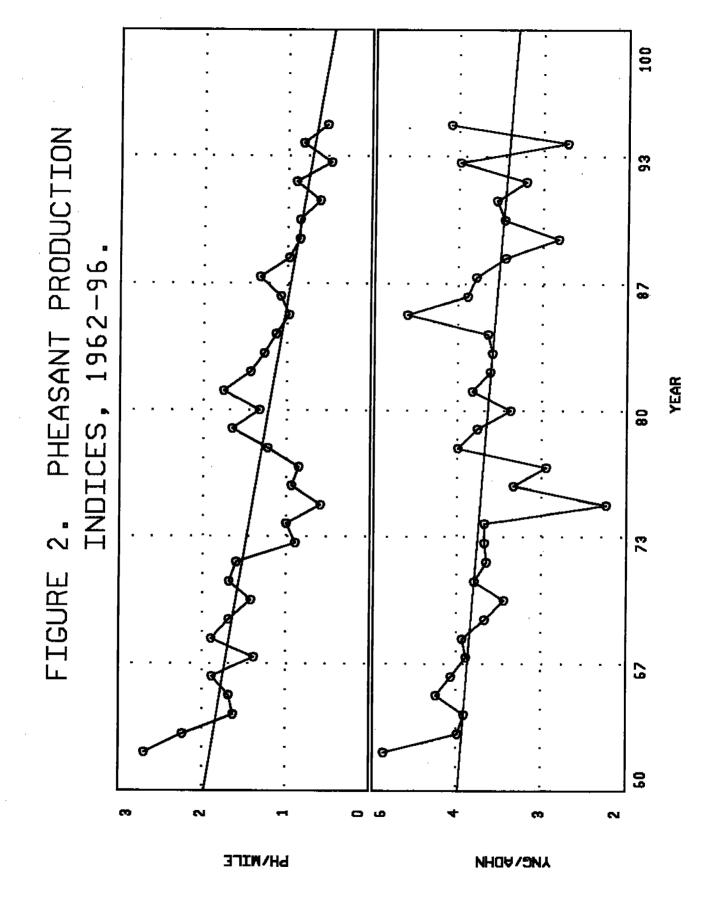
Ninety percent confidence interval for overall pheasant harvest is  $\pm$ 4,841 Standard deviation is 0.877836.

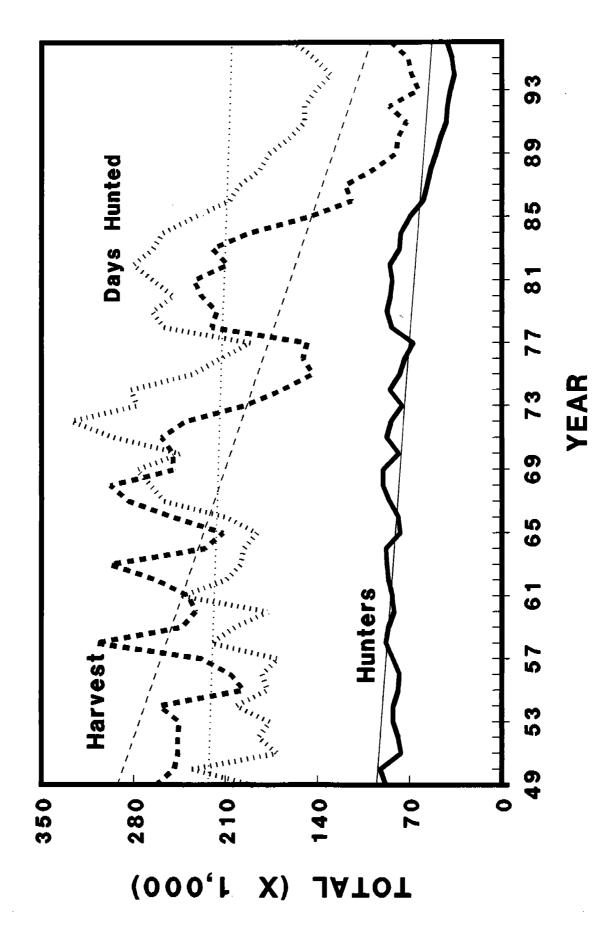
Total hunters increased 9 percent from 1995 and remained 44 percent below the long-term average. Total harvest increased 18 percent from 1995. Hunter success (pheasants per hunter-day) increased 6 percent from 1995. Pheasants per hunter increased 9 percent and remains 22 percent below the long-term average.

Long-term trends (1948-96) of total hunters, hunter-days, harvest and hunter success are shown in Figures 3 and 4. Generally, the recent trend is toward less hunter-days with declines in total pheasants harvested and hunter success. We believe this is the result of the accumulated effects of loss of quantity and quality of habitat due to urbanization, flooding, modern agricultural practices, and habitat fragmentation resulting in increased predation.

Utah County accounted for 16.92 percent of the entire pheasant harvest, while Box Elder County accounted for 17.81 percent and Cache County for 13.47 percent.







Statewide trends of pheasant harvest statistics, 1949-96. Figure 3.

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Statewide trends of pheasant hunter success rates, 1949-96. Figure 4.

100 PHEASANT FIELD BAG CHECK 1966-96 **8**5 INDICES, FIGURE 5. 28 **\$** 17 PH 1004R **ATNH\** 

## Field Bag Checks

Field bag checks provide an index of opening day or weekend hunter harvest success rates.

A summary of pheasant field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 14. The hunter success trend determined via bag checks since 1991 is found in Table 15 and Figure 5. A comparison of 1996 data, on a statewide basis, to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total hunters checked	114	-82	-92
Total hours hunted	262	<b>-</b> 86	<b>-</b> 93
Pheasants per hunter			
(complete hunts)	0.38	+15	+7
Pheasants bagged per 100 hours	16	+45	+4
Average hours per hunter-day			
(complete hunts)	2.30	-23	-11
Hours hunted per pheasant bagged (complete hunts)	1.24	-86	-83

In 1996, hunters spent 23 percent less time afield on an average day during the opening weekend. Hours hunted per pheasant bagged decreased 86 percent.

Table 1. Summary of pheasant winter sex ratio counts, 1995-96.

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Sanpete	3.98	3.25	4.48	3.20	3.34	4.17	4.60	4.77	2.15	9.00	3.00	
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Utah	4.16	4.18	3.94	3.80	4.31	6.41	4.22	3.76	2.95	3.85	3.08	
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Uintah	4.13	3.65	3.67	2.33	3.30	3.33	1.70	3,33	6.60	6.00	ł	
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Table 9. Summary of pheasant hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND COUNTY	Sample Size*	HUNTER-DAYS AFIELD		BIRDS PER HUNTER-DAY	% OF PRESSURE	% of Harvest
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	321	22,413	14,957	0.67	14.21	17.81
CACHE	227	16,955	11,311	0.67	10.75	13.47
DAVIS	139	11,659	2,810	0.24	7.39	3.35
MORGAN	5	185	92	0.50	0.12	
RICH	3	46	· -			0.11
SUMMIT			0	0.00	0.03	0.00
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WEBER	227	17,838	5,667	0.32	11.31	6.75
REGIONAL TOTALS	923	<b>69,</b> 099	34,839	0.50	43.80	41.48
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	83	3,693	2,345	0.64	2.34	2.79
SALT LAKE	50	2,740	1,788	0.65	1.74	2.13
SANPETE	116	6,573	3,646	0.55	4.17	4.34
TOOELE	56	4,273	1,323	0.31	2.71	1.58
HATU	413	27,430	14,214	0.52	17.39	16.92
WASATCH	413	441	232	0.52	0.28	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	724	45,152	23,551	0.52	28.62	28.04
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	6	394	69	0.18	0.25	0.08
GARFIELD	2	162	0	0.00	0.10	0.00
IRON	16	1,021	255	0.25	0.65	0.30
KANE	1	23	46	2.00	0.01	0.06
MILLARD	157	9,406	5,295	0.56	5.96	6.31
PIUTE	7	255	232	0.91	0.16	0.28
SEVIER	92	6,967	2,717	0.39	4.42	3.24
WASHINGTON	26	1,811	441	0.24	1.15	0.53
WAYNE	3	116	23	0.20	0.07	0.03
REGIONAL TOTALS	310	20,160	9,081	0.45	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	
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NORTHEASTERN REGION	•					
DAGGETT	4	255	46	0.18	0.16	0.06
DUCHESNE	95	6,828	5,876	0.86	4.33	7.00
UINTAH	68	5,411	3,530	0.65	3.43	4.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	167	12,495	9,453	0.76	7.92	11.26
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	45	3,065	1,811	0.59	1.94	2.16
EMERY	69	5,992	3,623	0.60	3.80	4.31
GRAND	8	1,347	673	0.50	0.85	0.80
SAN JUAN	6	325	209	0.64	0.21	0.25
REGIONAL TOTALS	128	10,730	6,317	0.59	6.80	7.52
Unknown	7	116	743	6.40	0.07	0.88
STATE TOTALS	2,259	157,755	83,987	0.53	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 10. Summary of pheasants bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.40	0.58	0.53	0.64	0.44	0.55	0.57	0.67
Cache	0.32	0.46	0.51	0.59	0.48	0.60	0.54	0.67
Davis	0.28	0.26	0.34	0.29	0.21	0.34	0.24	0.24
Morgan	0.40	(0.67)	(0.15)	(0.00)	0.00	1.06	0.14	0.50
Rich	(0.17)	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.33	1.00	0.50	0.00
Summit	(0.67)	0.00	(0.05)	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.75	0.00
Weber	0.29	0.34	0.37	0.39	0.20	0.29	0.45	0.32
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.32	0.42	0.44	0.50	0.33	0.46	0.47	0.50
Central Region								
Juab	0.38	0.39	0.57	0.66	0.40	0.49	0.71	0.64
Salt Lake	0.32	0.51	0.32	0.39	0.53	0.55	0.71	0.65
Sanpete	0.65	0.57	0.59	0.60	0.44	0.59	0.34	0.55
Tooele	0.29	0.36	0.44	0.24	0.15	0.33	0.50	
Utah	0.58	0.53	0.55	0.65	0.15	0.58		0.31
Wasatch	(1.33)	0.00	0.68	(0.30)	0.50	2.00	0.55	0.52
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.54	0.00	0.53	(0.30) 0.59	0.45	0.56	1.50 0.53	0.53
						0.50	U.33	0.52
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.39	0.68	0.55	0.38	0.28	0.39	0.24	0.18
Garfield	0.71	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	1.00	0.50	0.00
Iron	0.34	0.34	0.29	0.26	0.29	0.44	0.25	0.25
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
Millard	0.66	0.74	0.59	0.76	0.58	0.62	0.58	0.56
Piute	1.12	(0.50)	(0.10)	(1.00)	0.25	0.63	0.50	0.91
Sevier	0.45	0.42	0.36	0.49	0.32	0.41	0.27	0.39
Washington	0.33	0.38	0.21	0.61	0.93	0.56	0.45	0.24
Wayne	(0.46)	0.00	(0.50)	(1.14)	0.29	0.57	0.50	0.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.52	0.56	0.45	0.62	0.47	0.52	0.42	0.45
Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.18
Duchesne	0.62	0.78	0.66	0.79	0.77	0.85	0.90	0.86
Uintah	0.42	0.57	0.47	0.68	0.44	0.80	0.49	0.65
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.53				0.67	0.83	0.74	4554666666666
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Southeastern Region								
Carbon	0.39	0.30	0.22	0.48	0.57	0.30	0.35	0.59
Emery	0.44	0.44	0.50	0.53	0.52	0.62	0.41	0.60
Grand	(0.33)	(0.33)	•	•	0.57	0.61	0.00	0.50
San Juan	(2.00)			(1.00)		0.00	0.00	0.64
REGIONAL TOTALS	30.43	0.39	0.39	0.53	0.53	0.00	0.38	0.59
Unknown Counties	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.45	0.53	0.30	6.40
CMIME MOMITE	0.46	0.40	0.49	0 57	0.45	0 67	0.50	0.5
STATE TOTALS	0.46	0.49	0.48	0.57	0.45	0.67	0.50	0.5

<sup>( )</sup>Data may be biased because small sample size inflated county harvest beyond reasonable estimate for known pheasant populations.

Table 11. Percentage distribution of pheasant harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

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Region and _				Yea	r		-	
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	7.65	12.70	11.67	12.59	9.93	12.03	14.74	14.21
Cache	4.01	7.53	9.68	9.76	8.04	11.72	11.55	10.75
Davis	4.80	3.96	4.38	2.92	2.82	3.89	3.30	7.39
	0.15				0.00	0.44	0.03	0.12
Morgan Rich	(0.03)	(0.21) 0.00	(0.07) 0.00	(0.00) (0.00)	0.06	0.44	0.03	0.12
Summit	(0.05)	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00
Weber	27.40	8.39	(8.03)	(0.00) 6.59	5.13	5.55	9.91	11.31
REGIONAL TOTALS	27.40	32.79	33.85	31.86	25.98	33.67	39.67	43.80
REGIONAL TOTALS	44.47	22.73	33.63	21.00	23.30	33.67	39.07	43.00
Central Region								
Juab	1.69	2.09	2.47	3.21	2.16	3.05	3.74	2.34
Salt Lake	2.67	4.30	2.23	2.51	2.76	2.00	1.53	1.74
Sanpete	10.76	7.92	5.94	5.70	4.32	5.81	2.32	4.17
Tooele	2.03	2.19	1.72	1.24	0.93	1.10	1.67	2.71
Utah	27.35	23.44	27.43	28.75	24.51	25.18	25.42	17.39
Wasatch	(0.51)	0.00	0.50	(0.06)	0.06	0.05	0.74	0.28
REGIONAL TOTALS	45.02	39.94	40.30	41.47	34.74	37.18	35.41	28.62
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.36	0.73	0.69	0.31	0.48	0.74	0.41	0.25
Garfield	0.13	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	0.03	0.05	0.10
Iron	0.62	0.50	0.55	0.21	0.39	0.72	0.38	0.65
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Millard	7.99	8.71	7.62	8.04	7.71	7.72	6.03	5.96
Piute	0.74	(0.08)	(0.02)	(0.19)	0.06	0.13	0.05	0.16
Sevier	5.75	3.94	3.62	3.83	4.53	3.79	2.10	4.42
Washington	1.05	0.78	0.43	0.46	2.52	1.64	1.09	1.15
Wayne	(0.15)	0.00	(0.02)	(0.17)	0.06	0.20	0.11	0.07
REGIONAL TOTALS	16.80	14.73	12.96	13,19	15.75	14.99	10.24	12.78
Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.16
Duchesne	5.86	5.71	5.73	5.97	8.49	4.40	8.11	4.33
Uintah	3.16	3.15	3.07	3.58	2.40	3.38	3.00	3.43
REGIONAL TOTALS	9.01	8.86	8.79	9.55	11.07	7.78	11.11	7.92
Cauthanatan Danian								
Southeastern Region  Carbon	1.90	0.76	0.84	1.28	2.19	1.00	1.06	1.94
Emery	2.88	2.76	2.92	2.44	5.10	4.96	2.13	3.80
Grand	(0.08)	(0.16)		(0.14)	0.12	0.36	0.00	0.85
San Juan	(0.08)	0.00	(0.10)	0.06)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.21
REGIONAL TOTALS	5.01	3.68	4.10	3.94	7.41	6.32	3.19	
Unknown Counties	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.04	0.05	0.38	0.07
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

<sup>( )</sup>Data may be biased because small sample size inflated county harvest beyond reasonable estimate for known pheasant populations.

Table 12. Percentage distribution of pheasant hunting pressure by county, 1989-96.

Region and				Yea	ar			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	8.77	10,67	10.66	11.21	10.00	11.49	12.92	17.81
Cache	5.68	7.98	9.18	9.40	7.55	10.33		17.81
Davis	7.85	7.32	6.31	5.78	6.01			3.35
Morgan	0.18	(0.15)				0.22		0.11
Rich	(0.07)	(0.01)					0.05	0.00
Summit	(0.04)	(0.01)				0.01	0.05	0.00
Weber	11.59	ì2.13	10.47	9.64	11.34	10.23	11.06	6.75
REGIONAL TOTALS	34.17	38.29	37,10	36.11	35.14	38.37	41.90	
Central Region								
Juab	2.02	2.61	2.11	2.79	2.41	3.26	2.64	2.79
Salt Lake	3.84	4.11	3.41	3.71	2.35	1.91	2.55	2.13
Sanpete	7.55	6.81	4.87	5.44	4.41	5.24	3.40	4.34
Tooele	3.17	2.95	1.91	2.99	2.71	1.75	1.65	1.58
Utah	21.39	21.57	24.00	25.12	22.66	22.98	23.13	16.92
Wasatch	(0.18)	0.00	0.36	(0.12)	0.05	0.01	0.25	0.28
REGIONAL TOTALS	38.15	38.06	36.66	40.18	34.59	35.15	33.62	28.04
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.42	0.52	0.61	0.47	0.78	1.02	0.86	0.08
Garfield	0.08	(0.08)		(0.00)		0.01	0.05	0.00
Iron	0.83	0.71	0.92	0.45	0.60	0.85	0.75	0.30
Kane	(0.01)	0.00	0.00	(0.02)		0.00	0.00	0.06
Millard	5.52	5.74	6.27	6.06	5.97	6.58	5.17	6.31
Piute	0.30	(0.08)	(0.12)	(0.11)	0.11	0.11	0.05	0.28
Sevier	5.79	4.58	4.86	4.48	6.25	4.89	3.89	3.24
Washington	1.47	1.02	1.01	0.43	1.21	1.56	1.20	0.53
Wayne		alada a als chalates a alabasalasas acas	(0.02)	(0.08)		0.19	0.11	0.03
REGIONAL TOTALS	14.58	12.80	13.82	12.10	15.01	15.20	12.09	10.81
Northeastern Region								
Daggett	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.00	(0.00)	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.06
Duchesne	4.27	3.55	4.22	4.33	4.95	2.73	4.48	7.00
Uintah	3.41	2.71	3.16	2.99	2.43	2.23	3.05	4.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	7.70	6.28	7,38	7.32	7.45	4.97	7.53	11.26
Southeastern Region	1							
Carbon	1.76	1.54	2.21	1.51	1.73	1.75	1.50	2.16
Emery	3.05	2.99			4.37			4.31
Grand	0.04	(0.11)						0.80
San Juan	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.13)			0.00	0.01	0.25
REGIONAL TOTALS	5.34	4.57	5.04	4.23	6.25	6.27	4.23	7.52
Unknown Counties	0.74	0.06	0.00	0.05	1.56	0.04	0.63	0.88
STATE TOTALS	100.00 1	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

<sup>( )</sup>Data may be biased because sample size inflated county harvest beyond reasonable estimate for known pheasant populations.

Table 13. Statewide summary of pheasant harvest statistics, 1948-96.

Table 13.				st statistics, 1948	96. Pheasants Pe
V	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Pheasants Per	
Year	Hunters 96 524	Harvest	Afield	Hunter-Day	Hunter 2.91
1948	96,534	280,914	_ 189,453	1.39	2.98
1949	88,369	263,340		1.06	2.69
1950 1951	92,724	249,428	235,309	1.44	3.22
1951	76,576	246,575	171,233	1.33	3.22 3.13
1952	78,773	246,559	185,383 176,480	1.39	2.97
1953	82,595	245,307	,		
1954	82,370	260,289	201,774	1.29	3.16 2.49
1955	78,793	196,195	178,359	1.10	
1956	77,826	206,239	182,512	1.13	2.65 2.75
1957	83,025	228,319	170,387	1.34	2.75
1958	88,290	309,015	220,725	1.40	3.50
1959	86,268	243,276	202,730	1.21	2.82
1960	81,976	232,812	177,719	1.31	2.84
1961	83,493	238,439	243,305	0.98	2.86
1962	86,336	262,448	209,921	1.25	3.04
1963	87,647	297,873	198,582	1.50	3.40
1964	88,242	225,775	196,314	1.15	2.56
1965	77,409	211,876	186,215	1.14	2.74
1966	78,721	249,814	209,082	1.19	3.17
1967	85,664	284,000	257,033	1.10	3.32
1968	90,453	297,752	267,788	1.11	3.29
1969	90,573	250,241	277,887	0.90	2.76
1970	78,585	250,503	244,958	1.02	3.19
1971	87,878	259,189	294,618	0.88	2.95
1972	84,311	240,573	327,669	0.73	2.85
1973	75,968	196,012	278,033	0.70	2.58
1974	85,252	167,408	282,294	0.59	1.96
1975	77,566	143,783	234,615	0.61	1.85
1976	74,029	151,476	214,023	0.71	2.05
1977	67,195	148,168	191,142	0.78	2.21
1978	83,800	220,398	257,305	0.86	2.63
1979	87,462	216,700	266,245	0.81	2.48
1980	84,868	228,442	249,770	0.91	2.69
1981	83,408	234,217	265,381	0.88	2.81
1982	85,368	208,437	280,624	0.74	2.44
1983	77,847	220,074	265,731	0.83	2.83
1984	76,840	192,190	258,169	0.74	2.50
1985	69,889	146,807	233,328	0.63	2.10
1986	59,987	114,389	207,346	0.55	1.91
1987	57,118	119,236	199,470	0.60	2.09
1988	54,514	97,658	184,180	0.53	1.79
1989	50,382	80,769	177,364	0.46	1.60
1990	47,025	78,944	161,634	0.49	1.68
1991	42,813	72,612	150,096	0.48	1.70
1992	41,640	85,803	150,244	0.57	2.06
1993	39,640	63,336	141,399	0.45	1.60
1994	36,705	68,698	129,872	0.53	1.87
1995	38,391	71,202	142,755	0.50	1.85
1996	41,854	83,987	157,755	0.53	2.01
Totals	,	<b>, ·</b>			
(1948 <b>-</b> 96)	3,652,992	9,687,497	10,284,211	_	
Averages					
(1948-95)		200,073	210,968	0.90	2.57
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Table 14. Pheasant field bag check summary, 1996.

Region and	Total	Total	Total	,	Birds/	Complete	Total	Total	Total	Birds/	Birds/
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Emery	73	164	382	23	15	49	113	260	43	17	0.38
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San Juan	:	:	1	1		ł	1	:	ı	ł	f
REGIONAL TOTALS	73	164	382	59	15	49	113	260	43	17	0.38
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Wasatch	1	:	:	1	;	:	ŀ	:	:	:	Į	:
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Southern Region												
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Southeastern Region												
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Emery	22	0.36	34	0.51	22	0.29	15	0.33	28	0.55	17	0.38
Grand	1	ł	ı	1	42	0.40	1	ŀ	ł	ł	ı	ŀ
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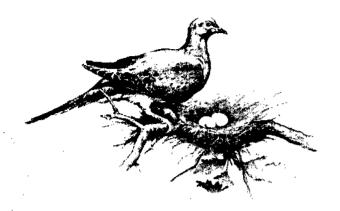
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## MIGRATORY UPLAND GAME BIRDS

**SUMMARY** 



**Mourning Doves** 

**Band-tailed Pigeons** 



The breeding density index increased 41 percent in 1996, and was 2 percent above average.

Aging of wings indicated the juvenile per 100 adult ratio increased to 116 compared to 96 in 1995. Juvenile per 100 adult ratio was 3 percent above the long-term average.

Harvest statistics derived from the questionnaire indicated an increase in number of hunters and harvest compared to 1995.

Field bag checks indicated a decrease in hunter success on opening day. Hunters who participated hunted more hours per day than the previous year, and spent more time afield per dove harvested.

A free band-tailed pigeon hunting permit was required in 1996 to obtain mailing addresses for a questionnaire. Sixty eight hunters obtained permits and 37 went afield. Ninety two pigeons were harvested. The majority of the harvest occurred in Washington County.

#### MOURNING DOVE

#### Call Count Survey

Results of the 1996 call count survey are found in Table 1 of this section. The long-term trend of the state's breeding density index (average doves heard per route) is shown in Table 2. Indices shown in each of these tables are unweighted and consequently differ from those published in the annual Mourning Dove Status Report compiled by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. However, indicated trends are similar (Figure 1). The following is a comparison of the results of the 1996 survey compared to 1995 and the 10-year(1986-85) average:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Average doves heard per route	9.87	+41	+2
Average doves seen per route	8.53	+124	-20

Coo count data (doves heard per route) indicated increased breeding activity in late May compared to 1995, and was 2 percent above the long-term average of doves heard per route.

#### Harvest

#### Hunter Questionnaire

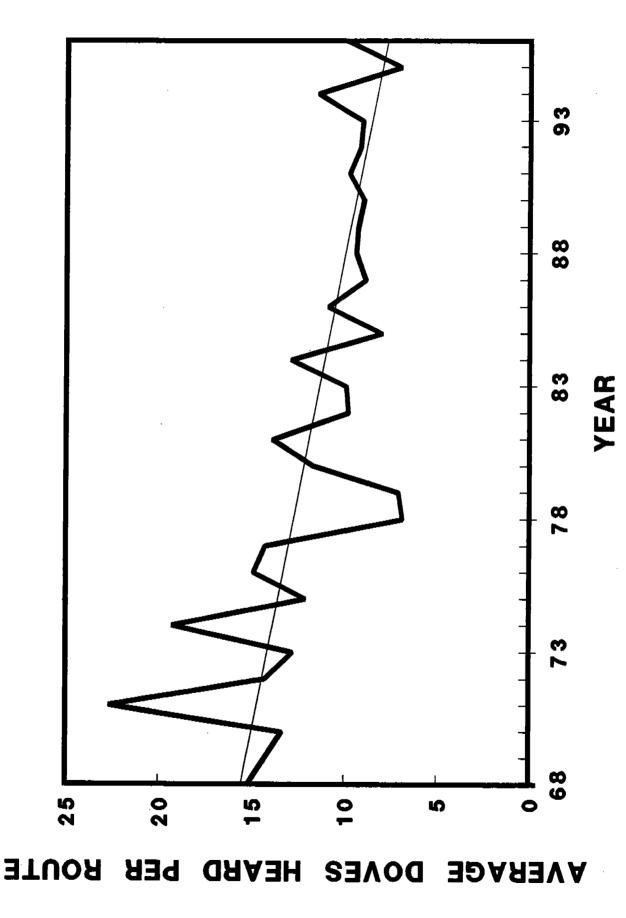
Information obtained from the hunter questionnaire for 1996 is summarized in Table 3. Long-term trends of mourning doves bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 4-6 and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 7 and Figures 2 and 3. The following is a comparison of the harvest statistics for 1996 compared to 1995 and the previous 45-year average:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Mourning dove hunters	23,180	+11	+5
Mourning doves harvested	200,167	+7	-2
Hunter-days afield	85,613	+6	+24
Mourning doves per hunter-day	2.34	+1	-28
Mourning doves per hunter	8.6492	<del>-</del> 3	<del>-</del> 4

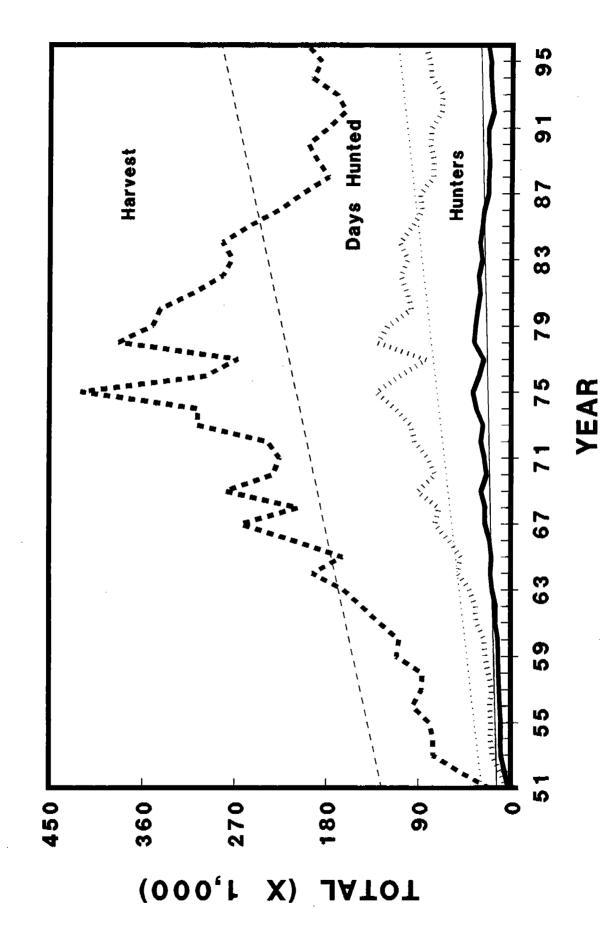
Ninety percent confidence interval for overall dove harvest is  $\pm$  12,056. Standard deviation is 2.920900.

Hunter success increased slightly from 1995. Total harvest increased 7 percent compared to 1995. Numbers of dove hunters increased 11 percent and hunter-days afield increased 6 percent. Doves per hunter decreased 3 percent from 1995.

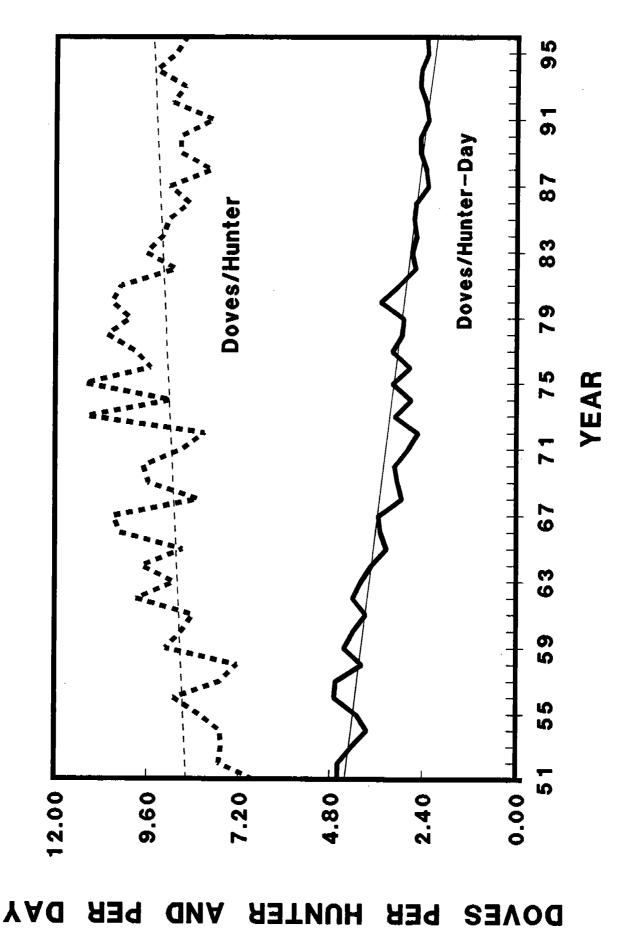
Long-term harvest trends are depicted in Figure 2.



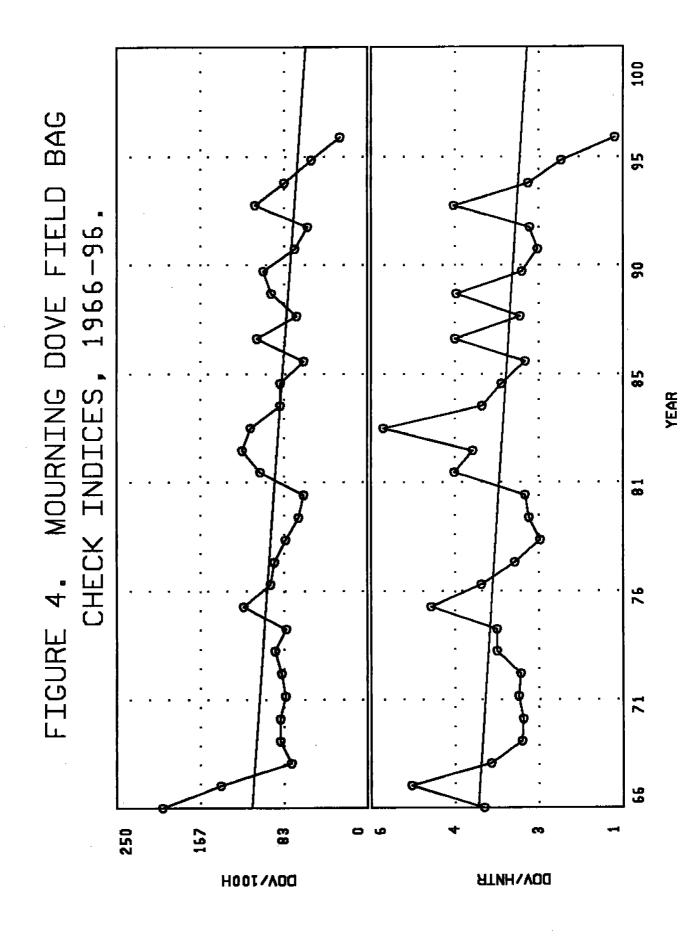
Mourning dove breeding density index trend, 1968-96. Figure 1.



Statewide trends of mourning dove harvest statistics, 1951-96. Figure 2.



Statewide trends of mourning dove hunter success rates, 1951-96. Figure 3.



#### Field Bag Checks

A summary of field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 8. Hunter success trends determined via this method are shown in Table 9. Results of the 1996 survey compared to 1995 and the 10-year average (1986-95) follow:

	1996	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from Average
	1990	1775	Average
Total hunters checked	739	+42	-33
Total hours hunted	3,073	+49	-26
Doves per hunter (complete hunts)	1.16	-48	-65
Doves bagged per 100 hours	28		
(complete hunts)			
Average hours per hunter-day			
(complete hunts)	4.16	+6	+7
Hours hunted per dove bagged (complete hunts)	3.59	+102	+240

Field bag checks indicated an opening day decrease in hunter success. The total number of hunters checked was up 42 percent from 1995. Dove hunters spent more time afield per hunter-day than in 1995, and more time was spent per dove bagged.

#### Age Composition of the Harvest

A summary of the age composition of harvested mourning doves from 1986 through 1996 is contained in Table 10. Hatching dates for immature doves harvested in Utah since 1987 are shown in Table 11.

Following is a comparison of data collected in 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year average (1986-95):

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Sample size	1,564	-16	-47
Immatures/100 adults	116	+21	+3
Percent hatched August 3+			
Percent hatched July 25+			
Percent hatched before July 25			

Sample size decreased 16 percent in 1996. The 116 immatures per 100 adults in the harvest was up 21 percent from the previous year and is 3 percent above the long-term average.

Table 1. Summary of the mourning dove call-count survey for 1996.

Region and	Route	Total Doves	Total Doves
County	Number	Heard / Route	Seen / Route
Northern Region			
Box Elder	R1500	0	10
Summit	R1020	1	0
REGIONAL TOTALS		1	10
Central Region			
Juab	R2830	41	51
REGIONAL TOTALS		41	51
Southern Region			
Beaver	R3820	1	3
Garfield	R1090	0	0
lron	R4001	4	4
Millard	R3640	16	2
Sevier-Sanpete	R0370	5	14
Washington	R4311	1	0
Wayne-Sevier	R0660	15	5
REGIONAL TOTALS		42	28
Northeastern Region			
Duchesne	R0080	6	5
Uintah	R0220	6	6
REGIONAL TOTALS		12	11
Southeastern Region		,	
Emery	R0540	7	1
San Juan	R1171	43	27
San Juan	R1451	2	0
REGIONAL TOTALS		52	28
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STATE TOTALS		148	128
STATE AVERAGES		9.87	8.53
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PERCENT CHANGE			
(from previous year)		41	125

Table 2. Regional and county summary of mourning dove breeding population trend as indicated by the number of doves heard per route during random call count surveys, 1980-96.

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STATE TOTALS		176	208	128	128	194	126	163	134	141	140	135	137	138	175	172	105	148
STATE AVERAGES		11.73	13.87	8.53	8.53	12.93	8.40	10.87	8.93	9.40	9.33	9.00	9.79	9.20	11.67	11.47	7.00	9.87
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Table 3. Summary of mourning dove hunter success and distribution of harvest and Hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

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NODTHEDN DECION						
NORTHERN REGION BOX ELDER	150	10.040	07 500	0.00		
CACHE	150	10,242	27,523	2.69	11.96	13.75
DAVIS	59	3,878	7,525	1.94	4.53	3.76
MORGAN	23	2,183	2,996	1.37	2.55	1.50
MORGAN RICH	14	1,021	2,508	2.45	1.19	1.25
SUMMIT	8 3	301 46	464	1.54	0.35	0.23
WEBER	81		92	2.00	0.05	0.05
REGIONAL TOTALS	338	7,664 <b>25,340</b>	13,332 54,443	1.74	8.95	6.66
	536	23,340	<b>34,443</b>	2.15	29.60	27.20
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	100	4,157	14,656	3.53	4.86	7.32
SALT LAKE	38	3,623	8,547	2.36	4.23	4.27
SANPETE	39	2,833	7,595	2.68	3.31	3.79
TOOELE	113	7,409	18,395	2.48	8.65	9.19
UTAH	215	16,862	32,726	1.94	19.70	16.35
WASATCH	10	1,091	1,858	1.70	1.28	0.93
REGIONAL TOTALS	515	35,978	83,778	2.33	42.02	41.85
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	9	1,091	3,530	3.23	1.28	1.76
GARFIELD	1	92	92	1.00	0.11	0.05
IRON	33	2,531	8,106	3.20	2.96	4.05
KANE	4	348	998	2.87	0.41	0.50
MILLARD	91	5,179	16,839	3.25	6.05	8.41
PIUTE	4	232	766	3.30	0.27	0.38
SEVIER	42	4,761	8,384	1.76	5.56	4.19
WASHINGTON	29	1,695	5,783	3.41	1.98	2.89
WAYNE	1	116	232	2.00	0.14	0.12
REGIONAL TOTALS	214	15,049	44,734	2.79	18,75	22.35
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NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT	2	185	185	1.00	0.22	0.09
DUCHESNE	20	1,695	4,087	2.41	1.98	2.04
UINTAH	19	1,161	2,276	1.96	1.36	1.14
REGIONAL TOTALS	41	3,042	6,549	2.15	3.55	3.27
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	20	1,904	3,669	1.93	2.22	1.83
EMERY	21	2,415	5,086	2.11	2.82	2.54
GRAND	5	301	627	2.08	0.35	0.31
SAN JUAN	3	139	580	4.17	0.16	0.29
REGIONAL TOTALS	49	4,761	9,964	2.09	5.56	4.98
Unknown	7	441	696	1 60	0.50	0.05
STATE TOTALS	1,164	85,613	200,167	1.58 2.34	0.52	0.35
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<sup>\*</sup> Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 4. Summary of mourning doves bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	2.83	2.73	2.27	2.56	2.49	2.63	2.91	2.69
Cache	2.24	1.67	1.97	2.16	1.88	2.54	1.78	1.94
Davis	1.31	1.53	1.77	1.19	1.39	1.26	2.09	1.37
Morgan	1.03	1.73	2.31	2.47	0.88	2.93	3.65	2.45
Rich	1.26	1.95	3.45	2.27	1.18	1.67	0.83	1.54
Summit	1.61	7.00	1.78	3.25	0.25	2.61	5.00	2.00
Weber	1.88	1.48	1,30	1.79	1.50	1.57	2.07	1.74
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.20	2.20	2.02	1.99	2.16	2.36	2.36	2.15
Central Region								
Juab	4.45	3.70	3.33	3.34	4.25	2.72	3.35	3.53
Salt Lake	2.18	2.37	2.02	2.14	1.88	2.79	1.95	2.36
Sanpete	2.40	3.06	2.69	2.06	3.21	1.78	2.27	2.68
Tooele	2.88	1.90	2.29	2.14	2.06	2.45	2.02	2.48
Utah	2.08	2.05	1.89	1.77	2.12	2.43	1.72	1.94
Wasatch	1.22	2.42	2.11	2.37	1.83	2.15	2.21	1.70
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.55	2.41	2.25	2.10	2.51	2.43	2.07	2.33
Southern Region								
Beaver	4.35	1.71	3.32	3.41	1.52	3.72	2.73	3.23
Garfield	2.27	2.34	2.40	1.67	3.50	1.47	3.18	1.00
Iron	2.91	4.38	2.80	3.96	2.42	3.60	3.91	3.20
Kane	3.11	1.00	3.03	4.05	4.09	3.00	10.00	2.87
Millard	3.54	4.42	3.13	3.30	4.40	3.20	3.44	3.25
Piute	0.00	1.45	2.50	1.33	2.83	4.50	2.59	3.30
Sevier	2.70	2.18	2.09	2.42	2.10	2.36	1.21	1.76
Washington	2.12	2.81	3.63	2.54	2.74	2.28	3.06	3.41
Wayne	3.53	0.61	0.75	2.86	1.00	2.11	1.44	2.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.01	3.20	2.87	3.09	2.98	2.94	2.84	*******
Northeastern Region			•					
Daggett	0.25	2.00	1.00	3.25	7.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Duchesne	1.42	1.85	2.21	2.24	2.52	3.06	2.62	2.41
Uintah	233	3.17	1.06	2.06	2.12	3 - 35	2.01	1.96
REGIONAL TOTAL	1.82	2.46	1.64	2.15	2.32	3.25	2.08	2.15
04								
Southeastern Region								
Carbon	0.75	1.18	0.25	2.15	1.51	2.82	0.96	1.93
Emery	1.77	2.04	1.68	3.10	3.73	2.06	2.10	2.11
Grand	2.18	4.04	1.13	0.00	2.21	1.50	0.47	2.08
San Juan	4.22	1.69	3.56	2.61	3.46	4.42	4.48	4.17
REGIONAL TOTALS		2.07	£.14	2.46	3.27	Z.249	2.15	2.09
Unknown counties	2.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	1.50	2.28	1.58
	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	1.50	2.20	1.50
STATE TOTALS	2.49	2.49	2.28	2.35	2.51	2.48	2.31	2.34

Table 5. Percentage distribution of mourning dove harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	12.06	9.95	9.60	9.09	11.18	12.10	13.61	11.06
Cache	4.87	3.34						11.96 4.53
Davis	2.01	2.57						2.55
Morgan	0.44	0.59				-		1.19
Rich	0.26	0.38						0.35
Summit	0.32	0.51						0.05
Weber REGIONAL TOTALS	3.54 23.50	3.54 20.88	2.39		3.14		6.80	8.95
Central Region								
Juab	9.79	9.45	8.78	6.74	11.16	5.76	7 70	4 06
Salt Lake	3.56	5.71						4.86 4.23
Sanpete	4.34	3.23						3.31
Tooele	8.58	6.37						8.65
Utah	16.27	12.83				16.32		19.70
Wasatch REGIONAL TOTALS	0.54 43.08	1.08	0.94		1.22	0.93	1.11	1.28
					40.35	40.54	36.36	42.02
Southern Region								
Beaver	2.28	1.29	1.94	2.10	1.81	4.02	2.73	1.28
Garfield -	1.09	0.92	0.35	0.05		0.25	0.73	0.11
Iron	3.07	6.20	3.07	5.57		2.79	5.83	2.96
Kane	0.64	0.07	0.91	0.98		0.08		0.41
Millard	9.92	13.35	9.29	11.80		40.87	8.25	6.05
Piute Sevier	0.00	0.57	0.68	0.31		0.41	0.46	0.27
Washington	6.11	4.05	4.80	5.66		4.60		5.56
Washington Wayne	2.62	4.99	5.16	1.50		2.83	3.35	1.98
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.73 26.46	0.11 31.57	0.03 <b>26.2</b> 2	0.22 <b>28.19</b>	0,16 28.68	0.34 26.19	0.14 24.08	0.14 18.75
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Daggett	0.02	0.06	0.01	0.14	0.08	0 00	0.00	
Duchesne	0.85	1.62	2.61	1.21	1.74	0.00 0.94	0.00 1.59	0.22 1.98
Uintah	1.70	2.46	1.21	2.01	1.96	1 87	3 66	1 26
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.57	4.15	3.82	3.36	3.77	2.81	5.25	3.55
Southeastern Regi	on							
Carbon	0.44	0.41	1.24	1.16	1.07	0.59	1.24	2.22
Emery	2.23		1.16	3.64	2.28	2.80	1.55	2.82
Grand	0.26	0.96	0.18	0.00	0.34	0.08	0.09	0.35
San Juan REGIONAL TOTALS	1.24 4.17	0.51 4.74	1.18 3.74	1.03 5.84	0.92 4.62	1.91 5.38	1.17 4.06	0.16 5.56
Unknown counties			0.00	0.00				0.52
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 6. Percentage distribution of mourning dove hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	10.62	9.07	9.63	8.33	11.24	11.41	10.82	11.96
Cache	5.43	4.96	6.43	7.84	6.47	4.97	7.01	4.53
Davis	3.80	4.19	3.08	2.27	1.42	2.80	2.65	2.55
Morgan	1.06	0.85	0.64	0.77	0.47	0.96	0.48	1.19
Rich	0.52	0.49	0.64	0.67	0.47	0.54	0.14	0.35
Summit	0.49	0.18	0.20	0.62	0.22	0.40	0.22	0.05
Weber	4.70	5.94	4.19		5.24	698		8.95
REGIONAL TOTALS	26.62	25.67	24.83	26.53	25.54	28.05	28.91	29.60
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Central Region								
Juab	5.49	6.35	6.01	4.74	6.58	5.26	5.30	4.86
Salt Lake	4.07	5.99	5.64	5.65	3.46	4.65	2.77	4.23
Sanpete Tooele	4.51	2.62	4.10	4.07	3.21	4.74	3.16	3.31
Tooele Utah	7.41 19.53	8.33 15.52	8.54	7.32	9.76	9.13	8.41	8.65
Wasatch	19.55	1.11	19.75 1.02	20.08 0.98	15.70 1.67	16.69 1.07	19.78 1.16	19.70 1.28
REGIONAL TOTALS	42.12	39.91	45.06	42.85	CONTRACTOR	41.53	40.57	42.02
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Southern Region								
Beaver	1.30	1.88	1.33	1.44	2.98	2.68	2.31	1.28
Garfield	1.20	0.98	0.33	0.08	0.28	0.42	0.53	0.11
Iron	2.63	3.52	2.51	3.30	2.45	1.92	3.44	2.96
Kane	0.52	0.18	0.69	0.57	0.61	0.07	0.05	0.41
Millard	6.98	7.50	6.77	8.40	7.59	8.43	5.54	6.05
Piute	0.05	0.98	0.62	0.54	0.33	0.22	0.41	0.27
Sevier	5.65	4.63	5.24	5.49	4.43	4.83	4.53	5.56
Washington	3.07	4.42	3.24	1.39	5.08	3.09	2.53	1.98
Wayne	0.52	0.46	0.09	0.18	0.39	0.40	0.22	0.14
REGIONAL TOTAL	21.92	24.54	20.81	21.40	24.15	22.08	19.56	18.75
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Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.22	0.08	0.02	0.10	0.03	0.00	0.22	0.22
Duchesne	1.49	2.18	2.68	1.26	1.73	0.76	1.40	1.98
Uintah	1.82	1.93	2.60	2.29	2.31			1.36
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.53	4.19	5.30	3.66	4.07	2.15	5.83	3.55
Southeastern Regi	<b>0</b> n							
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Carbon	1.44	0.87	1.31		0.95	1.52		2.22
Emery	3.15	3.47	1.58	2.76	1.53	3.38		2.82
Grand		0.59	0.36	0.08	0.39	0.13	0.46	0.35
San Juan REGIONAL TOTALS	0.73	0.75. ¢ £0	0.75	0.93 5.57	0.67 3.54		0.60 4.36	0.16 5.56
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STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 7. Statewide summary of mourning dove harvest statistics, 1951-96.

Table 1. Stat	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Doves Per	Doves Per
Year	Hunters	Harvest	Afield	Hunter-Day	Hunter
1951	3,007	20,448	4,455	4.59	6.80
1952	6,420	49,498	10,784	4.59	7.71
1953	9,887	75,636	17,797	4.25	7. <b>6</b> 5
1954	9,901	75,941	19,724	3.85	7.67
1955	9,653	79,444	19,282	4.12	8.23
1956	10,744	95,729	20,411	4.69	8.91
1957*	11,298	86,769	18,620	4.66	7.68
1958	11,853	85,934	21,591	3.98	7.25
1959	12,142	110,856	24,911	4.45	
1960	12,440	108,477			9.13
1961	· ·	•	25,766 22,424	4.21	8.72
	15,192	128,001	33,434	3.89	8.42
1962	14,663	144,826	34,281	4.23	9.89
1963	18,258	162,769	40,490	4.02	8.91
1964	19,829	193,538	51,671	3.75	9.76
1965	18,710	164,087	48,835	3.36	8.69
1966	20,594	212,696	60,608	3.51	10.33
1967	25,161	263,949	74,171	3.56	10.49
1968	25,105	207,922	70,186	2.96	8.28
1969	29,131	279,311	90,965	3.07	9.59
1970	23,908	232,469	73,984	3.14	9.72
1971	26,064	226,645	81,271	2.79	8.70
1972	29,341	238,354	94,046	2.53	8.12
1973	27,435	307,062	97,788	3.14	11.19
1974	34,021	306,076	112,967	2.71	9.00
1975	37,378	420,308	131,312	3.20	11.24
1976	31,293	298,505	108,780	2.74	9.54
1977	26,905	267,487	83,218	3.21	9.94
1978	35,985	383,696	130,173	2.95	10.66
1979	34,903	351,161	120,459	2.92	10.06
1980	32,627	343,851	97,644	3.52	10.54
1981	30,060	310,068	101,728	3.05	10.31
1982**	31,756	282,188	107,728	2.62	8.89
1983	28,258	272,979	100,568	2.71	9.66
1984	30,573	282,307	108,793	2.59	9.23
1985	28,183	256,045	96,507		
1986	26,583	226,985		2.65	9.09
1987***	22,553		87,084	2.61	8.54
		204,030	89,378 76,240	2.28	9.05
1988	22,457	178,469	76,219	2.34	7.95
1989	21,696	190,328	76,372	2.49	8.77
1990	22,700	199,007	80,076	2.49	8.77
1991	22,632	178,853	78,405	2.28	7.90
1992	18,021	161,902	68,937	2.35	8.98
1993	19,725	170,834	68,143	2.51	8.66
1994	20,743	195,089	78,594	2.48	9.41
1995	20,896	186,336	80,688	2.31	8.92
1996	23,180	200,167	85,613	2.34	8.64
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Averages					
(1951-95)	22,015	204,819	69,308	3.25	9.04
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#### **BAND-TAILED PIGEON**

#### Banding

Between 1969 and 1978, 2,649 total pigeons were banded in Utah and 975 recaptured. Results of banding efforts through 1972 indicated a direct recovery rate of 1.4 percent. If expanded, using an assumed 30 percent band reporting rate, an estimated harvest rate of less than 5 percent of the state's pigeon population is indicated. Addition of an estimated 16 percent crippling loss would result in a total kill rate of from 5-10 percent, well within the harvestable surplus.

#### Harvest

Results of the 1996 band-tailed pigeon harvest is in Table 13. Free hunting permits were required in 1996 and a questionnaire was sent to participants. Only 68 hunters obtained the band-tailed pigeon permit in 1996. Harvest trends since 1970 are shown in Figures 4 & 5 and Table 14.

		<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from <u>1995</u>	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Band-tailed pige	eon hunters afi	eld 37	-37	-14
Band-tailed pige	eon harvest	92	-24	-21
Hunter-days afic	eld	125	<b>-</b> 27	+10
Pigeons per hunt	ter-day	0.53	-25	-47
Pigeons per hun	ter	2.49	-21	-9

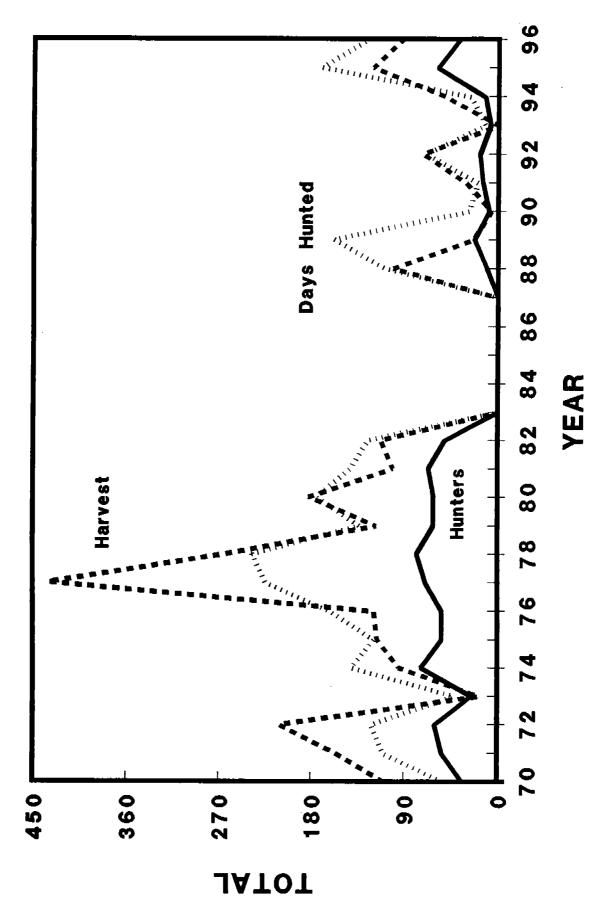
Band-tailed pigeon hunters afield decreased from 1995, and was 14 percent below the long-term average.

Ninety-two pigeons were reported harvested in 1996.

Table 13. Band-tailed pigeon harvest statistics, 1996.

	Hunters	Hunter-Davs	Harvest	Pigeons/	Percent	Percent	Pineone	Dinone
Area Hunted	Afield	Afield		Hunter-Day	Pressure*	Harvest	Crippled	Observed
Beaver County	2	2	0	0.00	2	0.00	0	0
Blue Mountain-Elk Ridge	<b>∞</b>	25	ဖ	0.24	20	6.52	rO.	85
Iron County	9	13	4	0.31	9	4.35	0	47
LaSal Mountain	4	7-	15	1.36	თ	16.30	5	83
Washington County	∞	59	29	1.00	47	64.13	4	115
Other	6	15	œ	0.53	12	8.70	0	35
Totals	37	125	92	0.74	100	100	11	365
*Based on hunter-days.					5 5 9 9 9			

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Statewide trends of band-tailed pigeon harvest statistics, 1970-96. Figure 4.

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Statewide trends of band-tailed pigeon hunter success rates, 1970-96. Figure 5.

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Table 14.	Statewide summar	y of band-tailed pigeon harvest statistics	. 1970-96.

Year	Total Hunters	Total Harvest	Hunter-Days Afield	Pigeons/Hunter-Day	Pigeons/Hunter
1970	34	109	53	2.10	3.20
1971	54	156	110	1.40	2.90
1972	61	211	122	1.70	3.50
1973	25	18	42	0.40	0.70
1974	74	95	141	0.70	1.30
1975	54	116	119	1.00	2.20
1976	54	119	162	0.70	2.20
1977	70	435	225	1.90	6.20
1978	78	264	238	1.10	3.40
1979	62	117	133	0.90	1.90
1980	62	182	175	1.00	2.90
1981	67	101	142	0.70	1.50
1982	51	113	125	0.90	2.20
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1988	11	101	109	0.93	9.20
1989	23	24	159	0.15	1.00
1990	9	7	28	0.26	0.80
1991	15	31	20	1.50	2.10
1992	18	73	70	1.05	4.06
1993	8	0	13		_
1994	13	51	27	1.92	3.92
1995	59	121	171	0.71	2.05
1996	37	92	125	0.53	2.49
Totals					
(1970-96)	939	2,536	2,509	-	-
Averages					
(1970-95)	43	116	114	1.00	2.73

# CHUKARS

# CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

**SUMMARY** 



Late winter and early spring precipitation, critical to successful chukar production, was slightly above normal.

Results of the brood survey indicated that brood production was slightly below average. However, sample sizes were extremely small and probably represent localized conditions.

Harvest statistics from the general mail questionnaire reflected an increased harvest by 12 percent more hunters than in 1995. Hunter success (chukars per hunter-day) increased 7 percent from 1995 while time afield increased 19 percent.

In 1993, the Springville Game Farm was closed. Prior to 1993, operations at the farm provided approximately 4,000 chukars annually that were released into various areas of Utah to supplement and establish populations.

Also in 1993, the "Day-Old Chukar Chick Program" was eliminated. In addition to birds raised at the Springville Game Farm, this program provided another 1,000-2,000 birds annually for release into the wild.

#### **Brood Counts**

Results of the annual random brood survey for 1996 are shown in Table 1 of this section. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and chukars observed per 100 hours are found in Tables 2-4 and Figure 1. Following are the survey results for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from <u>1995</u>	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Total chukars observed	243	+54	-45
Young per 100 adults	286	0	-29
Mean brood size	5.18		-22
Chukars observed per 100 hours	1,473		-62
Total hours effort	16.5		-78

Brood count sample sizes were extremely small or nonexistent for most regions. Brood count data was reported only in the Northern Region. Because of extremely small sample sizes, this data can only represent localized population trends.

#### Harvest

#### Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the hunter questionnaire survey for 1996 are shown in Table 5. Long-term trends of chukars bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 6-8 and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 9 and Figures 2 and 3. Following is a comparison of 1996 harvest statistics to 1995 and the previous 38-year average:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Chukar hunters	10,197	+12	-25
Chukars harvested	26,594	+27	-29
Hunter-days afield	37,116	+19	-10
Chukars per hunter-day	0.72	+7	-18
Chukars per hunter	2.61	+13	-2

Ninety percent confidence interval for overall chukar harvest is  $\pm$  3,355. Standard deviation is 1.208183.

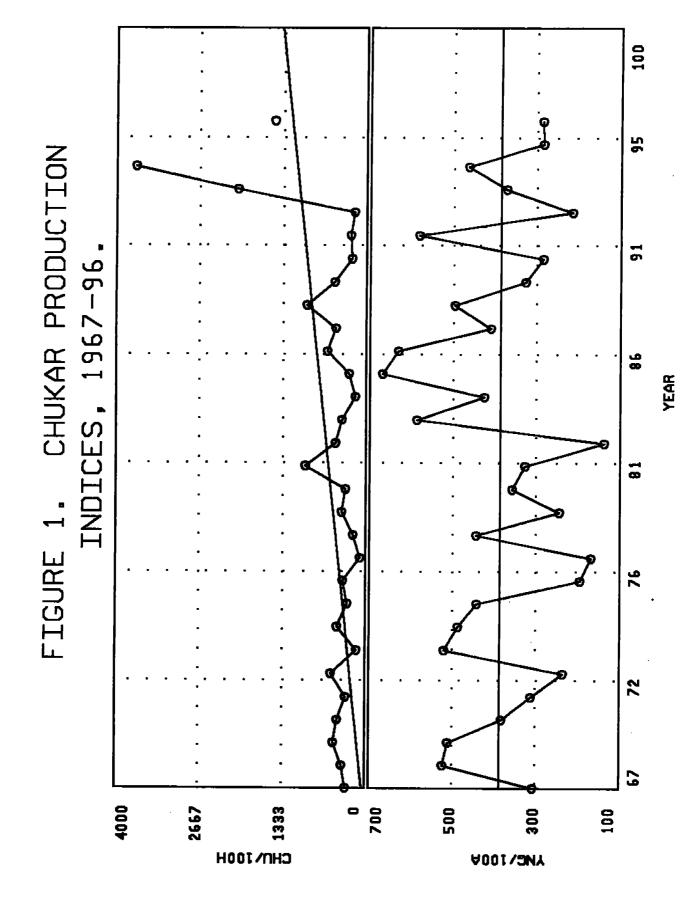
Chukar hunters and hunter effort increased from 1995. Chukars per hunter-day increased slightly from 1995, but remains 18 percent below the long-term average. Total harvest increased 27 percent in 1996.

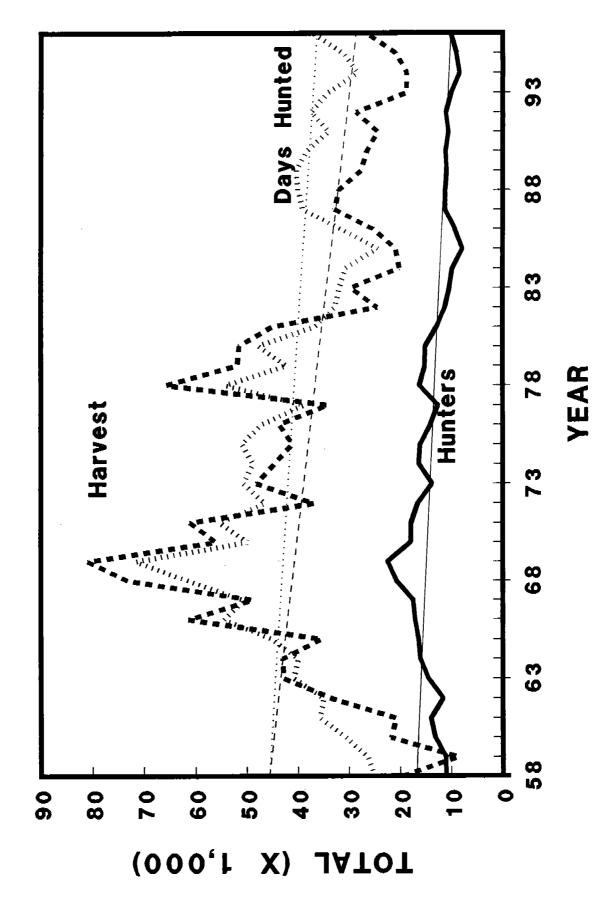
### Field Bag Checks

A summary of field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 10. The hunter success trend determined via this method are shown in Table 11 and Figure 5. Data for the 1996 season compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

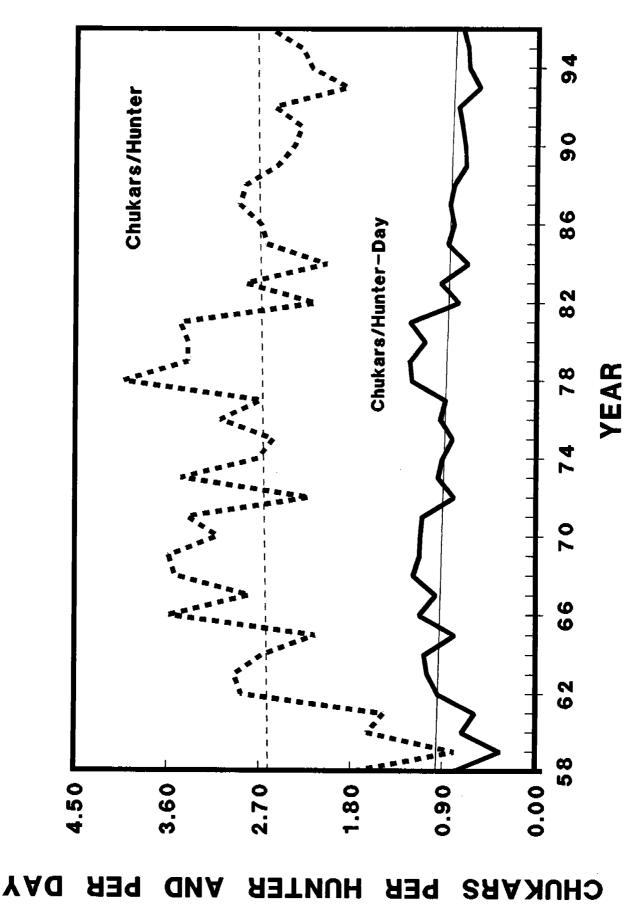
	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
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Chukars bagged per 100 hours (complete hunts)			
Average hours per hunter-day			
(complete hunts)			
Hours hunted per chukar bagged (complete hunts)			

No field bag check data was collected in 1996.

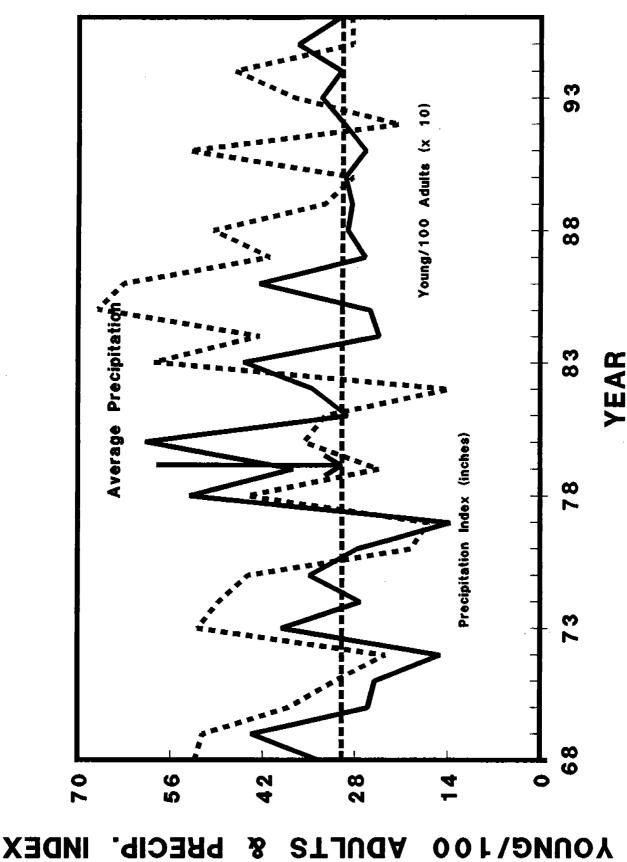




Statewide trends of chukar partridge harvest statistics, 1958-96. Figure 2.



Statewide trends of chukar hunter success rates, 1958-96. Figure 3.



winter and early spring production, 1968-96. (Jan.-April) precipitation and chukar production, Relationship between late Figure 4.

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Rich	i	:	:	:	i	:	ı	:	:	:	:	
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Sanpete	:	;	;	;	:	733	2,600	;	1	:	:	
<b>Fooele</b>	1,046	1,123	653	314	365	475	400	;	:	;	:	
Utah	:	1,950	;	2,100	!	1,300	ı	;	:	ŀ	:	
Wasatch	:		;	. !	:	. ;	:	:		;	;	
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.424	844	822	623	281	434	375	:	;	:		GRE
Southern Region												
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Iron	;	:	1	:	1	:	:	:	ı	1	i	
Kane	:	:	i	:	:	;	:	:	ı	:	:	
Millard	:	:	1,486	1,696	:	:	:	:	ī	:	:	
Piute	ı	1,567	. :	. 1	ł	:	:	:	:	:	:	
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Wayne	1	;	:	:	:	:	:	:	ı	:	:	
REGIONAL TOTALS	1	1,667	1,486	1.596	١,	:	:	:		:	:	1.660
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	;	ı	:	:	1	:	:	i	:	ł	:	
Duchesne	:	ı	:	:	:	;	1	ı	:	ł	:	
Uintah	-	866	:	:	:	ı	:	i	:	;	i	
REGIONAL TOTALS	-	241	:	1	,	:	:	1	•			316
Southeastern Region											•	
Carbon	:	7,800	350	1	:	:	:	:	ì	i	1	
Emery	:	771	:	ı	480	:	611	158	;	1	:	
Grand	2,076	1,167	3,983	240	29	;	90	4,350	3,691	1	:	
San Juan	:		:	226	ı	:	200	. 1		:	:	
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.076	1,336	3.293	225	150	:	258	2.064	3.691	١	1	1.636
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Table 5. Summary of chukar hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND COUNTY	SAMPLE ! SIZE*	HUNTER-DAYS AFIELD	BIRDS BAGGED	BIRDS PER HUNTER-DAY	% OF PRESSURE	% OF HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	114	7,386	6,503	0.88	19.90	24.45
CACHE	19	1,602	905	0.57	4.32	3.41
DAVIS	6	278	441	1.58	0.75	1.66
MORGAN	9	464	1,300	2.80	1.25	4.89
RICH	4	139	185	1.33	0.38	0.70
SUMMIT	2	46	46	1.00	0.13	0.17
WEBER	8	534	232	0.43	1.44	0.87
REGIONAL TOTALS	162	10,451	9,615	0.92	28.16	36.16
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	23	1,207	650	0.54	3.25	2.45
SALT LAKE	10	789	766	0.97	2.13	2.88
SANPETE	13	1,021	209	0.20	2.75	0.79
TOOELE	78	5,225	4,343	0.83	14.08	16.33
UTAH	72	4,924	3,135	0.64	13.27	11.79
WASATCH	2	952	23	0.02	2.57	0.09
REGIONAL TOTALS	198	14,121	9,128	0.65	38.05	34.32
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	2	23	46	2.00	0.06	0.17
GARFIELD	1	23	0	0.00	0.06	0.00
IRON	2	185	Ō	0.00	0.50	0.00
KANE	0	0	Ô	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILLARD	22	1,509	1,602	1.06	4.07	6.03
PIUTE	10	766	603	0.79	2.07	2.27
SEVIER	28	3,483	1,765	0.51	9.39	6.64
WASHINGTON	2	185	1,700	0.00	0.50	0.00
WAYNE	2	116	69	0.60	0.30	0.26
REGIONAL TOTALS	69	6,294	4,087	0.65	16.96	15.37
NORTHEASTERN REGIO	N					
DAGGETT	1	23	46	2.00	0.06	0.17
DUCHESNE	17	1,184	1,370	1.16	3.19	5.15
UINTAH	13	557	464	0.83	1.50	1.75
REGIONAL TOTALS	31	1.765	1,881	1.07	4.76	7,07
SOUTHEASTERN REGION	J					
CARBON	13	. 696	557	0.80	1.88	2.10
EMERY	30	2,183	789	0.36	5.88	2.97
GRAND	19	1,393	418	0:30	3.75	1.57
SAN JUAN	2	23	0	0.00	0.06	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	64	4,296	1,765	0.41	11.58	6.64
Unknown	2	185	116	0.63	0.50	0.44
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STATE TOTALS	526	37,116	26,594	0.72	100.00	100.00
*Total hunter trips	from questi	onnaire ret	urns.			

Table 6. Summary of chukars bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and				Year				
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.54	0.89	0.78	0.86	0.37	0.72	1.12	0.88
Cache	0.73	0.51	0.37	0.89	0.28	0.03	0.26	0.57
Davis	0.42	0.79	0.76	0.38	0.25	0.21	0.17	1.58
Morgan	0.56	0.71	0.54	0.41	0.20	1.19	0.00	2.80
Rich	0.70	1.67	0.32	0.33	0.17	0.00	0.00	1.33
Summit	0.20	2.14	0.14	0.33	0.36	0.67	0.00	1.00
Weber	1.07	0.73	0.84	0.66	0.62	0.14	0.48	0.43
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.58	0.82					0.89	***************************************
Central Region								
Juab	0.66	0.73	0.87	0.77	0.50	0.94	0.58	0.54
Salt Lake	1.05	1.16	1.68	1.08	1.30	0.58	0.79	0.97
Sanpete	1.06	1.35	0.83	0.77	0.76	0.58	0.30	0.20
Tooele	0.69	0.77	0.70	0.76	0.41	0.65	0.58	0.83
Utah	0.78	0.67	0.79	0.65	0.53	0.84	0.62	0.64
Wasatch	0.60	0.67	0.50	0.32	1.64	0.43	0.33	0.02
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.78	0.81	0.79	0.73	0.54	0.72	0.55	0.65
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.50	0.42	0.67	0.28	0.48	0.04	0.33	2.00
Garfield	0.63	0.00	2.50	0.00	1.33	1.78	0.00	0.00
Iron	0.00	0.25	0.18	0.44	0.00	0.80	0.50	0.00
Kane	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	0.29	0.00	0.33	0.00
Millard	0.57	0.62	0.55	1.35	0.51	0.55	0.71	1.06
Piute	0.54	0.29	1.00	0.18	0.39	0.20	0.45	0.79
Sevier	0.47	0.51	0.72	0.67	0.48	0.38	0.27	0.51
Washington	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.82	0.00	1.00	0.00
Wayne	0.27	0.00	1.80	0.20	0.27	2.33	0.15	0.60
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.50	0.45	0.68	0.73	0.53	0.43	0.36	0.65
Northeastern Region								
<del>-</del>	0 00	0.00	0 00	0 00		0.00		
Daggett Duchesne	0.00 0.73	0.00 0.27	0.00 0.19	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
Uintah	2.14	0.27	0.19	1.86 0.75	0.51 0.38	0.74 0.00	1.39	1.16
REGIONAL TOTAL		0.17			0.52		1.47	0.83 1.07
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Southeastern Region								
Carbon	0.42	0.16	0.46	1 05	Λ Γ.	0 00	0 71	0 00
Emery	0.42	0.16 0.50		1.25 0.88	0.56	0.80	0.71	0.80
Grand	0.92	0.56	0.43 0.38	3.40	0.41 1.61	0.63	0.96	0.36 0.00
San Juan	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	1.83 0.20	1.29 4.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS		0.39	0.44		1.14			2000000000000000000
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Unknown counties	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.06	0.00	0.87	0.63
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STATE TOTALS	0.68	0.69	0.72	0.76	0.55	0.66	0.67	0.72

Table 7. Percentage distribution of chukar harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992		1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	13.21	18.42	23.43	17.49	8.00	15.59	28.66	24.45
Cache	4.05	4.43	1.93	4.73	2.23	0.09	1.48	3.41
Davis	0.83	0.85	1.57	1.56	0.20	0.47	0.09	1.66
Morgan	1.43	0.93	1.36	0.93	0.61	2.35	0.00	4.89
Rich	0.53	1.17	0.64	0.19	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.70
Summit	0.08	1.17	0.14	0.06	0.91	0.19	0.00	0.17
Weber	1.13	1.48	1.93	1.31	2.63	0.19	1.11	0.87
REGIONAL TOTALS	21.25	28.44	31.00	26.26	14.68	18.87	31.36	36,16
Central Region								
Juab	F 22	E 12	0 55	ć 05				
Salt Lake	5.33	5.13	8.57	6.97		4.41	5.47	2.45
	3.15	2.87	3.00	5.10	3.04	1.31	1.02	2.88
Sanpete	9.83	8.08		4.73		5.63	2.32	0.79
Tooele Utah	19.67 15.09	28.21	15.29	17.67	14.17	17.28	11.78	16.33
		10.26	16.86	15.99	10.93	20.09	9.83	11.79
Wasatch REGIONAL TOTALS	0.23	0.16 54.70	0,93	0,37	2,33	0,28	0,19	0,09
REGIONAL IGIALS	22,20	54.70	50.71	50.84	43.22	49.02	30.61	34.32
Southern Region								
Beaver	1.05	2.18	3.00	0.44	1.11	0.09	1.86	0.17
Garfield	0.75	0.00	0.36	0.00	1.62	1.50	0.00	0.00
Iron	0.00	0.31	0.14	0.25	0.00	0.38	0.09	0.00
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.21	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.19	0.00
Millard	4.65	3.11	3.21	5.48	4.96	3.47	5.10	6.03
Piute	1.13	0.85	1.00	0.19	0.91	0.75	0.93	2.27
Sevier	5.26	4.74	5.79	7.47	9.31	6.95	5.19	6.64
Washington	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.02	0.00	0.09	0.00
Wayne	0.30	0.00	0.64	0.06	0.30	0.66	0.19	0.26
REGIONAL TOTALS	13.14	11.19	14.36	13.88	20.65	13.80	13.64	15.37
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Northeastern Region	n							
Daggett	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.17
Duchesne	0.60	0.78	0.43	0.81	2.23	1.30	5.29	5.15
Uintah	5.78	0.16	0.79	1.49	0.30	0.00	5.19	1.75
REGIONAL TOTALS	6.38	0.93	1.21	2.30		1.31	10.48	7.07
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Southeastern Regio	n							
Carbon	1.13	0.62	0.86	1.87	0.91	3.38	0.93	2.10
Emery	1.35	3.73	1.14	2.68	1.52	5.26	6.86	2.97
Grand	2.70	0.39	0.36	2.12	12.55	8.26	4.17	1.57
San Juan	0.00	0.00	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.74	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	5.18	4.74	2.70	6.66	14.98	17.00	12.71	6.64
Unknown counties	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.06	3.64	0.00	1.21	0.44
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 8. Percentage distribution of chukar hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	16.59	14.18	21.53	15.42	12.02	14.18	17.29	19.90
Cache	3.80	5.94	3.73	4.03	4.40	1.80	3.81	4.32
Davis	1.34	0.75	1.48	3.13	0.45	1.49	0.37	0.75
Morgan	1.75	0.91	1.79	1.76	1.67	1.30	0.37	1.25
Rich	0.51	0.48	1.43	0.43	0.33	0.74	0.06	0.38
Summit	0.26	0.37	0.72	0.14	1.39	0.19	0.19	0.13
Weber	0.72	1.39	1.64	1.52	2.34	0.87	1.56	1.44
REGIONAL TOTALS	24.96	24.02	32.33	26.4	22.59	20.56	23.66	28.16
Central Region								
Juab	5.55	4.87	7.06	6.93	6.18	3.10	6.30	3.25
Salt Lake	2.05	1.71	1.28	3.61	1.28	1.49	0.87	2.13
Sanpete	6.37	4.12	5.27	4.70	5.18	6.44	5.24	2.75
Tooele	19.62	25.25	15.70	17.84	19.20	17.52	13.73	14.08
Utah	13.20	10.59	15.24	18.88	11.41	15.73	10.61	13.27
Wasatch	0.26	0.16	1.33	0.90	0.78	0.43	0.37	2.57
REGIONAL TOTALS	47.05	46.71	45.88	52.85	44.02			38.05
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Southern Region								
Beaver	1.44	3.53	3.22	1.19	1.28	4.12	3.75	0.06
Garfield	0.82	0.59	0.10	0.28	0.67	0.56	1.00	0.06
Iron	0.36	0.86	0.56	0.43	0.11	0.31	0.12	0.50
Kane	0.00	0.05	0.10	0.00	0.78	0.06	0.37	0.00
Millard	5.60	3.48	4.19	3.08	5.34	4.15	4.81	4.07
Piute	1.44	2.03	0.72	0.81	1.28	2.48	1.37	2.07
Sevier	7.60	6.37	5.73	8.49	10.57	12.20	13.05	9.39
Washington	0.00	0.27	0.20	0.05	0.61	0.00	0.06	0.50
Wayne	0.77	0.05	0.26	0.24	0.61	0.19	0.81	0.31
REGIONAL TOTALS	18.03	17.23	15.09	14.56	21.26	21.36	25.34	16.96
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Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.00	0.59	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.06
Duchesne	0.56	1.98	1.59	0.33	2.39	1.18	2.56	3.19
Uintah	1.85	1.18	0.72	1.52	0.45	0.62	2.37	1.50
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.41	3.75	2.30	1.85	3.01	1.80	4.93	4.76
Southeastern Region								
Carbon	1.85	2.68	1.33	1.14	0.00	2 70	0.05	1 00
Emery	3.18	5.14	1.33	2.32	0.89 2.06	2.79	0.87	1.88
Grand	2.00	0.48	0.66	0.47	4.29	5.51	4.81	5.88
San Juan	0.00	0.48	0.50	0.47	0.00	2.97	2.18	3.75
REGIONAL TOTALS	7.04	8.29	4.40		7.23	0.31 11.58	0.12 7.99	0.06 11.58
Unknown counties	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.24	1.89	0.00	0.94	0.50

Table 9. Statewide summary of chukar partridge harvest statistics, 1958-96 Total Total Hunter-Day Chukars Pe Chukars Per **Hunters** Year Harvest Afield **Hunter-Day Hunter** 1958 0.78 11,124 19,578 25,100 1.76 11,154 8.700 26,364 0.33 0.78 1959 1960 13,252 21,733 30,610 0.71 1.64 1.48 1961 14,046 20,821 35,675 0.58 1962 11.638 33,500 35,010 0.95 2.88 14,532 42,806 2.95 1963 40,824 1.05 1964 16,090 42,974 39,971 1.08 2.67 35,335 0.78 2.15 1965 16,431 45,067 17,133 1.13 3.58 1966 61,370 54,448 0.97 2.80 1967 17,485 48,906 50,671 1.19 3.53 1968 20,744 73,218 61.402 1969 22,529 80,917 71,674 1.13 3,59 3.11 1970 18,013 56,053 49,911 1.12 17,917 61.151 55,378 1.10 3.41 1971 0.79 1972 16,685 36,925 46,502 2.21 0.95 13,888 48,135 50,677 3.47 1973 16,412 44.658 48.856 0.91 2.72 1974 1975 16,156 41,151 51,083 0.81 2.57 3.09 1976 14,171 43,726 47,143 0.93 38,873 0.88 2.69 12,691 34,155 1977 16,291 65,747 54,239 1.21 4.04 1978 15,210 51,918 42,254 1.23 3.41 1979 51,511 47.778 1.08 3.41 1980 15,100 3.49 12,907 44,983 36,662 1.23 1981 0.75 2.16 1982 11,326 24,460 32,691 0.93 2.85 1983 10,418 29,649 31,904 0.66 2.05 1984 9,846 20,179 30,715 0.86 2.64 1985 7,930 20,938 24,346 9,397 25,346 31,672 0.80 2.70 1986 39,099 2.91 1987 11,276 32,848 0.84 0.80 2.85 11,237 32,057 40,088 1988 2.53 0.68 10,910 27,628 40,384 1989 0.69 26,486 38,463 2.37 1990 11,195 2.30 1991 10,577 24,355 34,010 0.72 0.76 2.57 28,599 37,463 1992 11,125 40 420 24 447 0 EE 1 95

1993	10,128	18,774	34,147	0.55	1.65
1994	8,455	18,721	28,389	0.66	2.21
1995	9,097	20,954	31,140	0.67	2.30
1996	10,197	26,594	37,116	0.72	2.61
Totals					
(1958-96)	524,713	1,447,559	1,597,799		
Averages					
(1958-95)	13,540	37,394	41,071	0.88	2.68

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Central Region											
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# SAGE GROUSE

# **SAGE GROUSE**

**SUMMARY** 



Strutting ground count surveys indicated an 11 percent increase in the average male grouse attendance from 1995.

Brood surveys showed increased production per 100 adults throughout the state. Birds observed per 100 hours increased 249 percent from 1995, and was 20 percent above average.

Harvest was 15 percent below the long-term average. Hunter numbers decreased 7 percent in 1996 and remained 24 percent below the long-term average.

Age ratios derived from wings indicated a 52 percent increase in young per 100 adults and a 21 percent increase in young per 100 adult hems.

Since 1959, numerous new strutting grounds have been discovered throughout Utah. However, average number of male grouse per ground has declined drastically. A decline in the average number of grouse per ground seems to be representative of Utah sage grouse populations.

Recent DNA and physiological studies indicate that two distinct species of sage grouse exist in Utah. The smaller species is located south and east of the Colorado River and is known as the Gunnison sage grouse.

Declines in sage grouse populations are attributed to loss and changes in sage brush habitats throughout the West. Spraying, urban and industrial development, burning and overgrazing by domestic livestock have altered critical sage grouse habitat.

Based on studies conducted in Utah in the early 1970s, estimated harvest of the sage grouse population was 20 percent (within the harvestable surplus). The amount of pressure on sage grouse populations was more than double what it is currently. Hunting pressure at current levels is not affecting populations.

There is much discussion about the status and future of sage grouse at the "Western States" level. Utah should place high priority on collecting as much annual biological data as possible on sage grouse populations in order to make the best management decisions possible.

## Strutting Ground Counts

The status of the sage grouse breeding population for 1996, as indicated by strutting ground counts, is shown in Table 1 and Figure 1 of this section. Results of this survey for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 1959-95 average follow:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Number of grounds counted	126	-4	+41
Total male grouse counted	1,321	+7	-19
Average male grouse per ground	10	+11	-51
Percent change from previous year (comparable grounds)			

Access for spring 1996 strutting ground counts was generally good in most regions of the state. The numbers of male grouse observed increased 7 percent statewide and average number of males per ground increased 11 percent.

# **Brood Counts**

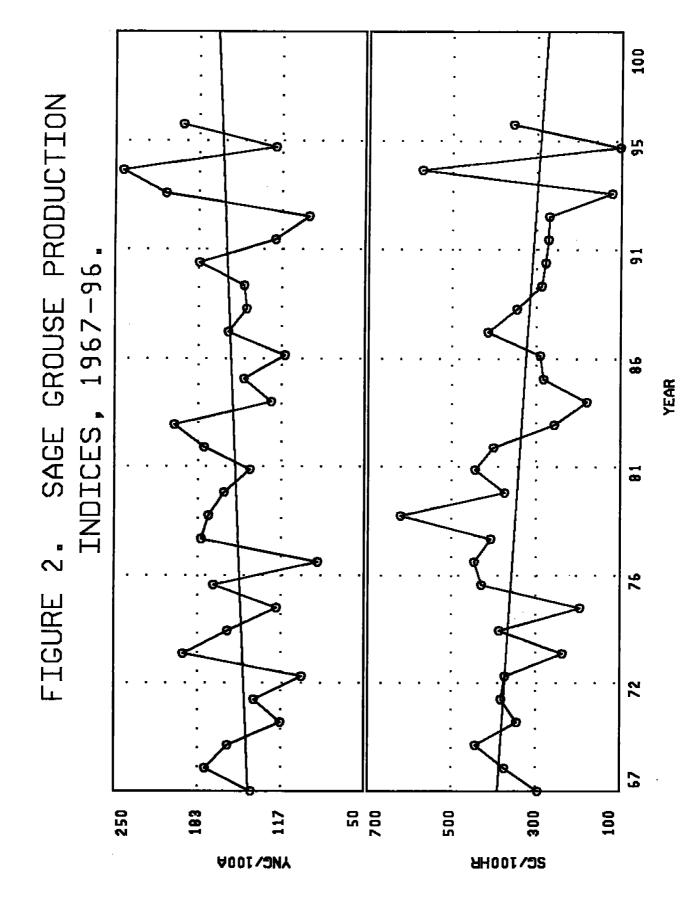
Results of the summer inventory survey for 1996 are found in Table 2. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and sage grouse observed per 100 hours are shown in Tables 3-5 and Figure 2. Indices for 1996 are compared to 1995 and the previous 10-year (1986-95) average as follows:

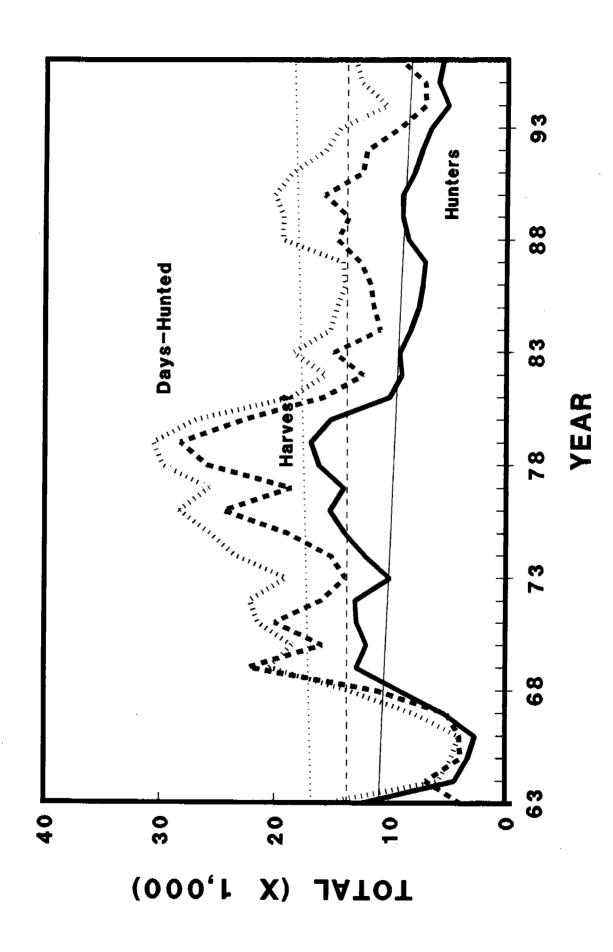
		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total sage grouse counted	722	+539	-1
Young per 100 adults	196	+61	+27
Mean brood size	5.19	+17	+19
Sage grouse observed per 100 hours	356	+249	+20
Total hours effort	203	+83	-23

The effort devoted to sage grouse brood counts was 23 percent below average, and the total number of grouse counted was 1 percent below average.

Total sage grouse counted increased 539 percent in 1996, while production of young per 100 adults increased 61 percent. The average brood size was 19 percent above the 10-year average.

SAGE GROUSE STRUTTING COUNTS, 1959-96. FIGURE 1. SAGE GROOG GROUND COUNTS, YEAR EE CROSCNTD WASC CED

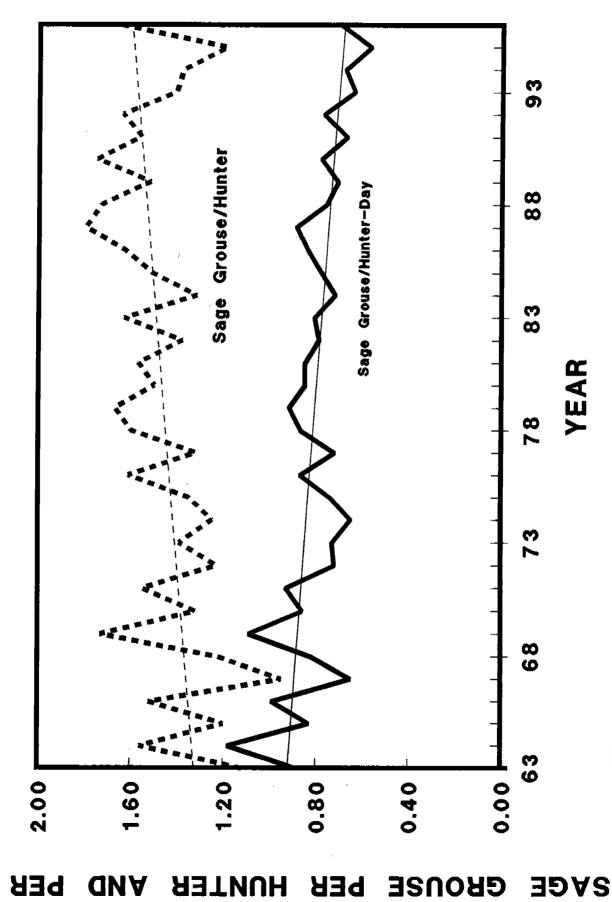




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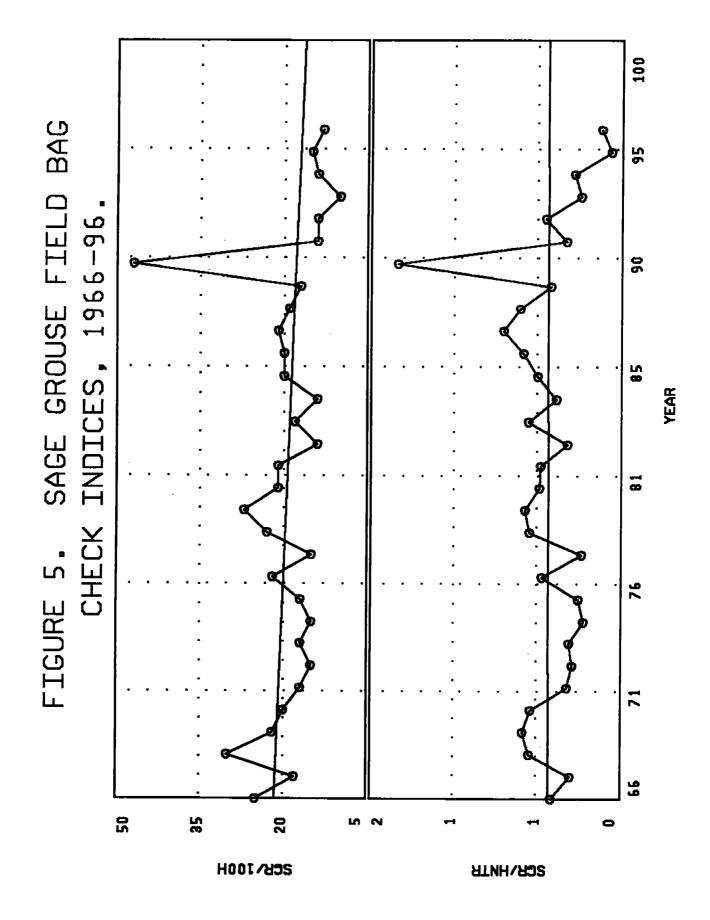
Figure 3.

Statewide trends of sage grouse harvest statistics, 1963-96.



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Statewide trends of sage grouse hunter success rates, 1963-96. Figure 4.



#### Harvest

### Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the 1996 hunter questionnaire are shown in Table 6. Long-term trends of sage grouse bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 7-9 and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 10. The results of the 1996 hunting season compared to 1995 and the previous 46-year average follow:

			Percent change from	Percent change from
		<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Sage grouse	hunters	5,574	-7	-24
Sage grouse	harvested	9,220	+29	-15
Hunter-days	afield	13,215	+5	+1
Sage grouse	per hunter-day	0.70	+23	+14
Sage grouse	per hunter	1.65	+39	-9

Ninety percent confidence interval for overall sage grouse harvest is  $\pm$ 1,304. Standard deviation is 0.957818.

Sage grouse per hunter-day success rate increased 23 percent in 1996. Total statewide harvest increased 29 percent, and there was a 7 percent decrease in total sage grouse hunters.

Long-term sage grouse harvest trends are shown in Figures 3 and 4.

# Field Bag Checks

A summary of field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 11. Hunter success trends determined via this method are shown in Table 12 and Figure 5. Results of the 1996 survey compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total hunters checked	335	+34	-48
Total hours hunted	1,332	+122	-61
Sage grouse per hunter			
(complete hunts)	0.53	+10	-43
Sage grouse bagged per 100 hours	13	<del>-</del> 35	-34
Average hours per hunter-day		•	
(complete hunts)	3.98	+66	-21
Hours hunted per grouse bagged	7.57	+53	+27
(complete hunts)			

Hunter success rates from field bag checks showed increased success on the opening weekend of 1996. Sage grouse bagged per 100 hours decreased 35 percent. Average hours per hunter day increased 66 percent from 1995. Average hours per grouse bagged increased 53 percent.

# Sex and Age Composition of the Harvest

A summary of the sex and age composition of harvested sage grouse in 1996 is found in Table 13 and the trend from 1992-96 in Table 14.

Following are data derived from wing surveys in 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Sample size	233	-57	-72
Percent males	37	-14	-6
Percent females	63	+11	+4
Young per 100 adults	181	+52	+30
Young per 100 hens (adult)	224	+21	+20

Analysis of wings collected at checking stations during the 1996 season indicates that statewide production was up 21 percent compared to 1995, and was 20 percent above the long-term average.

Table 1. Summary of sage grouse strutting ground counts by region and county, 1986-96.

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No. Strutting Grounds Counted	4	7	-	7	<del>1</del> 5	i	16	15	6	S	2
Total Male Grouse Counted	117	104	ō	9/	173	,1	129	87	37	4	22
County Average (all strutting grounds)	æ	~	-	7	12	;	∞	φ	4	æ	4
% Change From Previous Year - Comparable Grounds	1	-12	83	167	22	ı	:	-10	-51	14	-27
Grand											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	ı	;	7	I	ï	;	i	ł	-	;	ł
Total Male Grouse Counted	:	;	50	1	1	i	ŀ	!	0	!	ì
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Uintah											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	14	14	22	20	20	;	25	22	8	29	24
Total Male Grouse Counted	216	159	468	266	321	ł	287	173	208	197	268
County Average (all strutting grounds)	5	7	7	13	16	ł	13	<b>0</b> 0	12	7	7
% Change From Previous Year - Comparable Grounds	:	-26	99	-45	0	;	;	-34	4	-30	32
Wasatch											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	ł	ŀ	~	7	:	:	:	ı	7	က	₹-
Total Male Grouse Counted	:	ł	22	22	:	ı	i	ı	8	თ	พ
County Average (all strutting grounds)	ı	:	£	F	1	;	:	ı	4	က	ιΩ
% Change From Previous Year - Comparable Grounds	:	1	120	0	:	:	1	ì	-11	13	-44
REGIONAL TOTALS											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	34	34	37	9	41	:	44	9	33	42	42
Total Male Grouse Counted	336	289	550	389	536	:	433	274	264	271	271
Average Grouse Per Ground (all strutting grounds)	5	တ	5	9	13	:	Ŋ	ø	ထ	~	ဖ
% Change From Previous Year - Comparable Grounds	:	- <del>1</del> 8	37	-37	6	;	•	-52	<del>-</del> 18	-22	22

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County	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Southeastern Region											
Carbon											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	7	7	10	9	Ø	<b>©</b>	80	ო	~	;	60
Total Male Grouse Counted	32	55	196	181	146	103	40	4	m	:	26
County Average (all strutting grounds)	16	∞	20	18	16	13	10	2	0	;	ო
% Change From Previous Year - Comparable Grounds	:	-27	142	Φ?	38	÷	9	9	-79	i	
Emery											
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County Average (all strutting grounds)	7	ō	<b>&amp;</b>	9	5	æ	9	7	5	9	~
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REGIONAL TOTALS											
No. Strutting Grounds Counted	_	13	16	16	15	φ	9	~	ø	9	9
Total Male Grouse Counted	72	100	240	248	192	47	55	20	53	9	37
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lotal Male Grouse Counted	1,708	1,818		2,041	2,660	1,252	2,050	1,122	1,338	1,230	1,321
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County	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1986-95
Northern Region												
Box Elder	178	94	108	167	267	161	143	92	76	ł	48	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	103	115	135	156	235	93	132	133	145	40	175	129
Central Region											-	
Juab	ł	ŀ	380	250	196	ł	450	450	ŀ	;	ŀ	
Sait Lake	ł	;	1	ŀ	;	ł	1		ł	;	1	
Sanpete	ŀ	;	ŀ	1	ŀ	į	ł	ı	;	1	1	
Tooele	106	207	100	194	110	287	300	300	156	1	1	
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Wasatch	200	209	300	ŀ	299		129	350	;	1	1	
REGIONAL TOTALS	120	209	135	177	166	344	148	357	156	:	1	201
Southern Region												
Beaver	i	35	1	;	ł	ŀ	:	1	1	1	I	
Garfield	125	144	144	40	9	129	ł	ŀ	1	1	1	
Iron	250	198	146	155	264	100	ł	ŀ	i	ŀ	ł	
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Millard	1	ŀ	ł	ŀ	:	ı	ı	ŀ		ŧ	ŀ	
Piute	ı	38	ı	ł	:	1	;	:	:	ł	ł	
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Washington	ŀ	i	ŀ	:	:	1	ł	1	ı	1	1	
Wayne	4	455	98	1	168	478	43	ł	ı	ł	:	
REGIONAL TOTALS	105	216	127	135	154	128	40	:	,	!	129	129
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	100	124	181	433	533	650	190	;	909	263	244	
Duchesne	180	137	288	217	900	160	1	260		; ;	; <b>!</b>	
Uintah	127	192	164	148	352	114	278	200	263	192	300	
REGIONAL TOTALS	131	159	172	155	374	161	246	380	532	418	332	273
Southeastern Region												
Carbon	133	150	ł	56	33	200	33	200	ı	ŀ	;	
Emery	ŀ	ł	ŀ	ŀ	ł	ŀ	í	ŀ	;	:	;	
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Table 4. Trend of average brood size for sage grouse, 1986-96.

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County	1986	1987	1988	1505	200		-			2	2	CC-00C1
Northern Region												
Box Elder	3.57	3.88	33.80	3.80	4.25	3.71	4.17	3.67	5.00	ì	9.00	
Cache	ŀ	ţ	ŀ	i	5.00	ł	;	ł	ı	:	ŀ	
Davis	i	1	ł	ŀ	ł	ŀ	ł	ŀ	ŀ	ł	ł	
Morgan	ŀ	5.00	ŀ	7.00	ł	ł	ł	;	ı	;	ŀ	
Rich	5.08	5.00	4.27	i	2.00	3.00	4.54	2.40	4.33	5.33	5.19	
Summit	4.00	5.00	4.00	1	:	ŀ	;	:	ı	ł	ŀ	
Weber	i	ł	İ	i	ŀ	ł	i	ŀ	1	ţ	ł	
REGIONAL TOTALS	4.74	4.82	4.17	4.30	3.67	3.36	4.36	3.09	4.50	5.33	5.26	4.23
Central Region												
Juab	ł	ł	6.33	4.00	4.75	ŀ	ł	!	ł	i	ŀ	
Salt Lake	ŀ	ł	ì	ŀ	i	ł	ł	ł	ŀ	ŀ	ŀ	
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Tooele	3.25	3.60	3.50	3.00	3.13	3.83	3.00	3.00	4.00	ŀ	ł	
Utah	1	ì	ł	:	i	12.00	i	ł	ł	ł	;	
Wasatch	5.00	6.94	9.00	ī	6.67	ł	5.50	7.00	1	1	ī	
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.60	5.42	4 29	3.40	4.27	2.00	4.67	4.00	4.00	:	:	4.29
Southern Region											·	
Beaver	ı	5.00	;	1	ı	ł	;	ł	ł	1	1	
Garfield	2.00	4.00	4.60	ï	4.00	6.00	ŀ	1	ŀ	1	ł	
Iron	4.00	4.64	3.67	4.66	9.00	5.00	ŀ	ı	1	;	ŀ	
Kane	1	4.00	i	i	1	1	ŀ	1	I	ł	ì	
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Washington	ŧ	ı	ŀ	ŀ	ı	I	ì	ł	1	;	ŀ	
Wayne	6.00	6.14	6.29	ł	4.30	5.00	3.82	I	ŀ	ł	1	
REGIONAL TOTALS	4.29	4.89	4.89	4.66	4.82	5.60	3.82	1	:	ţ	4.80	4.71
Northeastern Region											٠	
Daggett	1.00	4.00	4.45	4.30	6.00	2.00	9.00	1	9.00	4.20	3.67	
Duchesne	4.29	3.54	3.60	2.17	9.00	4.00	ì	2.00	ŀ	ŀ	ł	
Uintah	5.44	5.55	4.05	5.15	5.60	2.00	4.75	5.00	5.25	4.17	5.86	
REGIONAL TOTALS	4.94	4.59	4.09	4.58	5.63	2.57	4.89	4.50	5.32	4.18	5.20	4.53
Southeastern Region	i											
Carbon	4.00	1.50	ł	4.50	1	6.00	2.67	4.00	;	ŀ	ŀ	
Emery	ŀ	ı	ł	1	i	1	ŀ	;	ı	<b>;</b>	:	
Grand	:	ı	ŀ	1	:	1	4.00	ŀ	2.00	i	ŀ	
San Juan	3.00	1	ı	2.00	ŀ	2.00	2.00	1	ł	ł	ł	
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.40	1.50	1	3.67	:	4.00	2.80	4.00	2.00	;	ł	4.17
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Morgan	1	6	:	100	:	;	:	:	1	1	ł	
Rich	282	364	787	} ;	11	7U7	264	0		1	127	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	198	251	27.1	64	78	155	197	103	613	57	554	199
Central Region									2	5	5	2
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Salt Lake	:	ŀ	ł	ŀ	:	ŀ	1	;	ŀ	;	1	
Sanpete	:	!	:	;	ł	i	:	ł	1	ì	:	
Tooele	746	742	150	252	150	414	100	133	263	;	1	
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Southern Region												
Beaver	•	575	:	:		i	ı	1	į	:	;	
Garfield	225	275	452	207	661	320	;	:	:	ı	;	
Iron	466	1,331	1,517	1,000	589	400	ı	ł	:	ŀ	;	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	300	732	574	705	781	314	402	:	:	:	234	544
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	114	492	474	168	585	1.000	580	ŀ	1.400	829	326	
Duchesne	165	382	141	123	350	<b>~</b>	:	006		, ,	,	
Uintah	813	642	830	1.191	566	1.500	523	3.000	636	288	224	
REGIONAL TOTALS	474	503	589	741	533	356	530	1,500	1 463	430	200	722
Southeastern Region					3	3	3	3	2	440	777	1,43
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REGIONAL TOTALS	271	28	:	129	386	100	239	<b>5</b> 6	80		:	207
STATE TOTALS	291	415	347	288	279	273	272	122	572	102	356	296

Table 6. Summary of sage grouse hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunter pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND		UNTER-DAYS	BIRDS	BIRDS PER	* OF	% OF
COUNTY	SIZE*	AFIELD	BAGGED	HUNTER-DAY	PRESSURE	HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	39	1,881	1,068	0.57	14.24	11.59
CACHE **	22	1,184	673	0.57	8.96	7.31
DAVIS **	2	69	162	2.33	0.53	1.76
MORGAN **	5	557	1,068	1.92	4.22	11.59
RICH	26	1,207	673	0.56	9.14	7.31
SUMMIT **	8	232	185	0.80	1.76	2.02
WEBER **	18	1,091	1,393	1.28	8.26	15.11
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regional Totals	120	6,224	5,225	0.84	47,10	56.68
CENTRAL REGION	2	60	270	4 00	0 50	3.02
JUAB **	2	69	278	4.00	0.53	· ·
SALT LAKE **	0	0	0	0.00 0.69	0.00 2.28	0.00 2.27
SANPETE **	6 5	301 185	209 92	0.50	1.41	1.01
TOOELE ** UTAH **	1 <b>7</b>	812	627	0.77	6.15	6.80
WASATCH **	7	255	162	0.64	1.93	1.76
WASAICH	7	255	102	0.04	1.55	1.,0
REGIONAL TOTALS	37	1,625	1,370	0.84	12.30	14.86
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SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	2	69	0	0.00	0.53	0.00
GARFIELD	7	232	116	0.50	1.76	1.26
IRON	5	325	0	0.00	2.46	0.00
KANE **	1	46	46	1.00	0.35	0.50
MILLARD **	3	92	116	1.25	0.70	1.26
PIUTE	1	92	46	0.50	0.70	0.50
SEVIER	12	348	325	0.93	2.64	3.53
WASHINGTON **	1	69	139	2.00	0.53	1.51
WAYNE	15	812	371	0.46	6.15	4.03
REGIONAL TOTALS	47	2,090	1,161	0.56	15.82	12.60
REGILMAL IUTALS	4	4,000	1, 101	0.50	****	***
NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT	4	162	69	0.43	1.23	0.76
DUCHESNE	6	487	116	0.24	3.69	1.26
UINTAH	34	1,695	1,045	0.62	12.83	11.34
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REGIONAL TOTALS	44	2,345	1,231	0.52	17.75	13.35
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON **	2	92	46	0.50	0.70	0.50
EMERY **	2	46	69	1.50	0.35	0.76
GRAND **	1	696	23	0.03	5.27	0.25
SAN JUAN **	1	92	92	1.00	0.70	1.01
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF	6	626	232	0.25	7.03	2.52
REGIONAL TOTALS	•	929	£9£	14	, , ,	
Unknown	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
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STATE TOTALS	255	13,215	9,220	0.70	100.00	100.00
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Table 6. Summary of sage grouse hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunter pressure by region and county, 1996.

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REGION AND COUNTY	Sample : Size*	Hunter-Days		BIRDS PER	% OF	% OF
COUNTE	51/45	AFIELD	BAGGED	HUNTER-DAY	Pressure	HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	39	1,881	1,068	0.57	14.24	11.59
CACHE **	22	1,184	673	0.57	8.96	7.31
DAVIS **	2	69	162	2.33	0.53	1.76
MORGAN **	5	557	1,068	1.92	4.22	11.59
RICH	26	1,207	673	0.56	9.14	7.31
SUMMIT **	8	232	185	0.80	1.76	2.02
WEBER **	18	1,091	1,393	1.28	8.26	15.11
REGIONAL TOTALS	120	6,224	5,225	0.84	47.10	56.68
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB **	2	69	278	4.00	0.53	3.02
SALT LAKE **	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SANPETE **	6	301	209	0.69	2.28	2.27
TOOELE **	5	185	92	0.50	1.41	1.01
UTAH **	17	812	627	0.77	6.15	6.80
WASATCH **	7	255	162	0.64	1.93	1.76
REGIONAL TOTALS	37	1,625	1,370	0.84	12.30	14.86
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	2	69	0	0.00	0.53	0.00
GARFIELD	7	232	116	0.50	1.76	0.00 1.26
IRON	5	325	0	0.00	2.46	0.00
KANE **	ī	46	46	1.00	0.35	0.50
MILLARD **	3	92	116	1.25	0.70	1.26
PIUTE	1	92	46	0.50	0.70	0.50
SEVIER	12	348	325	0.93	2.64	3.53
WASHINGTON **	1	69	139	2.00	0.53	1.51
WAYNE	15	812	371	0.46	6.15	4.03
REGIONAL TOTALS	47	2,090	1,161	0.56	15.82	12.60
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NORTHEASTERN REGION DAGGETT	4	162	69	0.43	1.23	0.76
DUCHESNE	6	487	116	0.43	3.69	1.26
UINTAH	34	1,695	1,045	0.62	12,83	11.34
REGIONAL TOTALS	44	2,345	1,231	0.52	17.75	13.35
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SOUTHEASTERN REGION CARBON **	=	0.0	4.5	0.50	0.70	0.50
EMERY **	2 2	92 46	46 69	0.50	0.70	0.50
GRAND **	1	696	23	1.50 0.03	0.35	0.76
SAN JUAN **		92	23 92	1.00	5.27	0.25
REGIONAL TOTALS	1 6	929	232	0.25	0.70 <b>7.03</b>	1.01 2.52
Unknown	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
STATE TOTALS	255	13,215	9,220	0.70	100.00	100.00
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<sup>\*</sup> Total hunter-trips from questionnaire returns.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Closed to sage grouse hunting in 1996

Table 7. Summary of sage grouse bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.94	0.92	0.55	0.96	0.79	0.79	0.40	0.57
Cache	0.45*	0.58	0.32*	0.55*	0.21*	0.50*	0.27*	0.57*
Davis	0.72*	0.25*	0.18*	0.60*	0.08*	0.00*	0.59*	2.33*
Morgan	0.50*	0.33*	0.93*	0.71*	0.00*	0.19*	0.00*	1.92*
Rich	0.63	0.85	1.01	0.82	0.79	0.53	0.47	0.56
Summit	0.71*	0.77*	0.67*	1.38*	0.56*	0.44*	0.13*	0.80*
Weber	0.27*	0.43*	0.34*	0.55*	0.50*	0.08*	0.15*	1.28*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.69	0.75	0.66	0.80	0.59	0.54	0.37	0.84
Central Region								
Juab	0.22*	0.20*	0.54*	0.17*	0.22*	2.71*	1.89*	4.00*
Salt Lake	0.30*	0.00*	0.70*	0.00*	0.20*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sanpete	0.61*	1.00*	0.44*	0.22*	0.33*	0.45*	0.20*	0.69*
Tooele	0.41*	1.15*	0.35*	0.65*	1.07*	1.83*	1.00*	0.50*
Utah	0.33	0.39	0.86*	0.96*	0.27*	0.56*	0.73*	0.77*
Wasatch	1.50*	0.55*	0.47*	0.70*	0.46*	0.80*	0.57*	0.64*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.42	0.52	0.53	0.68	0.59	1.16	0.69	0.84
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.42	0.38	0.29	0.83	1.00	0.47	1.13	0.00
Garfield	1.14	0.74	0.52	0.96	0.90	1.11	0.36	0.50
Iron	0.62	0.58	0.93	0.64	0.53	1.29	0.30	0.00
Kane	0.75	0.54	0.67	0.71	0.00	1.25	1.00*	1.00*
Millard	0.09*	3.14*	1.27*	0.80*	4.00*	0.67*	1.58*	1.25*
Piute	1.87	0.50	1.00	1.71	1.13	0.78	0.14	0.50
Sevier	0.39	1.08	0.39	0.49	0.36	0.54	0.04	0.93
Washington	0.00*	1.63*	2.00*	1.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	2.00*
Wayne	1.05	1.04	1.03	0.92	0.66	0.79	0.76	0.46
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.86	0.92	0.78	0.79	0.70	0.81	0.56	0.56
Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.33*	0.73	0.48	0.60	0.67	0.25	0.94	0.43
Duchesne	1.14	1.19	0.67	0.36	1.29	0.00	0.75	0.24
Uintah	0.98	0.87	0.71	0.87	0.73	0.83	0.85	0.62
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.93	0.89	0.68	0.76	0.79	0.72	0.86	0.52
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Southeastern Region								
Carbon	0.44	0.29	0.50	0.64	0.36	0.00*	1.71*	0.50*
Emery	0.95	0.20*	0.88*	0.60*	1.00*	0.80*	0.00*	1.50*
Grand	1.50	1.11	0.00	1.33	4.00	1.00*	0.60*	0.03*
San Juan	0.00*	0.00*	0.57*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	1.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.63	0.47	0.59	0.77	0.71	0.50	0.56	0.25
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.00	1.00	0.00
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STATE TOTALS	0.71	0.78	0.67	0.77	0.64	0.68	0.57	0.70
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<sup>\*</sup>Closed season.

<sup>()</sup> Percent of bag per hunter-day in closed areas.

Table 8. Percentage distribution of sage grouse harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and			_		Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Regio	n							
Box Elder	22.39	17.21	12.34	15 50	11 00	20.10	^ ^ -	
Cache	2.72		2.64*	15.50 5.12*	11.22 2.45*	20.10	9.81	11.59
Davis	2.72				2.45^ 0.20*			
Morgan	1.06				0.20*			
Rich		· 14.99	24.55	15.79	18.57	13.15		11.59*
Summit	0.76				4.08*		8.99 0.27*	7.31 2.02*
Weber	2.12				2.24*			15.11*
REGIONAL TOTAL	43.42				38.78			56.68
Central Region	<del></del>	CONTRACTOR OF THE STATE OF THE	*******************************				****	20.00
Juab	0.30	0.39*	0.97*	0.15*	0.41*	4.71*	4.63*	3.02*
Salt Lake	0.45				0.20*			
Sanpete	2.57				0.61*			
Tooele	2.27	1.96*		1.90*	5.92*			
Utah	3.18	2.09	1.66*		0.61*			
Wasatch	0.91	0.78*	1.25*	1.02*	1.22*			
REGIONAL TOTALS	9.68	6.39	6.80	11.55	8.98	14.64	16.08	14.86
Southern Regio	n	Miniminarian harrististististististististi	500000000000000000000000000000000000000		Mass.coccccccccccccccc		200000000000000000000000000000000000000	
Beaver	0.76	0.65	0.28	2.19	2.24	2.23	4.63	0.00
Garfield	8.62	7.17	2.36	3.51	3.88	5.21	2.18	1.26
Iron	2.42	1.43	1.94	3.65	4.29	5.46	2.18	0.00
Kane	0.45	0.91	0.28	0.73	0.00	1.24	0.55*	
Millard	0.15*	2.87*		0.58*	4.08*	1.99*		
Piute	4.24	0.65	2.77	1.75	1.84	3.47	0.27	0.50
Sevier	1.97	6.78	3.05	2.92	4.08	3.23	0.27	3.35
Washington	0.00*	1.69*	0.55*	0.29*	0.00*	0.00*		
Wayne	6.51	6.39	10.13	7.02	6.33	4.71	6.00	4.03
REGIONAL TOTALS	25.11	28.55	24.00	22.66	26.74	27.54	21.26	12.60
Northeastern Re	gion							
Daggett	0.76*	3.78	1.39	1.32	1.63	0.50	4.36	0.76
Duchesne	3.63	4.82	2.77	1.46	3.67	0.00	1.64	1.26
Uintah	12.41	11.80	14.98	16.37	13.67	14.64	22.35	11.34
REGIONAL TOTALS	16.79	20.47	19.14	19.15			28.34	
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Southeastern Re	gion						,	
Carbon	1.66	0.91	1.80	1.32	0.82	0.00*	3.27*	0.50*
Emery	2.87	0.13*	0.97*					
Grand	0.45	1.30	0.00		0.82			
San Juan	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*				
REGIONAL TOTALS			3.33	3.36	2.04	2.98		000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Unknown counties	- 0.00	0 00	0.00	0.00	4 40	0.00	<b>.</b>	
Closed areas								0.00
crosed ateas	(14.52)	(12.81)	(21.36)	(25.28)	(22.43)	(26.07)	(34.35)	
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Closed season

<sup>( )</sup>Percent of total harvest in closed areas.

Table 9. Percentage distribution of sage grouse hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	16.81	14.71	15.16	12.39	9.19	17.40	14.02	14.24
Cache	4.28*		5.61*	7.21*	7.35*	4.39*	6.32*	8.96
Davis	2.68*		1.03*	2.25*	1.71*	1.01*	3.39*	0.53
Morgan	1.50*		1.31*	1.91*	1.18*	2.70*	1.23*	4.22
Rich	13.17		16.46	14.75	15.09	16.89	10.79	9.14
Summit	0.75*	1.33*	2.25*	0.90*	4.72*	3.04*	1.23*	1.76
Weber	5.57	4.49*	5.80*	2.48*	2.89*	4.39*	3.08*	8.26
REGIONAL TOTALS	44.75	44.13	47.62	41.89	42.13	49.83	40.06	47.10
Central Region							•	
Juab	0.96*	1.53*	1.22*	0.68*	1.18*	1.18*	1.39*	0.53
Salt Lake	1.07*	0.51*	0.94*	0.34*	0.66*	0.00*	0.15*	0.00
Sanpete	3.00*	0.92*	1.50*	2.59*	1.18*	1.86*	3.85*	2.28
Tooele	3.96	1.33*	1.87*	2.25*	3.54*	2.03*	1.54*	1.41
Utah	6.85	4.19	1.31*	6.19*	1.44*	2.70*	4.01*	6.15
Wasatch	0.43*	1.12*	1.78*	1.13*	1.71*	0.84*	2.16*	1.93
REGIONAL TOTALS	16.27	9.60	8.61	13.18	9.71	8.62	13.10	12.30
Southern Bosion								
Southern Region					- 44	2 01	2 21	0 - 2
Beaver	1.28	1.33	0.65	2.03	1.44	3.21	2.31	0.53
Garfield	5.35	7.56	3.09	2.82 4.39	2.76 5.25	3.21 2.87	3.39 4.16	1.76 2.46
Iron	2.78	1.94	1.40	0.79	0.00	0.68	0.31*	0.35
Kane	0.43 1.18*	1.33 0.72*	0.28 1.40*	0.79	0.66*	2.03*	1.85*	0.70
Millard Piute	1.10	1.02	1.87	0.79	1.05	3.04	1.08	0.70
Sevier	3.53	4.90	5.33	4.62	7.35	4.05	4.01	2.64
Washington	0.00*		0.19*	0.23*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	
<del>-</del>	4.39	4.80	6.64	5.86	6.17	4.05	4.47	6.15
Wayne REGIONAL TOTALS	20.56	24.41	20.86	22.07	24.67	23.14	21.57	15.82
REGIONAL TOTALS			20.00			2.0.2.3		
Northeastern Reg	gion							
Daggett	1.61*	4.09	1.96	1.69	1.57	1.35	2.62	1.23
Duchesne	2.25	3.17	2.81	3.15	1.84	1.01	1.23	3.69
Uintah	8.99	10.73	14.31	14.53	12.07	1.99	14.79	
REGIONAL TOTALS	12.85	17.98	19.08	19.37	15.49	14.36	18.64	17.75
Southeastern Re	gion							
Carbon	2.68	2.45	2.43	1.58	1.44	1.69	1.08*	0.70
Emery	2.14	0.51*	0.75*	1.13*	0.26*	1.69*	0.31*	0.35
Grand	0.21	0.92	0.00	0.68	0.13	0.68	1.54*	5.27
San Juan	0.54*		0.65*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	2.00*	0.70
REGIONAL TOTALS	5,57	3,88	3.84	3.38	1.84	4.05	4.93	7.03
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	6.17	0.00	1.69	0.00
Closed areas		(15.94)		(29.85)	(28.48)		(35.44)	- ,
	100.00		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00					

<sup>\*</sup>Closed season

<sup>( )</sup>Percent of total pressure in closed areas.

Table 10. Statewide summary of sage grouse harvest statistics, 1951-96.

	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Sage Grouse	Sage Grouse Pe
Year	<b>Hunters*</b>	Harvest*	Afield	Per Hunter-Day	Hunter
1951	840	2,458	<del>-</del>	_	2.93
1952	678	2,230			3.29
1953	895	2,581			2.88
1954	802	2,510	<del>-</del> .		3.13
1955	579	1,742	-	-	3.01
1956	495	1,375		-	2.97
1957	470	1,303			2.77
1958	567	1,797		_	3.17
1959	699	1,875			2.68
1960	861	2,246		_	2.61
1961**	1,078	1,918	_	_	1.78
962***	2,382	5,352	5,097	1.05	1.89
963	12,366	3,793	15,564	0.89	1.12
964	4,362	6,827	5,807	1.18	1.56
965	3,243	3,881	4,673	0.83	1.20
966	2,612	3,962	4,006	0.99	1.52
967	5,336	5,089	7,860	0.65	0.95
1968	9,115	11,109	13,601	0.82	1.22
1969	12,894	22,282	20,466	1.09	1.73
1970	12,036	15,877	18,506	0.86	1.32
971	12,893	20,013	21,509	0.93	1.55
972	13,040	15,983	22,232	0.72	1.23
973	10,017	13,926	19,049	0.73	1.39
974	12,214	15,215	23,516	0.65	1.25
1975	13,996	18,916	25,720	0.74	1.35
1976	15,283	24,541	28,342	0.87	1.61
1977	14,078	18,615	25,759	0.72	1.32
1978	16,231	25,938	29,861	0.87	1.60
1979	16,927	28,280	30,682	0.92	1.67
1980	15,219	22,770	26,893	0.85	1.50
1981	10,083	15,857	18,617	0.85	1.57
1982	8,997	12,383	15,663	0.79	1.38
1983	9,201	14,949	18,467	0.81	1.63
984	8,283	10,921	15,266	0.72	1.32
1985	7,586	11,466	14,702	0.78	1.51
1986	7,233	11,766	13,992	0.84	1.63
1987	7,253 7,060	12,673	14,242	0.89	1.80
1988	8,499	14,692	19,418	0.76	1.73
1989	9,002	13,710	19,373	0.71	1.52
1990	9,014	15,784	20,147	0.78	1.75
1991	8,018	12,542	18,596	0.67	1.56
1992	7,393	12,156	15,781	0.77	1.64
1993	6,594	9,311	14,480	0.64	1.41
1994	5,133	7,084	10,406	0.68	1.38
1995	5,133 5,987	7,034 7,133	12,615	0.57	1.19
1996	5,507 5,574	9,220	13,215	0.70	1.65
Totals	<del> </del>	<u> </u>	14,214	<del></del>	1.00
(1951-96)	335,865	496,051	604,123		
Average		4			4 44 4
<u>(1951-95)</u>	7,340	10,818	13,131	0.61 nsequently harve	1.80

<sup>\*</sup> The number of sage grouse hunters and consequently harvest was limited by permits available from 1951 through 1962.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Estimated.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Totals and indices based on indiscrete data.

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REGIONAL TOTALS	43	272	1,051	145	14	43	272	1.051	145	14	0.53
Central Region											
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Southern Region											
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#### **SUMMARY**





Brood count data for forest grouse provided small sample sizes. Efforts to collect brood count data have dwindled over the past few years. No meaningful information could be derived for ruffed grouse. Total blue grouse and blue grouse observed per 100 hours increased from 1995.

Total harvest increased from 29,312 in 1995 to 60,922 in 1996, a 108 percent increase. Total hunters and days afield also increased. Ruffed grouse comprised 48.53 percent of the harvest while blue grouse comprised 51.47 percent.

#### **Brood Counts**

#### Ruffed Grouse

Results of the annual random brood survey for 1996 are shown in Table 1 of this section. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and ruffed grouse observed per 100 hours are found in Tables 2-4. A summary of effort expended on ruffed and blue grouse brood counts combined is shown in Table 9. Survey results for 1996 compared to 1995 and the previous 10-year average (1986-1995) follow:

	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Total ruffed grouse observed	50		-17
Young per 100 adults	285		+2
Mean brood size	3.00		-16
Ruffed grouse observed per 100 hours	2,500		+7907
Total hours effort	2		-99

Very little effort was expended to collect brood count data in 1996.

#### Blue Grouse

Results of the annual random brood survey for 1996 are shown in Table 5 of this section. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and blue grouse observed per 100 hours are found in Tables 6-8. Survey results for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year average (1986-95) follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total blue grouse observed	48	+336	-82
Young per 100 adults	336	+26	+39
Mean brood size	4.13	+55	+14
Blue grouse observed per 100 hours	1,200	+664	+712
Total hours effort (forest grouse)	4	-43	-98

The 1996 summer surveys on blue grouse indicated that production increased 26 percent from 1995 and was 39 percent above average. Efforts to collect blue grouse brood information decreased 43 percent in 1996.

#### Harvest

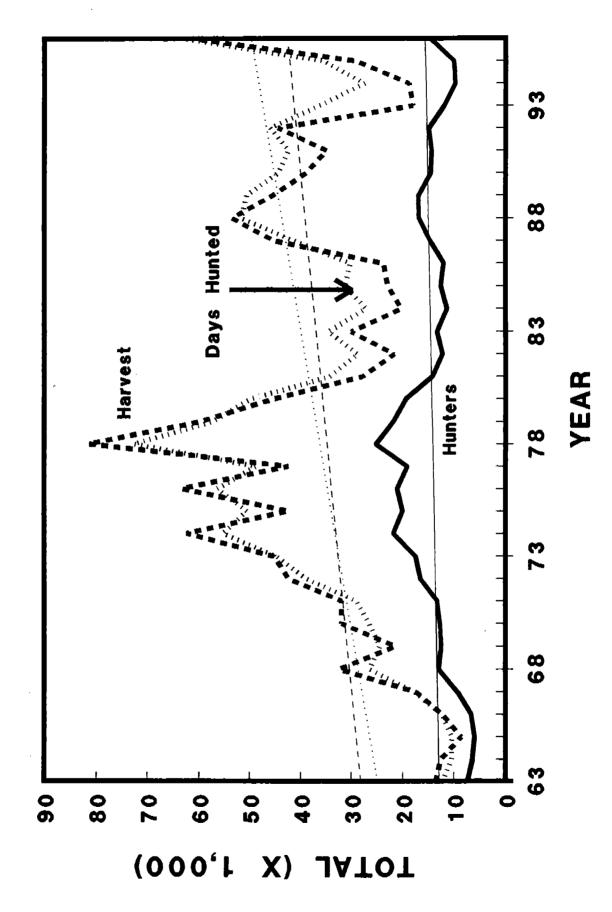
#### Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the 1996 blue grouse, ruffed grouse and combined hunter questionnaire are shown in Table 10, 11 and 12 respectively. Long-term trends of forest grouse bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 13-15 and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 16 and Figures 1 and 2. Forest grouse season length, bag limits and harvest statistics, 1963-1996 are listed in Table 17. Harvest statistics for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 33-year average follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Forest grouse hunters	14,702	+46	+3
Forest grouse harvested	60,922	+108	+76
Hunter-days afield	62,711	+76	+71
Forest grouse per hunter-day	0.97	+18	+3
Forest grouse per hunter	4.14	+42	+80
Percent ruffed grouse	48.53	+8	+25
Percent blue grouse	51.47	-7	-8
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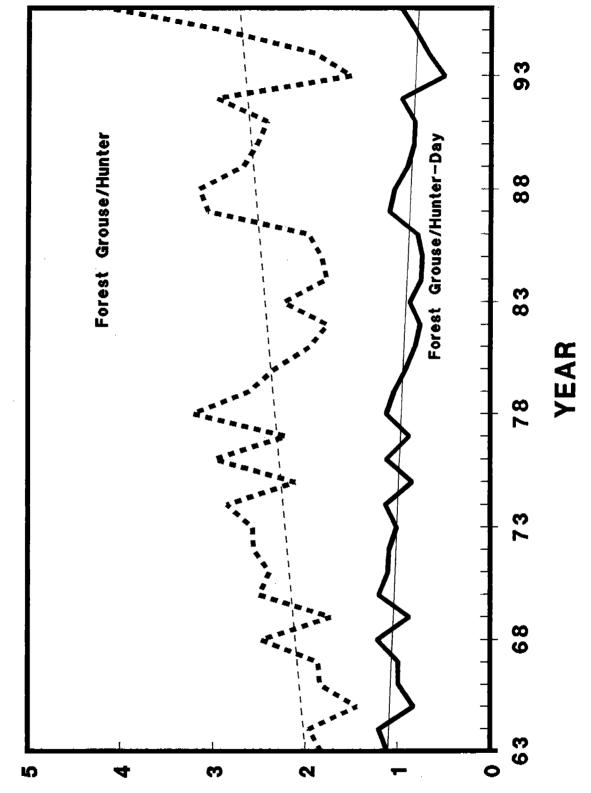
Ninety percent interval for overall forest grouse harvest is  $\pm$  496. Standard deviation is 1.057851.

Total harvest increased 108 percent from 1995 and was 76 percent below average. Overall, hunter success (grouse per hunter-day) increased 18 percent in 1996, and remains 3 percent above average. The number of grouse harvested per hunter was 80 percent above average.



Statewide trends of forest grouse harvest statistics, 1963-96. Figure 1.

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Statewide trends of forest grouse hunter success rates, 1963-96. Figure 2.

#### Field Bag Checks

A summary of field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 18. Hunter success trends determined via this method are shown in Table 19.

Results of the 1996 survey compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Total hunters checked	311	+4	-43
Total hours hunted	1,213	<del>-</del> 2	-38
Forest grouse per hunter (complete hunts)	1.19	+183	+73
Forest grouse bagged per 100 hours	31	+210	+16
Average hours per hunter-day (complete hunts)	3.90	<b>-</b> 6	+17
Hours hunted per grouse bagged (complete hunts)	3.27	-67	<del>-</del> 35

#### Sex and Age Composition of the Harvest

Sex and age composition of the harvest as determined from wings is shown in Table 20 and 21.

Following are data derived from blue grouse wing surveys in 1996 compared to 1995:

	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Sample Size	417	+479	
Percent Males	41	+24	
Percent Females	59	-11	
Young per 100 adults	263	-12	
Young per 100 hens (adult)	487	-10	

Following are data derived from ruffed grouse wing surveys in 1996 compared to 1995:

	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from <u>1995</u>	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Sample Size	444	+477	
Percent Males			
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County	1986	1987	1988	1989 1990	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1986-95
Northern Region												
Box Elder	433	150	20	;	300	250	400	;	;	:	:	
Cache	9	300	267	300	150	225	167	:	1	;	233	
Davis	i	I	136	;	:	1	217	:	:	:	:	
Morgan	;	:	;	;	:	:	1	:	:	:	;	
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Northeastern Region												
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Morgan	;	ŀ	:	:	;	3.33	i	1	;	:	:	
Rich	3.00	:	:	3.00	ı	ı	ŀ	:	:	:	:	
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Millard	4.00	4.26	1.50	:	3.00	:	:	ı		;	:	
Piute	3.00		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	;	
Sevier	:	4.67	2.33	;	:	:	:	:	:			
Washington	3.60	6.33	ï	ı	:	:	:		:		: :	
Wayne	i	3.50	3.76	:	:	4.67	1	:	;	:	١ :	
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.53	4.12	2.71	1	3.00	4.67	:	:	3	:		3.59
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	3.75	4.71	3.20	3.89	3.60	ł	6.00	ï	;	1.00	4.60	
Duchesne	3.26	2.60	2.50	i	6.00	ı	8,00	2.00	ŀ	ı	;	
Uintah	4.00	2.00	3.60	2.20	:	;	i	9.00	1	3.50	4.00	
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.56	4.52	3.00	3.29	4.33		6.67	4.00		2.67	4.14	4.00
Southeastern Region												
carbon	9.6 8	;	:	:	:	:	2.6 2.6	ŧ	:	:	;	
Emery	:	4.00	4.00	:	ı	:	1	:	:	ï	i	
Grand	3.26	:	2.78	3.00	ı	2.00	4.38	3.17	4.00	:	;	
San Juan	;	3.00	3.00	3.00	ı	5.00	3.50	2.60	ł	:	ı	
REGIONAL TOTALS	3.60	3.50	2.93	3.00	:	3.60	4.13	2.90	4.00	;	١,	3.44
STATE TOTALS	3.44	4.00	3.99	3.81	4 10	3.00	06 F	2 01	2.00	40.6		

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<ol> <li>Trend of blue grouse observed per 100 hours,</li> </ol>	
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	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994		1996	CR-926
Northern Region									1			
Box Elder	20	-	:	1	200	24	136	ł	750	:	ŀ	
Cache	:	71	99	11	108	165	4	:	!	ł	;	
Davis	20	232	300	120	426	98	112	ı	:	1	ŀ	
Morgan	4	23	!	4		1	ì	:	;	:	ŀ	
Rich	53	0	0	:	:	175	79	ı	:	i	:	
Summit	: :	006		7	100	10	; ;	:	1	;	;	
Weber	100	267	99	:	:	9	40	:	i	i	;	
REGIONAL TOTALS	27	109	8	79	133	63	22	:	750	ì	:	167
Central Region										:		
dent	156	0	:	:	800	:	ł	;	009	1	ŀ	
Salt Lake	t	400	;	;	:	:	1	:	;	1	;	
Sanoete	ŧ	1.400	;	7	4	:	23	25	i	1	:	
Tooele	4	206	1.000	1,000	233	:	200	i	350	ï	ł	
Utah	:	229	367	367	13	318	;	ŧ	350	ſ	;	
Wasatch	:	0	:	:	:	:	σ,	150	;	;	ŀ	
REGIONAL TOTALS	254	194	683	77	75	480	24	58		:	:	189
Southern Region										;		
Beaver	137	175	164	:	;	ŧ	i		ŀ	:	ı	
Garfield	141	195		ŀ	100	ł	ì	1	ŀ	:	;	
Iron	ı	1,200		:	;	ť	;	1	:	:	ŀ	
Kane	257	383	127	ł	:	ı	:	t	;	ŀ	ì	
Millard	200	525	9	:	:	ł	1	1	:	:	1	
Piute	266	;	:	:	;	i	;	1	:	ı	ŀ	
Sevier	:	275	738	ı	;	:	:	ı	ŀ	:	1	
Washington	333	950	1	;	;	;	;	:	1	1	ı	
Wayne	i	450	476	:	:	2.250	:	:	ı	ı	:	
REGIONAL TOTALS	178	309	247	:	200	2.250	:		1	!	:	637
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	300	1,255	230	266	286	:	1,400	i	ı	200	248	
Duchesne	5	3	12	:	176	:	225	120	:	ï	:	
Jintah	900	26	37	48	320	!	:	3,500	9	150	25	
REGIONAL TOTALS	126	286	120	98	46	:	200	370	œ	157	137	190
Southeastern Region												
Carbon	9	1	;	:	:	ı	240	i	:	ı	;	
Emery	I	200	:	ì	:	:	:	:	;	i	:	
Grand	<b>1</b> 20	300	:	<b>68</b>	:	30	540	876	467	1	:	
San Juan	ī	400	ı	400	1	900	900	457	1	:	:	
REGIONAL TOTALS	96	400	!	82	 	450	480	113	AR7	;	;	200
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Table 9. Summary of effort expended on forest grouse brood counts, 1996.

Region and	Vehicle		Hours of Effort		
County	Miles	Vehicle	Horse	Walk	Total
Northern Region					
Box Elder			_		
Cache	-	**		-	-
Davis				-	_
Morgan		_	-		_
Rich	_				-
Summit			_	_	-
Weber					
REGIONAL TOTALS					
Central Region	_				
Juab	_			_	_
Salt Lake	_		,	_	_
Sanpete					_
Tooele	_		_	_	_
Jtah Jtah				_	_
Nasatch	30	2	0	0	2
REGIONAL TOTALS	30	2	- 0	0	2
outhern Region	JU		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
eaver Region	-		_	_	-
eaver iarfield	-			-	-
	-	_	-	_	-
on Cane	-				_
		-		_	-
Aillard				_	-
Piute		••			-
Sevier	_	-		-	-
Vashington				-	-
Nayne		-			
REGIONAL TOTALS	-	-			-
lortheastern Region					
aggett	0	0	3	0	3
Duchesne				_	_
Jintah	20	1	0	0	1
EGIONAL TOTALS	20	1	3	0	4
outheastern Region			<del></del>		
arbon	-		<del></del>		_
mery		_		_	-
Frand				-	
San Juan	-			_	_
REGIONAL TOTALS		_			
TATE TOTALS	50	3	3	<del></del>	-6
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Table 10. Summary of blue grouse hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND		HUNTER-DAYS	BIRDS	BIRDS PER	% OF	% OF
COUNTY	S1/45*	AFIELD	Bagged	Hunter-day	PRESSURE	HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	13	720	859	1.19	2.23	2.74
CACHE	70	6,944	6,735	0.97	21.53	21.48
DAVIS	15	1,416	2,183	1.54	4.39	6.96
MORGAN	16	1,741	998	0.57	5.40	3.19
RICH	10	952	1,114	1.17	2.95	3.56
SUMMIT	19	1,741	1,532	0.88	5.40	4.89
WEBER	33	3,669	4,366	1.19	11.38	13.93
REGIONAL TOTALS	176	17,187	17,791	1.04	53.28	56.74
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	2	139	92	0.67	0.43	0.30
SALT LAKE	2	371	185	0.50	1.15	0.59
SANPETE	11	720	789	1.10	2.23	2.52
TOOELE	12	812	975	1.20	2.52	3.11
UTAH	29	2,601	1,811	0.70	8.06	5.78
WASATCH	18	1,997	1,579	0.79	6.19	5.04
REGIONAL TOTALS	7.4	6,642	5,435	0.82	20.59	17.33
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	7	580	464	0.80	1.80	1.48
GARFIELD	5	301	301	1.00	0.94	0.96
IRON	6	487	394	0.81	1.51	1.26
KANE	2	116	69	0.60	0.36	0.22
MILLARD	4	371	301	0.81	1.15	0.96
PIUTE	5	603	975	1.62	1.87	3.11
SEVIER	29	2,601	2,252	0.87	8.06	7.19
WASHINGTON	2	255	92	0.36	0. <u>7</u> 9	0.30
WAYNE	1	116	23	0.20	0.36	0.07
REGIONAL TOTALS	61	5,435	4,877	0.90	16.85	15.56
NORTHEASTERN REGIO	V					
DAGGETT	10	464	836	1.80	1.44	2.67
DUCHESNE	7	603	510	0.85	1.87	1.63
UINTAH	18	1,323	1,509	1-14	4-10	4.81
REGIONAL TOTALS	35	2,392	2,856	1.19	7.42	9.11
SOUTHEASTERN REGION	J					
CARBON	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
EMERY	2	116	46	0.40	0.36	0.15
GRAND	4	325	232	0.71	1.01	0.74
san juan	3	162	92	0.57	0.50	0.30
REGIONAL TOTALS	9	603	371	0.62	1.87	1.19
Unknown	1	0	23	0.00	0.00	0.07
STATE TOTALS	356	32,261	31,355	0.97	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns

Table 11. Summary of ruffed grouse hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996

REGION AND	SAMPLE	HUNTER-DAYS		BIRDS PER	% OF	% OF
COUNTY	SIZE*	AFIELD	BAGGED	HUNTER-DAY	PRESSURE	HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	12	696	650	0.93	2.29	2.20
CACHE	84	8,129	9,011	1.11	26.70	30.48
DAVIS	9	1,138	627	0.55	3.74	2.12
MORGAN	19	2,136	3,994	1.87	7.02	13.51
RICH	19	1,347	1,741	1.29	4.42	5.89
SUMMIT	29	2,160	2,276	1.05	7.09	7.70
WEBER	36	3,971	3,739	0.94	13.04	12.65
REGIONAL TOTALS	208	19,580	22,042	1,13	64.30	74.55
CENTRAL REGION						***************************************
JUAB	1	23	23	1.00	0.08	0.08
SALT LAKE	4	301	348	1.15	0.99	1.18
SANPETE	8	418	2 <b>7</b> 8	0.67	1.37	0.94
TOOELE	4	232	232	1.00	0.76	0.79
UTAH	28	2,787	2,136	0.77	9.15	7.23
WASATCH	25	1,579	1,556	0.99	5.19	5.26
REGIONAL TOTALS	70	5,342	4,575	0.86	17.54	15.48
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	1	23	23	1.00	0.08	0.08
GARFIELD	3	116	92	0.80	0.38	0.31
IRON	2	116	46	0.40	0.38	0.16
KANE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILLARD	1	139	46	0.33	0.46	0.16
PIUTE	2	69	69	1.00	0.23	0.24
SEVIER	14	2,020	1,068	0.53	6.64	3.61
WASHIÑGTON	0	Ó	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
WAYNE	0	0	Õ	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	23	2,485	1,347	0.54	8.16	4.56
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NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT -	4	255	278	1.09	0.84	0.94
DUCHESNE	4	418	185	0.44	1.37	0.63
UINTAH	14	1,254	650	0.52	4.12	2.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	22	1,927	1,114	0.58	6.33	3.77
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	3	209	116	0.56	0.69	0.39
EMERY	3	232	116	0.50	0.76	0.39
GRAND	2	510	116	0.23	1.68	0.39
SAN JUAN	2	162	139	0.86	0.53	0.47
REGIONAL TOTALS	10	1,114	487	0.44	3.66	1.65
Unknown	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
STATE TOTALS	333	30,450	29,567	0.97	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 12. Summary of blue and ruffed grouse hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND COUNTY	SAMPLE H SIZE*	UNTER-DAYS AFTELD		BIRDS PER HUNTER-DAY	% OF PRESSURE	% OF HARVEST
NOT THE GOAL						
NORTHERN REGION	29	1,463	1,509	1.03	2.60	2,53
BOX ELDER	29 153	11,404	15,747	1.38	20.24	26.36
CACHE DAVIS	26	1,858	2,810	1.51	3.30	4.70
MORGAN	37	3,042	5,040	1.66	5.40	8.44
MORGAN RICH	30	2,160	2,369	1.10	3.83	3.97
SUMMIT	43	2,717	3,274	1.21	4.82	5.48
WEBER	72	5,876	7,246	1.23	10.43	12.13
REGIONAL TOTALS	390	28,5 <b>22</b>	37,998	1.33	50.6 <b>2</b>	63.61
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	6	510	116	0.23	0.91	0.19
SALT LAKE	12	1,114	534	0.48	1.98	0.89
SANPETE	28	1,532	1,021	0.67	2.72	1.71
TOOELE	23	1,207	1,207	1.00	2.14	2.02
UTAH	67	5,551	4,087	0.74	9.85	6.84
WASATCH	49	3,530	3,228	0.91	6.27	5.40
REGIONAL TOTALS	185	13,448	10,196	0.76	23.87	17.07
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	10	650	510	0.79	1.15	0.86
GARFIELD	11	534	441	0.83	0.95	0.74
IRON	16	1,277	487	0.38	2.27	0.82
KANE	4	139	69	0.50	0.25	0.12
MILLARD	8	464	348	0.75	0.82	0.58
PIUTE	9	720	1,091	1.52	1.28	1.83
SEVIER	50	4,111	3,344	0.81	7.30	5.60
WASHINGTON	3	278	92	0.33	0.49	0.16
WAYNE	2	185	23	0.13	0.33	0.04
REGIONAL TOTALS	113	8,361	6,410	0.77	14.84	10.73
NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT	15	743	1,161	1.56	1.32	1.94
DUCHESNE	20	1,347	1,207	0.90	2.39	2.02
UINTAH	26	1,811	1,834	1.01	3.22	3.07
REGIONAL TOTALS	61	3,902	4,204	1.08	6.93	7.04
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	4	301	116	0.38	0.54	0.19
EMERY	6	348	162	0.47	0.62	0.27
GRAND	9	1,045	325	0.31	1.85	0.54
SAN JUAN	5	325	232	0.71	0.58	0.39
REGIONAL POTALS	24	2,020	836	0.41	3.59	1.40
NNKNOMN	2	92	92	1.00	0.16	0.16
STATE TOTALS	775	56,347	59,738	1.06	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 13. Summary of forest grouse bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Nadham Darian								
Northern Region	_							
Box Elder	0.99	0.97	0.69	1.15	0.18	0.80	0.92	1.03
Cache	0.84	0.75	0.92	0.94	0.41	0.88	0.71	1.38
Davis	0.78	1.02	0.84	0.59	0.18	0.45	0.64	1.51
Morgan Rich	1.23 0.42	0.94 0.52	0.94 0.62	1.06 0.76	0.16	0.66	1.14	1.66
Summit	0.42	0.49	0.62	0.76	0.34 0.40	0.59 0.82	0.62	1.10
Weber	1.00	0.73	0.72	1.01	0.40	0.82	0.97 0.83	1.21 1.23
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.88	0.73	0.76	0.92	0.37	0.31	0.80	1.23
		· · · ·				U•12		1.33
Central Region								
Juab	0.71	0.88	0.65	0.79	0.84	0.56	0.78	0.23
Salt Lake	0.77	0.81	0.55	1.00	0.41	0.87	0.52	0.48
Sanpete Tooele	0.65	0.82	0.98	0.78	0.65	0.86	0.48	0.67
Utah	1.75 0.99	1.03 0.91	1.03 0.97	1.19 0.84	0.37 0.77	1.02 0.59	0.96	1.00
Wasatch	0.78	0.91	0.97	1.25	0.77	0.59	0.45	0.74
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.90	0.90	0.89	0.92	0.20	0.70	0.74 0.61	0.91 0.76
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Southern Region								
Beaver	0.86	0.85	0.95	1.44	1.17	0.64	0.60	0.79
Garfield Iron	1.27	0.74	0.83	0.48	0.27	0.29	0.40	0.83
Kane	0.79 1.25	0.69 0.81	0.57 0.61	0.78	0.93	0.78	0.78	0.38
Millard	1.25	1.49	0.98	1.45 1.59	1.25	0.80	1.75	0.50
Piute	1.00	1.25	1.00	0.75	0.86 1.32	0.77 0.20	0.60	0.75
Sevier	1.23	1.02	0.94	1.30	0.49	0.20	0.80 0.49	1.52 0.81
Washington	0.00	0.00	1.83	2.00	0.00	0.60	1.25	0.33
Wayne	0.76	0.86	0.59	1.29	0.71	0.45	0.50	0.33
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.13	0.99	0.87	1.19	0.71	0.43	0.62	0.77
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Northeastern Reg	<i>d</i> '							
Daggett	0.42	0.81	0.97	1.03	0.85	0.58	0.56	1.56
Duchesne	0.92	0.69	0.78	0.68	0.31	0.57	0.86	0.90
Uintah REGIONAL TOTALS	0.67 0.69	1.09 0.93	1.00 0.93	1.01	0.66	0.53	1.30	1.01
REGIONAL TOTALS	U.09	0.93	0.73	0.94	0.59	0.55	1.00	1.08
Southeastern Reg	gion							
Carbon	0.37	0.47	0.64	0.83	0.73	0.78	1.60	0.38
Emery	0.60	0.81	0.78	0.88	0.18	0.48	0.17	0.47
Grand	1.14	1.12	2.14	0.52	1.12	0.00	0.50	0.31
San Juan	1.00	0.83	0.45	1.57	1.50	1.20	0.43	0.71
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.57	0.69	0,77	0.79	0_54	0.67	0.56	0.41
Unknown counties	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.41	1.00
STATE TOTALS	0.90	0.83	0.82	0.96	0.50	0.69	0.73	1.06

Table 14. Percentage distribution of forest grouse harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	5.02	6.51	5.53	4.83	1.99	6.15	4.84	2.53
Cache	15.18	15.47	17.45	17.65	12.36	19.01	20.69	26.36
Davis	1.96	3.28	2.89	2.48	0.63	1.68	2.82	4.70
Morgan	6.93	3.28	3.29	2.75	0.84	2.52	3.76	8.44
Rich	2.60	2.89	3.74	3.19	2.72	2.70	2.42	3.97
Summit	4.61	3.45	6.83	3.83	3.77	8.67	8.40	5.48
Weber	10.35	8.07	5.03	9.82	9.11	7.18	9.94	12.13
REGIONAL TOTALS	46.65	42.96	44.77	44.55	31.41	47.90	52.86	63.61
Central Region						0.45	. 43	0.10
Juab	1.32	0.78	0.75	1.48	1.68	0.47	1.41	0.19
Salt Lake	1.50	0.72	0.80	2.12	0.94	1.86	1.14	0.89
Sanpete	4.56	5.40	4.34	3.31	4.19	5.69	2.69	1.71
Tooele	5.02	6.68	4.04	2.52	3.98	4.94	3.02	2.02
Utah	7.62	8.74	7.48	10.38	10.47	6.90	4.63	6.84
Wasatch	5.47	2.89	4.44	4.59	3.14	4.19	6.85	5.40
REGIONAL TOTALS	25.49	25.21	21.83	24.39	24.40	24.04	19.75	17.07
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.82	1.61	2.59	2.08	2.20	1.68	1.75	0.86
Garfield	1.73	1.45	1.00	0.84	1.36	0.37	0.67	0.74
Iron	1.41	1.39	1.94	1.56	7.96	1.68	2.55	0.82
Kane	0.23	0.72	0.95	1.28	1.57	0.37	1.41	0.12
Millard	3.51	2.89	2.24	3.23	3.35	2.14	0.60	0.58
Piute	0.96	3.34	2.04	0.84	3.46	0.37	1.07	1.83
Sevier	9.90	7.90	10.27	10.70	6.39	8.20	4.97	5.60
Washington	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.48	0.00	0.56	0.34	0.16
Wayne	0.73	1.00	0.65	0.72	1.78	0.47	0.20	0.04
REGIONAL TOTALS	19.92	20.31	22.23	21.72	28.06	15.84	13.57	10.73
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Northeastern Re	gion							
Daggett	0.46	1.39	1.65	1.28	1.78	2.70	1.68	1.94
Duchesne	1.60	1.39	2.24	1.20	1.36	1.58	2.48	2.02
Uintah	4.33	4.90	4.99	4.67	7.12	3.91	7.52	3.07
REGIONAL TOTALS	6.38	7.68	8.87	7.15	10.26	8.20	11.69	7.04
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Southeastern Re	_					1 60	0.54	0 10
Carbon	0.50	1.34						
Emery	0.41	1.17					0.07	0.27
Grand	0.36	1.06	0.75				0.54	0.54
San Juan	0.18	0.28				1.12	0.40	0.39
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.46	3.84	2.29	2.20	4.19	4.01	1.54	1.40
77-1	~ 0 77	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.68	0.00	0.60	0.16
Unknown counties	s U./3	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	3.00		2.23
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 15. Percentage distribution of forest grouse hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	4.55	5.60	6.59	4.04	5.48	5.30	3.84	2.60
Cache	16.22	17.22	15.55	18.07	14.88	14.76	21.23	20.24
Davis	2.25	2.69	2.82	4.04	1.78	2.56	3.25	3.30
Morgan	5.08	2.92	2.86	2.50	2.66	2.62	2.41	5.40
Rich	5.53	4.63	4.95	4.04	3.97	3.13	2.86	3.83
Summit	4.63	5.83	7.73	4.78	4.75	7.28	6.35	4.82
Weber	9.34	9.21	8.10	9.36	8.93	9.71	8.77	10.43
REGIONAL TOTALS	7.60	48.10	48.61	46.84	42.45	45.37	48.72	50.62
Central Region								
Juab	1.68	0.74	0.94	1.81	0.00	n E0	1 22	0.01
Salt Lake	1.76	0.74	1.19	2.04	0.99 1.15	0.58 1.47	1.33 1.63	0.91 1.98
Sanpete	6.31	5.51	3.64	4.08	3.24	4.54	4.09	2.72
Tooele	2.58	5.42	3.23	2.04	5.33	3.32	2.32	2.72
Utah	6.88	8.01	6.34	11.98	6.79	8.05	7.54	9.85
Wasatch	6.31	2.92	4.79	3.54	6.11	5.50	6.75	6.27
REGIONAL TOTALS	25.52	23.33	20.13	25.50	23.60	23.45	23.65	23.87
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.06	1 57	2 25	1 20	0.04	1 70		
Garfield	0.86 1.23	1.57 1.62	2.25 0.98	1.39	0.94	1.79	2.12	1.15
Iron	1.60	1.62	2.82	1.69 1.93	2.56	0.89	1.23	0.95
Kane	0.16	0.74	1.27	0.85	4.28 0.63	1.47	2.41	2.27 0.25
Millard	2.50	1.62	1.88	1.96	1.93	0.32 1.92	0.59 0.74	0.23
Piute	0.86	2.22	1.68	1.08	1.31	1.28	0.99	1.28
Sevier	7.21	6.44	8.92	7.94	6.53	7.92	7.39	7.30
Washington	0.08	0.23	0.25	0.23	0.16	0.64	0.20	0.49
Wayne	0.86	0.97	0.90	0.54	1.25	0.70	0.30	0.33
REGIONAL TOTALS	15.36	17.08	20.95	17.60	19.58	16.93	15.96	14.84
Northeastern Region								
Daggett	0.98	1.44	1.39	1.19	1.04	3.19	2.22	1.32
Duchesne	1.56	1.67	2.37	1.69	2.19	1.92	2.12	2.39
Uintah	5.82	3.75	4.09	4.47	5.38	5.05	4.24	3.22
REGIONAL TOTALS	8.36	6.85	7.86	7.36	8.62	10.16	8.57	5.22 5.93
Southeastern Region								
Carbon	1.23	2.36	0.90	0.23	0.78	1.47	0.25	0.54
Emery	0.61	1.20	0.37	1.00	2.09	1.73	0.30	0.62
Grand	0.29	0.79	0.29	1.19	0.89	0.26	0.79	1.85
San Juan	0.16 2.29	0.28	0.90	0.27	0.10	0.64	0.69	0.58
REGIONAL TOTALS	Z • 25	4.63	2.45	2.70	3.86	4.09	2.02	3.59
Unknown counties	0.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.88	0.00	1.08	0.16
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

	Total			<b>Total Harvest</b>					Hunter-Days	Grouse/Hunter-Day			Grouse/Hunter		
Year	Hunters	Ruffed	Percent	Bine	Percent	Unknown	Percent	Total	Affeld	Ruffed	Blue	Total	Ruffed	Blue	Total
1963	7,425	5,470	40.20	7,372	54.17	992	5.63	13,608	12,313	0.44	99.0	1.11	0.74	0.99	1.83
1964	6,487	5,354	42.19	6,685	52.68	652	5.14	12,691	10,566	0.51	0.63	1.20	0.82	1.03	1.96
965	6,005	3,225	37.20	4,924	56.80	520	00'9	8,669	10,504	0.31	0.47	0.83	0.54	0.82	1.44
1966	6,683	996'9	56.54	4,659	37.81	969	5.65	12,321	12,387	92.0	0.38	66.0	1.04	0.68	1.84
1967	9,420	8,476	48,36	6,773	38.65	2,277	12.99	17,526	17,773	0.48	0.38	0.99	0.87	0.69	1.86
1968	13,061	17,048	52,59	12,604	38.88	2,762	8.52	32,414	26,537	0.64	0.47	1.22	1.30	0.96	2.48
696)	12,523	9,490	44.14	10,419	48.46	1,589	7.39	21,498	24,572	0.38	0.42	0.87	0.76	0.83	1.72
1970	12,775	15,590	48.87	13,515	42.37	2,793	8.76	31,898	26,619	0.59	0.51	1.20	1.22	1,06	2.50
1971	13,363	15,759	49.40	13,749	43.10	2,393	7.50	31,901	29,100	0.54	0.47	1.10	1.18	1.03	2.39
1972	16,640	20,648	48.56	19,221	45.21	2,649	6.23	42,518	38,940	0.53	0.49	1.09	1.24	1.16	2,56
1973	17,588	7,153	15.81	36,846	81.46	1,233	2.73	45,232	44,738	0.16	0.82	1.01	0.41	2.09	2.57
1974	21,920	24,561	39.34	32,236	51.63	5,642	9,04	62,439	55,258	0.44	0.58	1.13	1.12	1.47	2.85
1975	20,102	15,750	37.09	23,138	54,49	3,573	8.41	42,461	50,579	0.31	0.45	0.84	0.78	1.15	2.11
976	21,186	23,551	37.13	35,660	56.21	4,225	99'9	63,436	56,422	0.42	0.63	1.12	1.11	1.68	2.99
1977	19,188	15,766	37.12	23,455	55.22	3,256	7.67	42,477	48,746	0.37	0.48	0.87	0.82	1.22	2.21
1978	25,318	30,340	37.20	46,651	57.20	4,567	2.60	81,558	72,732	0.42	0.64	1.12	1.20	1.84	3.22
1979	21,993	23,156	38.69	33,070	55.25	3,625	90.9	59,851	57,404	0.40	0.58	1.04	1.05	1.50	2.61
086	19,511	15,457	33,96	27,588	60.60	2,477	5.44	45,522	49,899	0.31	0.55	0.91	0.79	1.41	2.33
1981	14,329	8,557	30.68	17,852	64.00	1,485	5.32	27,894	34,305	0,25	0.52	0.81	09'0	1.25	1.95
1982	12,384	7,509	34.48	12,138	55.74	2,131	9.79	21,778	28,767	0.26	0.42	0.76	09'0	0.98	1.76
1983	13,414	11,366	37.78	16,955	56.35	1,767	5.87	30'088	34,530	0.33	0.49	0.87	0.84	1.26	2.24
1984	11,511	6,780	33.24	12,647	62.01	969	4.75	20,396	27,244	0.25	0.46	0.75	0.59	1.10	1.77
1985	12,646	8,701	37.67	13,416	58.09	086	4.24	23,097	31,290	0.28	0.43	0.74	0.69	1.06	1.83
1986	12,117	8,819	36.95	14,156	59.31	894	3.75	23,869	30,312	0.29	0.47	0.79	0.73	1.17	1.97
1987	14,831	15,811	34.88	28,068	61.92	1,447	3.19	45,326	41,428	0.38	99'0	1.09	1.07	1.89	3.06
886	16,947	19,100	35.66	31,556	58.91	2,906	5.43	53,562	51,726	0.37	0.61	1.04	1.13	1.86	3.16
1989	16,987	16,323	35.88	27,794	61.10	1,370	3.01	45,487	50,631	0.32	0.55	0.90	96.0	1.64	2.68
1990	14,591	11,010	28.29	26,115	67.10	1,797	4.62	38,922	44,452	0.25	0.59	0.83	0.75	1.79	2.53
1991	14,421	12,073	34.60	21,310	61.07	1,514	4.34	34,897	42,517	0.35	0.50	0.82	0.84	1.48	2.42
1992	15,000	15,017	33.73	29,146	65.47	355	0.80	44,518	46,136	0.33	0.63	96'0	1.00	1.94	2.97
1993	12,029	6,650	36.65	11,040	60.84	457	2.52	18,147	36,390	0.18	0.30	0.50	0.55	0.92	1.5
1994	9,827	806'9	36.62	11,865	62.90	<b>6</b> 8	0.47	18,862	27,510	0.25	0.43	89'0	0.70	1.21	1.91
1995	10,088	13,140	44.83	16,172	55.17	<b>5</b>	0.00	29,312	35,591	0.77	0.87	0.82	2.79	3.00	2.91
966	14,702	29,567	48.53	31,355	51.47	*0	0.00	60,922	62,711	0.97	0.97	0.97	4.16	4.13	4.14
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1963	5,470	7,372	13,608	7,425	12,313	~	·	<b>5.</b> *	4	∞
1964	5,354	6,685	12,691	6,487	10,566	9/26	10/16	21	4	<b>&amp;</b>
1965	3,225	4,924	8,669	6,005	105,074	9/25	10/22	28	4	<b>∞</b>
1966	996'9	4,659	12,321	6,683	12,387	9/24	10/21	28	4	00
1967	8,476	6,773	17,526	9,420	17,773	9/23	10/31	39	4	60
8961	17,048	12,604	32,414	13,061	26,537	9/28	10/29	32	4	00
1969	9,490	10,419	21,498	12,523	24,572	9/27	11/02	37	4	- 00
1970	15,590	13,515	31,898	12,775	26,619	9/26	11/06	42	4	- 00
1971	15,759	13,749	31,901	13,363	29,100	9/25	11/30	29	4	- 00
1972	20,648	19,221	42,518	16,640	38,940	9/23	11/30	69	4	- 00
1973	7,153	36,846	45,232	17,588	44,738	9/22	11/30	20	4	- 60
1974	24,561	32,236	62,439	21,920	55,258	9/58	11/30	64	4	- 00
1975	15,750	23,138	42,461	20,102	50,579	9/20	11/30	72	4	60
1976	23,551	35,660	63,436	21,186	56,422	9/18	11/30	74	4	00
1977	15,766	23,455	42,477	19,188	48,746	9/17	11/30	75	4	00
1978	30,340	46,651	81,558	25,318	72,732	9/16	11/30	92	4	60
1979	23,156	33,070	59,851	21,993	57,404	9/15	11/30	7.7	4	00
1980	15,467	27,588	46,522	19,511	49,899	9/20	11/30	72	4	8
1981	8,557	17,852	27,894	14,329	34,305	9/19	11/30	73	4	<b>∞</b>
1982	7,509	12,138	21,778	12,384	28,767	9/18	11/30	74	4	8
1983	11,366	16,955	30,088	13,414	34,530	9/17	11/30	75	4	80
1984		12,647	20,396	11,511	27,244	9/15	11/30	77	4	<b>∞</b>
1986	8,701	13,416	23,097	12,646	31,290	9/14*	11/30	78	4	<b>∞</b>
1986	8,819	14,156	23,869	12,117	30,312	9/13	11/30	79	4	<b>&amp;</b>
1987	15,811	28,068	45,326	14,831	41,428	9/12	11/30	08	4	<b>c</b>
1988	19,100	31,566	63,662	16,947	51,726	9/11	11/30	82	4	œ
1989	16,323	27,794	45,487	16,987	50,631	60/6	11/30	82	4	œ
1990	11,010	26,116	38,922	14,691	44,462	9/08	11/30	82	4	œ
1991	12,073	21,310	34,897	14,421	42,517	9/14	11/30	77	4	<b>c</b> o
1992	15,017	29,146	44,518	15,000	46,136	9/12	11/30	79	4	<b>co</b>
1993	6,650	11,040	18,147	12,029	36,390	9/11	11/30	82	4	60
1994	806'9	11,865	18,862	9,827	27,510	9/10	11/30	2	4	œ
1995	13,140	16,172	29,312	10,088	35,591	6/6	11/30	82	4	<b>&amp;</b>
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Region and	Sample		Adults			Young		Young/	Young/
County	Size	M	F	Total	М	F	Total	100 Adults	100 Hens
Northern Region									
Box Elder						-	-	_	
Cache	312	37	45	82	92	138	230	280	511
Davis	24	6	2	8	5	11	16	200	800
Morgan								_	_
Rich								-	_
Summit	45	5	7	12	14	19	33	275	471
Weber		~~							_
REGIONAL TOTALS	336	43	47	90	97	149	246	273	523
Central Region									
Juab	_				-		_		-
Salt Lake	12	2	1	3	2	7	9	300	900
Sanpete					_		_	-	_
Tooele		_				_		-	
Utah	69	8	14	22	17	30	47	214	336
Wasatch		-	_		_			-	_
REGIONAL TOTALS	81	10	15	25	19	37	56	224	373
Southern Region					_				
Beaver		_			_				_
Garfield							_		
Iron		_				_	_		
Kane		_			_			_	_
Millard					_		_		_
Piute							-	_	
Sevier								-	_
Washington						_			_
Wayne		_			_		_		
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REGIONAL TOTALS			44					-	
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Grand								_	
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REGIONAL TOTALS									
STATE TOTALS	417	53	62	115	116	186	302	263	487

Region and	Sample		Adults			Young		Young/	Young/
County	Size	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	100 Adults	100 Hens
Northern Region									
Box Elder		-		-	-	-	_	-	
Cache	212	-		59	_		153	259	_
Davis	2	_		1	_	-	1	100	_
Morgan	-				-		-	-	-
Rich	_	_	-			_	-		
Summit	111			19			92	484	_
Weber	-						-	_	_
REGIONAL TOTALS	325			79	-		246	311	
Central Region									
Juab							_	_	_
Salt Lake	35	_	_	10			25	250	_
Sanpete							_	_	
Tooele	_	_					_	_	_
Utah	84	_		44			40	91	_
Wasatch							_	_	
REGIONAL TOTALS	119		**	54			65	120	
Southern Region									
Beaver						_	·		
Garfield	_						_		
Iron	_						_		_
Kane	_						_	-	_
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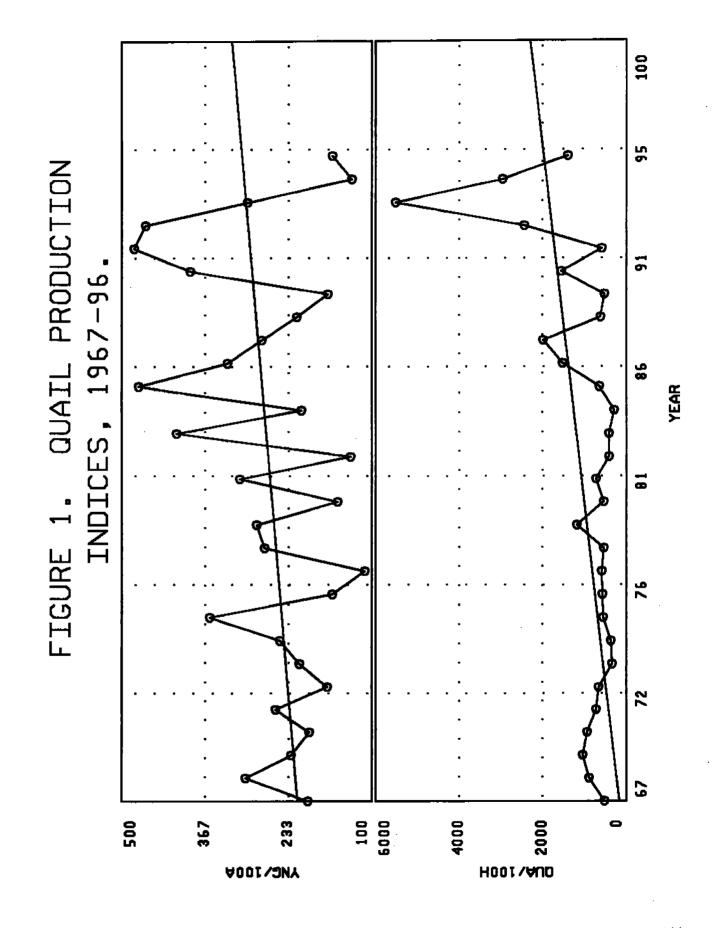
#### **SUMMARY**

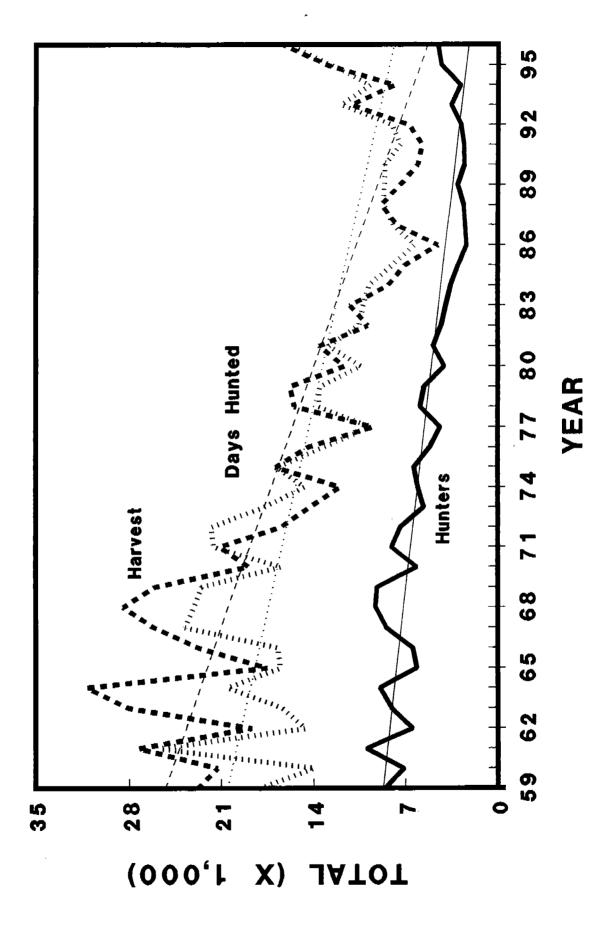




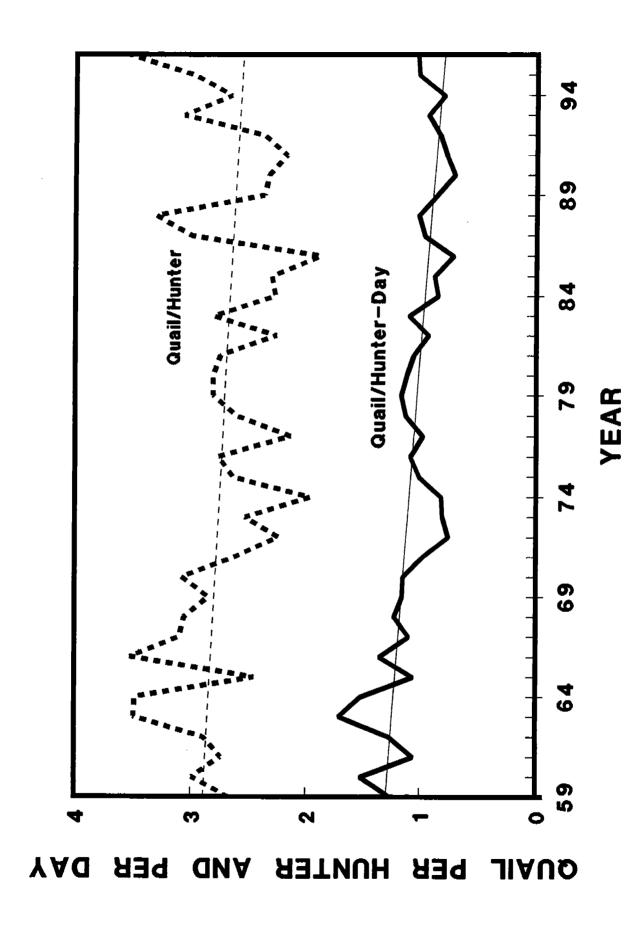
Statewide harvest statistics, when compared to 1995, showed an increase in total hunters and in total harvest. Hunter success (birds per hunter-day) increased 1 percent and remained below average statewide. Hunter-days afield increased 25 percent from 1995.

California quail are found primarily in urban areas of Utah. Hunter access to these birds is limited.





Statewide trends of quail harvest statistics, 1959-96. Figure 2.



Statewide trends of quail hunter success rates, 1959-96. Figure 3.

### **Brood Counts**

Results of the annual random brood counts for quail for 1996 are shown in Table 1 of this section. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and quail observed per 100 hours are shown in Tables 2-4 and Figure 1. Gambel's quail long period waterhole count trends are shown in Table 10. Survey results for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

		Percent change from	Percent change from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Total quail observed			
Young per 100 adults			
Mean brood size			
Quail observed per 100 hours		<b></b> .	
Total hours effort			

No brood count data was collected in 1996.

### Harvest

Results of the annual hunter questionnaire for 1996 are shown in Table 5. Long-term trends of quail bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 6-8, and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 9.

Comparison of the 1996 season to 1995 and the 37-year average follow:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from <u>1995</u>	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Quail hunters	4,622	+6	-13
Quail harvested	16,351	+26	+13
Hunter-days afield	15,862	+25	+18
Quail per hunter-day	1.03	+1	-2
Quail per hunter	3.54	+19	+34

Ninety percent confident interval for overall quail harvest is +/-2,956. Standard deviation is 1.661081.

Quail hunters increased 6 percent from 1995, but remain 13 percent below the long-term average. Quail harvest increased 26 percent from 1995.

Long-term quail harvest statistics are shown in Figures 2 and 3.

# Field Bag Checks

A summary of field bag check data for 1996 is shown in Table 11.

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Table 5. Summary of quail hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

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NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	7	789	929	1.18	4.98	5.68
CACHE*	5	255	255	1.00	1.61	1.56
DAVIS	4	209	162	0.78	1.32	0.99
MORGAN*	1	23	0	0.00	0.15	0.00
RICH*	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUMMIT*	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
WEBER	12	650	418	0.64	4.10	2.56
REGIONAL TOTALS	30	1,927	1,765	0.92	12.15	10.80
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	1	23	23	1.00	0.15	0.14
SALT LAKE	2	69	209	3.00	0.44	1.28
SANPETE*	2	69	116	1.67	0.44	0.71
TOOELE	2	23	0	0.00	0.15	0.00
UTAH	33	2,043	1,509	0.74	12.88	9.23
WASATCH*	2	418	139	0.33	2.64	0.85
REGIONAL TOTALS	42	2,647	1,997	0.75	16.69	12.22
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BEAVER*	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
GARFIELD*	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
IRON*	4	720	696	0.97	4.54	4.26
KANE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILLARD	11	510	371	0.73	3.22	2.27
PIUTE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SEVIER	5	394	510	1.29	2.49	3.13
WASHINGTON	30	1,416	1,625	1.15	8.93	9.94
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DUCHESNE	36	3,553	4,343	1.22	22.40	26.56
UINTAH	33	2,833	3,994	1.41	17.86	24.43
REGIONAL TOTALS	70	6,387	8,477	1.33	40.27	51.85
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
EMERY	17	1,532	441	0.29	9.66	2.70
GRAND	3	301	255	0.85	1.90	1.56
SAN JUAN	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	20	1,834	696	0.00	11.57	4.26
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Unknown	2	0	139	0.00	0.00	0.85
STATE TOTALS	215	15,863	16,351	1.03	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter-trips from questionnaire returns.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Closed to quail hunting in 1996.

Table 6. Summary of quail bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.90	0.71	0.38	1.21	0.36	0.75	1.21	1.18
Cache	0.20*	0.10*	0.00*	1.00*	0.00*	1.86*	0.25*	1.00*
Davis	0.67	0.15	0.83	0.60	1.25	0.64	0.33	0.78
Morgan	0.00*	2.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.14*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Rich	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	4.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Summit	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Weber	0.21	0.50*	0.54	0.56	0.73	0.22	1.43	0.64
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.38	0.39	0.41	0163	0.55	0.57	0.72	0.92
Central Region								
Juab	0.00	0.19	7.25	0.00	1.50	1.67	0.00	1.00
Salt Lake	0.50	0.42	2.17	1.89	0.00	1.40	0.00	3.00
Sanpete	0.25*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	1.00*	1.00*	0.00*	1.67*
Tooele	3.25*	0.60*	0.29*	0.00*	0.00*	1.43*	0.00	0.00
Utah	0.84	0.75	0.61	0.54	0.48	0.63	1.18	0.74
Wasatch	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	2.00*	1.63*	0.33*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.87	0.55	0.88	0.61	0.47	0.85	1.15	0.75
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.40*	0.00*	0.00*
Garfield	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Iron	1.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.63	1.00*	0.67*	0.97*
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Millard	0.90	1.06	0.08	1.50	0.58	0.73	0.75	0.73
Piute	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sevier	0.00	0.00	1.80	0.47	0.43	0.50	0.15	1.29
Washington	1.26	0.60	0.84	1.04	1.57	0.93	1.08	1.15
Wayne	0.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00*	0.00*	3.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.19	0.66	0.71	1.01	1.25	0.90	1.00	1.07
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Northeastern Regi								
Daggett	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duchesne	0.62	0.91	1.16		1.04	1.10	1.27	1.22
Uintah		0.98	0.47	0.90	0.63	0.76	0.75	1.41
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.68	0.95	0.65	0295	0.82	U-88	1.00	1.4.3.3
Southeastern Reg								
Carbon	5.00	1.11	4.50	1.12	1.33	0.00	3.67	0.00
Emery	0.50	1.86	2.11	0.97	0.92	0.57	1.19	0.29
Grand	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.80	0.85
San Juan	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.00	1.68	2.85	1.02	0.91	0.49	1.57	0.38
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	6.00	0.00
STATE TOTALS	0.86	0.71	0.78	0.84	0.94	0.80	1.02	1.03

Table 7. Percentage distribution of quail harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and _					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	2.53	4.05	1.51	4.45	0.68	1.35	2.54	5.68
Cache	0.28							
Davis	1.69	1.35	1.51	2.36	1.70	1.57	2.24	0.99
Morgan	0.00							
Rich	0.00							
Summit	0.00							
Weber	1.97	5.41	2.11	3.67	3.74	1.80	4.93	2.56
REGIONAL TOTALS	5.46	11.83	5.12	11.78	6,28	8.54	10.15	10.80
Central Region								
Juab	0.00	1.69	8.74	0.00	0.51	1.12	0.00	0.14
Salt Lake	0.84	2.70	3.92	4.45	0.00	3.15	0.00	1.28
Sanpete	0.56	· 0.00*	0.00	* 0.00*	0.17*	0.22*	0.00*	1.71*
Tooele	3.65	1.01*	0.60	* 0.00*	0.00*	2.25	0.00	0.00
Utah	21.35	16.89	17.17	12.31	8.49	10.56	11.79	9.23
Wasatch	0.00	090000000000000000000000000000000000000		0,00*		1.80*		0.85*
REGIONAL TOTALS	26.41	22.30	30.43	16.76	9.17	19.10	15.67	12.22
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90*	0.00	0.00*
Garfield	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00*		
Iron	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.21	2.70*		
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Millard	5.34	5.74	0.90	6.28	4.41	4.94	0.45	2.27
Piute	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sevier	0.00	0.00	2.71	1.83	2.55	0.22	0.30	3.13
Washington	32.30	17.57	34.64	13.88	48.05	39.33	28.81	9.94
Wayne	1.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.12*		
REGIONAL TOTALS	40.17	23.31	38.26	21.99	57.22	49.22	30.75	20.03
	_							
Northeastern Reg	-							
Daggett	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.85
Duchesne	9.55	7.10	6.63	18.33	9.00	7.64	19.85	26.56
Uintah	2.92	13.85	8.13			9.44		
REGIONAL TOTALS	22.47	20.95	15.06	37.18	1511	17.85	32.69	51.85
Southeastern Reg	gion							
Carbon	1.40	3.38	5.42	4.97	0.68	0.00	1.64	0.00
Emery	0.84	17.57	5.72	7.33	7.98	6.07	5.67	
Grand	0.00	0.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.09	1.56
San Juan	2.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	4.49	21.62	11.15	12.31	8.66	6.07	9.85	4.26
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.57	0.00	0.90	0.85
	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	3.37	0.00	0.70	0.05
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Closed Season

Table 8. Percentage distribution of quail hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and _					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992		1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder		4 00	2.06	2 00				
Cache	2.41 1.20	4.09 2.40	3.06 1.41	3.08 * 1.10*	1.75	1.45	2.14	4.98
Davis	2.17	6.25	1.41	3.30	1.75* 1.27	1.27*		
Morgan	0.96					1.99	6.88	1.32
Rich	0.00					0.72* 0.18*		
Summit	0.00					0.10*		
Weber	7.95	7.69	3.06	5.51	4.77	6.51	3.52	4.10
REGIONAL TOTALS				15.64		12,12		12.15
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Central Region								
Juab	0.00	6.49	0.94	0.22	0.32	0.54	0.31	0.15
Salt Lake	1.45	4.57	1.41	1.98	0.64	1.81	0.00	0.44
Sanpete	1.93*	0.24*	0.94	* 0.00*	0.16*	0.18*	0.61	0.44*
Tooele	0.96	1.20	1.65	1.54*	0.48*	1.27*	0.31	0.15
Utah	21.69	16.11	22.12	19.16	16.54	13.56	10.25	12.88
Wasatch	0.00*	0.24*	0.00	0.22*	0.00*	0.72*	2.45*	2.64*
REGIONAL TOTALS	26.03	28.85	27.06	23.13	18.13	18.08	13.92	16.69
Southern Pegian								
Southern Region		0 00						
Beaver	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.16	1.81	0.00*	
Garfield	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00*	
Iron	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.22	1.27	2.17	1.83*	
Kane Millard	0.00 5.06	0.00 3.85	0.00 8.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Piute	0.00	0.24	0.00	3.52 0.00	7.15	5.43	0.61	3.22
Sevier	0.00	0.00	1.18	3.30	0.00 5.56	0.00 0.36	0.00 1.99	0.00 2.49
Washington	21.93	20.91	34.24	11.23	28.62	34.18	27.22	8.93
Wayne	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.16	0.18	0.00*	
REGIONAL TOTALS	28.92	25.00	41.89	18.28	42,93	44.12	31.65	19,33
						• • • • • •		
Northeastern Reg	gion							
Daggett	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Duchesne	13.25	5.53	4.47	15.20	8.11	5.61	16.06	22.40
Uintah	15.18	10.10	13.41	17.62	9.06	9.95	17.43	17.86
REGIONAL TOTALS	28.44	15.63	18.12	32.82	17.17	15.55	33.49	40.27
Southeastern Region	1							
Carbon	0.24	2.16	0.94	3.74	0.48	0.54	0.46	0.00
Emery	1.45	6.73	2.12	6.39	8.11	8.50	4.89	9.66
Grand	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.90	0.76	1.90
San Juan	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.93	9.13	3.06	10.13	8.90	9.95		11.57
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00	2.23	0.18	0.15	0.00
STATIONAL COUNTRES	0.00	5.00	U.24	0.00	2.23	0.10	0.15	0.00
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 9. Statewide summary of quail harvest statistics, 1951-96.

	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Quail Per	Quail Per
Year	Hunters	Harvest	Afield	Hunter-Day	Hunter
951	3,856	6,362	7,069	0.90	1.65
952	2,694	6,105	5,500	1.11	2.27
1953	2,676	5,753	4,494	1.28	2.15
954	3,855	7,479	8,696	0.86	1.94
1955			<del></del>	0.17	2.10
1956					2.26
1957				-	1.85
1958			••		3.73
1959	8,554	22,854	18,174	1.26	2.67
1960	7,117	21,272	13,971	1.52	2.99
1961	9,980	27,362	25,746	1.06	2.74
962	6,462	18,710	14,660	1.27	2.89
963	8,059	28,088	16,383	1.71	3.49
964	8,951	31,189	20,510	1.52	3.48
965	6,163	17,532	16,528	1.06	2.45
966	6,465	22,771	16,720	1.36	3.52
1967	8,455	26,187	23,806	1.10	3.10
968	9,302	28,469	23,132	1.23	3.06
969	9,160	26,119	22,529	1.16	2.85
970	6,141	18,896	16,452	1.15	3.08
971	8,039	21,082	21,595	0.98	2.62
972	7,380	16,504	21,779	0.76	2.24
1973	5,654	14,324	17,777	0.81	2.53
1974	6,097	12,005	14,702	0.82	1.97
975	6,397	16,903	16,805	1.01	2.64
1976	5,215	14,454	13,261	1.09	2.77
977	4,446	9,496	9,646	0.98	2.14
978	5,924	15,491	13,649	1.13	2.61
1979	5,632	15,821	13,550	1.17	2.81
1980	4,156	11,690	10,400	1.12	2.81
1981	4,156 4,946	13,586	12,843	1.06	2.75
1982	4,368	9,870	10,575	0.93	2.75 2.26
1983	4,012	11,248	10,232	1.10	2.20 2.81
1963 1984	4,012 3,654	8,303	9,805	0.85	2.27
985	3,065	7,051	7,994 6,326	0.88	2.30
1986	2,432	4,574	6,326 7,018	0.72	1.88
987	2,549	7,648	7,918	0.97	3.00
1988	2,671	8,849	8,682	1.02	3.31
989	3,111	7,384	8,607	0.86	2.37
1990	2,614	6,091 5,775	8,561	0.71	2.33
1991	2,644	5,775	7,393	0.78	2.18
992	2,861	6,788	8,068	0.84	2.37
1993	3,649	11,192	11,952	0.94	3.07
994	2,936	7,822	9,721	0.80	2.66
1995	4,374	13,023	12,712	1.02	2.98
996	4,622	16,351	15,862	1.03	3.54
Totals					
<u> 1951-96)</u>	221,338	608,473	564,785	_	
Averages					
1951-95)	5,286	14,442	13,388	1.05	2.63

Table 10. Gambel's quail long period waterhole count trend on the west slope of the Beaver Dam Mountains, Washington County, 1978-96. These counts have been conducted since 1962.

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Average	1978-95		152	4	57	;	209	30.	
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	1994		135	}	102	! !	237	132	
	1993		465		158		623	294	
	1992		416		128		543	324	
	1991		208		32		243	594	
	1990		33		6		42	367	
	1989		35		<del>~</del>	:	9	194	
	1988		29		4	007	106	126	
	1987		348		139	204	48/	250	
	1986		163		48	777	711	340	I
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	1984		166		<b>9</b>	6	707	193	
	1983		114		4	9	97	814	
	1982		98		65	770	2	258	
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	1980		72		25	***	77	138	i
	1979		263	ļ	11	220	2	329	
	1978		67	•	53	90	0	353	
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Table 11. Quall field bag check summary, 1996.	ag check si	Immary, 1996.						COMPLETE HINTE	2		
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Morgan	;	;	;	:	:	;	;	ı	i	:	;
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# **HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE**

## **SUMMARY**



The 1996 hunt data indicated increased hunting pressure on Huns when compared to 1995. The number of Huns harvested increased 25 percent in 1996. Hunters afield remained the same. Total hunters and days afield remain below the long-term average.

We expected continued improvement in Hungarian partridge populations in Box Elder County due to the large quantity of agricultural land set aside in the Conservation Reserve Program. We believe that increases in hunter success since 1985 reflect increased partridge populations as a direct result of CRP. Exceptions (declines) in 1988 and 1989 were probably due to drought. In 1993, the dramatic decrease in number of Huns harvested probably resulted because of poor over-winter survival during 1992-93.

### **Brood Counts**

Results of the annual random brood counts for 1996 are shown in Table 1 of this section. Long-term trends of young per adult ratios, mean brood size and Huns observed per 100 hours are shown in Tables 2-4. Results of the survey for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

	1996	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from Average
	<del></del>	<del></del>	
Total Huns observed			
Young per 100 adults			
Mean brood size			
Huns observed per 100 hours			
Total hours effort			

No brood count data was collected in 1996.

### Harvest

### Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the annual hunter questionnaire for 1996 are shown in Table 5.

Long-term trends of Huns bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 6-8 and total statewide harvest statistics in Table 9. The 1996 season compared to 1995 and the previous 37-year average follow:

Percent

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		from	from
	<u> 1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Hungarian partridge hunters	2,299	0	-33
Hungarian partridge harvest	7,455	+25	+2
Hunter-days afield	7,409	+27	-13
Huns per hunter-day	1.01	-2	+25
Huns per hunter	3.24	+25	+60

Ninety percent confidence interval for overall hun harvest is  $\pm$ 1,484. Standard deviation is 1.236140.

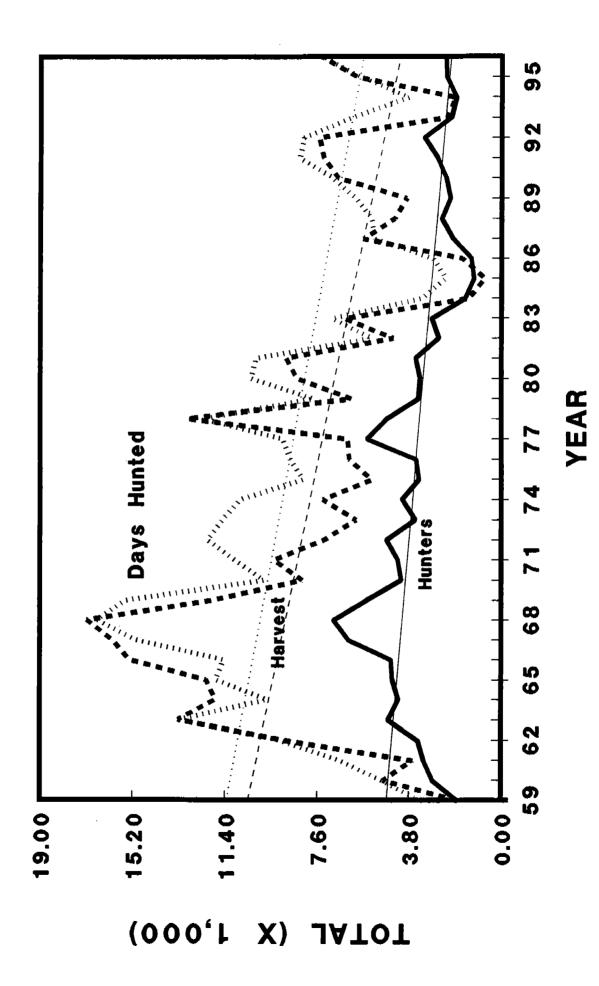
Hungarian partridge hunters and hunting pressure increased in 1996. Overall success increased 25 percent from 1995. Harvest was 2 percent below the long-term average.

Long-term Hun harvest statistics are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

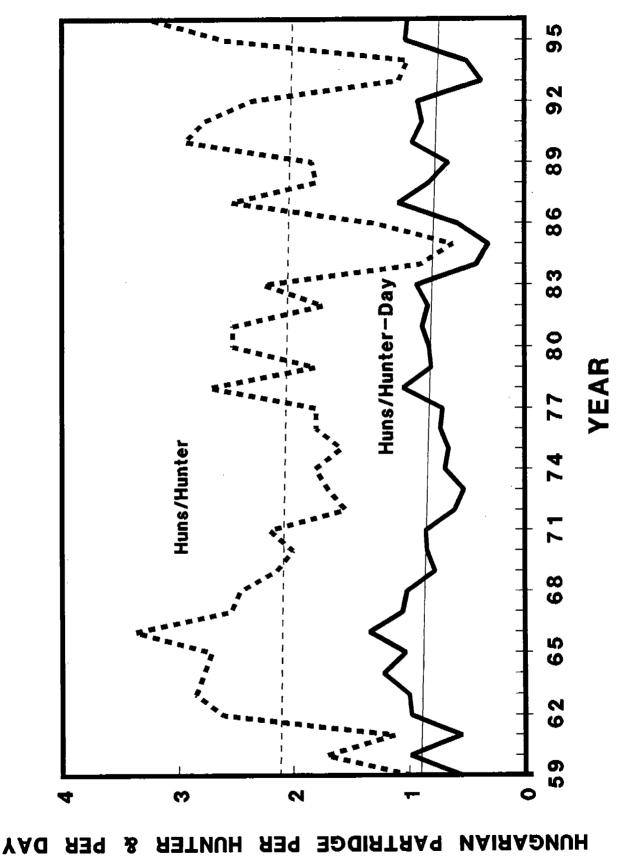
Hun harvest trends increased in 1985 with the implementation of the federal Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and continued until the severe winter of 1992-93.

# Field Bag Checks

Hungarian partridge field bag check data collected in 1996 is shown in Table 10. Hunter success trends determined via this method are shown in Table 11. No data was collected in 1996.



Statewide trends of Hungarian partridge harvest statistics, 1959-96.



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Table 5. Summary of Hungarian partridge hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

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NODTHERN DECION	•					
NORTHERN REGION BOX ELDER	58	3,971	3,948	0.99	53.61	52.96
CACHE	28	2,578	2,973	1.15	34.80	39.88
DAVIS	0	2,370	2,3,3	0.00	0.00	0.00
MORGAN	ĭ	23	46	2.00	0.31	0.62
RICH	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUMMIT	ō	Ö	Ŏ	0.00	0.00	0.00
WEBER	2	92	23	0.25	1.25	0.31
REGIONAL TOTALS	90	6,666	6,991	1.05	89.97	93.78
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CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SALT LAKE**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SANPETE * *	2	46	46	1.00	0.63	0.62
TOOELE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTAH**	2	92	23	0.25	1.25	0.31
WASATCH**	1	23	0	0.00	0.31	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	5	162	69	0.43	2.19	0.93
SOUTHERN REGION	_					
BEAVER**	3	209	162	0.78	2.82	2.18
GARFIELD**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
IRON**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
KANE**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
MīLLARD**	1	23	0	0.00	0.31	0.00
PIUTE** SEVIER**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
WASHINGTON**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00
WAYNE**	0	0	0	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00
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NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
DUCHESNE**	2	69	Ö	0.00	0.94	0.00
UINTAH**	0	0	Ō	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	2	69	0	0.00	0.94	0.00
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
EMERY**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAND**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.0
SAN JUAN**	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Unknown	2	278	232	0.83	3.76	3.12
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STATE TOTALS	103	7,409	7,455	1.01	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup> Total hunter-trips from questionnaire returns.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Closed to Hungarian partridge hunting in 1996.

Table 6. Summary of Hungarian partridge bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	.190	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.62	1.11	1.02	1.00	0.24	0.47	1.26	0.99
Cache	0.94	0.86	0.86	1.07	0.56	0.80	0.95	1.15
Davis	2.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Morgan	1.33	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.57	0.00	0.00	2.00
Rich	0.00	2.13	1.35	0.76	0.53	0.80	0.00	0.00
Summit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
Weber	1.00	1.00	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.25
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.67	1.02	0.97	0.95	0.35	0.52	1.11	1.05
Central Region								
Juab	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salt Lake	0.67*	0.00*	0.00*	1.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sanpete	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	1.00*	0.00*	1.25*	1.00*
Tooele	0.47	0.46	0.02	0.25	0.50	1.50	0.00	0.00
Utah	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.67*	0.13*	0.00*	0.00*	0.25*
Wasatch	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.50*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.41	0.40	0.02	0.40	0.23	0.50	0.40	0.43
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	2.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.78*
Garfield	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Iron	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Kane	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Millard	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Piute	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sevier	0.00*	3.00*	0.00*	1.67*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Washington	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Wasatch	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.00	0.60	0.00	1.40	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.78
Northeastern Regi	on							
Daggett	0.00*	0.00*	1.25*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Duchesne	0.00*	0.00*	1.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.17*	0.00*
Uintah	1.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.00	0.00	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00
Southeastern Reg	ion							
Carbon	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Emery	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.17*	0.00*
Grand	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
San Juan	1.50*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	6.00*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
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Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.83
STATE TOTALS	0.65	0.97	0.88	0.92	0.37	0.50	1.03	1.01

Table 7. Percentage distribution of Hungarian partridge harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	76.20	60.80	73.82	61.41	33.34	55.97	62.87	52.96
Cache	8.47	31.01	16.75	30.59	37.51	33.95	29.97	39.88
Davis	4.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Morgan	2.12	0.00	0.00	0.24	3.33	0.00	0.00	0.61
Rich	0.00	5.17	6.37	3.76	7.50	7.34	0.00	0.00
Summit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.00
Weber	2.12	0.30	1.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.63	0.31
REGIONAL TOTALS	93.13	97.28	98.35	96.00	81.68	97.25	95.45	93.78
Central Region								
Juab	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salt Lake	1.06*	0.00*		0.24*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sanpete	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	1.67	0.00*	1.63*	0.62*
Tooele	3.70	1.82	0.24	1.18	2.50	2.75	0.00	0.00
Utah	0.00*	0.00*		0.47*	3.33	0.00*	0.00*	
Wasatch	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.33*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	4.15	4.76	1.82	0.24	2.35	7.50	2.75	0.93
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Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.47*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	2.18*
Garfield	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.83	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Iron	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Kane	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	
Millard	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Piute	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sevier	0.00*	0.91*		1.18*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	
Washington	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	
Wayne REGIONAL TOTALS	0.00* 0.00*	0.00* 0.91	0.00* 0.00*	0.00 1.65*	0.00 0.83	0.00* 0.00	0.00* 0.00	0.00* 2.18
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.00^	0.71	0.00*	1.00*	u.es	0.00	0.00	2.16
Northeastern Reg	nion							
Daggett	0.00*	0.00*	1.18*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Duchesne	0.00*	0.00*	0.24*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.33*	0.00*
Uintah	0.53*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.53	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.00
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Southeastern Reg	gion							
Carbon	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Emery	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	1.67	0.00*	0.33*	0.00*
Grand	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
San Juan	1.59*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00	0.00*	1.95*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.37	1.59	0.00	0,00*	0.00	1,67	0.00	0.00
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.33	0.00	0.00	3.12
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 8. Percentage distribution of Hungarian partridge hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and _	<del></del>	·- ····			Year	<del>-,</del> -,		
County	1989	1990	1991	1992		1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	80.42	53.10	64.04	56.41	51.23	60.09	51.17	53.61
Cache	5.84	34.81	17.26	26.25	24.85	21.10	32.44	64.80
Davis	1.03	0.00	0.42	0.87	0.00	1.83	0.00	0.00
Morgan	1.03	2.36	0.42	5.21	2.15	1.83	0.00	0.31
Rich	0.69	2.36	4.16	4.56	5.22	4.59	0.00	0.00
Summit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.92	0.92	1.00	0.00
Weber	1.37	0.30	3.12	0.00	2.15	2.29	3.68	1.25
REGIONAL TOTALS	90.39	92.93	89.40	93.29	86.52	92.67	88.30	89.97
Central Region								
Juab	0.00*	0.59*	0.00*	0.22	0.31	0.46	0.33	0.00
Salt Lake	1.03*	0.00*	0.00*			0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sanpete	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*			0.92*	1.34*	0.63*
Tooele	5.16	3.84	9.15*		1.84	0.92	0.67	0.00
Utah	0.34*	0.00*	0.21*	0.65*		0.46*	2.01*	1.25*
Wasatch	1.03*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.67*	0.31*
REGIONAL TOTALS	7.56	4.43	9.36	5.42	12.27	2.75	5.02	2,19
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00*	1.18*	0.21*	0.22*	0.00*	0.46*	0.33*	2.82*
Garfield	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Iron	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.22*		0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Kane	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Millard	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*			0.00*	0.00*	0.31*
Piute	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Sevier	0.69*	0.30* 0.00*	0.00* 0.00*	0.65* 0.00*	0.00* 0.00*	0.46*	0.00*	0.00* 0.00*
Washington	0.00* 0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00* 0.00*	0.00* 0.00*	0.00*
Wayne REGIONAL TOTALS	0.69	1.48	0.21	1.08	0.61	0.92	0.00	3,13
Northeastern Reg	gion							
Daggett	0.00*	0.00*	0.83*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Duchesne	0.00*	0.00*	0.21*	0.00*	0.00*	1.38*	2.01*	0.94*
Uintah	0.34*	0.00*	0.00*	0.22*	0.00*	1.46*	0.67*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.34	0.00*	1.04	0.22	0.00	1.83*	2.68*	0.94
Southeastern Reg	gion							
Carbon	0.34*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
Emery	0.00*	1.18*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	1.83*	2.01*	0.00*
Grand	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.00*	0.00*
San Juan	0.69*	0.00	0.00*	0.00*		0.00*	0.33*	0.00*
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.03	1,18	0.00	0.00	0.31	1.83	2.34	0.00
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00	1.34	3.76
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Huns Per	Huns Pe
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959	1,846	1,820	3,354	0.54	0.99
960	2,847	4,877	4,929	0.99	1.71
961	3,205	3,648	6,645	0.54	1.13
962	3,440	8,970	9,153	0.98	2.61
963	4,676	13,343	13,291	1.00	2.85
964	4,249	11,812	9,688	1.22	2.78
965	4,498	12,183	11,798	1.03	2.71
966	4,549	15,348	11,473	1.34	3.37
967	6,321	16,049	15,105	1.06	2.54
968	6,935	17,089	16,674	1.02	2.46
969	5,591	11,966	15,515	0.77	2.14
970	4,128	8,236	9,818	0.84	2.00
971	4,276	9,407	11,011	0.85	2.20
972	4,754	7,335	12,135	0.60	1.54
973	3,566	6,014	11,516	0.52	1.69
974	4,103	7,389	10,789	0.68	1,80
975	3,409	5,358	8,216	0.65	1.57
976	3,517	6,287	8,753	0.72	1.79
977	5,557	6,360	9,058	0.70	1.79
978	4,743	12,969	12,328	1.05	2.73
979	3,435	6,200	7,787	0.80	1.80
980	3,359	8,466	10,366	0.82	2.52
981	3,545	8,916	10,147	0.88	2.52
982	2,590	4,475	5,379	0.83	1.73
983	2,889	6,506	6,998	0.93	2.25
984	1,523	1,360	3,309	0.41	0.89
985	1,157	707	2,314	0.31	0.61
986	1,257	1,627	2,843	0.57	1.30
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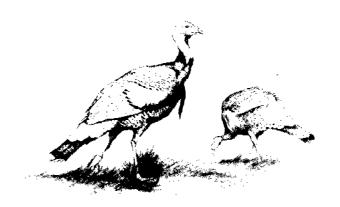
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# WILD TURKEY

# **SUMMARY**



In 1994, the entire state went to limited entry turkey hunting for both the Merriam's and Rio Grande sub-species. Drawing odds for each of the 1996 hunts is shown in Table 6.

## Merriam's Turkeys

Merriam's turkey populations remain stable. Limited entry hunting was allowed on 4 units, during a total of 6 seasons. Two units were open for early and late seasons. A total of 355 permits were sold. A fall turkey hunting season was not held in Utah in 1996. A total of 84 Merriam's turkeys were harvested in 1996. Merriam's turkey hunters experienced a 26 percent success rate.

## Rio Grande Turkeys

One hundred seventy four permits were sold in 1996. A total of 107 Rio Grande turkeys were harvested in 1996 for a success rate of 64 percent.

### Sealed-Bid and Auction Permits

In 1996 a limited entry wild turkey sealed-bid permit was available again. Minimum bid on the permit was \$350. The permit sold for \$531.00. In addition, 3 limited entry wild turkey auction permits were available and sold for \$700.00, \$600.00 and \$380.00.

### Harvest

## Spring Merriam's Gobbler Season

Results of the 1996 spring season are shown in Table 1 of this section. The trend of these data since 1968 is shown in Table 2 and Figures 1 and 2. Statewide summary of fall hunt statistics is in Table 3. The 1996 spring season survey compared to 1995 and the previous 27-year average follow:

	1996	Percent change from	Percent change from
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<u> 1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
Permits sold	355	+3	+31
Hunters afield	320	+8	+31
Turkeys harvested	84	+31	+165
Hunter-days afield	1,151	-19	+52
Percent hunter success	26	+18	+114
Turkeys bagged per hunter-day	0.07	+40	+62
Percent of hunters who observed	ì		
turkeys	78		

Beginning in 1994, a limited entry turkey hunting program was implemented in Utah. Total harvest increased from 64 in 1995 to 84 in 1996. Hunter success rates increased 18 percent from 1995 and were 114 percent above the long-term average.

## Spring Rio Grande Gobbler Season

Results of the 1996 spring season are shown in Table 4 of this section. The trend of these data since 1991 is shown in Table 5. The 1996 spring season compared to 1995 and the previous 5-year average follows:

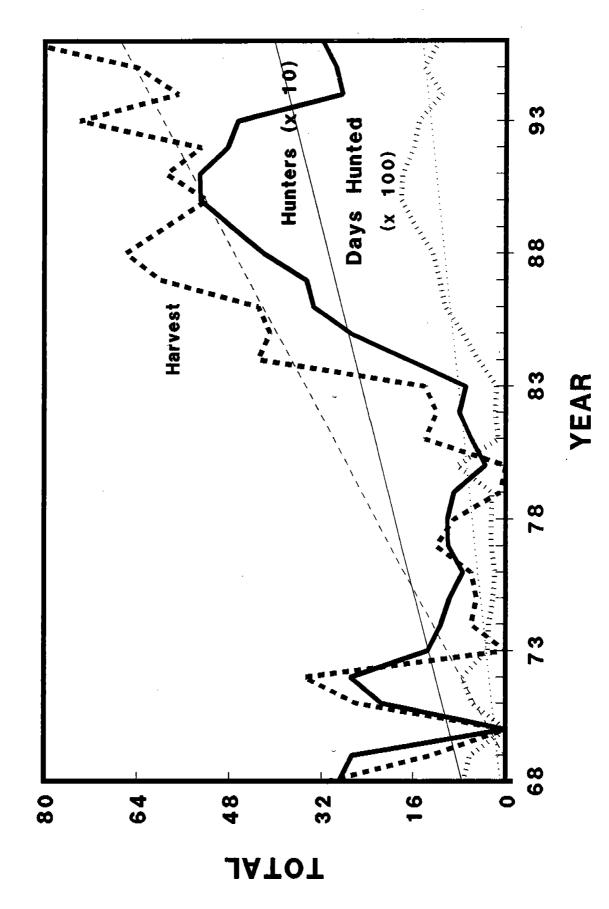
	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from 1996	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Permits sold	174	+24	+169
Hunters afield	166	+35	+170
Turkeys harvested	107	+37	+156
Hunter-days afield	776	+24	+172
Percent hunter success	64	+2	-5
Turkeys bagged per hunter-day	0.14	+17	-13
Percent of hunters who observed			
turkeys	88		

One hundred sixty six hunters averaged 4.67 days-afield each to harvest a total of 107 turkeys. Sixty four percent of the hunters afield harvested a bird.

As other Rio Grande populations continue to grow throughout the state, more limited entry opportunities will be provided.

# **Brood Counts**

Limited brood count data for 1996 is shown in Table 7.



Spring Merriam's wild turkey hunters, harvest, and days hunted, 1968-96. Figure 1.

Spring Merriam's wild turkey hunting success, 1968-96. Figure 2.

Table 1. Summary of the 1996 spring Merriam's turkey season.

	Boulder (early)	Boulder (late)	Unit Totals	Zion (early)	Zion (late)	Unit Totals	Kolob	LaSal	STATE TOTALS
Permits Sold	75	75	150	75	75	150	35	20	355
No Hunts	မှ	တ	15	ιΩ	13	18	0	7	35
Hunters Afield	69	99	135	02	62	132	35	8	320
Total Hunter-Days	242	264	506	224	207	431	144	70	1,151
Average Hunter-Days Afield	3.5	4.0	80	3.2	3.3	7	4.1	3.9	3.6
Turkeys Bagged	23	11	34	28	10	38	12	∞	84
Percent Success	33	17	50	40	16	56	34	44	26
Turkeys Bagged Per									
Hunter-Day	0.10	0.04	0.07	0.13	0.05	0.09	0.08	0.11	0.07
Reported Crippling Loss	_	0	<b>-</b>	0	_	_	0	0	2
(Loss/100 Bagged)	4	0	က	0	10	က	0	0	2
Turkeys Observed				ı					
Gobblers	84	24	108	81	31	112	16	59	265
Hens	157	29	224	77 ,	54	131	28	20	433
Unidentified	35	∞	43	က	20	23	21	0	87
Number of Hunters									
Who Saw Turkeys	63	48	111	62	42	104	59	15	259
Percent of Hunters									
Who Saw Turkeys	83	64	73.5	88	29	77.5	83	83	. 78
Percent of Hunters									
Who Saw Gobblers	75	29	71	65	41	53	25	67	57
Beard Length 0"-4" (% of Harvest)	25	0	12.5	0	0	0	0	0	4
Beard Length 4"-7" (% of Harvest)	12.5	33	22.75	0	62.5	31.25	0	17	21
Beard Length >7" (% of Harvest)	62.5	29	64.75	100	37.5	68.75	100	83	75
Blunt Spur (% of Harvest)	37.5	28.6	33.05	25	0	12.5	0	0	15
Rounded Spur (% of Harvest)	20	71.4	60.7	20	75	62.5	29	0	52
Sharp Spur (% of Harvest)	12.5	0	6.25	25	25	25	33	100	33

Table 2. Summary of Merrriam's turkey harvest statistics for spring gobbler seasons, 1967-96.

		Hinters	Total	Hunter-Dave	Parcent	Turkeye Der	Deroont of Huntore	Toto!
Hunting Unit	Year	Afield	Harvest	Afield	Success*	Hunter-Day	Observing Turkeys	Permits**
STATE TOTALS	1968	290	31	738	<del>7.</del>	0.04	41	310
	1969	267	13	612	<b>.</b>	0.02	22	276
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	1971	215	26	576	1	0.04	38	223
	1972	269	35	751	12	0.05	36	285
	1973	135	0	311	0	00.00	10	150
	1974	112	ဖ	289	5	0.02	22	121
	1975	6	2	219	5	0.03	29	103
	1976	74	9	185	∞	0.03	32	81
	1977	66	12	248	12	0.05	39	108
	1978	101	O	246	10	0.04	42	116
	1979	06	<del>-</del>	237	_	0.01	æ	113
	1980	35	0	84	0	00'0	17	40
	1981	09	<u>4</u>	129	23	0.11	53	83
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	1983	69	4,	161	21	0.09	55	92
	1984	169	43	482	25	0.09	72	190
	1985	270	4	747	15	90'0	52	314
	1986	335	43	1,054	13	0.04	22	362
	1987	347	8	1,150	17	0.02	25	384
	1988	421	99	1,267	4	0.05	20	490
	1989	477	59	1,568	12	0.04	55	527
	1990	531	52	1,812	10	0.03	51	579
	1991	532	59	1,792	7	0.03	49	287
	1992	484	53	1,599	7	0.03	45	538
	1993	466	74	1,508	16	0.05	54	500
	1994***	285	25	1,112	20	0.05	ı	335
	1995	287	65	1,386	23	0'02	40	335
	1996	320	84	1,151	26	0.07	78	355
STATE TOTALS								
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(1808-85)		744	32	/0/	12	0.04	40	272

<sup>\*</sup>Based on the number of hunters bagging one or more turkeys.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Total permits are sold on a statewide basis and not by unit, 1968-93. In 1994, permits were sold by unit.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Beginning in 1994, a limited entry turkey hunting program was initiated.

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1964	229	211	362	84	38	0.22	15	1,158	09
1965	214	207	406	20	24	0.12	æ	730	29
1966*	192	187	471	43	23	0.09	7	756	36
1967	146	135	405	40	30	0.10	16	748	48
1968*	368	344	883	183	38	0.21	15	2,321	54
1969	223	210	549	36	<del>-</del>	90.0	19	466	17
1970	197	174	418	58	24	0.14	9	564	31
1971	184	174	444	90	21	0.14	∞	451	28
1972	124	118	303	12	7	0.04	10	173	21
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1974	29	56	62	က	12	0.04	33	83	38
1975	58	46	115	7	15	0.06	0	. 57	26
1976	68	56	136	15	27	0.11	_	182	32
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1978*	102	88	223	7	<b>o</b>	0.03	33	335	38
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1982	56	20	136	7	23	90'0	9	185	47
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\*Some hunters hunted more than one area or failed to designate areas hunted. This accounts for the difference between totals given above and combined tables of separate units in Tables 5, 6 and 7.

\*\*During 1968, the Boulder Mountain and East Zion units had two-bird season limits and the LaSal Mountains a one-bird limit, from 1969 through 1972, all areas had a two-bird limit. Hunter success was based on the number of successful hunters rather than total turkeys bagged.

\*\*\* No fall season.

Table 4. Summary of the 1996 spring limited entry Rio Grande turkey season	ing limite	d entry Riv	o Grand	e turkey se:	ason.															
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Table 5. Summary of Rio Grande turkey harvest statistics for spring gobbler seasons, 1991-96.

Hunters Total Hunter-Days Percent Turkeys Per		Hunters	Total	Hunter-Days	Percent	Turkeys Per	Percent of Hunters	Total
Hunting Unit	Year	Afield	Harvest	Afield	Success	Hunter-Day	Observing Turkeys	Permits
STATE TOTALS	1991	18	7	71	61	0.15	;	20
	1992	20	15	64	75	0.23	:	21
	1993	4	26	200	63	0.13	:	42
	1994	105	79	464	75	0.17	1	105
	1995	123	78	628	63	0.12	ī	135
	1996	166	107	776	64	0.14	88	174
STATE TOTALS								•
(1991-96)		473	316	2,203	ł	;	i	497
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(1991-95)		61	42	285	29	0.16	1	65

Table 6. Summary of wild turkey limited entry hunting unit drawing odds for 1996.

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Hunting Unit Name		Beaver (early)	Beaver (late)	Duchesne County	Emery County	Grand County	Milford	Morgan-South Rich	Pine Valley (early)	Pine Valley (late)	Uintah County	Utah County (early)	Utah County (late)	Ogden	Abajo Mtns.	West Pine Valley	Monroe Mtn.	Total		Boulder Mountain (early)	Boulder Mountain (late)	Kolob	Zion (early)	Zion (late)	LaSal	Total	Grand Total
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# **SHARP-TAILED GROUSE**

**SUMMARY** 



The Columbian sharp-tailed grouse is one of four species of grouse native to Utah. Sharptails were formerly abundant in the valley and foothill areas of northern and central Utah. Sharp-tailed grouse habitats were the most attractive areas for agricultural development and grazing. As a result, sharptail habitat was directly converted to farmland or was seriously impacted by heavy grazing.

There was no legal harvest of sharp-tailed grouse from 1980 through 1996. From 1988 through 1992, the number of birds present on active dancing grounds was substantially greater than in the previous years (Table 1.). It appears sharp-tailed grouse have made a moderate recovery in "core areas." Numbers on the fringe of their range appear to be low. Concurrent with the upswing in sharp-tailed populations has been a succession of mild winters. Since the catastrophic winter of 1983-84, all winters have been normal or milder than normal except 1988-89 and 1992-93. The winter of 1992-93 devastated sharp-tailed grouse populations. In addition, wildland fires in the summer of 1994 destroyed countless acres of sharp-tailed grouse habitat in Box Elder County.

In Box Elder County, habitat associated with existing populations of sharp-tailed grouse has been relatively unchanged since 1983 except that about 100,000 acres in Box Elder County have been entered into the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). This may be benefitting sharp-tailed grouse populations by providing undisturbed nesting and brood-rearing cover.

We have minimal recent data on sharp-tailed grouse populations in the Cache, Weber, and Morgan County areas. By 1984, populations in these areas were at or below minimum viable population levels. Efforts have increased over the past four years to locate "new" dancing grounds in these counties (Table 1.). New "core" sharp-tailed grouse habitat areas are being attributed to CRP lands in these counties.

Sharp-tailed grouse brood count information for Box Elder County in 1996 is shown in Table 2.

County	Name Name	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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# **PTARMIGAN**

**SUMMARY** 



The white-tailed ptarmigan (<u>Lagopus leucurus</u>) was introduced into the Uinta Mountains of northeastern Utah in 1976 with the release of birds captured in Colorado. The initial transplant consisted of 22 paired birds released in June 1976. A second release of 35 mixed young and adults was accomplished in September of that same year.

Since introduction in 1976, ptarmigan have dispersed into available habitat from the west, 100 miles to the east in the Uinta Mountains.

## Breeding Territory and Brood Surveys

Surveys on the ptarmigan population continue, as time and manpower constraints allow. Two survey techniques are used. A breeding territory survey is conducted from mid- to late June. A brood survey is conducted from mid- to late August. Results of the last 10 years of survey data are found in Tables 1 and 2.

No spring survey of breeding territories and no summer brood survey was conducted in 1996.

#### Harvest

Thirty hunters obtained free permits to hunt ptarmigan in Utah in 1996 (Table 3). An estimated 12 hunters actually pursued ptarmigan and 14 birds were killed. Twenty-nine percent of the hunters afield reported observing ptarmigan.

Many permits are obtained by sportsmen who think they might hunt during a fishing or big game hunting trip, but don't seriously plan on the ptarmigan hunt.

County	Location	1986	1987	1988	1989(2)	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Summit	Flat Top Mountain		က	>		>	>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	>		<b>&gt;</b>
Summit	Lake Blanchard											
Summit	Beaver Creek											
Summit	Smith's Fork											
Summit	Burnt Fork Drainage										0	
Uintah	Leidy Peak											

(1) Excessive snow cover precluded access to trail-heads during the June breeding period.

(2) Investigator was incapacitated.

Table 2. White-tailed ptarmigan brood inventory, 1986-96.

Area:					DATE						
Statistics	98/8	8/87	8/25-31/88	8/89	8/90 8/91		8/92	8/93	8/94	8/95	96/8
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Young/100 Adult Hens	375	236	333	366	400	200	ł	;	ł	ŀ	i
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Adult Males	0	0	0		0	0	i	;	:	1	•
Total Birds Observed	19	47	44	ά,	¥	~	ł	ł			ł

n Number of Broods

Table 3. Summary of white-tailed ptarmigan harvest statistics, 1982-96. Estimates are calculated based upon 100 percent samples or projection factors.

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	Permits	Hunters	<b>Hunter-Days</b>	Ptarmigan	Birds/	Ptarmigan/	Ptarmigan/ Crippling Loss/	Ptarmigan		Observing Immatures per
Year		Afield	Afield	Bagged	Hunter	Hunter-Day	100 Bagged	Observed	Ptarmigan	100 Adults
1982	48	21	33	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	•	•
1983	સ	13	21	4	1.08	0.67	0	25	30	:
1984	28	20	25	36	1.80	1.44	0	:	;	ŀ
1985	22	5	13	7	0.70	0.54	14	6	14	;
1986	49	4	21	€	0.57	0.36	0	€	22	ŧ
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1988**	<b>58</b>	15	15	22	1.47	1.47	i	59	ı	4.50(11)
1989	20	ო	18	<del>1</del> 3	4.33	0.72	:	35	;	;
1990		=	27	17	1.55	0.63	0	28	35	ì
1991	15	13	16	26	2.00	1.63	Ö	95	20	:
1992	17	7	17	0	0.00	0.00	0	26	36	;
1993	5	5	13	13	1.30	1.00	0	140	38	:
1994	14	4	9	0	0.00	0.00	0	က	100	:
1995***	39	20	39	12	09'0	0.31	0	31	7	ſ
***966	30	12	16	14	1.17	0.88	0	106	59	1

\*\*For the first time a handling fee of \$2.00 per permit was charged. \*\*\*Permit still required, but at no charge.

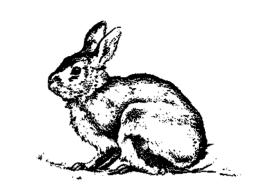
1.76470588235 (number of permits sold/number of questionnaires returned) Projection Factor =

30 permits sold 17 questionnaires returned

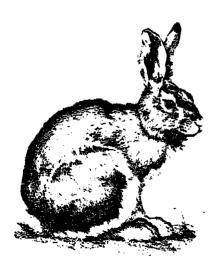
## RABBITS AND HARES

### **SUMMARY**

## **Cottontail Rabbits**



## **Snowshoe Hares**



Cottontail populations remain below a high in 1988.

Summer roadside counts indicated an increased population density statewide, and reproduction was above 1995. Harvest statistics indicated increased hunter success, but is still 44 percent below average.

Hunter numbers increased 15 percent from the previous year and remained below average. Although efforts have been made to educate hunters in the identification of the snowshoe hare and the white-tailed jackrabbit, it is still a potential problem which could bias the snowshoe data.

#### COTTONTAIL RABBIT

#### Roadside Counts

Results of the annual roadside counts for 1996 are shown in Table 1 and Figure 1. The long-term trend of cottontails observed per mile and young per 100 adults is shown in Figure 4 and Tables 2 and 3. Indices for 1996 compared to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average follow:

	Percent change from	Percent change from
<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>Average</u>
498	+12	-46
283	+225	<b>-</b> 3
0.57	+185	+89
163	+43	+141
	498 283 0.57	change from 1996 1995 498 +12 283 +225 0.57 +185

Production data from roadside counts indicated an increase in the statewide cottontail population. The cottontail young per 100 adults index increased 23 percent from 1995, and was 141 percent above the long-term average.

#### Harvest

#### Hunter Questionnaire

Results of the 1996 hunter questionnaire are found in Table 4. Trends of cottontails bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) by county are found in Tables 5-7. Trends of statewide harvest statistics are found in Table 8 and Figures 2 and 3. Results of the 1995 season compared to 1995 and the previous 29-year average follow:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Cottontail hunters	14,470	+5	-38
Cottontail harvest	82,803	+23	-44
Hunter-days afield	63,943	+10	-34
Cottontails per hunter-day	1.29	+11	-11
Cottontails per hunter	5.72	+18	-3

Ninety Percent confidence interval for overall cottontail harvest is  $\pm -8,703$ . Standard deviation is 2.1168547.

Total hunters increased 5 percent from 1995. Total harvest increased 43 percent. Total harvest was 44 percent below average. Hunter success was 11 percent below average. Harvest data indicate a year of below average populations of cottontails.

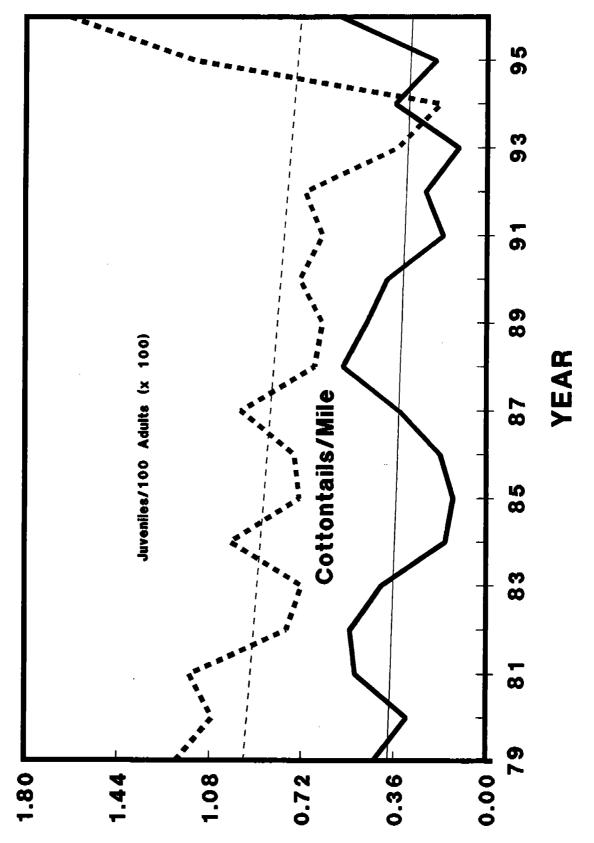
## Field Bag Checks

Results of field bag checks for 1996 are shown in Table 9. Trends of hunter success as determined by bag checks are shown in Table 10. Following is a comparison of the 1996 field bag check data to 1995 and the 10-year (1986-95) average.

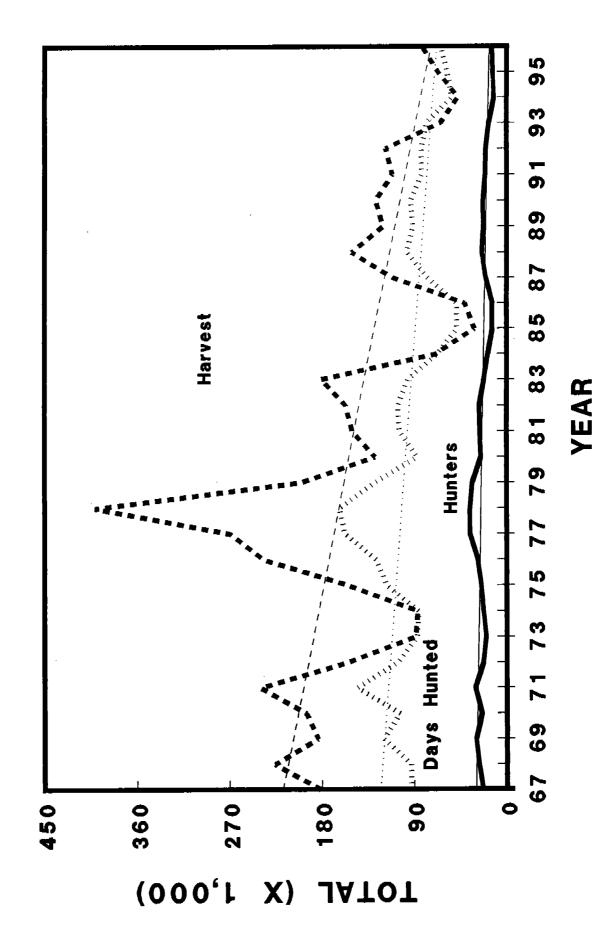
	<u>1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Total hunters checked			
Total hours hunted			
Cottontails per hunter (complete hunts)		<del></del>	
Cottontails bagged per 100 hours			
Hours per hunter day			
Hours per cottontail bagged (complete hunts)		<b></b> .	

No cottontail field bag check data was collected in 1996.

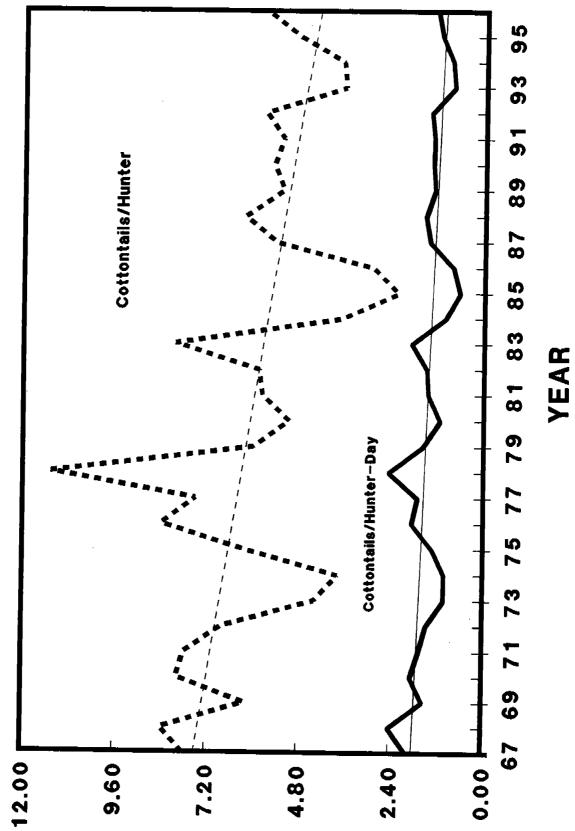
# COTTONTAILS/MILE AND JUYENILES/ADULT



Cottontail rabbit population indices trends, 1979-96. Figure 1.



Statewide trends of cottontail rabbit harvest statistics, 1967-96. Figure 2.



Statewide trends of cottontail rabbit hunter success rates, 1967-96. Figure 3.

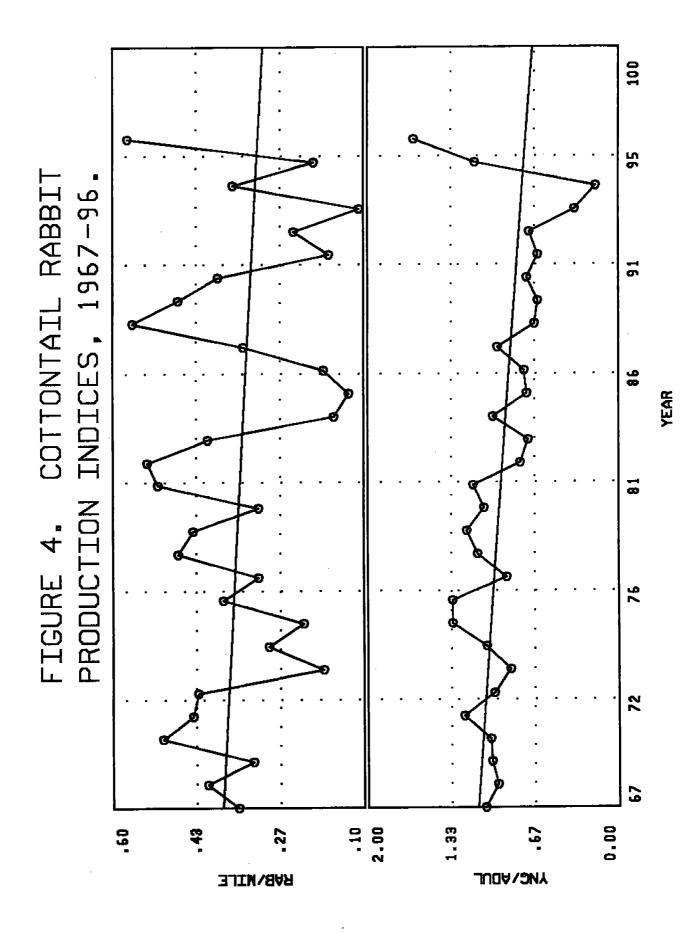


Table 1. Cottontail rabbit summer inventory summary, 1996.

Region and	Miles		Rabbits O	bserved		Young/	Rabbits/
County	Driven	Adults	Young	Unclassified	Total	100 Adults	Mile
Northern Region							
Box Elder							-
Cache	-		-	_	_	-	_
Davis	-			-	-	-	
Morgan	-				-	-	-
Rich				-		-	
Summit					-	-	-
Weber			<del></del>			-	
REGIONAL TOTALS							•-
Central Region							
Juab	90	1	1	0	2	100	0.02
Salt Lake			_		•••		_
Sanpete	98	7	7	0	14	100	0.14
Tooele	90	0	0	0	0	_	0.00
Utah			_	_		••	
Wasatch	_				_	_	
REGIONAL TOTALS	278	8	8	0	16	100	0.06
Southern Region							
Beaver				_	_	_	
Garfield	-			<u>-</u>	_		
Iron					-	_	_
Kane				_			-
Millard	_				_	_	_
Piute				_	_	_	
Sevier	_				_	_	
Washington					••	_	_
Wayne	<del></del>				_		
REGIONAL TOTALS							
Northeastern Region							
Daggett	70	22	39	5	66	177	0.94
Duchesne	90	32	55	65	152	172	1.69
Uintah	60	16	25	8	49	156	0.82
REGIONAL TOTALS	220	70	119	78	267	170	1.21
Southeastern Region					-71		1.41
Carbon			_	_	_		
Emery				<del>-</del>	_		
Grand					_		
Grand San Juan			-		_	-	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	400	70	407	70		400	
STATE TOTALS	498	78	127	78	283	163	0.57

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Northern Region												
Box Elder	0.02	0.03	:	0.03	0.39	0.10	80.0	ŀ	:	ŀ	1	
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Morgan	ł	i	i	i	;	;	i	ı	ł	ł	;	
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Central Region												
Juab	0.02	0.00	0.54	0.30	0.23	:	1	:	ı	0.01	0.02	
Salt Lake	į	ŧ	:	;	ı	į	:	1	i	:	ţ	
Sanpete	;	i	0.47	0.22	0.65	0.09	0.15	0.01	ł	0.07	0.14	
Tooele	0.01	0.02	0.18	:	1	1	0.03	ì	ł	0.02	0.00	
Utah	ı	ı	ł	:	;	:	ŀ	;	1	ł	ì	
Wasatch	:	ı	i	ł	ı	:	:	ŀ	ŀ	ŀ	ł	
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.01	0.02	0.36	0.26	0.45	0.09	0.08	0.01	i	0.04	90.0	0.15
Southern Region												
Beaver	0.10	0.04	90.0	ì	:	:	ŀ	:	1	1	I	
Garfield	0.13	ŧ	i	i	ı	i	i	1	ì	ı	i	
Iron	0.53	0.26	:	i	i	ł	i	ŀ	l	i	ł	
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Millard	0.08	0.09	0,09	I	90.0	;	i	ţ	i	i	ì	
Piute	90.0	0.05	ı	ı	:	:	:	1	ł	1	ı	
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Washington	0.12	0.12	0.36	0.33	:	1	ł	ł	ı	ı	f	
Wayne	0.20	0.24	0.34		:	0.83	0.21	:	:	:	1	
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.24	0.27	0.33	0.33	0.08	0.83	0.21	:	1		1	0.33
Northeastern Region		i										
Daggett	0.22	99.0	0.85	0.50	0.55	:	0.28	0.07	0.07	0.50	0.94	
Duchesne	0.44	98.0	1.49	1.04	0.23	0.03	0.60	0.23	99.0	0.39	1.69	
Uintah	0.02	0.36	1.26	1.40	1.00	i	0.18	0.17	0.24	0.23	0.82	
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.25	0.65	1.18	0.91	0.57	0.03	0.38	0.16	0.36	0.39	1.21	0.49
Southeastern Region					•							
Carbon	0.08	0.33	0.41	0.34	0.02	0.20	0.21	0.13	ı	i	ı	
Emery	1	0.40	0.34	0.33	0.40	0.37	0.34	90'0	:	:	:	
Grand	0.80	1	0.10	90'0	0.01	0.05	0.13	0.20	I	i	ì	
San Juan	0.37	0.29	0.59	0.55	0.80	0.28	0.34	0.16	;	ŀ	ì	
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.17	0.38	0.36	0.32	0.36	0.24	0.26	0.14	1	1	1	0.28
STATE TOTALS	0.18	0.34	0.56	0.47	0.39	0.17	0.24	0.11	0.36	0.20	0.57	0.30
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Northern Region												
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Morgan	ï	:	ŀ	ı	ł	1	ł	ı	:	:	:	
Rich	20	:	:	:	ŀ	ı	l	:	ļ	:	;	
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REGIONAL TOTALS	20	25	;	200	200	43	67	:				87
Central Region						2	;					5
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Salt Lake		٠ ;	; ;	: 1	ì	:	ì	;	:	<b>)</b>	3 :	
Sanpete	i	;	88	40	40	20	20	;	;	133	100	
Tooele	ł	100	120	ŀ	: 1		100	;	;	:	ı	
Utah	i	;	;	;	i	ŀ	1	i	ł	ï	1	
Wasatch	i	ŀ	:	ı	ŀ	ı	;	i	;	i	ţ	
REGIONAL TOTALS	0	100	22	23	27	20	24	1	1	125	100	LC C2
Southern Region												
Beaver	22	:	:	ı	ł	;	ł	:	1	i	ł	
Garfield	38	:	1	ı	ł	:	:	:	1	ì	:	
Iron	75	ŀ	i	ŀ	:	1	:	ı	:	1	:	
Капе	71	7	149	:	;	:	1	;	ı	ı	:	
Millard	170	114	110	i	<del>6</del>	:	1	ł	;	:	ŀ	
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Sevier	:	:	1	ı	ł	:	ı	:	1	ł	1	
Washington	133	175	9	131	i	;	i	:	:	:	:	
Wayne	360	2100	244	1	ł	369	138	ŀ	ì	i	1	
REGIONAL TOTALS	100	137	136	131	100	369	138	;	1	:		159
Northeastern Region												
Daggett	136	116	30	23	55	;	89	33	1	100	177	
Duchesne	<b>5</b> 6	24	33	53	i	2	138	36	17	183	172	
Uintah	9	264	170	239	95	:	2	80	20	20	156	
REGIONAL TOTALS	58	74	46	82	28	20	92	47	18	113	170	64
Southeastern Region					i							
Carbon	150	267	200	400	400	ł	25	:	i	i	ı	
Emery	ŀ	\$	20	ı	;	;	:	:	:	į	:	
Grand	300	ŀ	ı	ı	:	i	<b>\$</b>	ı	1	ī	:	
San Juan	61	47	49	80	90	54	37	18		ī	ı	
REGIONAL TOTALS	69	100	64	110	67	100	33	18	1	ï	1	20
STATE TOTAL S	7.6	30	67	γy	7.5	Y	7	26	40	144		

Table 4. Summary of cottontail rabbit hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND COUNTY	SAMPLE I	HUNTER-DAYS AFIELD		RABBITS PE HUNTER-DAY	r * of Pressure	% OF HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	98	7,223	5,667	0.78	11.30	6.84
CACHE	11	580	325	0.56	0.91	0.39
DAVIS	3	139	371	2.67	0.22	0.45
MORGAN	2	255	510	2.00	0.40	0.62
RICH	16	1,091	1,881	1.72	1.71	2.27
SUMMIT	8	301	301	1.00	0.47	0.36
WEBER	5	348	441	1.27	0.54	0.53
REGIONAL TOTALS	143	9,941	9,499	0.96	15.55	11.47
CENTRAL REGION						
JUAB	38	1,765	1,904	1.08	2.76	2.30
SALT LAKE	7	1,161	2,508	2.16	1.82	3.03
SANPETE	31	2,485	2,113	0.85	3.89	2.55
TOOELE	73	5,202	3,600	0.69	8.14	4.35
UTAH	82	5,876	6,364	1.08	9.19	7.69
WASATCH	8	394	69	0.18	0.62	0.08
REGIONAL TOTALS	239	16,885	16,560	0.98	26.41	20.00
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	5	255	255	1.00	0.40	0.31
GARFIELD	2	371	139	0.38	0.58	0.17
IRON	11	1,254	1,207	0.96	1.96	1.46
KANE	3	232	23	0.10	0.36	0.03
MILLARD	26	2,531	2,090	0.83	3.96	2.52
PIUTE	2	92	116	1.25	0.15	0.14
SEVIER	22	3,251	3,391	1.04	5.09	4.10
WASHINGTON	11	1,625	2,276	1.40	2.54	2.75
WAYNE	6	464	952	2.05	0.73	1.15
REGIONAL TOTALS	88	10,080	10,451	1.04	15.76	12.62
NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT	14	534	1,532	2.87	0.84	1.85
DUCHESNE	79	7,246	14,400	1.99	11.33	17.39
UINTAH	79	6,851	18,256	2.66	10.72	22.05
REGIONAL TOTALS	17.2	14,632	34,189	2.34	22.88	41.29
SOUTHEASTERN REGION			_	_		
CARBON	39	4,180	4,900	1.17	6.54	5.92
EMERY	31	3,437	4,668	1.36	5.38	5.64
GRAND	16	2,810	1,138	0.40	4.40	1.37
SAN JUAN	19	1,834	975	0.53	2.87	1.18
REGIONAL TOTALS	105	12,263	11,683	0.95	19,18	14.11
Unknown	3	139	418	3.00	0.22	0.50
STATE TOTALS	750	63,943	82,803	1.29	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 5. Summary of cottontail rabbits bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	1.29	1.49	1.31	1.46	0.71	0.82	1.00	0.78
Cache	0.66	0.87	1.41	1.50	0.76	1.30	0.76	0.56
Davis	1.00	0.25	1.50	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.50	2.67
Morgan	0.17	0.43	1.53	1.08	0.33	0.47	4.00	2.00
Rich	1.37	2.52	2.62	2.50	0.56	1.21	1.34	1.72
Summit	0.58	0.72	1.24	0.81	1.22	1.39	0.73	1.00
Weber	0.27	1.06	0.88	0.89	0.64	0.28	0.88	1.27
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.09	1.55	1.47	1.50	0.71	0.77	0.97	0.96
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Central Region								
Juab	1.52	1.55	1.68	1.54	0.83	0.64	0.49	1.08
Salt Lake	1.35	0.79	0.72	0.97	0.57	2.00	0.57	2.16
Sanpete	1.10	0.85	1.26	0.86	0.40	1.02	0.75	0.85
Tooele	1.20	1.08	1.23	1.26	0.48	0.70	0.53	0.69
Utah	0.90	0.84	0.99	1.00	0.56	0.46	0.64	1.08
Wasatch	1.50	0.69	1.06	1.70	0.83	1.57	0.21	0.18
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Southern Region								
Beaver	0.41	1.17	0.69	2.44	0.67	1.50	0.39	1.00
Garfield	1.97	1.03	0.46	0.52	1.53	1.04	1.36	0.38
Iron	0.85	1.21	1.06	0.94	0.80	1.05	0.68	0.96
Kane	1.00	0.90	0.93	0.97	1.62	0.91	3.50	0.10
Millard	1.27	1.84	1.15	1.35	1.56	0.69	0.88	0.83
Piute	0.28	1.36	0.57	0.00	0.63	0.33	0.80	1.25
Sevier	0.97	1.45	0.65	1.27	0.69	0.67	0.39	1.04
Washington	0.91	0.89	0.68	1.03	1.02	1.01	1.13	1.40
Wayne	1.05	1.34	1.20	2.26	0.73	1.06	1.38	2.05
REGIONAL TOTALS	1.05	1.30	0.89	1.32	1.11	0.93	0.89	1.04
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Northeastern Regi	on							
Daggett	1.65	1.79	1.83	2.00	1.47	1.52	3.55	2.87
Duchesne	1.49	1.83	2.15	1.97	1.16	1.43	2.40	1.99
Uintah	3.16	2.41	1.61	1.74	0.82	1.55	2.77	2.66
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.13	2.10	1.86	1.87	1.04	1.51	2.61	2.34
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Southeastern Regi	ion							
Carbon	0.97	1.43	1.75	1.51	0.69	0.89	1.19	1.17
Emery	0.80	1.06	1.03	1.43			1.24	1.36
Grand	1.00	1.58		1.66	1.86	1.21	1.21	0.40
San Juan	1.28			2.34		0.97	1.21	0.40
REGIONAL TOTALS				1.63			1.19	
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Unknown counties	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.40	0.00	1.07	3.00
STATE TOTALS	1.55	1.32	1.36	1.35	1.41	0.83	1.16	1.29

Table 6. Percentage distribution of cottontail rabbit harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	7.20	9.84			7.38	8.84	8.29	6.84
Cache	0.47	1.07	1.61	1.50	2.04	1.60	0.55	0.39
Davis	0.07	0.02	0.14	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.14	0.45
Morgan	0.03	0.05	0.41	0.65	0.12	0.56	0.12	0.62
Rich	1.92	6.07	4.14	-	0.56	0.85	1.36	2.27
Summit	0.73	0.63	2.00	0.79	0.97	0.41	0.64	0.36
Weber REGIONAL TOTALS	0.14 10.55	0.27 17.95	0.45 17.80	0.59 21.14	0.62 11.71	0.33 12.56	1.21 12.31	0.53 11.47
Central Region								
Juab	6.32	5.86	7.68	7.50	6.20	4.09	1.53	2.30
Salt Lake	0.40	0.68	0.36	1.09	0.97	0.30	0.35	3.03
Sanpete	3.70	3.34	2.80	3.39	0.97	4.09	1.62	2.55
Tooele	14.73	11.60	16.76	15.72	10.18	10.59	5.83	4.35
Utah	5.20	6.51	6.20	6.42	5.28	4.42	5.52	7.69
Wasatch	0.47	0.44	1.09	1.10	0.59	0.41	0.32	0.08
REGIONAL TOTALS	30.82	28.43	34.88	35.22	24.20	23.89	15.16	20.00
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.40	0.44	0.92	1.51	0.18	3.90	0.92	0.31
Garfield	2.66	1.16	0.09	0.17	0.86	1.00	1.42	0.17
Iron	0.92	2.02	1.03	1.03	1.86	2.38	1.62	1.46
Kane	1.23	0.90	1.33	0.50	2.15	1.49	0.81	0.03
Millard	2.80	5.02	4.18	4.99	8.29	3.75	1.73	2.52
Piute	0.09	0.61	0.06	0.00	0.15	0.11	0.12	0.14
Sevier	1.66	3.07	1.75	1.79	2.27	2.23	0.64	4.10
Washington	2.69	2.02	1.34	0.94	6.96	6.24	5.95	2.75
Wayne	1.02	1.08	1.12		0.71	1.30	0.64	
REGIONAL TOTALS	13.46	16.33	11.84	11.85	23.43	22.40	13.84	12.62
Northeastern Reg	gion							
Daggett	3.21	2.37	3.28	1.63	3.13	1.19	1.13	1.85
Duchesne	12.37	8.55	10.98	8.67	12.95	5.83	17.48	17.39
Uintah	19.31				8.29	11.55	21.55	
REGIONAL TOTALS	34.89	24.27	23.36	17.55	24.37	18.57	40.15	41,29
Southeastern Reg	•							
Carbon		5.83				10.25		
Emery	3.78	4.20			4.19	4.20	5.00	
Grand	0.26	0.66			2.69	5.60	2.72	1.37
San Juan	1.43	2.33		3.33	2.39	5.50	3.38	1.18
REGIONAL TOTALS	10.04	13.02	12.12	14.24	13.48	22.55	17.19	14.11
Unknown counties	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.80	0.00	1.36	0.50
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 7. Percentage distribution of cottontail rabbit hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and _					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	7.34	9.00	9.33	12.87	8.60	9.55	9.65	11.30
Cache	0.93	1.67	1.53	1.41	2.22	1.06	0.84	0.91
Davis	0.09	0.09	0.13	0.00	0.29	0.33	0.33	0.22
Morgan	0.27	0.15	0.36	0.85	0.29	1.06	0.03	0.40
Rich	1.84	3.28	2.12	2.44	0.83	0.63	1.17	1.71
Summit	1.64	1.19	2.16	1.37	0.66	0.93	1.00	0.47
Weber	0.68	0.35	0.69	0.94	0.80	1.06	1.61	0.54
REGIONAL TOTALS	2.80	15.74	16.33	19.88	13.70	14.64	14.64	15.55
Central Region								
Juab	5.48	5.15	6.16	6.88	6.19	5.72	3.65	2.76
Salt Lake	0.39	1.17	0.67	1.58	1.41	0.13	0.70	1.82
Sanpete	4.41	5.35	2.98	5.56	2.00	3.57	2.51	3.89
Tooele	16.16	14.61	18.35	17.65	17.38	13.39	12.76	8.14
Utah	7.61	10.50	8.43	9.06	7.73	8.50	10.05	9.19
Wasatch	0.41	0.86	1.39	0.92	0.58	0.23	1.77	0.62
REGIONAL TOTALS	34.45	37.63	37.98	41.65	35.29	31.54	31.45	26.41
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Southern Region	Ì							
Beaver	1.27	0.51	1.79	0.88	0.22	2.31	2.78	0.40
Garfield	1.77	1.54	0.27	0.45	0.46	0.86	1.21	0.58
Iron	1.41	2.27	1.30	1.54	1.93	2.02	2.75	1.96
Kane	1.61	1.36	1.91	0.73	1.10	1.45	0.27	0.36
Millard	2.91	3.72	4.92	5.21	4.39	4.86	2.28	3.96
Piute	0.41	0.62	0.15	0.04	0.19	0.30	0.17	0.15
Sevier	2.25	2.88	3.61	1.99	2.71	2.98	1.88	5.09
Washington	3.91	3.10	2.67	1.28	5.63	5.49	6.10	2.54
Wayne	1.27	1.10	1.26	0.58	0.80	1.09	0.54	0.73
REGIONAL TOTALS	116.82	17.10	17.89	12.70	17.43	21.36	17.95	15.76
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Northeastern Reg	gion							
Daggett	2.57	1.80	2.42	1.15	1.75	0.69	0.37	0.84
Duchesne	10.91	6.36	6.87	6.22	9.26	3.64	8.44	11.33
Uintah	8.05	7.55	7.61			6.64		
REGIONAL TOTALS								
Southeastern Re	gion							
Carbon	6.20	5.55	3.89	5.66	5.02	10.28	5.96	6.54
Emery	6.23		4.25					
Grand		0.57			1.19	1.92	2.61	
San Juan	1.48		2,27		2.44		3.45	2,87
REGIONAL TOTALS		13.82	10.91	12.37		21.39	16.68	990000000000000000000000000000000000000
Unknown counties	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.15	1.66	0.10	1.47	0.22
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 8. Statewide summary of cottontail rabbit harvest statistics, 1967-96.

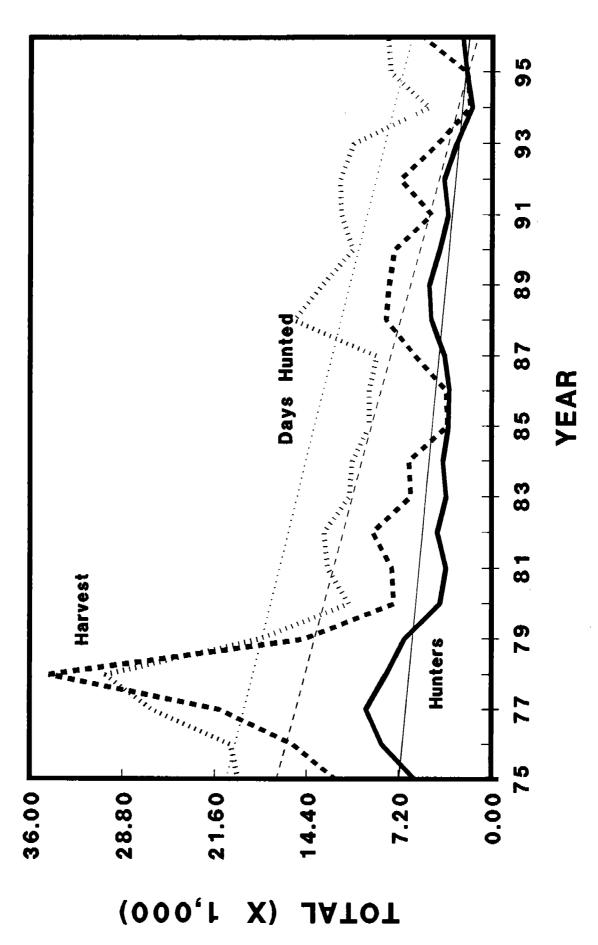
	Total	Total			Cottontails Per
Year	Hunters	Harvest	Afield	Hunter-Day	Hunter
1967	23,249	181,812	92,681	1.95	7.79
1968	26,889	225,450	93,126	2.42	8.38
1969	29,760	184,034	119,596	1.54	6.18
1970	24,486	195,248	103,725	1.86	7.97
1971	30,824	239,511	145,287	1.65	7.78
1972	22,835	155,102	105,941	1.46	6.79
1973	20,109	88,603	87,036	1.02	4.41
1974	22,737	86,506	85,499	1.01	3.80
1975	24,803	154,182	116,707	1.32	6.22
1976	28,239	235,952	126,737	1.86	8.39
1977	35,831	269,263	157,257	1.71	7.51
1978	35,590	401,071	163,019	2.46	11.27
1979	33,385	200,223	127,497	1.57	6.00
1980	25,156	127,652	87,051	1.47	5.07
1981	25,906	149,765	104,183	1.44	5.78
1982	26,714	156,696	105,644	1.48	5.87
1983	22,467	180,767	96,151	1.88	8.05
1984	18,616	69,186	67,643	1.02	3.72
1985	14,059	31,397	48,371	0.65	2.23
1986	13,992	40,636	48,694	0.83	2.90
1987	20,322	110,411	77,047	1.43	5.43
1988	24,076	150,386	97,190	1.55	6.25
1989	22,878	120,075	91,264	1.32	5.25
1990	23,070	127,389	93,515	1.36	5.52
1991	21,137	111,407	82,772	1.35	5.27
1992	20,509	117,454	83,154	1.41	5.73
1993	17,578	64,400	77,968	0.83	3.66
1994	12,709	47,322	53,175	0.89	3.72
1995	13,840	67,295	58,042	1.16	4.86
1996	14,470	82,803	63,943	1.29	5.72
Totals	•	•			
(1967-96)	696,236	4,371,998	2,859,915		
Averages	•		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
(1967-95)	23,509	147,903	96,413	1.44	5.92

Table 9. Cottontail rabbit field bag check summary, 1996.

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Region and	Total		Total	Total	Rabbits/	Complete	l	Total		Rabbits/	Rabbits/
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Northern Region											
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Table 10. Cottontail rabbit hunter success trend as determined by field bag check, 1991-96.	
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Northern Region												
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REGIONAL TOTALS	313	3.57	;	1	1	1	:	:	1	:	:	   
Central Region												
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Statewide trends of snowshoe hare harvest statistics, 1975-96. Figure 1.

Statewide trends of snowshoe hare hunter success rates, 1975-96. Figure 2.

#### **SNOWSHOE HARE**

#### Harvest

Results of the 1996 hunter questionnaire are found in Table 11. Trends of snowshoe hares bagged per hunter-day, percent of harvest and percent of pressure (hunter-days) are found in Tables 12-14. Trend in statewide harvest statistics by year are shown in Table 15 and Figures 1 and 2. The 1996 season compared to 1995 and the previous 21-year average follow:

	<u> 1996</u>	Percent change from 1995	Percent change from <u>Average</u>
Snowshoe hare hunters	2,276	+15	<b>-</b> 50
Snowshoe hares harvested	5,365	+179	-41
Hunter-days afield8	8,106	+3	-41
Snowshoes per hunter-day	0.66	+175	+11
Snowshoes per hunter	2.36	+143	+31

Ninety percent confidence interval for overall snowshoe hare harvest is +/1,133. Standard deviation is 0.885815.

Significant misidentification of white-tailed jackrabbits as snowshoe hares was anticipated prior to mailing the harvest questionnaire following the first season in 1975. This proved to be the case as a significant harvest of snowshoe hares was reported for counties outside the known range of the species. It was assumed that the problem was statewide, not just confined to those counties. Several attempts were made in the 1970s to reduce misidentification through pictures and descriptions in leaflets and questionnaires.

Beginning in 1988, harvest questionnaires, and in 1989 the Upland Game Proclamation had drawings and descriptions of the various rabbits and hares in an attempt to reduce misidentification. We believe this has been successful.

Results of the 1996 harvest questionnaire indicates a 179 percent increase in hunter success compared to 1995. Success was well below the long-term average.

Table 11. Summary of snowshoe hare hunter success and distribution of harvest and hunting pressure by region and county, 1996.

REGION AND	SAMPLE	HUNDER-DAYS	SNOWSHOR	SNOWSHOE	% OF	% OF
COUNTY	SIZE*	AFIELD	BAGGED	HUNTER-DAY		HARVEST
NORTHERN REGION						
BOX ELDER	16	1,672	348	0.21	20.63	6.49
CACHE	10	510	46	0.09	6.30	0.87
DAVIS	2	92	69	0.75	1.15	1.30
MORGAN	3	185	348	1.88	2.29	6.49
RICH	4	116	116	1.00	1.43	2.16
SUMMIT	4	185	139	0.75	2.29	2.60
WEBER	ī	69	0	0.00	0.86	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	40	2,633	1,068	0.38	34.96	19.91
CENTRAL RECION		NATAC 60 JANGS ALA BANGGO COCCOCCOCCOCCOCC				
CENTRAL REGION JUAB	2	162	105	1 14	2 01	3 40
SALT LAKE	2 1	162 46	185 92	1.14	2.01	3.46
SANPETE	4	185	92 116	2.00 0.63	0.57 2.29	1.73 2.16
TOOELE	6	510	23	0.05	6.30	0.43
HATU	20	1,649	580	0.35	20.34	10.82
WASATCH	8	441	46	0.11	5.44	0.87
REGIONAL TOTALS	41	2,996	1,045	0.35	36.96	19.48
SOUTHERN REGION						
BEAVER	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
GARFIELD	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
IRON	. 0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
KANE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILLARD	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
PIUTE	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
SEVIER	3	766	2,462	3.21	9.46	45.89
WASHINGTON	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
WAYNE REGIONAL TOTALS	1	46	0	0.00	0.57	0.00
REGIONAL IOTALS	5	812	2,462	3.03	10.03	45.89
NORTHEASTERN REGION						
DAGGETT	2	23	69	3.00	0.29	1.30
DUCHESNE	9	464	162	0.35	5.73	3.03
UINTAH	9	673	278	0.41	8.31	5.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	20	1,161	510	0.44	14.33	9.52
SOUTHEASTERN REGION						
CARBON	2	69	116	1.67	0.86	2.16
EMERY	3	232	162	0.70	2.87	3.03
GRAND	Ō	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
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REGIONAL TOTALS	6	301	278	0.92	3.72	5,20
Unknown	0	^		0.00	0.00	
CHARGWII	U	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
STATE TOTALS	112	8,106	5,365	0.66	100.00	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Total hunter trips from questionnaire returns.

Table 12. Summary of snowshoe hare bagged per hunter-day by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Northern Region								
Box Elder	0.33	0.54	0.38	0.52	0.45	0.82	0.14	0.21
Cache	1.10	0.56	0.30	0.26	0.42	1.30	0.11	0.09
Davis	1.50	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	Q.75
Morgan	0.36	0.80	2.17	0.15	0.00	0.47	0.00	1.88
Rich	0.51	0.76	1.31	1.15	0.38	1.21	0.21	1.00
Summit	0.73	1.05	0.24	0.62	0.18	0.39	0.23	0.75
Weber	0.50	0.25	0.25	1.00	1.12	0.28	0.91	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.63	0.70	0.49	0.54	0.48	0.77	0.38	0.38
Central Region								
Juab	0.00	0.53	0.50	0.38	0.00	0.64	0.15	1.14
Salt Lake	0.38	0.00	0.22	0.08	0.00	2.00	0.00	2.00
Sanpete	0.64	1.08	0.78	0.43	0.67	1.02	0.50	0.63
Tooele	0.77	0.32	0.35	0.58	0.25	0.70	0.38	0.05
Utah	0.37	0.51	0.71	0.79	0.08	0.46	0.10	0.35
Wasatch	1.00	0.17	0.22	0.48	8.67	1.57	0.04	0.11
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.65	0.55	0.45	0.55	0.44	0.67	0.21	0.35
Southern Region								
Beaver	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.05	0.00
Garfield	0.35	0.67	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.04	0.00	0.00
Iron	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.00	1.05	0.00	0.00
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.91	0.00	0.00
Millard	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.32	0.69	0.00	0.00
Piute	0.64	0.43	0.00	1.50	0.00	0.33	0.00	3.21
Sevier	0.55	0.96	0.61	0.78	0.44	0.67	0.00	0.00
Washington	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.01	0.00	0.00
Wayne	0.50	0.39	0.44	1.25	0.25	1.06	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.50	0.62	0.56	0.70	0.30	0.93	0.02	3.03
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Northeastern Regi								
Daggett	1.00	0.50	0.14	1.00	0.43	1.52	0.00	3.00
Duchesne	0.54	1.33	0.18	0.23	0.22	1.43	0.12	0.35
Uintah	0.23	0.88	0.14	1.62	0.15	1.55	0.33	0.41
REGIONAL TOTALS	0.40	1.17	0.17	0.79	0.23	1.51	0.24	0.44
Southeastern Regi	ion							
<del>-</del>		0.71	0 21	0.62	0.30	0.89	0.00	1.67
Carbon	1.00	0.71 0.37	0.21 0.45	0.63 0.33	0.29 0.60	0.89	0.00	0.70
Emery Grand	0.54 0.00	2.00	0.45	0.00	0.00	1.21	0.00	0.00
	1.67	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.97	0.00	0.00
San Juan	0.77	0.56	0.30	0.46	0.00	0.94	0.20	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	W • 7 7	0.50	0.30	U-4U	U.J.	<b></b> 74	0.20	
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
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STATE TOTALS	0.61	0.70	0.40	0.60	0.39	0.35	0.24	0.66

Table 13. Percentage distribution of snowshoe hare harvest by region and county, 1989-96.

Region and _					Year			
County	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
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Northern Region								
Box Elder	10.57	6.62	14.43	10.76	9.55	35.73	5.05	6.49
Cache	5.15	4.78	2.49	4.93	1.09	0.00	2.02	0.87
Davis	0.00	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.00	3.03	1.30
Morgan	1.08	4.78	0.50	0.00	1.06	3.06	0.00	6.49
Rich	14.09	20.22	5.72	1.35	0.63	4.08	3.03	2.16
Summit	11.11	4.41	6.47	1.35	0.93	0.00	3.03	2.60
Weber	0.27	1.84	0.50	8.52	1.06		30.31	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	242.28	43.02	30.10	26.91	14.64	42.88	46.47	19.91
Central Region								
Juab	2.71	1.47	3.23	0.00	5.72	1.02	4.04	3.46
Juab Salt Lake	0.00	0.74	0.25	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.00	1.73
Sanpete	7.05	11.40	2.49	1.79	3.57	10.21	15.15	2.16
Tooele	3.25	8.83	7.21	8.07	13.39	2.04	12.12	0.43
Utah	4.88	5.52	11.44	2.24	8.50	9.19	6.06	10.82
Wasatch	0.27	3.68	2.99	23.32	0.23	4.08	1.01	0.87
REGIONAL TOTALS	218.16	31.62	27.61	35.43	31.54	25.54	38.39	19.48
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Southern Region								
Beaver	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.31	0.00	1.01	0.00
Garfield	1.08	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.86	1.02	0.00	0.00
Iron	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	2.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Kane	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Millard	0.00	0.00	1.24	4.48	4.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
Piute	0.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sevier	7.05	10.30	5.22	3.14	2.98	5.10	0.00	45.89
Washington	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.49	1.02	0.00	0.00
Wayne	3.25	1.47	9 <b>.9</b> 5	1.79	1.09	6.13	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	12.47	12.87	17.91	9.42	21.36	13.27	1.01	45.89
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Uintah	3.79	1.84	16.92	4.93	5.64 6.64	4.08	10.10	5.20
REGIONAL TOTALS	20.60			17.04			13.13	9.52
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Southeastern Reg	gion							
Carbon	2.71	1.47	1.24	1.79	10.28	11.23	0.00	2.16
Emery	2.71	1.84	1.24	1.35	4.13	0.00	1.01	3.03
Grand	1.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
San Juan	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00	5.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
REGIONAL TOTALS	6.50	3.31	2.74	3.14	21.39	11.23	1.01	5.20
Unknown counties	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.07	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
cmamp memate	100.00	100.00	100 00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
STATE TOTALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Table 14. Percentage distribution of snowshoe hare hunting pressure by region and county, 1989-96.

*Region and County 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1999  Northern Region  Box Elder 5.64 13.69 7.11 16.67 9.35 31.07 8.62 20.6 Cache 6.27 6.46 6.37 5.71 4.59 0.36 4.68 6.3 Davis 0.31 0.19 4.59 0.00 0.35 0.71 1.23 1.1 Morgan 1.72 0.95 0.89 1.95 0.53 3.21 0.25 2.2 Rich 9.25 12.93 6.22 3.00 1.41 2.50 3.45 1.4 Summit 3.45 7.41 7.41 6.31 3.00 2.14 3.20 2.22 Weber 1.57 0.76 2.96 0.30 3.00 0.36 8.13 0.80 REGIONAL TOTALS 28.21 42.40 35.56 33.93 22.22 40.36 29.56 34.90 Central Region  Juab 0.00 3.61 1.19 5.11 0.18 2.86 6.40 2.00 Salt Lake 1.25 0.00 1.33 1.95 5.47 0.00 1.23 0.55	3 0 5 9 3 9 6
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Millard 0.94 0.19 0.00 5.11 5.47 0.36 0.49 0.00	
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Table 15. Statewide summary of snowshoe hare harvest statistics, 1975-96.

	Total	Total	Hunter-Days	Hares Per	Hares Per
Year	Hunters	Harvest	Afield	Hunter-Day	Hunter
975	5,961	12,072	19,770	0.61	2.03
1976	8,502	15,500	20,367	0.76	1.82
1977	9,752	21,232	26,535	0.80	2.18
1978	8,205	34,535	30,155	1.15	4.21
1979	6,787	14,641	18,115	0.81	2.16
1980	4,048	7,603	11,140	0.68	1.88
1981	3,554	7,750	12,782	0.61	2.18
1982	4,245	9,257	13,073	0.71	2.18
1983	3,544	6,302	11,088	0.57	1.78
1984	3,796	6,455	10,840	0.60	1.70
1985	3,365	3,429	9,494	0.36	1.02
1986	3,277	3,544	9,541	0.37	1.08
1987	3,702	6,005	8,947	0.67	1.62
1988	4,725	8,231	15,444	0.53	1.74
1989	4,895	8,006	13,233	0.61	1.64
1990	4,095	7,593	10,825	0.70	1.85
1991	3,427	4,731	11,742	0.40	1.38
1992	3,732	7,144	11,836	0.60	1.91
1993	2,755	4,237	10,774	0.39	1.54
1994	1,565	1,722	4,922	0.35	1.10
1995	1,983	1,924	7,891	0.24	0.97
1996	2,276	5,365	8,106	0.66	2.36
Totals		· · · · · ·			
(1975-96)	98,191	197,278	296,620	<u></u>	
Averages		<u></u>			
(1975-95)	4,567	9,139	13,739	0.60	1.81

# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A

## WEATHER CONDITIONS

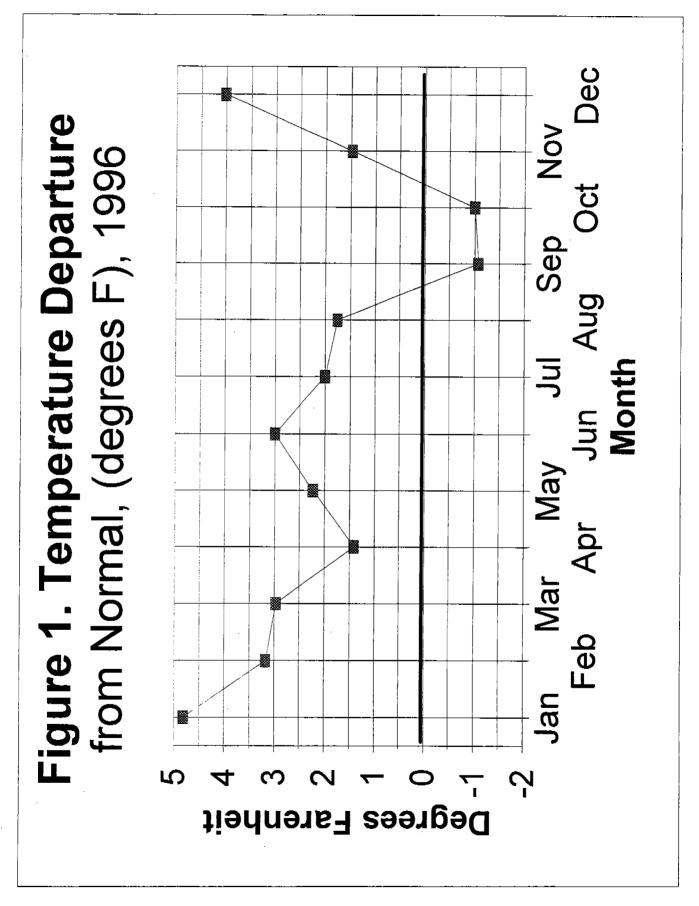
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The 1995-96 winter weather was fairly mild in terms of precipitation and in terms of cold temperature. Below average precipitation fell in October through December 1995. In November 1995 through February 1996 temperatures were above average.

In the spring of 1996, May precipitation was above normal. March, April, June and July, 1996 precipitation was below normal. Temperatures were above normal March through August, 1996.

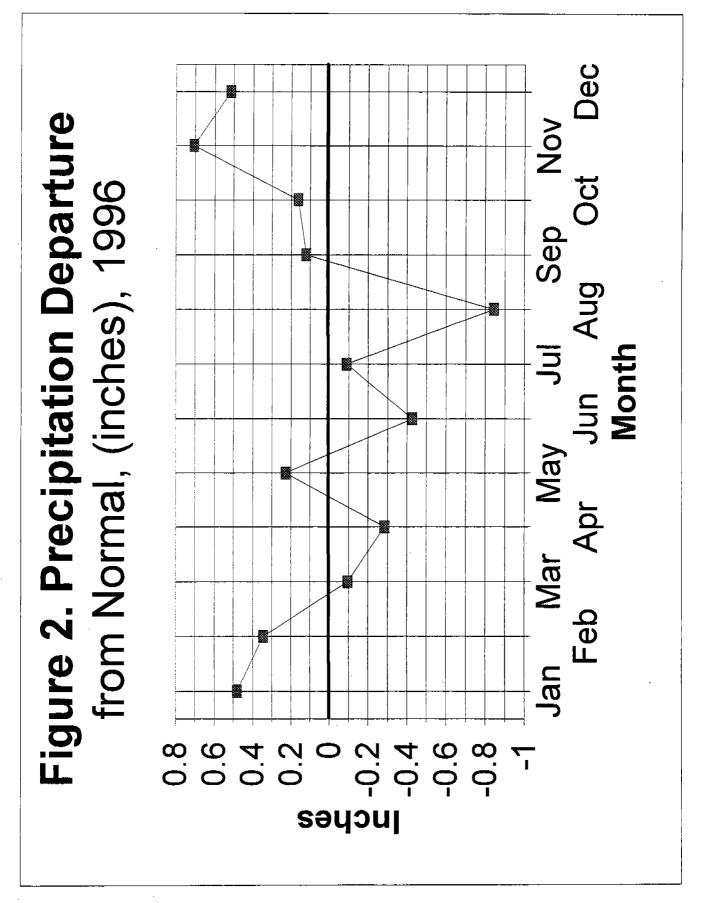
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No.1 Western														
Normal	26.0	32.5	39.6	47.3	56.5	0.99	74.3	72.1	62.0	50.1	37.6	27.4	49.3	
1996	31.0	33.0	42.3	48.5	57.6	69.0	75.8	72.5	61.1	49.6	39.5	32.8	51.1	
Departure (degrees)	5.0	0.5	2.7	1.2	<del>.</del> .	3.0	1.5	0.4	6.0-	-0.5	1.9	5.4	1.8	
No.2 Dixie														
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No.3 North Central														
Normal	25.8	31.3	39.3	47.7	56.9	66.2	74.4	72.3	62.4	50.9	38.3	27.8	49.5	
1996	31.5	31.6	42.8	48.6	57.4	70.2	76.1	73.8	61.4	51.1	40.7	33.6	51.6	
Departure (degrees)	5.7	0.3	3.5	6.0	0.5	4.0	1.7	1.5	-1.0	0.2	2.4	5.8	2.1	
No.4 South Central														
Normal	26.5	31.6	37.6	45.1	54.0	63.4	70.4	68.2	59.9	49.3	37.3	28.1	47.6	
1996	30.9	35.9	39.9	46.1	57.0	66.4	72.6	69.8	58.7	47.3	38.3	30.8	49.5	
Departure (degrees)	4.4	4.3	2.3	1.0	3.0	3.0	2.2	1.6	-1.2	-2.0	1.0	2.7	1.9	
No.5 Northern Mountains														
Normal	20.9	24.7	31.7	40.6	49.6	58.2	65.6	63.6	54.9	44.7	32.5	22.8	42.5	
1996	25.7	26.8	34.3	41.4	51.0	61.6	67.4	65.2	54.1	44.2	34.7	27.0	44.5	
Departure (degrees)	4.8	2.1	2.6	0.8	<b>1</b> .	3.4	1.8	1.6	<del>-</del> 0.8	-0.5	2.2	4.2	2.0	
No.6 Uintah Basin		,												
Normal	16.7	24.0	36.3	46.8	56.2	65.3	72.2	8.69	60.2	48.3	34.0	20.5	45.8	
1996	22.5	28.4	39.9	47.2	57.7	67.1	73.3	9.02	58.6	46.4	35.3	25.6	47.7	
Departure (degrees)	5.8	4.4	3.6	0.4	7.5	1.8	<del>7.</del>	0.8	-1.6	-1.9	1.3	5.1	1.9	
No.7 Southeast														
Normal	26.9	34.2	41.9	50.5	60.0	70.1	76.7	74.2	65.2	53.4	40.2	29.5	51.9	
1996	31.4	39.3	44.1	51.4	64.2	72.5	79.0	9.92	63.3	52.0	40.3	32.3	53.9	
Departure (degrees)	4.5	5.1	2.2	6.0	4.2	2.4	2.3	2.4	-1.9	-1.4	0.1	2.8	2.0	
STATE AVERAGES									l					
Normal	25.9	31.8	39.4	47.8	57.0	66.4	73.6	71.4	62.4	51.1	38.3	27.9	49.4	
1996	30.8	34.9	42.3	49.2	59.2	69.4	75.6	73.1	61.3	50.1	39.7	32.0	51.5	
Departure (degrees)	4.8	3.2	3.0	1.4	2.2	3.0	2.0	1.8 8.	7.7	-1.0	1.5	4.0	2.1	



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No.1 Western Normal	0.53	0.58	0.85	0.89	0.98	0.71	0.73	0.83	0.79	0.81	0.68	0.58	8.96
1996	0.58	0.73	0.95	0.52	1.32	0.02	0.84	0.10	0.64	0.64	96.0	1.04	8.34
Departure (inches)	0.02	0.15	0.10	-0.37	0.34	-0.69	0.11	-0.73	-0.15	-0.17	0.28	0.46	-0.62
No.2 Dixie													
Normal	1.32	1.29	1.67	0.90	0.63	0.31	0.90	1.19	98.0	0.78	1.19	1.01	12.05
1996	0.60	1.79	0.68	0.20	0.52	0.04	1.00	0.11	0.83	1.08	2.07	1.23	10.15
Departure (inches)	-0.72	0.50	-0.99	-0.70	-0.11	-0.27	0.10	-1.08	-0.03	0.30	0.88	0.22	-1.90
No.3 North Central													
Normal	1.34	1.39	1.77	1.94	1.84	1.21	0.85	0.99	1.43	1.64	1.53	1.49	17.42
1996	2.58	1.78	2.48	1.83	2.51	0.15	9.0	0.07	1.15	2.02	2.27	2.48	20.12
Departure (inches)	1.24	0.39	0.71	-0.11	0.67	-1.06	-0.05	-0.92	-0.28	0.38	0.74	0.99	2.70
No.4 South Central													
Normal	0.98	1.01	1.37	1.07	0.98	09.0	1.07	1.38	1.18	1.05	1.07	1.02	12.78
1996	1.06	1.82	1.16	0.58	0.93	0.14	1.02	0.43	1.16	1.34	2.02	1.20	12.86
Departure (inches)	0.08	0.81	-0.21	-0.49	-0.05	-0.46	-0.05	-0.95	-0.02	0.29	0.95	0.18	0.08
No.5 Northern Mountains													
Normal	1.83	1.78	1.93	1.95	1.68	1.19	1.04	1.19	1.52	1.69	1.83	1.92	19.55
1996	4.20	2.27	2.06	2.15	2.00	0.62	0.79	0.28	1.83	1.74	3.06	4.03	25.03
Departure (inches)	2.37	0.49	0.13	0.20	0.32	-0.57	-0.25	-0.91	0.31	0.05	1.23	2.11	5.48
No.6 Uintah Basin													
Normai	0.48	0.46	0.63	0.73	0.86	0.71	0.71	0.73	0.88	96.0	0.56	0.60	8.31
1996	0.97	0.55	0.46	0.48	1.26	0.67	0.65	0.16	1.08	0.82	0.82	0.47	8.39
Departure (inches)	0.49	0.09	-0.17	-0.25	0.40	-0.04	-0.06	-0.57	0.20	-0.14	0.26	-0.13	0.08
No.7 Southeast													
Normai	0.68	0.59	0.81	99.0	0.67	0.46	0.97	1.05	0.98	1.13	0.80	0.73	9.53
1996	0.53	0.57	0.58	0.38	0.70	0.56	0.55	0.31	1.80	1.57	1.40	0.51	9.46
Departure (inches)	-0.15	-0.02	-0.23	-0.28	0.03	0.10	-0.42	-0.74	0.82	0.44	0.60	-0.22	-0.07
STATE AVERAGES													,
Normal	1.02	1.01	1.29	1.16	1.09	0.74	0.90	1.05	1.09	1.15	1.09	1.05	12.66
1996	1.50	1.36	1.20	0.88	1.32	0.31	0.81	0.21	1.21	1.32	1.80	1.57	13.48



#### APPENDIX B

### LICENSE SALES

Small game license sales by type and cost are listed in Table 1. The number of licenses sold for all types, except non resident small game licenses, decreased slightly in 1996.

The proportion of Utah's population hunting small game is declining (Table 2). In the early 1970s about 9 percent of Utah's population was hunting small game. In 1996, only 3.5 percent of Utah's population hunted small game.

Table 3 identifies revenue generated to the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources from small game license sales. Small game program budgets run about half the revenue generated, with the other half going to support services such as law enforcement, administration, accounting, and public services.

Table 1. Statewide small game license sales information, 1954-96.

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Table 2. Actual (1971-1996) proportion of Utah population hunting small game.

	Utah	Resident Small Game	Proportion
Year	<b>Population</b>	Hunters 1	Hunting Small Game
1971	1,101,000	93,399	8.5
1972	1,135,000	102,430	9.0
1973	1,169,000	106,868	9.1
1974	1,197,000	104,796	8.8
1975	1,234,000	100,702	8.2
1976	1,272,000	77,138	6.1
1977	1,316,000	78 <b>,652</b>	6.0
1978	1,364,000	87,928	6.4
1979	1,416,000	93,016	6.6
1980	1,461,037	103,018	7.1
1981	1,524,830	96,104	6.3
1982	1,588,622	92,724	5.8
1983	1,652,415	86,396	5.2
1984	1,716,207	81,499	4.7
1985	1,780,000	88,498	5.0
1986a	1,665,000	87,442	5.3
1987a	1,678,000	79,485	4.7
1988	1,695,000	87,928	5.2
1989a	1,715,000	89,147	5.2
1990a	1,722,850	87,691	5.1
1991a	1,774,241	86,484	4.9
1992a	1,820,453	88,707	4.9
1993a	1,866,000	86,150	4.6
1994a	1,916,000	72,383	3.8
1995a	1,959,000	75,251	3.8
1996a	2,002,359	70,142	3.5

<sup>1</sup> Resident Small Game Hunters = Adjusted combination and juvenile small game licenses sold (adjustments are outlined in Table 3) plus adult small game licenses sold.

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Table 3. Small game license sales and income, 1971-96 (JSG≕juvenile small game, RSG≕adult resident small game,

CMB=combination license, NRSG=nonresident small game)

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	Total Gross Revenues Attributed to Small Game (\$)	TOTAL(1)	313,676	340,288	352,704	344,374	330,993	407,534	418,734	467,339	494,488	694,716	661,985	638,477	588,539	565,444	884,431	786,615	794,406	873,261	891,138	855,356	859,675	924,734	897,438	785,536	814,581	920,848	erative wildlif
	outed to S	NRSG	20,000	21,500	19,280	19,480	19,340	22,820	25,400	28,980	31,500	39,900	46,770	49,110	50,134	48,990	60,000	50,960	49,400	57,120	56,880	51,160	48,480	47,800	46,000	48,920	55,160	60,120	and coop
	nues Attril	CMB(2)	200,557	230,553	247,290	245,504	234,701	184,675	176,204	221,719	252,862	425,120	331,805	315,597	257,670	250,544	484,246	395,973	439,350	535,971	563,691	543,986	563,485	598,417	585,989	413,459	455,584	563,080	orization
	oss Revel	RSG	93,064	89,082	84,762	78,453	76,756	198,468	218,838	222,492	220,326	241,512	302,432	294,800	305,249	288,560	361,224	354,804	321,372	308,796	310,140	294,324	279,312	262,224	250,788	309,504	290,628	286,896	abitat auth
	<b>Total Gr</b>	JSG(4)	20,055	20,653	20,652	20,417	19,836	24,391	23,692	23,128	21,300	28,084	27,748	28,080	25,620	26,340	38,961	35,838	33,684	28,494	17,307	17,046	16,878	16,293	14,661	13,653	13,209	10,752	ermits, h
No. Federal	<b>Duck Stamps</b>	Sold(3)	37,588	33,042	35,665	38,575	39,652	40,658	40,319	38,091	35,255	34,369	32,123	34,116	33,642	34,237	30,235	25,533	19,625	15,400	13,857	15,969	18,770	14,801	15,223	15,539	17,777	20,561	ed entry and conservation wild turkey permits, habitat authorization and cooperative wildlife
		NRSG	1,000	4,075	964	974	967	1,141	1,270	1,449	1,575	1,330	1,559	1,637	1,685	1,633	1,500	1,274	1,235	1,428	1,422	1,279	1,212	1,195	1,150	1,223	1,379	1,503	nservatio
	mber of Licenses Sold	SAB	102,284	107,414	115,436	117,770	115,362	76,587	74,600	81,227	84,450	100,177	83,486	82,970	73,529	73,081	82,137	67,435	66,715	72,846	74,274	76,292	79,165	78,940	78,030	59,854	66,607	65,003	ry and co
	Number	RSG	20,681	19,796	18,836	17,434	17,057	33,078	36,473	37,082	36,721	30,189	37,804	36,850	39,602	36,070	30,102	39,567	26,781	25,733	25,845	24,527	23,276	21,852	20,899	25,792	24,219	23,908	
		186	16,044	16,523	16,522	16,334	15,869	16,261	15,795	15,419	14,200	14,042	13,874	14,040	13,814	13,170	12,987	11,946	11,228	9,498	5,769	5,682	5,626	5,431	4,887	4,551	4,403	3,584	Value does not include cougar, bear, limit
	es	NRS	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40,00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	conda
	License Fees	CMB	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	ıclude
	Lice	RSG	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	00.9	0.00	9.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	s not ii
		JSG	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	9.00	6.00	6.00	00'9	<b>0</b> .00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	0.00	e doe:
		Year	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1 Valu

It does not include NRSG revenue--this is assumed to be primarily non-resident bear and cougar hunters. management unit fees or commercial hunting area licenses.

from combination license sales when projecting revenue generated. The proportion of the combination license fee attributed 2 Combination license values are based on the assumption that all waterfowl hunters purchased only combination licenses. They may fish and hunt big game but they do not hunt any other small game. Therefore, duck stamp sales are subtracted to small game equals the resident small game license fee divided by the resident fishing license fee, plus the resident small game license fee or \$12.67 for 1996.

<sup>3</sup> Total Federal duck stamps sold does not include those sold during the second quarter, April-June, because persons purchasing stamps during this quarter tend not to be hunters.

<sup>4</sup> Half of the juvenile small game license sales were attributed to waterfowl hunters. Federal duck stamps are not required of juveniles less than 16 years of age.

### APPENDIX C

## Surveys

Regional and statewide summary of effort expended on upland game summer surveys, 1972-96.

Generally hours spent and miles driven on upland game surveys in Utah have declined dramatically since 1972. This is the result of competing uses of time for biologists and conservation officers. In addition, the restriction to a 40 hour work week by the Federal Fair Labor and Standards Act has further eroded survey effort. When effort and results have reached a lower critical sample size, surveys have not been conducted or little effort expended.

Table 1. Regional and statewide summary of effort expended on upland game summer inventory, 1972-96.

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_	1,628	323	1,187	143	751	<u>4</u>	2,125	170	1,280	141	6,971	921
1973	3,146	353	927	147	1,171	116	1,952	238	496	4	7,692	895
1974	2,026	321	1,551	115	1,881	193	2,964	248	887	124	9,309	1,001
1975	1,254	249	963	123	714	226	1,868	236	1,098	131	5,897	965
1976	1,965	281	426	121	379	183	1,881	227	1,222	161	5,873	973
1977	1,966	305	1,370	133	465	157	1,995	215	928	116	6,724	926
1978	1,408	267	541	124	490	152	1,616	226	879	97	4,934	998
1979		150	200	132	563	143	1,719	203	279	70	4,312	648
1980		218	806	150	518	94	1,471	184	278	09	4.076	706
1981		194	691	66	285	57	77	163	377	39	2,743	552
1982		169	762	92	454	833	862	116	:	:	3.747	460
1983	610	158	720	164	284	2	992	125	108	10	2.714	508
1984		278	283	82	289	4.5	530	50	151	: [-	2,664	526
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1972	-	212	804	103	214	260	1,346	140	351	82	4.085	797
1973	627	127	917	105	296	429	949	147	761	72	3,550	880
1974		152	924	157	157	461	1,090	66	1.574	133	4.712	1.002
1975		199	1.287	160	775	629	1.474	136	1.476	135	6.206	1,259
1976		351	1,503	216	427	27.1	1,108	40	1,127	134	5.681	1,112
1977		132	1,317	162	610	286	1,040	135	1.079	128	4.783	843
1978		297	1,171	129	432	219	1,083	147	626	114	4.612	906
1979		344	1,312	177	714	275	729	107	435	45	3.936	945
1980		201	1,260	158	160	230	502	74	266	39	2.765	702
1981		147	958	147	575	295	835	120	184	73	3,240	738
1982		74	1,488	157	:	354	742	11	;	:	2,736	969
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1986		127	380	41	254	51	412	5	:	ŀ	2,043	280
1987		147	305	77	200	65	438	28	:	:	2,091	347
1988		14 4	55	ဖာ	160	53	558	7	;	;	1,891	274
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## APPENDIX D

Season dates, bag limits and areas open by upland game species, 1996.

SPECIES	SEASON DATES	AREAS OPEN	BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT	FOOTNOTES
Pheasant	Nov 2-Nov 17, 1996	◆ Statewide, except closed areas.  ◆ In Juab County, the Mills Meadows WMA closes on November 17th.  ◆ In Tooele County, the James Walter Fitzgerald WMA closes on November 17th. In Tooele County, the James Walter Fitzgerald Wildlife Management Area is closed to dog training, except dogs may be used to locate and retrieve upland game during open hunting seasons.	2	4	◆ Males only may be harvested  ◆ Shooting begins at 8:00 a.m. on opening day (Nov. 2)
	Nov 2-Nov 8, 1996	♣ In all of Utah County, except the Powell Slough and Goshen Warm Springs Wildlife Management Areas, the pheasant hunt closes on November 8.	2	4	
	Nov 2-Dec 1, 1996	<ul> <li>♣ In Carbon, Duchesne, Emery, Grand, Juab, Millard, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Tooele, and Uintah counties, all state and federal land (including private land leased by the division subject to restrictions and closures imposed by administering agencies).</li> <li>♠ In Utah County, the Powell Slough and Goshen Warm Springs Wildlife Management areas as posted and marked.</li> </ul>	2	4	
Mourning Dove	Sept 2-Sept 30, 1996	◆ Statewide, except closed areas.	10	20	
Band-tailed Pigeon	Sept 2-Sept 30, 1996	→ Beaver, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Kane, Millard, Piute, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Utah, Washington and Wayne counties	5	10	◆ Band-tailed pigeon permit required. ◆ Permits are available at all Division offices at no charge.

Chukar Partridge	Sept 14-Nov 30, 1996	◆ Cache, Daggett, Davis, Iron, Millard, Morgan, Rich,	5	10	* Antelope
		Sanpete, Summit, Wasatch and Weber counties;  Those parts of Beaver, Iron, Juab, Millard, Salt Lake and Utah counties east of I-15;  That part of Box Elder County east of the Locomotive Springs-Snowville-Stone, Idaho Road;  That part of Sevier County north of I-70.			to upland game hunting.
	Sept 14 1996-Jan 31, 1997	<ul> <li>Carbon, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Kane, Piute, San Juan, Tooele, Uintah, Washington and Wayne counties;</li> <li>Those parts of Beaver, Iron, Juab, Millard, Salt Lake and Utah counties west of I-15;</li> <li>That part of Box Elder County west of the Locomotive Spring-Snowville-Stone, Idaho Road;</li> <li>That part of Sevier County south of I-70</li> </ul>	5	10	
Sage Grouse	Sept 7-Sept 15, 1996	<ul> <li>Daggett, Grand and Uintah counties;</li> <li>That part of Box Elder County west of the Locomotive Springs-Snowville-Stone, Idaho Road;</li> <li>That part of Duchesne County north and east of the Duchesne River.</li> </ul>	1	2	
	Sept 14-Sept 13, 1996	◆ Rich County; ◆ Parker Mountain - Beginning at the junction of Highway US-89 and I-70 near Siguard; south on Highway US-89 to Highway U-24; south on this highway to Highway U-62; south on this highway to Highway U-22; south on this highway to Antimony; south on the John's Valley Road through Widtsoe to Bryce Junction and Highway U-12; east and north on this highway to Highway U-24; west on this highway to Highway U-72 at Loa; north on this highway to I-70; west on this highway to Highway US-89.			
Forest Grouse (blue and ruffed)	Sept 7-Nov 30, 1996	◆ Statewide except closed areas.	4	8	*Limits singley or in aggregate

Quail (California & Gambel's)	Nov 2-Nov 17, 1996	<ul> <li>→ Box Elder, Carbon,</li> <li>Daggett, Davis, Grand, Juab,</li> <li>Kane, Millard, Piute, Salt</li> <li>Lake, San Juan, Sevier,</li> <li>Tooele, Utah and Weber</li> <li>counties;</li> <li>→ All of Emery County except</li> <li>the Desert Lake Waterfowl</li> <li>Management Area which is</li> <li>closed.</li> </ul>	5	10	* Shooting begins at 8:00 a.m. on opening day (Nov 2).
	Nov 2-Dec 31, 1996	◆ Duchesne, Uintah and Washington counties	5	10	
Hungarian Partridge	Sept 14-Nov 30, 1996	<ul> <li>◆ Cache, Davis, Morgan,</li> <li>Rich, Summit and Weber counties;</li> <li>◆ That part of Box Elder</li> <li>County east of the Locomotive Springs-Snowville-Stone,</li> <li>Idaho Road;</li> <li>◆ That part of Juab County east of I-15.</li> </ul>	5	10	
	Sept 14 1996-Jan 31, 1997	<ul> <li>◆ Tooele County;</li> <li>◆ That part of Box Elder</li> <li>County west of the</li> <li>Locomotive Springs-</li> <li>Snowville-Stone, Idaho Road;</li> <li>◆ That part of Juab County</li> <li>west of I-15.</li> </ul>	5	10	
Sharp-tailed Grouse	◆ The entire state is closed t	o hunting of sharp-tailed grouse.			
White-tailed Ptarmigan	Sept 7-Oct 10, 1996	◆ Daggett, Duchesne, Summit and Uintah counties.	4	8	<ul> <li>→ Ptarmigan permit required.</li> <li>→ Permits are available at all Division offices at no charge.</li> </ul>
Cottontail Rabbit	Sept 7, 1996-Feb 28, 1997	◆ Statewide, except closed areas.	10	20	
Snowshoe Hare	Sept 7, 1996-Feb 28, 1997	◆ Statewide, except closed areas.	5	10	
Jackrabbit (white-tailed & black-tailed)	◆ Jackrabbits are not protect without a license, year-round.	ted in Utah. They are not under Wild	dlife Board aut	hority and may l	be hunted

#### 1997 WILD TURKEY SEASON DATES, AREAS OPEN & SEASON LIMITS

#### **RIO GRANDE**

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HUNT NAME	HUNT NUMBER	SEASON DATES	SEASON LIMIT
BEAVER (early) BEAVER (late)	101a 101b	Apr 12-Apr 23, 1997 Apr 26-May 18, 1997	One Male One Male
Areas open: Boundary begins at the junthis county line to the Beaver-Iron county l			
DUCHESNE COUNTY (early)* DUCHESNE COUNTY (late)*	102a 102b	Apr 12-Apr 23, 1997 Apr 26-May 18, 1997	One Male One Male
Areas open: All of Duchesne County			
WEST EMERY COUNTY*	103	Apr 12-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: All of Emery County west of	US-6 and north of I-70.		
FILLMORE	104	Apr 12-May 19, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Boundary begins at the june 125 east and north on this highway to U-1 south and east on this highway to I-70 at S	32 at Leamington; east along t	this highway to I-15 at Nephi; south	
Colorado River (early)* Colorado River (late)*	105a 105b	Apr 12-Apr 23, 1997 Apr 26-May 18, 1997	One male One male
Areas open: Grand County - one mile eith	ner side of the Colorado and D	olores rivers from the Colorado stat	e line to Dewey bridge.
Green River*	106	Apr 12-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Emery and Grand counties	- two miles either side of the G	reen River from the confluence of t	he Price River to Ten Mile Canyon.
Mildford	107	Apr 12-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Boundary begins at Milford, Wash; then south on Cunningham Wash then west and north on SR-21 to Milford.			
Monroe Mountain	108	Apr 12-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Piute and Sevier counties - SR-62; south on SR-62 to the junction of			Sigurd, Utah; south on SR-24 to
Morgan-South Rich*	109	Apr 5-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Morgan, Rich, Summit and 80 to the Utah-Wyoming state line; north a (Trappers Loop Road); south on SR-167 t	long this state line to SR-16; n	orth on SR-16 to SR-39 near Woo	druff; west on SR-39 to SR-167
Ogden	110	Apr 5-May 18, 1997	One Male
Areas open: Weber, Box Elder Cache, a Ranch); southerly on this road to SR-39; w to I-84; westerly on I-84 to I-15; northerly o Hyrum.	esterly and southerly on SR-3	9 to SR-167 (the new Trappers Loc	op Road); southerly on this highway
Pine Valley* (early) Pine Valley* (late)	111a 111b	Apr 12-Apr 23, 1997 Apr 26-May 18, 1997	One Male One Male

Areas open: Boundary begins at the junction of I-15 and SR-56; then westerly on SR-56 to SR-18; then southerly on SR-18 to I-15; then

San Juan (early)	112a	Apr 12-May 4, 1997	One Male			
San Juan (late)	112b	May 10-May 31, 1997	One Male			
Areas open: Boundary begins at Monticello; then east on US-666 to the Utah-Colorado state line; south on this line to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west on this boundary to South Cottonwood creek; north along this creek and through Allen, Chippean, Deep and Mule canyons to the causeway, north from the causeway through Trough Canyon to North Cottonwood Creek; north on this creek to SR-211; east on this highway to US-191 south on this highway to Monticello.						
Uintah County (early)*	113a	Apr 12-Apr 23, 1997	One Male			
Uintah County (late)*	113b	Apr 26-May 18, 1997	One Male			
Areas open: All of Uintah County except that portion south of the White River and east of the Green River below the White River confluence.						
Utah County (North)(early)	114a	Apr 5-Apr 17, 1997	One Male			
Utah County (North) (late)	114b	Apr 19-May 18, 1997	One Male			
Areas open: That part of Utah County east of I-15 and north of US-6.						
Utah County (South)	115	Apr 26-May 11, 1997	One Male			
Areas open: That part of Utah County east of I-15 and south of US-6.						
Wasatch County	116	Apr 26-May 11, 1997	One Male			

**West Pine Valley** 117 Apr 12-May 18, 1997

Areas open: Iron and Washington counties - boundary begins at St. George, Utah and I-15; south on I-15 to the Arizona border; west on the Arizona border to the Nevada border; north on the Nevada border to SR-56; east on SR-56 to Beryl Junction and SR-18; south on SR-18 to St. George Utah.

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#### **MERRIAM'S**

LaSai (early)

LaSal (late)

Areas open: All of Wasatch County

HUNT NAME	HUNT NUMBER	SEASON DATES	SEASON LIMIT					
Boulder Mountain (early) 201a Apr 26-May 6, 1997 One Male 201b May 10-May 1997 One Male								
Areas open: Boundary begins at the junction of SR-62 and SR-69 and SR-89 near Kingston, Utah; then southerly on SR-89 to the Pink Cliffs Road between Glendale and Cannonville; then easterly on the Pink Cliffs Road to SR-12; then easterly and northeasterly on SR-12 to the Burr Trail Road; then easterly on the Burr Trail Road to the Capitol Reef National Park boundary; then northerly along the park boundary to SR-24; then westerly on SR-24 to SR-62; then southerly on SR-62 to SR-89.								
Kolob* 202 Apr 26-May 31, 1997 One Male								
Areas open: Area includes everything within the following description except for Zion National Park land; boundary beings at the junction of I-15 and SR-17; then easterly on SR-17 to SR-9 to the Zion National Park's east boundary; then northerly along the east boundary to the park's north boundary; then westerly along the park's north boundary to Deep Creek; then northerly on Deep Creek to Crystal Creek to the Cedar Mountain Road to I-15; then southerly on I-15 to SR-17.								

Apr 26-May 6, 1997

May 10-May 31, 1997

Areas open: Boundary begins at the junction of SR-128 and US-191; then south on this highway to SR-46; east on this highway to the Lisbon Valley Road; southeast on this road to the island Mesa Road; east on this road to the Utah-Colorado state line; north on this state line to a point one mile south of the Dolores River; west on a line one mile south of the Dolores River to SR-128; southwest on SR-128 to US-191.

203a

203b

One Male

One Male

One Male

Zion (early)	204a	Apr 26-May 6, 1997	One Male
Zion (late)	204b	May 10-May 31, 1997	One Male

Areas open: Boundary begins at the junction of I-15 and SR-20; then southerly along I-15 to the Cedar Mountain Road; then southerly on the Cedar Mountain Road to Crystal Creek; then southerly on Crystal Creek to Deep Creek; then southerly on Deep Creek to the Zion National Park boundary; then easterly on the park boundary to the Washington-Kane county line; then southerly on the county line to SR-9; then easterly on SR-9 to SR-89; then northerly on SR-89 to SR-20; then westerly on SR-20 to I-15.

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	APPENDIX E.	Summar	y of upla	and game	harvest	questionnaire	returns,	1962-96.
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Year	Mailed	Returns	Percent		Percent	<b>Did Not Hunt</b>
1962	10,068	4,122	40.9	3,433	34.1	22.0%
1963	11,058	5,062	45.8	4,325	39.1	21.0%
1964	10,718	4,840	45.2	4,180	39.0	23.0%
1965	11,917	6,232	52.3		0.0	34.0%
1966	13,131	5,734	43.7	5,734	43.7	34.6%
1967	12,012	5,764	48.0	5,764	48.0	25.1%
1968	14,068	6,138	43.6	6,138	43.6	25.6%
1969	15,036	6,429	42.8	6,429	42.8	28.0%
1970	14,730	6,639	45.1	6,639	45.1	38.8%
1971	15,149		43.2		0.0	
1972	15,272			6,399	41.9	
1973	17,572			7,999	45.5	
1974	27,379	9,157	33.4	8,027	29.3	
1975	26,657	10,880	40.8	9,132	34.3	
1976	21,250	7,889	37.1	6,226	29.3	
1977	20,984	9,329	44.5	8,099	38.6	
<b>1978</b> .	24,733	7,575	30.6	6,529	26.4	
1979	27,616	10,498	38.0	9,274	33.6	26.4%
1980	27,952	9,857	35.3	8,496	30.4	33.1%
1981	13,925	7,941	57.0	6,367	45.7	31.4%
1982	22,609	10,167	45.0	8,734	38.6	27.0%
1983	23,430	10,324	44.1	9,497	40.5	28.7%
1984	12,026	6,455	53.7	6,324	52.6	31.1%
1985	10,772	5,904	54.8	5,843	54.2	35.2%
1986	11,103	5,329	48.0	5,256	47.3	34.2%
1987	10,022	4,294	42.8	4,272	42.6	30.1%
1988	15,350	6,650	43.3	6,527	42.5	35.6%
1989	12,894	5,135	39.8	5,105	39.6	36.7%
1990	12,236	5,264	43.0	5,175	42.3	39.1%
1991	15,054	6,419	42.6	6,212	41.3	42.7%
1992	16,472	6,207	37.7	5,977	36.3	45.0%
1993	16,534	6,293	38.1	5,442	32.9	42.6%
1994	15,526	5,433	35.0	5,131	33.0	45.1%
1995	14,777	4,951	33.5	4,866	32.9	41.7%
1996	14,088	4,090	29.0	4,028	28.6	36.2%