Where did your 2017/18 Hunting Licence Dollars go?

- Over $20M in revenue was collected from the sale of hunting licences, hunting draw applications and WiN cards.
- Over 48% of hunting licence revenue goes directly to the Alberta Conservation Association levy in support of programming (For more information please visit www.ab-conservation.com).
- Licence and administration fees accounted for just over 19% and provides compensation to licence issuers, pays for licensing services including the annual hunter harvest & effort survey delivered through AlbertaRelm.com.
- *The Alberta Professional Outfitter Society levies are applied solely to non-resident alien licences.
- The Government of Alberta receives 30% of hunting licence revenue collected; 22% goes to General Revenue while 8% of goes to a dedicated fund to deliver wildlife management programs such as annual ungulate surveys. For more information visit: http://aep.alberta.ca/fish-wildlife/fishing-hunting-trapping/aerial-wildlife-survey-reports.aspx

For more information, visit mywildalberta.ca/BuyLicences/Annual-Sales-Statistics

Alberta Big Game Hunters

- Over 126,000 big game hunters in Alberta.
- 17% purchased Bowhunting Permits.

Alberta Hunters

- 10% of Alberta hunters are women.

Non-Resident Alien

- 5%

Non-Resident 3%

Resident 92%

Youth 6%

Adult 94%

Hunter Hosts in Alberta in 2017

- In 2017, over 2,600 Albertans hosted over 3,300 friends and family to hunt with them in Alberta.
- 88% of hunters hosted were Canadian while 12% were from outside of Canada.

Youth Hunters in Alberta in 2017

- 7,900 Youth Wildlife Certificates were sold in 2017. A Youth Wildlife Certificate costs $8.30 and includes a Game Bird Licence.
- 6,600 Youth White-tailed deer and 1,766 Youth Mule Deer Special Licences were sold in 2017 at a very reasonable fee of $8.25.
- Did you know that you can legally share almost any big game Special Licence opportunity with a youth hunter using the Youth Partner Licence for only $12.00. In 2017, 129 youth hunters took advantage of this mentorship opportunity allowing them to hunt elk, moose, bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope and Merriam’s turkey.
This Just In!
2018 Special Licence Draws

- 111,456 hunters made over 419,500 draw applications with over 87% of applications being made online at AlbertaRelm.com
- Compared to last year, 6% fewer hunters participated; however, each hunter applied on less draws averaging 3.8 applications per hunter.

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

- Enforcement Officers will continue using the new tool designed to assist hunter/angler licensing compliance.
- Officers are able to quickly scan a hunter’s licences and tags to ensure that they are valid.

In 2017, 15,018 hunters were checked by officers resulting in 917 hunting related enforcement actions. Also, there were 1,419 wildlife related enforcement actions resulting from reports received of illegal activity.

The top 5 offenses were:
1. Loaded firearm on vehicle/aircraft/boat
2. Fail to carry a licence while hunting
3. Hunting without a licence
4. Unlawful possession of wildlife
5. Fail to retain evidence of sex/species on animal carcass

Source: Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Branch, Justice and Solicitor General.

2017/18 ALBERTA HUNTING REPORT

Alberta Waterfowl Harvest
- Over 350,000 waterfowl were harvested in Alberta.

Hunter Activity and Harvest Reports
- 32% of Special Licence holders and 25% of General Licence holders completed over 82,000 harvest and effort surveys in 2017.
- Hunter harvest and effort information has been collected every year for over 20 years and is used to assist wildlife managers in making allocation decisions.
- Since 2014, one lucky hunter has been awarded a free special licence just for completing their hunter effort and harvest survey. For every survey completed their names were entered into the draw for the special licence.
- Starting 2017, submissions of hunter harvest information has been more convenient than ever before, allowing hunters to report harvest and effort in real-time at AlbertaRelm.com.
- Please visit mywildalberta.ca to see 2017 survey results.