

**COLORADO ROCKY MOUNTAIN BIGHORN SHEEP
2005 POST-HUNT POPULATION ESTIMATES - DRAFT 12/15/05**

Units/Areas With Public Hunting Seasons

NEW UNIT #	OLD UNIT #	UNIT NAME	2004	2005
			Pop. Est.	Pop. Est.
S1	S1	Poudre River	95	50
S2	S2	Gore-Eagle's Nest	100	100
S3	S3	Mount Evans	125	175
S4	S3A	Grant	110	100
S6	S6	Pike's Peak	350	300
S7	S7	Arkansas River	85	85
S8	S9S	Huerfano	70	65
S9	S9N	Sangre de Cristo	400	400
S10	S10	Trickle Mtn.	50	50
S11	S11N	Collegiate, North	160	160
S12	S12	Buffalo Peaks	200	200
S13	S13E	Snowmass, East	115	110
S15	S15	Sheep Mtn.	100	100
S16	S16	Cimarron Peak	100	90
S17	S11S	Collegiate, South	100	100
S18	S18	Rawah	45	20
S19**	S19	Never Summer Range	25	25
S20	S20	Marshall Pass	75	75
S21	S21	Cow Creek	90	100
S22	S22	San Luis Peak	80	80
S23	S23N	Kenosha	75	60
S25	S13W	Snowmass, West	125	125
S26***	S26	Taylor River	150	75
S27	S23S	Tarryall	100	100
S28	S28	Vallecito	125	125
S29	S29N	Alamosa Canyon	35	35
S30	S29S	Conejos River	75	75
S31	S29W	Blanco River	100	100
S32	S32	Georgetown	300	300
S34	S34	Rampart Range	65	75
S35	S35	Greenhorn	50	70
S37	S57S	St. Vrain	100	100
S38	S38	Apishipa	55	70
S44	S44	Basalt	100	100
S46****	S46	Dome Rock	85	85
S47	S47	Brown's Canyon	150	150
S48	S48	Carrizo Canyon	45	45
S49	S49	Grape Creek	290	225
S50	S50	Mt. Mestas	120	125
S51	S51	Spanish Peaks	225	250
S53	S53	Bristol Head	50	50
S54	S54	West Elk-Dillon Mesa	110	110
S55	S55E	Natural Arch, Carnero	25	20
S57	S57	Big Thompson Canyon	80	80
S59	S59	Derby Creek	115	90
S60	S60	Shelf Road	150	150
S61	S61	Purgatorie Canyon	240	240
S65*****	S65	Costilla	400	400
S66	S66	Mt. Elbert	75	75
S67	S67	White River, South Fork	60	40
S68	NA	Cotopaxi	60	60
S69	NA	Lower Cochetopa Canyon	55	55
S70***	S26***	Fossil Ridge		60
Sub-total			6,265	6,105

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S5	S6A	Beaver Creek	30	30
S14	S14	Clinetop Mesa	10	5
S24	S24	Battlement Mesa	20	20
S33	S33	Lake Fork/Pole Mtn.	60	60
S36	S55W	Bellows Creek	35	35
S40	S1A	Lone Pine	5	15
S45	S45	Cross Mountain	10	0
S52	S52	Rock Creek	20	25
S58	S58	Lower Poudre River	30	25
NA	NA	Animas River Canyon	55	70
NA	NA	Black Canyon	25	30
NA	NA	DeBeque Canyon	20	40
NA	NA	Dinosaur National Monument		
		Harper's Corner-Jone's Hole	40	40
		Green River-Ladore Canyon	90	90
		Yampa River	35	35
NA	NA	Glenwood Canyon		
		Grizzly Creek/No Name Creek	15	35
NA	NA	Greenland Ranch - GMU 104	20	35
NA	NA	Lower Lake Fork, Gunnison River	10	10
NA	NA	Mesa Verde	25	20
NA	NA	Mount Silverheels	25	25
NA	NA	Mount Zirkel *****	5	45
NA	NA	Pueblo Reservoir		20
NA	NA	Rifle Hogback	0	0
NA	NA	Rio Grande River, Box Canyon	35	35
NA	NA	Rocky Mountain National Park		
		East Side, Fall River/Mummy Range	75	75
		Continental Divide	125	100
		Never Summer Range **	250	200
NA	NA	Sawpit	10	10
NA	NA	Waterton Canyon	25	25
		Sub-total	1,105	1,155
		GRAND TOTAL	7,370	7,260

** Animals in this unit are moving back and forth across the NPS boundary in the Never Summer Range and may not be accessible to hunters. An estimated total of 300 sheep occupy the two adjoining areas, S19 and NSR in RMNP.

*** S26 was split into S26 and S70 in 2005.

**** 2005 population estimate is for both resident and migratory sheep from S6 that winter in S46.

***** Accounts for 40 sheep translocated to Mt Zirkel in 2005