

## **2011 Spring Turkey Harvest Report**

The post-season spring turkey harvest survey was conducted by phone and email. In 2011, a total of 13,650 Over-the-Counter (OTC) permits and 811 limited permits were issued. Approximately 24% (3,217) hunters with OTC licenses were randomly selected to participate in the spring survey, and 100% of limited license holders were selected to receive surveys. Hunters with either license that provided email addresses to CORIS were given the opportunity to respond via an email survey.

### **Over-the-Counter Licenses**

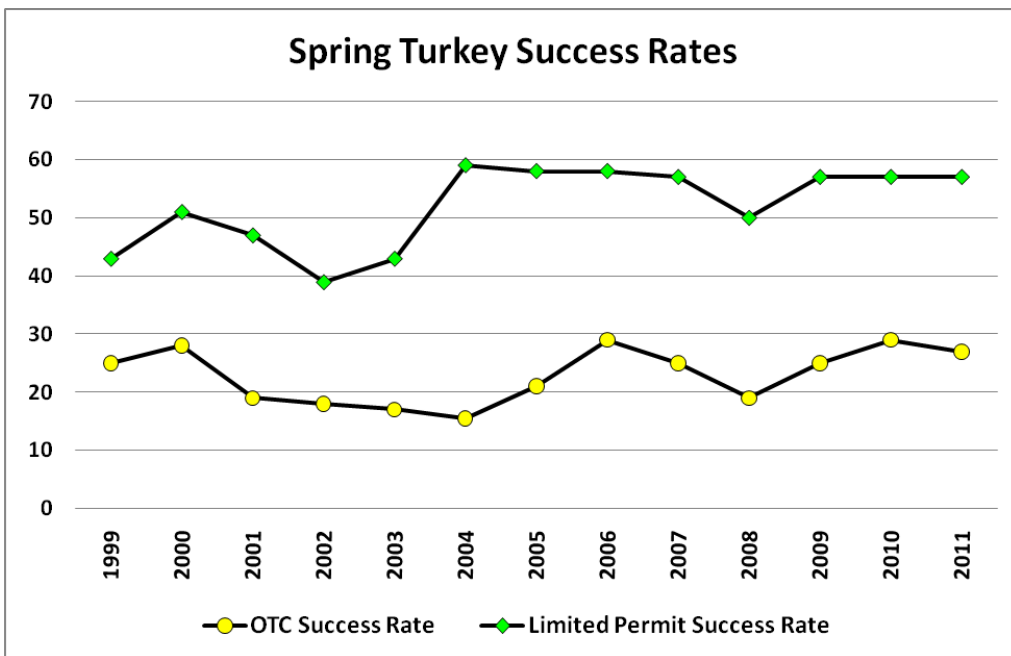
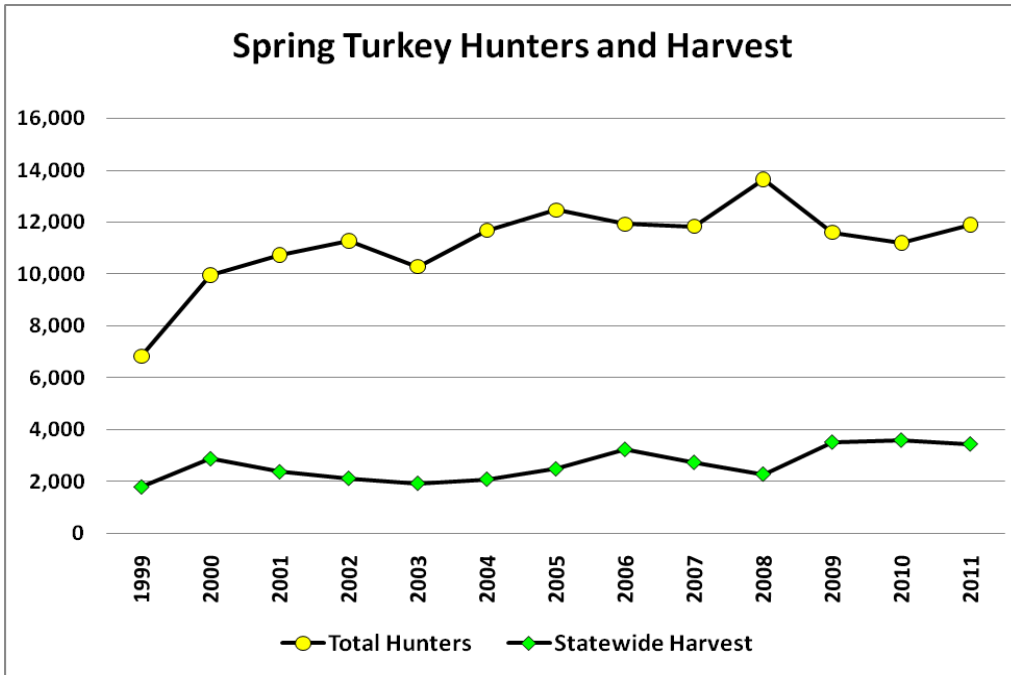
Within the OTC sample, 1,511 hunters were contacted (47% response rate). Of these, 86% had hunted during the 2011 spring turkey season, while 14% had not. Of those who had hunted, 26% reported harvesting a bird. Eighty-seven percent of birds harvested were mature birds. For the OTC sample, days hunted and harvest results are reported on a county basis. Estimates are not reported at the Game Management Unit level for OTC licenses. The **statewide harvest estimate is 3,085 ± 265 (2,832 – 3,361)** for Unlimited OTC areas. This is similar to the 2010 estimate of **3,087 ± 355 (2,752 – 3,463)**. Responses from hunters indicate that OTC hunters hunted **51,716 ± 2,617 (49,165 – 54,399)** days during the 2011 spring season.

### **Limited Licenses**

Within the limited sample, 517 hunters were contacted (53% response rate). Of these, 90% had hunted during the 2010 spring turkey season, while 10% had not. Of those who had hunted, 57% reported harvesting a bird. Eighty percent of birds harvested were mature birds. Within the limited subset, estimates for hunter numbers, days, and harvest are provided by Hunt Code. Limited license estimates are not provided on a county basis. The **statewide limited harvest estimate is 353 ± 25 (327 – 378) in 2011**. This is down from the 2010 estimate of **515 ± 25 (489 – 541)**. Limited permit holders hunted **2,265 ± 172 (2,093 – 2438)** days during the 2011 spring season.

### **Statewide (all licenses)**

For limited and OTC licenses combined, the 2011 statewide harvest estimate is **3,453 ± 265 (3,199 – 3,729)**. This is statistically similar to the 2010 estimate of **3,603 ± 357 (3,264 – 3,976)**. Hunters spent over **54,000** days in the field during the spring turkey season. Thirty-six percent of respondents hunted on both weekdays and weekends, whereas 15% hunted on weekdays only and 48% hunted on the weekends only. Respondents were mixed on satisfaction with their turkey hunting experience (54.8% satisfied, 23.8% neutral) and the survey indicates that 64% felt there was not a crowding problem.



**Unlimited Spring Turkey Harvest (↓)  
2011**

<b>County</b>	<b>Harvest</b>	<b>SE(Harvest)</b>	<b>LCL(Harvest)</b>	<b>UCL(Harvest)</b>
Yuma	226	41	158	322
Delta	217	41	151	312
Las Animas	209	40	144	302
Fremont	174	36	116	261
La Plata	156	34	102	240
Archuleta	139	33	88	219
Larimer	122	30	75	197
Mesa	122	30	75	197
Weld	122	30	75	197
El Paso	104	28	62	176
Garfield	104	28	62	176
Montrose	104	28	62	176
Huerfano	96	27	56	165
Teller	96	27	56	165
Custer	87	26	49	154
Pueblo	87	26	49	154
Kit Carson	78	24	43	142
Montezuma	70	23	37	131
Otero	70	23	37	131
Unknown	70	23	37	131
Chaffee	52	20	25	108
Elbert	52	20	25	108
Jefferson	52	20	25	108
Baca	43	18	20	96
Washington	43	18	20	96
Alamosa	35	16	14	83
Bent	35	16	14	83
Douglas	35	16	14	83
Lincoln	35	16	14	83
Boulder	26	14	10	71
Ouray	26	14	10	71
Phillips	26	14	10	71
Rio Blanco	26	14	10	71
Arapahoe	17	12	5	57
Kiowa	17	12	5	57
Park	17	12	5	57
Prowers	17	12	5	57
San Juan	17	12	5	57

<b>San Miguel</b>	17	12	5	57
<b>Cheyenne</b>	9	8	2	41
<b>Clear Creek</b>	9	8	2	41
<b>Crowley</b>	9	8	2	41
<b>Dolores</b>	9	8	2	41
<b>Eagle</b>	9	8	2	41

---

**Limited Spring Turkey Harvest  
2011**

Hunt Code	Licenses	Hunters	SE	LCL	UCL	Days	SE	LCL	UCL	Harvest	SE	LCL	UCL
			Hunters	Hunters	Hunters		Days	Days	Days		Harvest	Harvest	Harvest
TM002O1R	5	5	0	5	5	5	0	5	5	3	1	2	6
TM015O1R	5	5	0	5	5	23	0	23	23	3	0	3	3
TM021O1R	5	5	0	5	5	37	12	19	69	2	1	1	5
TM023O1R	10	6	2	3	10	14	5	7	29	6	2	3	10
TM025O1R	10	0	10	10	64	4	56	74	3	1	1	6	
TM030K1R	5	2	1	1	5	5	3	2	16	2	1	1	5
TM034O1R	5	5	0	5	5	57	6	46	69	0	0	NA	NA
TM035O1R	5	5	0	5	5	33	3	28	38	3	1	2	4
TM043O1R	30	24	2	21	28	81	11	62	104	16	2	12	21
TM044O1R	20	14	2	11	17	77	13	55	107	8	2	5	12
TM047O1R	10	6	2	3	10	30	10	15	58	4	2	2	9
TM059O1R	25	24	0	24	24	120	13	97	149	10	2	7	14
TM084W1R	10	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
TM085W1R	17	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
TM091O1R	25	23	1	22	25	48	5	40	59	20	2	18	23
TM091P1R	10	8	2	5	12	10	3	5	18	8	2	5	12
TM091O2R	25	19	2	16	23	60	10	44	83	14	2	10	19
TM091P2R	10	10	0	10	10	23	3	18	29	7	3	3	15
TM092O1R	25	22	1	20	24	47	4	40	56	15	2	12	19
TM092P1R	5	5	0	5	5	17	5	10	28	3	1	2	6
TM092O2R	25	18	1	16	20	49	6	38	63	8	1	6	10
TM092P2R	5	3	1	2	4	5	1	3	8	1	1	1	3
TM096O1R	35	33	1	31	34	81	7	69	96	22	2	19	26
TM096P1R	20	18	0	18	18	71	11	51	97	15	1	13	17
TM096O2R	35	34	1	32	35	129	9	113	148	18	2	14	21
TM096P2R	20	16	1	14	18	49	6	39	62	8	1	6	11

TM101O1R	5	5	0	5	5	10	0	10	10	0	0	NA	NA
TM101O2R	5	5	0	5	5	13	2	9	17	3	2	1	10
TM102O1R	25	24	0	24	24	69	4	62	78	13	1	11	16
TM102O2R	25	24	0	24	24	73	5	64	84	11	1	8	14
TM103O1R	100	92	1	90	94	279	18	247	316	71	3	66	77
TM103K1R	20	14	1	12	17	41	5	32	53	7	1	5	11
TM124O1R	12	11	0	11	11	57	9	42	77	3	1	2	7
TM124K1R	14	10	2	7	14	38	8	25	57	4	2	2	9
TM127O1R	10	10	0	10	10	55	28	22	139	5	2	2	12
TM130O1R	5	3	1	2	6	17	5	9	31	2	1	1	5
TM136W1R	18	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr	nr
TM138O1R	15	13	1	11	14	127	29	82	198	10	1	8	12
TM140O1R	75	65	2	61	68	293	22	252	340	17	3	12	22
TM140O2R	20	11	2	9	15	24	4	18	33	3	1	1	6
TM444O1R	35	27	2	23	30	96	12	76	122	18	2	14	22
TM851O1R	25	21	1	20	23	77	8	62	95	6	1	4	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>2265</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2093</b>	<b>2438</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>378</b>

NR - No responses were obtained for this hunt code



