

**COLORADO DESERT BIGHORN SHEEP  
2008 POSTHUNT POPULATION ESTIMATES - DRAFT 12/18/08**

Includes nonresident licenses (or underline)  
2009 License Decrease  
2009 License Increase

**Units With Public Hunting Seasons**

											Licenses												Harvest										
											2006				2007				2008				2009 Recommended				2005		2006		2007		
UNIT	Notes	UNIT NAME	Region	Population Estimate					Estimate Basis ♦			Archery		Rifle		Archery		Rifle		Archery		Rifle		Archery		Rifle		2005		2006		2007	
				2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe	Ram	Ewe
S56	1	Black Ridge	NW	70	70	70	75	90	GAO, NI	GAO, PR, MR		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
S62		Dominguez (Uncompa	SW	125	150	150	150	150	AC, CGC	AC, CGC	CGC, GAO	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	
S64		Upper Dolores River	SW	50	60	70	70	70	AC, CGC	CGC	CGC	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<b>245</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>310</b>				<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

**Units/Areas Without Public Hunting Seasons**

S63		Middle Dolores River	SW	30	30	30	30	30	AC, GAO, PR	AC, GAO, PR	GAO, PR																						
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>																									
<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>275</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>340</b>																									

\* Units that would likely be part of the same DAU because of movement across unit boundaries.

\*\* 2005 Harvest rate based on 2006 population estimate.

♦ Basis for population estimate (listed in order by weight):

MR = Mark/Resight

CGC = Coordinated Ground Count

AC = Aerial Count

GAO = General Agency Observation (by CDOW, USFS, BLM, USGS, or NPS)

PR = Public Reports (by hunters, outfitters, RMBS, etc.)

PM = Population Model

NI = No Information Available.

O = Other

Notes:

1 S56 Opened for hunting in 2007.