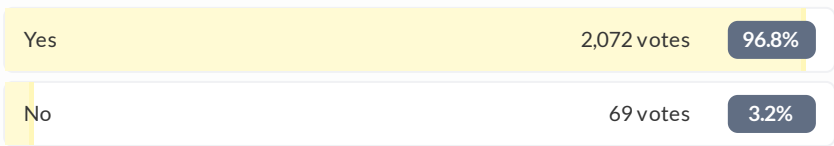


# Upper Peninsula of Michigan Wolf Survey

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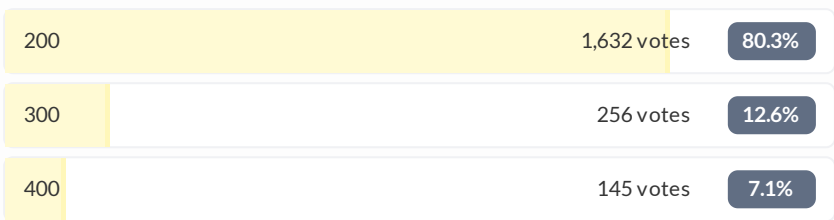
Should the Michigan DNR manage the Grey Wolf population by having controlled hunting and trapping season?

2,141 answers



What do you feel the Grey Wolf population should be?

2,033 answers



## Comments:

765 answers

Zero population in Michigan

Wolves are part of this ecosystem and should not be eliminated simply for our benefit to harvest more game. However there should be balance, as with any predator/prey system. Wolves should be managed just like any other renewable resource in our state and should be based on science, not political or social agendas.

No limit on how many you can kill just like coyotes.

People made the mistake once of killing off these beautiful creatures, please don't allow it to happen again! It's been proven time and again that they are good for the ecosystem. Inhuman trapping of any sort should not be allowed for wolves or any animal.

The wolves don't affect me because I live in lower Michigan but from what I have heard from people who live in the UP the wolves are not only a nuisance but are a danger to the people and to their pets and other animals! Endangered or not I wouldn't appreciate them being put in my back yard!

200 or less

No more than that that's to many

or better yet none

When the people in charge have pets livestock killed and come up on a wolf pack with teeth showing ECT they would change there minds but they are sitting behind a desk ! And most of all our deer population is dropping big time in the U P of Michigan

Trappers will help with population control.

As little as possible. Like 0

Need to control these alpha predators. Deer population is very low here in the Upper Peninsula.

I seen wolf chasing deer at my camp first time ever in 20 years

Manage the population correctly with wolves to deer ratios.

Where I hunt in Dickinson county we have a pack of 9 wolves . I think there is nothing wrong with having wolves !! We just have to many here in the U.P

Really can't answer without a habitat survey to see what the carrying capacity is.

Depending on area

Cannot answer 2nd question without statistics and research such as amount of food, range, sustainability of habitat. .

Kill em all

The population of wolf in the UP. Has surpassed the deer population and it is sad. The fun in hunting is gone.. we need to manage these wolfs

0

Less

200-200=0 that should be the number we strive for

I think that we need to get their numbers down a bit. All my old hunting spots are overrun with wolves and there isn't hardly any deer sign

As for the population I say talk to the locals

You have to control these animals as they will kill every last thing.

The population is not near what it should be they need more time to repopulate

0 they were eradicated at one time for a reason

I own property in Ontonagon County and saw more wolves during our deer season than deer. The wolves have ruined my sport and my investment.

Avid hunter, there are too many wolves. Harassing out hounds & killing off our deer herd

The wolf population in the UP has gotten way out of control.

It's called conservation.

They don't bother no body

Should have a season for them just like white tails.

Should be 0

Zero would be a better number for our economy and our farmers.

Kill a bunch off before we have no deer left

They are killing the deer herd . The DNR knows it . There needs to be a season on ALL wolves . It's going to take a kid getting killed before they do something about it

Open season

When the wolves overpopulate they eat all the prey animals and die of starvation and disease anyway

They are overpopulated and destroying the natural balance. It's time to regulate them or starvation and disease will do it in a few years.

Or less

The population (if any) should be balanced with other species...deer, partridge, rabbits and other game or animals in the area. The mismatch now is ridiculous...I've traveled the entire UP regularly for 20 years and used to see deer in abundance, as well as occasional coyote, partridge and fox. I see more wolves than any other animal now. Any hunter will tell you they have them on trail cameras and have had run-ins with them. I live just outside city limits in Moran Township and they travel my property frequently. Not acceptable...they must be managed or removed all together. We have bird dogs that rarely go into the woods because they could be killed, as MANY friends of mine have lost their rabbit and bird dogs.

I feel there is no reason to have wolves, they don't do anything for nature and all they do is hurt the population of deer especially, in some parts of the Upper peninsula there are no deer left because there are so many wolves. The less the wolves the better.

Worst deer season I've ever seen.. plz listen to the sports men and women wolfs are a big problem

Get rid of all of them. There was a reason they were hunted out in Michigan years ago

I feel like that we should have a trapping and hunting season for grey wolves because personally I had a grey wolf about 5 yards behind me in the middle of the day and it was hunting me. And my da

All wolfs do is kill all the deer and other animal populations and nothing is stopping them or threatening them

They need to be controlled like any other predator in the state.

Zero wolf's

If the DNR would have never planted the wolves, we would not be in this position now.

This needs to be controlled soon

200 would be a good target. I don't think we would ever see that number as they multiply so easy but it's a good number to work towards. Wolves aren't that big of a deal if they are managed, but when they are protected, there's nothing we can do and they get/got way out of hand.

Wolves are out of control in the UP we have 2 packs near our property alone in Rock, Mi

I wait all year for deer season. I can only take five days off of work. The past three years the wolves have chased the deer way from my stand location. After the first two seasons I moved and they did it again last year. It takes few days for deer to come back. I don't have that many days to wait. It's only a matter of time before hunters start taking care of the wolves. Tattooing season would make everyone happy.

I live in the wood in michigamme and I haven't seen a wolf at all this year last year I seen three

The fewer the better. What's it going to take, someone's kid getting killed in their own backyard before the problem is realized?

Killing a lot of deer

Or less than 200

The population is up around the 700 hundreds now. Remove around 300 of them and adjust accordingly

Our deer population is minuscule

Personally I wish the wolves weren't here at all the Deer where i live have it tough enough in Houghton County just surviving the winters!

Kill them all

Should be zero

They are everywhere the wolves are making a deer population drop since the wolves are coming back. I think they should have a hunt for them every year. I would really like to be able to hunt them with dogs or be able to call them in.

Or eliminate all of them....DNR is run by idiots

I would pick a number under 200 if I could.

If, they would transfer half of the wolf population in the Upper Peninsula to the Northern Lower Peninsula. I would be happy keeping the numbers where they are currently

Wolves completely ruined my deer season! Blew every deer out of the area along with killing a few

Plain and simple there are too many wolves. A controlled hunt is needed.

With wolves up and having to eat often how many deer will be there for the hunters paying for licenses

The wolves in the upper peninsula is slaughtering our deer Hurd the only good wolf is a dead wolf

They ate my cousins 8 pt buck before he found it within 6 hours and killed my friends bear dog right in front of him

Not sure on the number of wolves but they are currently destroying the deer heard. How long can it go on!

I have had them right up to my garage

Ran multiple bear baits this season. Everyone of them had wolves at them as soon as the bear opened them. Had a trail camera picture with 6 wolves at one time.

I think it is very important that all animals have a healthy fear or respect of man otherwise they will have the run of the woods. It is very apparent in all of my encounters with wolves they have no fear of me. They have never run from me, they seem to be deciding on if I would be an easy meal or not and I never let my springer out of sight if I know they are in the area. We need a season othem to devolope that health fear.

Wolves are destroying the upper peninsula

Live in the U.P and hunted around 20 sits this year. Seen 3 different packs of wolves this fall. Deer stand no chance with them around.

Hunted in Watson, iron mtn, marquette and germfask. Seen wolfs at all my stands. One chased deer right out from in front of me

Is this a real survey? 2 questions

Seen 6 opening day of deer season and multiples on bear baits

the only thing i saw this deer season was wolves and wolf tracks

100

If I could pick zero for the population I would.

Just like our deer, turkey, etc is scientifically managed by determining healthy numbers, so should the wolf population.

We can all live with them as long as their numbers are kept under control.

way to many now

I hunt in north central Iron county. Many wolves in my area.

Kill all the wolves

Management on wolfs helps deer hunters have a better deer hunting season!

shoot them all

Bogus survey

We have no room for wolves to populate without control.

As low as possible

As a down stater, I've traveled to the U.P. numerous times for hunting trips. I've put thousands of dollars into the local U.P. communities during these trips. One of the highlights used to be the number of deer sightings and the occasional moose sighting. It was fun to allow the kids to roam the trails during non hunting seasons, but now due to the wolves, we've stopped our hunting trips and leisure trips to the U.P. its not fun sitting for hours upon hours not seeing any deer. It's not safe to just allow kids to wander the trails and woods exploring.

I live out north off grid for 19 years on 400 acres. I've been an avid sportswoman as long as I can remember. I respect it. The amount of deer compared to wolf sign here is frightening. I've heard multiple people are contemplating going to a different state to hunt because of the deer numbers. That would be shattering to this economy. I've watched them attack a deer and kill in front of my home. I used to see moose almost daily. The cow and bull with twins no longer have their babies. I now carry a pistol at all times. If u really want to know more feel free to reach out to myself or a fellow off gridder who has watched more than one species take a downfall. Having a hunting season on wolf will hopefully bring back more deer and more hunters.

Way out of control.

It should be ZERO

If the DNR 'fails' to act, the sportsman WILL.

Way too many around, south of Ishpeming there was more wolf tracks on the bush roads than deer tracks. The deer population is going to get scary low if Wolves aren't controlled.

From my kitchen window, saw one chasing deer across the backyard. That's a little too close for comfort.

There is a reason there has been no wolves in the up for over a hundred years.

I have no problem having a wolf population, but it's time to manage their population.

Wolves need to be managed to give them back the natural fear of man. Hunting and trapping will accomplish that goal.

Can't answer the above question

I would have chose less than 200 but not an option.

Fuckin kill em

Less than 200

Less is better

I have seen more than three different wolves this year... including one of those coming from straight down wind in a swamp.

Please allow this hunt to be implemented into the trapping program.

I've seen my dog ripped to shreds by these mongrels. It's time for major population control before it gets out of hand. The old timers got rid of them for a reason...

I don't feel comfortable going into the woods in the UP unless I have a gun because of them. They have taken over the forest up there. There are way too many of them!!

State biologists recommended a population of 300 wolves way back at the start of the "reintroduction" of wolves.

They should never have been reintroduced

200 is still too high of a number. Try 50.

Population should be zero

How much does the Wolf population eviscerate the deer population? How much revenue is generated deer hunting vs wolf hunting?

I think the population should be None.

There are far too many wolves in the UP. We have 1100 acres and I haven't seen a deer in 5 years.

More predators = more stable environments!

The population should be ZERO!

I've been hunting since I was old enough to see out the window in a blind and the last 2 years have been the worst seasons by far! I've seen more wolves than deer this year and I feel the regulation of these monsters need to be done now before our herd is gone completely! How will the state earn money off us hunters if no one buys tags because we know it isn't worth spending all the money we do, on gear, bait, ammo ect! I love the sport but it's getting to the point it's just a sit in the woods to watch birds!

They cant handle thw wolf population they tried once and it didn't work out. They are dogs they have 6 pups or so. You shouldn't play God and mother nature. They are a predators and they are out of control at this moment.

They are everywhere and it is affecting the deer population

Have property in Luce seen zero deer all season

There's way to many wolves, they are destroying the hunting and wildlife now because there numbers are out of control. We need a season

But I saw zero.

none

Or less

Wolves may have an impact on certain areas more than others so a season to control their population would only be appropriate.

Why do we need wolves in the UP?

They have decimated the deer heard in the Eastern UP for too long!

There should be no wolves at all...zero not one

Kill the bastards



As a hounds man and outdoor enthusiast I feel they should be hunted and managed just as well as other harvestable animals in our state and pursued by those who do enjoy the trapping and hunting world

if there was a zero option I would've chose it

Or less than 200

Population should be zero

Minimize the out of towners for hunting season. Its not a sport, its a means to eat and take pride in getting your own food.

I'd prefer 0

Even less then 200

This has gone too far already... these predators need to be kept in check or there won't be a deer population in the UP in a decade

I would like to elk population grow.

Put a bounty on them there a nuisance.We do not need them DNR should of never brought them in

Wolves are a big problem in the Upper Penninsula, I myself and other Hound Hunters constantly have the issue of wolves coming into our dogs and either attacking or killing them, the wolf population should be 200 or less. They get out of control and create many problems for ranchers who are trying to raise livestock, hound hunters and there dogs and the normal citizen in general.

There's well over a 1000 wolves decimating the UP.

We need a lot less of them in the woods.

The wolves were here 1st

I seen back in the late 1980s we had a couple of wolves by Amasa they did take out the weak and injured deer they did know damage but know the kill to kill and it's killing our whitetail herd

Controll the wolf population before they wipe out the deer population.

Population should b zero

I am a hounds man and the wolves are horrible in the upper peninsula they are every where it is hard to find spots to run our hounds and not run into a pack of wolves and we have had hounds killed by wolves

Wolf populatoin is out of control

Michigan needs a managed wolf season they are over populated and hurting the deer population way to much!!!

Get rid of the dangerous wolf

Or lower in some areas

I was always told the logging camp's in the sixties if the guys saw a wolf they would put there stuff down and track the wolf and kill it they got rid of them then and they should get rid of them know

Born n' raised Yooper. Wolves aren't a problem.

Or less!

Did not ask to have them reintroduced

I would like to hunt one.

The up needs a wolf hunt

The lower the better, they serve no purpose in Michigan. A side from saving the insurance company's money. Also let's throw a couple hundred in the Lansing area and see how quick we have a bounty on them.

Start fixing the females to slow the population spreede

What do i think the population should be? What a stupid a stupid damn question .How could anybody without DNR experience or all the education or facts make that decision. Why not just ask take a wild guess what the right number should b e

The population is out of control. I haven't seen a deer on my camera in over a month but I get atleast 10 pictures a day of wolves

Less than 200

Several yrs in northern minn. a wolf grabbed a 17 yr old boy at a campfire,it's only a matter of time,winters- wolfs =no deer herd

Prefer the population go be zero

Wolves are decimating the deer population. Deer and deer hunting bring money into the small communities in the U.P.

Only reason I picked 200 was there was nothing lower. eliminate them like they did years ago it was cause they knew how much damage they did

The original quota was 90 breeding pair which we far exceeded years ago now is the time to manage them responsibly and property owners and residence of the upper peninsula need to be heard not the city folk who don't have to deal with them

they need to be thinned out

O population of those damn wolves would be the best number

The state should pay for every, dog, calf that is killed by wolves

voters should be from the U.P. only.They have to deal with them.

We need a hunt/trapping season. Wolf populations are becoming excessive. They need to be managed like any other species!

Wolfs kill our hounds that's no good

They are wiping out our deer population in the upper peninsula. They kill deer none stop. They are killing at least one a day and they don't always eat the entire carcass.

1000

With a population of 200, it would be easier to manage. Between coyotes and wolfs the deer population around marquette has tanked

population should be 0

January 5th 2021 SEASON !!! COME ON THE STATE NEEDS IT

The wolf numbers are no where near being adequate, and I believe there has to be more action to control the coyote numbers as I believe they are being mistaken for wolves.

Let them alone.

Better yet none at all

These animals need to be kept to a very small number

There should be less than 200 wolves in the UP

Under 100 would be a big plenty, was told by a reliable source that a deer a day for a wolf with a liter. Kills off the deer population in a hurry. IMO!

If you want to save the deer in the winter you need more wolves gone.

Stop destroying our natural resources, by being completely ignorant. Wolves have no place here. Give an option for 0

100

it would help the deer herd by a lot

Over population in the upper Peninsula 🇺🇸

Cougar season also

We need our deer herd back

By having a trapping and hunting season we will also take coyotes off the deer

How about 25 on isle royal like it use to be

The grey wolf population should be below 150 wolves.

1 is too many

Wolves will begin to starve and go after domestic animals for food when they run out of deer and other wild animals to eat.

The wolves need to be kept in check instead of being let to multiply to much where they in-danger other animals or individuals.

this qty low option of 200 seems high for the entire U.P.

We have seen 20+ wolves this year during the first week of rifle. We saw no 1.5year old bucks and hardly any does or fawns. Sad the UP used to be a sportsman's dream. Not anymore. We will take our money out of state.

I feel Grey wolves are an important part of the ecosystem, but have been let get out of control.

None would be my number but since that was not an option.

Don't mind having a few around. They are out of control right now. We couldn't run our bear dogs all wolves on camera. A few bear pictures and now this deer season has been the worst in years! Last year my deer population was down by half and I was expecting the same for this year but don't even think it's half of last year. So sad

The population should be also as possible so people can enjoy the outdoors with out fear of wolfs harming them or a pet or even a hunting dog doing it job

They have destroyed the whitetail numbers in the UP. I know of a lot of people not buying deer tags, and quitting hunting due to the predator numbers, which means they are not passing on the hunting to the younger generation. Please get rid of them. They serve 0 purpose here in the yoop.

They are killing the economy in the u p

Kill them all, should have an option lower than 200 🚫 do your damn jobs before they spread like wildfire down in the lower peninsula next please and thanks

300 spread out accross the u.p.

Too many wolves. Really hurting the population of deer and other wildlife. The old timers got rid of them for a reason. Now it's our turn. Thank you

200 or less

Just like any other predator I feel wolves need to be regulated. I live in the western part of the upper peninsula and there are many areas where the deer population has been decimated by predators. I am an avid hunter and a logger so I spend a great deal of time in the woods. The amount of wolf sign I see is alarming to me. There is a reason that our ancestors did the best they could to eradicate wolves. I realize that totally eliminating wolves is not the goal of the dnr nor should it be. Predation is an important part of a balanced ecosystem and I understand that. I believe that wolf populations need to be managed and an added bonus to doing so would be the revenue generated by the state. I hope the state considers adding a wolf hunt in the upper peninsula. I know many many outdoorsman that would be more than happy to purchase a tag to hunt wolves.

Personally I believe this should be a U.P. property owner only vote. There are too many tree huggers down state that will vote against it and they do not have to deal with the problems the wolves cause

I don't really know if 200 is the proper number but I feel the fewer there are the better. Wolf populations in the UP have gotten out of hand and need to be put back in check. Not only have wolves decimated the wild life here in the UP, they have also impacted our economy here as hunters have stopped coming here to hunt because of poor populations of wild life and/or fear of wolves killing their hunting dogs. I grew up here in the UP and can remember when this was a hunting destination for hunters because of the abundance of wildlife and great hunting opportunities that no longer exist here. I can remember the woods being peppered with orange dots (hunters) during the firearm deer season and bear hunters with their dogs dragging and running the back roads looking to run bears but that just no longer exists because of the growing population of the grey wolf. I don't feel that all the wolves need to be killed off but I do feel they need to be thinned out enough for there to be a fine balance of wildlife.

The MDNR should manage the wolf packs using science.

They are out of hand now, if nothing is changed in 5 to 10 years it will be devastating on the deer population and other wild life

There are way to many!!

There is to many wolves rite now see one deer this hunting season and many more people having the same experience it's also hard to walk into the woods when all you hear is wolves howling rite in the area of where you hunt not a good feeling

There is a reason they were all killed off years ago. We have no use for them.

It should be managed to less than 100.

Or Less !!!

Under 200 don't get me wrong there cute animals but the animals they kill are more important to me than a wolf I can't eat and only look at

Need a hunting and trapping season on wolves

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If they manage them like the deer 🐮 yes then let the DNR manage them because they will be gone

Less than 200

There should be a trapping season for them one tag per trapper until until quota is reached

Less than 200 before we don't have any deer to have a season. Maybe you will open your eyes when you loose millions of dollars because people stop hunting!!!!

It's getting out of hand with the wolf's something needs to b done

Kill all the wolves

Zero wolves not 200

they are danger to the eco system to many of them

1500

No wolves

Alpha predators need to be managed to balance the predators prey ratio..

Less

If there were a answer lower then 200 i would choose that

The wolf population is currently out of control

This is ruining all the hunting in the up. Manage wolves

I would have said 0 if it were an option. Why they were reintroduced into the area is baffling and ignorant. It certainly wasn't discussed amongst the Michigan population. It was basically a program shoved down their throats by special interest groups with political clout. Wrong in every sense and I hope the good people of Michigan poach them into oblivion.

the population should be zero, just as nature selected them to not exist in the UP. Yes, man is part of nature.

This is out of control management need to happen NOW!!!!

Would really like to see grey wolf population set at 100

We don't need the wolfs

Let the hunters manage the population

Get rid of the wolves!!

Kill them all like the old boys did

We don't need wolfs

Send the grey wolf to Canada!!!

There is a reason our ancestors killed most of them. Drop 20 or so off in Lansing or Ann Arbor see how those hipsters like it when they kill dogs for fun.

Get rid of them all

Wolves need to be managed! Just like any other animal in the woods!

Way to many

DNR has been lying about the population for since the 80's. Now they have no idea how many there are.

Less if possible

They need to stop plating wolfs in the u.p

make a rifle season for wolves!!!!

Ive been in the McMillin area for abot 6 days and everywhere i go the is only wolf tracks in the first week of December

Way too many wolves and it's damaging the deer herd. Winters are.hard enough on them. It's hurting the.economy she to not as many people hunt there so we there are.ni deer.

The wolf population has grown too large in the Eastern Upper Peninsula. When wolves are seen near homes and school yards, something must be done. The population is at the top of the food chain and preying on the deer herds to say the least. The woods in the Eastern Upper Peninsula are becoming over run with wolf packs and there is nothing hunting them. Man must step in before things really get out of control.

They are all over the place and they are after my livestock and dogs

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Boom boom

Fine to have them if the populace so desires but serious reduction of population us needed. No consideration of the socially tolerable level has been considered

2 years ago you saw only a few wolves while hunting. Now you see more wolves than deer. Their population has exploded and is overwhelmingly the deer population. Which shows we need to limit the number of wolves. Very basic stuff.

Population in my area is way under estimated. There are times I can hear 4 packs at my house and over 20 animals. That what in earshot of my house not a county population. In the winter they will not eat frozen meat so they will not return to a kill to feed again but will just kill another. They are very hard on the deer populations once they have yarded for the winter.

I want a lis.

Please do something, it's getting out of hand.

Wolves need to be trapped and hunted. I hunt the upper alot and there are very few deer in our area and I see just as many wolf tracks as deer.

100

There should b no wolves.

Need a hunting season for them

U.P deer hunting used to be amazing till the wolf's. I'm afraid to run my beagles in the wild now.

zero. less than 200

These apex predators are a threat to people and never should have been reintroduced

The deer herd has had a hard enough time the last decade. The weather and habitat loss is hard enough on them let alone the wolves. The economic impact has hurt to many businesses in the UP due to the lack of down staters not coming up due to poor number of deer. Enough in enough.

I believe every hunter should be able to shoot wolves until a seasonal quota is met for each county

These animals need to be managed just like any other wild animal.

The grey wolf has decimated the deer heard in in the eastern UP

Too many hunting dogs get killed they should be controlled

That would be a question for wildlife management.

There is a reason for every animal but the wolves are starting to over populate and are killing our food and killing production there should be a hunting season

Wolves have decimated deer herd in upper penninsula and has destroyed tourism and effected income of people that rely on deer hunters. Rabbithunters refuse to run there dogs in known wolf territory

Management needs to be taken now. Open season year round,just like coyote.

They at least need to be afraid and the only way to do that is management.

At the very least livestock owners should be able to defend their livestock with firearms.

Take them all out.

I feel it's best to keep the population at 200. There is no need to exceed the consecutive population that was determined necessary to remove the species from the endangered list.

High wolf population deters many small game hunters from visiting the area to hunt for fear of endangering their hunting dogs.

None

The wolves need to be managed same as we currently do for whitetail deer, and other wildlife that there is legal hunting seasons for.

0 wolves

Of the dnr wants hunter numbers to improve in the upper peninsula then the total should be zero



Zero. There should not be any wolves in the U.P. With the deer population as low as it is from multiple hard winters and what few hunters still hunting that are successful, the wolves are a major contributor in deleting the deer herd. Especially in the winter months when deer are at their weakest and extremely vulnerable in the deep snow. It seems like the only people that want wolves around are people that do not hunt and have no idea the damage wolves are doing to the deer herd.. If you ask the majority of hunters if they want wolves around they will likely say no. Why? Because most hunters hunting today are seeing very few deer. Less and less numbers of deer now that the wolf population is thriving in the Upper Peninsula. I'm sure in the garden peninsula and a few other places there are plenty of deer but for the rest of the U.P. deer are very scarce. I have several friends, including myself, that have hunted in the U.P., for many years and most hunt very hard. Most hunt all day for 5-10 days and may only see a couple deer in that time frame. If the DNR wants to sell more licenses and hav

The wolves definitely need to be managed!

Way to many wolves and no way to manage them at the moment. It is rare that you go into the woods and don't see wolf tracks at this time.... something needs to be done.

0 on the last question

The deer have vanished in my area due to wolves.

The wolf population is out of control, it has totally devastated all game on my property

I only selected 200, because there wasn't a smaller number!

There are too many in Marquette county I have photos to prove it

Wolf hunt 2021

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Less

Really none

Question number 2, numbers a much higher than that

The population needs to be controlled.

Less than zero population

Should not even brought them back.

Should not of been reintroduced

Wolves like all animals need a control. This isnt California where we just hope and pray that everything goes ok. You need control especially over something that eats the same resources we like to harvest to eat as well.

Why waste the time?The state has already blown it.

In michigan NONE.

Zero!

Until this is done the deer and moose herd is at stake!

They are killing all the deer!!

The wolf population is way higher than it should be. It's not the only animal, but puts another huge impact on our deer population, which is a huge income for us. They get into bear dens and kill the bears also. Everywhere I go there are more wolf tracks than deer tracks. The wolfs need to be controlled before they start attacking humans and killing more let's than they do now.

They are destroying OUR UP by decimating everything they can

Need more information on how many are presently know to be around the state

The deer population is going down hill because of the wolves

One would be too many kill them all

You didn't have an option of zero so I picked the least amount. With wolves, coyote, bear and now cougars you aren't willing to admit are here the dynamic of sportsman in the state is being lost.

If the reports from the past 6 years show the Upper Peninsula is at carrying capacity for wolves with only a slight increase of around 45 wolves from 2014 to 2020 then management efforts need to be put in place to thin the population and allow for a well managed stable population of predator and pray species.

Killing the deer Hurd

Make huntable in all counties

Less

Deer numbers are lower than I've seen in more than twenty years.

Glad to see this happening.

In my experience at least ever since the rise in wolf population the deer population has suffered as a deer hunter i would rather see the wolfs go

Start by going to yarding areas to get the slaughter stopped

Let people hunt for them along as trap. No need for the wolf population to be so high.

The U.P. has been overrun with the wolves. It hurts more people then just the hunters, the hunters aren't showing up to hunt there because of the terrible numbers. Store owners, hotel owners on and on. I always loved just being out in the woods there but it's no fun not seeing any deer because the wovles have taken over.

Why not let nature take its course and stop trying to manage everything.

Less than 100. These are killing machines. Other wildlife populations are being affected.

Too many wolves in the u.p.

Wolves are ruining all other game hunting populations, therefore ruining the hunting income the state can make and stopping many from becoming hunters.

I spend majority of my time in the woods near Rexton and this deer season our camp had more confirmed sightings than any previous year. Dozens of dogs have been lost to wolves during small game seasons as well.

Save the wolves

We have at least one pack of 5 right near our home and they're not scared of our dogs or us either for that matter. Our neighbors have lost dogs to the wolves and I surely don't want to lose our dogs or our grandkids simply because people from down state think wolves are "pretty."

They destroy our deer herd in the upper peninsula. Not to mention they have always been pests to farmers and their livestock.

See more wolves out hunting than I saw deer.. completely mismanaged and out of control..

There will be very few wolves harvested due to not many hunters will have the acquired skill set to effectively hunt them. The wolves are very smart and will learn quickly to evade hunters and humans in general. As they become wary and learn to keep their distance the wolf/human interaction issue will lessen.

They are killing the deer heard Nd other creatures live stock and dogs they were a dumb idea to add back into the upper peninsula

Kill em

I think it's hard to reintroduce something back into the echo system once it's taken out . Not against the wolf but the u.p. can only handle so many . It should be a lesson to humans when they think they need to get rid of a certain species because of fear .

Although these are beautiful animals they need to be controlled. They are demolishing all kinds of wildlife and also attacking Hunter's dogs.

Make them legal to hunt for everybody for one year

If the DNR believes that this will still have the ability to sustain the wolf population (that are not due to migratory movements) then allow hunting. We don't need to make a population suffer due to anthropocentric views. But if we are sure the wolf population can still be sustained with the lowerd numbers of hunting then go for it!

200 or less

200 wolves is still to many, 100 -150 is more like it!

I truly hope that this next go around is done better than the last time. I feel like the quota was too small and there were far too few tags issued to have a successful hunt. Wolf are incredibly smart animals making them hard enough to get as it is. We should not have to worry about loosing our pets in our own yards every time they go outside or worry about loosing a hunting dog no matter where you go everytime a guy turns loose. I know a guy that lost 12 beagles in one day in an area he hunted for 30 yrs. Wolves are beautiful majestic animals but their population needs a serious overhaul and I hope the state of michigan truly takes that into consideration

Sportsmen should have the opportunity to manage the population.

Or less than 200...like zero!!!!

I routinely see several wolves at one time on my game camera in the eastern UP. Considering the vast remoteness of my location and the one single camera, this could be extrapolated to conclude there are many wolves more than actually currently documented.

They should be 0

At most, half of current size

Too many people already kill wolves illegally

They should be controlled there designating the deer population plus killing hunters dods

The weather can't be having this big of an effect on the deer herd. I'm sure that you've heard from everyone in zone 1.

Out of control up here In the yoop...people can't even enjoy the outdoors anymore

The wolf population here in the up is getting out of hand

Kill them all!

When you can not ran dag with out think ot going to get killed by wolf there something wrong or when you go deer hunt and see 10 wolf under your blind there something wrong

Stop moving wolves to less remote locations.

shouldn't have brought them back to begin with.

There is a reason in Canada they shoot everyone they see.

Population in Michigan should be 0. They have ruined the UPs deer herd.

None of

I don't know much about the current population. I feel the state is doing what they need to to protect these animals. Of course when these animals get into livestock or cause disruption in everyday human life, that's when action should be taken. If these wolves have done nothing to hurt you personally, drop your ego and let these animals live. Our deer population isn't THAT effected by these animals. Apply to hunt for your trophies elsewhere.

they're killing off the deer population so we should be able to shoot them

If a deer population is wanted something needs to be done to cull the woofs, coyotes. MDNR NEED TO WORK WITH NEC, SPORTSMANS CLUBS, tribes and license purchasers to get control of the deer population in the UP. Reduce tags for both tribal and non tribal. Register animals to get reliable data. Something needs to change current management is not working.

Zero wolves would be perfect. They nothing but killing machines. Cant run dogs up there for fear of them being killed by wolves

No deer

Do something before the deer herd is completely wiped out!!!

I know the dnr does population studies but I think there are greater numbers than they say, more of a targeted season while the wolves are following the deer in the wintering yards

I think they should at least be dealt with when on a school playground. That puts everyone at unease and doesn't seem safe.

0 was not an option

Livestock and families aren't safe anymore

They are hurting the other animal population and the worries of going out in the woods to be malled by wolfs. We need to fix this population and id be happy to help. It would definitely be a different experience hunting them. looking forward to it

Needs to be OTC for residents. Look at how montana and idaho regulate. And take notes from them, not Lansing.

Leave them alone !!!

I believe there is a huge increase in the wolf population which is depleting the deer population and is ultimately hurting the ecosystem. If the wolf population is brought down a little which will help the deer population and help hunters across the upper peninsula.

Definitely much less than it is currently at least in the western UP.

I've hunted the UP for many years. Been a family tradition. The wolves have really impacted the deer heard. Been many recent years without seeing deer on our week long hunts. We have since started to look out of state for other hunting options on public land.

A population of 50 or less is preferable.

Central Dickinson county: I see 3-5 wolves when I spend 5 days in the woods hunting. I've seen up to 11 in the 2012 season. I've seen 2 deer stalked and taken by the pack in daylight. I've had wolves come through in daylight and notice me and walk toward me. As close as 10 yards. The season should be open to take them out and the season should be during the entire deer season so we have as many hunters in the woods to have a better shot at reducing numbers. I have sent videos to the DNR of the problem.

Wish I could have commented 0.

1000s of wolves and growing.... idc whaaaaaaaat the numbers say they're is way too many wolves and hardly any deer

Well under 200 should be the maximum

Population should be 0

They should be extinct

The population should be 0!!!

In my experience speaking with fellow deer hunters, there has been a noticeable decrease in successful buck harvesting. Almost all mention wolf tracks in the area

There are way too many wolves they are killing off the deer terribly.

Send a pack or two to southern mi see how long till the numbers get thinned out!!!



About 100

Or less. Very few deer because of the wolves!!!

Or fewer than 200. There is a mating pair with 6 pups minimum running by the camp I hunt from southwest of Pickford. My son and I walked into my blind for the youth hunt while four of them were there. Less than 20 yards and they were not afraid. The deer population is suffering really bad. Only saw 8 different deer all rifle season.

Should get rid of them like the people before us did. They were on the right track

We need to take care of this problem before it spreads to the lower peninsula, also the dnr need to **MANAGE THE FUCKING DEER HERD!** Not kill them all off, fucking bozos getting paid by insurance companies to kill our deer herds. And you wonder why people hate you guys 😏 dnr can hunt, but you can't kill off deer herd just cause you feel the population is to high! Just tell hunter to try these locations, my god, we know you let all those deer rot after killing them btw!

Not an expert on wolf numbers but there should be a way to control numbers with sportsmen hunting them.

Let's approach this issue with sound scientific data. Not emotions. The state are being destroyed by a population that is to high. Opinion yes but one that is backed by scientific data

We should catch a few more wolfs for isle royal. Also capture a couple hundred moose from isle royal and bring them to the mainland.

Killing all the damn deer

Should be able to run dogs

We would really like over the counter tags and have a season to run them with dogs

I seen two walls during deer season first time I've ever seen wolves in deer season

less then 200?

Ask the residents of the upper peninsula. Dont ask people who like 300 miles away.

I feel as though the numbers you have shared thus far are incorrect. If the wolf population is what you say it is, there is no reason we should see as many wolves as we do on an everyday basis such as taking my dog for a walk at noon, driving to and from work, etc. There are far too many wolves up here and it has greatly impacted the deer population in a bad way.

A population of 0 would be better

Really up to the experts on what the area can sustain what the balance needs to be

We see them so close to towns and they killed off over 20 deer within 200 feet of my parents house in 1 winter

Preferably 0 for the second question but that wasn't an option and we will take what we can get

Something needs to put them in check. Way to many predators for our deer herd.

Kill them all

I feel that the grey wolf population has decimated our deer heard in even just the last few years

Kill them all

they are running the deer herd wiping it out in spots

There are way too many wolves in the upper peninsula, especially in the counties of Gogebic, Iron, Houghton, Ontonogan.

50

0 is the number needed for wolves. Hunted 6 day's in the UP saw 0 deer.

We don't need them here we have two smaller area they're going to kill a kid and then it will be too late they already shredding dogs and everything they can get their hand on we do not need them here

Way too many in the U.P.

With the comeback population of the grey wolf it has done way more damage to the state then good for the eco system. So much lost revenue!

Wolves are out of control and destroying all other types of wildlife in the upper peninsula

I live in chippewa county. Seen more wolf's then I have deer this year.. the wolf's have there place in the wildlife an I agree we should keep them. But manage them better.

I don't wish to eradicate wolf populations. I think we need balance with apex predators and their prey.

We don't eat wolves, but we both eat deer.

Absolutely no good has come from reintroducing these animals. They haven't "balanced" the ecosystem. They've done nothing other than cause destruction and impede the lives of those that lives in the areas where they were reintroduced. The was no discussion, this was forced upon us.

Killing machines

200 is still too many

Need a wolf hunt. Getting out of control!!! Everything else is managed, so should the wolves!!

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Way too many especially the Timberwolf

The wolf problem in the UP has been going on for far too long. Managing the population is the only way to curb the problem.

Shouldn't even be up there. Brought the moose there which was cool. Then brought their only natural predator the wolf. Then wonder why the moose are not thriving

No wolves

The wolfs attack my cows:(

The wolf population is overtaking deer, coyote, fox and other animals populations which is greatly reflecting in Michigan harvest tags being sold and being filled successfully

I feel the population should be zero. Natural selection reduced the population to basically zero in Michigan and things were fine. Man removed them weather it or wrong we'll never know, but we shouldn't have put them back..

Population should be less then 200 but as only option I choose that

They've gotten out of hand, and are effecting our deer herd, this from a concerned hunter that fills his tags every year but has watched the deer herd deminish!

Our deer population is decimated already please help

50 the wolf population is out of hand in eastern UP...the deer population has suffered. Slowly every year see less and less deer...fawns taken done daily. Thexeirst hinting season by far this year not deer left of area just wolves and coyotes

Absolutely agree with controlling the wolf population in the UP, by common sense trapping/hunting seasons.



The number of predators really depends on the number of prey available and an acceptable balance between the two. I selected 200 as my answers, but, within knowing the deer herd population size, Th

There should be a season to many wolves in the areas

I have two different hunting areas 75 miles apart Trout Creek Mi and North of Ishpeming the Red Road and 510. The white tail population has been severely depleted do to the wolves before you would see deer tracks now all I see is wolf tracks . If I do come across deer tracks there's wolf tracks following them.

The number of wolves in the eastern upper peninsula is out of control. The damage it's wreaking on our deer population is astounding. This is a small area and they population has gone completely unchecked since they were reintroduced. I know numerous hunters here who didn't see a deer at all in rifle season. 20 years ago that was unheard of. You can't walk state land without seeing numewsigs of wolf, usually following deer tracks. If something isn't done to mitigate the wolf population here, not only will it decimate the deer herd beyond what is recoverable, when they finally wipe the herd out, they will spread south and west and do the same in new areas. This will eventually reach places such as the elk range and who knows exactly how far south they will push. I've personally seen sign of wolf as far south as Petoskey no less than 5 years ago. Something needs to be done.

Run with dogs

The population of Grey Wolves in Michigan should be set and recommended by wildlife managers, not hunters. Often times the public is very misinformed. Reductions in wolf numbers will likely just increase coyote numbers and may have minimal impact on deer populations. I am all for the management of wolves in Michigan, but it needs to be done with data, statistics, and a harvest numbers that the DNR decides and not hunters.

Personally, don't see the need for any wolves.

Too many wolves

Very low

Population should be zero

Deer and hunting dogs have been killed enough! The DNR brought all these predators to the UP Pinemartin, fisher, wolves and cougars and used sportmens money to do it!

There numbers are way out of control. 200 wolves will consume approx 10,000 adult deer per year and that doesn't count the small deer and fawns. The UP deer here is going down drastically.

0 they whipped them out in the past for a reason

How do I choose a number less than 200 for the second answer? Why is 200 the smallest population? And there is not a question and answer about sustainable population. Assuming the remaining number of wolves breed, there would be a reoccurring growth and therefore a requirement for an annual number of harvested animals.

I wish you had zero as an answer

Or less. Say what you want but they sure are hell on livestock!!

There needs to be management.

We have way too many way overdue that we control their numbers

I don't believe the numbers that have been reported. Extrapolating data from a few square miles to the entire UP causes a low bias. Anecdotally, I've seen more wolves than moose in my travels. My opinion is that the number of wolves exceeds, conservatively, 1000 animals.

Please consider the farmers and their livestock. We need those people to feed the rest of us.

They need to be eliminated they are nothing but a nuisance animal

There are too many in Chippewa County.

Less than 200 in the entire state

They are out of control, we have seen a lot of road kill wolves recently

We have way to many wolves I have nothing against them but they need to be controlled cause it's getting outta hand

The second question should have the option to answer zero.

Population levels should be maintained around the pre-determined recovery level

Should be able to run with dogs

The wolf population had decimated the deer herd in areas like Alger county. We are losing hunters because it isn't reasonable for them to waste their time and never see any deer. Just look at the deer numbers coming across the Mackinac bridge. Years like 1995 and 2000 when the population was good but now we are barely breaking 1000. We have a problem and it needs to be solved

DNR should set count considering habitat

It's about damn time

Some of us with real hounds, want a hound season.

Only the people in the upper peninsula of Michigan should have a say on this decision. No down state person or organization have any say in what happens on the Upper Peninsula as far as the wolf population and the much needed control of the numbers of this species

Worst deer season I've ever seen barely any deer left in the area I'm in. We need a hunting season before it gets even more out of hand.

Don't really understand the purpose for wolves over populations and devastation to deer and moose?

No wolfs would be better!!!

Wolves wrecked deer camp this year

A population of less than 200 was not an option otherwise would have selected it.

Lower than 200

200 is more than enough.

They should have a u p hunt and allow weapon of choice as well as trapping but only allow the land owners that have property in u p to hunt we have sue red enough because of them

The population level should be at a level that is conducive to both the ecosystem and the wolves.

They need to be managed, they are getting out of control

Got wolves in Canada and Alaska, don't need them in lower48. Man controlled them when settling the West. No problem until 25 years ago. Been going down hill every since

Way to many now.

The UP has way more wolves than the DNR is reporting. There needs to be a quoted number of wolves hunted and trapped per year. That quoted number could be adjusted yearly. Their numbers are far too great and need to be lowered to ensure a better deer herd. Our winters are hard enough on the deer herd. What are the positives to having a wolf population? Who do the wolves benefit?

Or less

Zero wasn't an option

Totally out of control in the Upper Peninsula.

Grey wolves are important. No kill.

There population should be ZERO, like it was before the DNR fucked it up.

You should make it so the people that live in the UP can buy a wolf tag or two over the counter I live up here and i would love to buy a wolf tag and try to fill it

I usually catch at least 1 every year in my coyote sets, I want to make a rug out of one next year! Wake up Michigan!

They have destroyed the deer herd in Michigan!

The deer are non existent this year , I saw 5 wolves deer hunting this morning

I have more wolf on camera than bucks

Population should be less than 200. Get rid of them all. Open season 24/7 like coyotes.

The wolf population should be managed with a hunt.

Honestly if there was a choice for less than 200, I'd pick that. We don't need wolves here at all, period. Plenty of other places for them to exist.

Get rid of all of them before they destroy the whitetail population

Place a reasonable price on the tag also, like 20\$, offered at the purchase of your deer tag, that will generate some revenue for their projects!!

Population should be zero. DNR should have never brought them back.

Our deer herd and our moose herd in order to survive need us to control the wolf population to a manageable size. I think a hunting season with a set number of wolves to be killed each season.

Something has to be done to control the population of wolves

There are way too many wolves they have totally ruined my deer population the past few years

Selected the lowest possible population target. We didn't need wolves 25 years ago and don't need them now. I'm afraid to let my kids play in the woods.

I think there are way more than people think

Wolves in the UP are fine but they need to be at a reasonable number. I don't feel lower Michigan should have a say in our wolf numbers they are welcome to have all the wolves that want

They will die off once the deer are gone but will become dangerous to livestock and people before they do

Stupid poor choice question

If the DNR isn't going to manage wolves that's fine. However, the deer should be managed differently in order to counteract that. They can't mismanage both and still expect the hunter numbers to not decline.

Making the hunts affordable would be great

I think the population should be zero hahaha

They are way out of control.

If we are looking for a higher population of wolves in the states, spread them evenly across the states. We don't need 1000 in the Upper peninsula alone. Last report I seen was 750 and it has to be more than that now.

I feel all the wolf's need to go, we only saw 1 spike and 3 does, Jake's Cabin north Rudyard. We used to watch 20 or so right at the cabin, that hasn't happened in years. Our grand father's got rid of them and they never should of been brought back.

Need a smaller number to choose than 200

Population needs to be controlled the major problem is the Upper Peninsula. So numbers need to be for the U.P. not the entire state unless they spread in the lower.

100 or less would be more than enough !!!

Wolves kill deer and dangerous to humans

The population should be less than 200 wolves

Ok so the second question should not be based on feelings..

Close deer season for 2 years. Wolf and predator hunting instead. We need to build herd for 2 years, not be shooting our Does. Some hunters shooting yearlings..

as many as the yoop can handle

Bogus survey

I don't think there should be any type of population with bad winters the coyotes put enough damage on the herd!

Keep politics and lobbyists out of the equation. These killing machines need to be controlled

There needs to be a season when you can see more wolves during deer season than deer there is a problem.

Wolves are running rampant across the UP and northern Wisconsin. They have absolutely decimated the whitetail herd..And every small business that depends on hunting as a source of income.

NONE....They can't keep track of deer populations accurately and they sure can't do any better with wolves.

Our forefathers got rid of them for a reason. We don't need them

200 wolves was the initial recovery goal

I don't agree with the premise though. The DNR has zero idea of the actual wolf population

Way too many wolves in the Eastern up

Second question is a pretty vague question, not sure what the numbers should be...I also think wolf numbers vary from region to region and should obviously be studied or the hunts be determined by that

What DNR when do you ever see them

The less the better.

The deer population in the upper peninsula from both winter kills as well as predator kills has left the herd extremely poor

Let anyone buy a license vs. a lottery.

We have to control them you don't the white tail deer will be extinct extinct

Wolves should not be in Michigan at all.

Had a pack of 8-10 wolves stock me at my blind, something needs to be done

There are way more wolves than yall think for one, for two they are decimating the deer population

There is a reason that our forefathers eliminated them.

Zero is the ideal population.

The population should be zero? Why do we need any?

Or less

Zero wolves

Seen 5 2nd day of gun season, Nov. 16. Never seen a deer

Sad when you go to the UP to deer hunt and for 2 years straight and 12 guys in camp nobody sees not one deer and wolf tracks are everywhere!

Zero wolf in Michigan would be gr ee's at

I hunted in Kenton last year. We had 3 different wolf in counters. One charged in to a grunt call. I saw 4 deer all week hunting

They eat all our fucking deer... going downhill right in front of ours eyes

I think the wolves have been completely recovered for a long time and should remain under State Management. Although I would leave it up to MI DNR Wildlife Biologists to come up with the appropriate wolf population level.

The population should be 0.

To many wolves only means venison is being taken out of the mouths of the hungry

Seen over 20 different wolves on my bear baits and deer baits this year Chippewa county Michigan

There is a reason humans almost killed them off once before. There are enough coyotes to control rabbits, varmits and other pests. The wolf population has been on the rise for years and it is starting to get out of hand.

we have way too many

trapping will be most effective along with open season during firearm deer season

OR LESS

There's no need to irradiate the entire species, but the number have been climbing steadily and need to be managed

None

The population should be ZERO just like it was before you planted the useless things

The DNR has failed to manage our deer herd,

There are far to many wolves in the Upper Peninsula

I would rather have chosen a population of 0. Our elders killed them off for a reason. Just a week or so ago a friend of mine was waiting for her hunting partner to pick her up after hunting. He was hunting further down the road. When he came she was standing in the middle of the road with her rifle in the ready position. She burst into that truck. "The wolves followed me out and have been circling me this whole time!" Now what if he had shot a deer that evening and was a while later picking her up? I'm sick of being afraid to go out in my own yard at night. I'm sick of being afraid to let my kids play outside. I'm sick of friends losing pets to them. I'm sick of friends losing livestock to them. It's really easy to say, "but they are such a beautiful animal" when your not the one that has to live with them. Also there are apparently practically no deer left for humans. I live in a winter deer yard. Over the last 10 years the numbers have dropped dramatically. We feed the deer in the winter and enjoy seeing them visit every year. When we started feeding them about 35-40 would show up daily. Fast forward 10 years. Last year only 6 came...

I guess iam not sure what the population should be. But I do know there are to many in chippewa county

Pop. Should be lower than 200!

Less than 200

I appreciate what you do but it's on deaf ears of NRC

How about zero

Make it an purchase license not a drawing.

I feel there should be less than 100

should be 0 wolfs

Zero would be good 👍

less is better !

They've had years to prepare. The EUP is in a critical situation. The scientific management of all game species including the wolf was agreed on years ago.

We need to manage this wolf population. It is getting out of hand in the U.P. i live in Alger county

Desperately needed in schoolcraft and makinaw counties

2021 Hunt.

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All I can say is that its about time

There numbers are to high in the upper Peninsula

We do not need wolves here in the UP with harsh winters, over hunting, native hunting and other predators are deer herd has been devastated. Control the predators and go to one buck tag for all hunters including natives.

Something needs to be done

Every year the after the puts out its wolf population, half should be trapped and spread out evenly in three region in the lower peninsula.

The hunting has gotten worse each year since the wolves have made a comeback.

Good luck

Open a season

Kill them all. Every old beaver pond I use to fish now is gone and wolf tracks all over the place. Killed all the beavers. Ruined all the fishing.

100 would be even better

Wolves have a place in Michigan but they need management. Educating urban white voters is the best course of action to maintain support!

Really need to get rid of some of the wolves in the 49912 area

I believe the population should be healthy and stable, not put a number on it.

The wolf population in the UP is decimating other animal populations.

There are INSANE number of wolves in the UP, so please stop saying there is not

I am from upper mi, I think we should be able to have a hunt on the wolves, this year alone I seen more wolves this year while hunting. The wolves are killing our deer up here. I also think that lower mi should not have a say in it they are the ones not dealing with the problem we are up here. Thank you

I feel that the wolf population should be kept at 10%above t minimum requirement to keep them off the endangered species list

Eastern U.P. hunting is terrible. Wolf tracks everywhere. No deer or birds. Sat all gun season to see 4 deer.

There needs to be some way to keep them in check, along with the deer herd

No trapping

I think that this is way overdue.

Would like them reduced as far as possible, deer will be on endangered list if we don't do something

I am not a biologist so who am I to say what the population of wolf's should be



I'd bet there's 3 to 5 in the UP this year. It's a bit much. A small number of wolves can accomplish what they do to "fit" into the ecosystem. This is just overkill in many senses.

No more than 200 statewide. All of those preferably Ann Arbor and south.

From being out in my local area I can see that we have a stable local population of wolves. I have routinely encountered them physically as well as seeing mass amounts of travel patterns. I feel the Upper Peninsula has a greater surplus of wolves than what is reported. I also feel not being able to manage that population is starting to strain not only our prey population but other predators, such as coyotes. It would be to the benefit of our deer and other animal populations to be able to manage the wolves through trapping and hunting seasons.

No the DNR should not manage the wolf. Leave it to the landowners! The number to strive for is Zero fucking wolves! Zero!

Herds are decimated and much land also overrun by coyotes. Fawns aren't making it. The deer herd needs help and antler restrictions aren't getting it done.

Or 0

Zero

Thank you !

Too many currently, my family has a place in Moran MI and were seeing many on trail cams....the coyote population needs to be greatly reduced as well....put a bounty on them

I am a avid coyote / predator hunting , I have had two packs of 7 wolves come into my calls on separate occasions 25 miles apart . Almost everyone I go I hear wolves. I have numerous videos of wolves, time for a season!!

Less than 200 would be ideal

I don't know what the right number of wolves is, that's a decision for the DNR biologist.

DNR claims we're at around 400, I'd say we have double that amount

The population should be zero!!

Less DNR management the better. Season, limits, and methods should exactly match coyotes.

They have completely killed off ALL the deer in our area. East of Grand Marais.

I believe there should be the balance that was first quoted 200-250 As well as a better look into our rotation on harvesting our mast bearing trees. The poor shape our herd is in is not a one sided thing. It's a multiple level of many failures.

Less than 200 it's not like you can go out and view them and they are proven to be decimating the deer herd

Zero would be better.

The population should be zero, if you hunt deer you should agree with me.

Dnr can't even manage the deer herd!!! They've done nothing except Jack it all up!!

WAY to many wolves in the U.P. and they need to be controlled.

They need to be controlled. Just like other predators. Otherwise we aren't going to have much wildlife left up here

I think we would need to see the data, on the reproduction rate to figure out desired population number

Population should not be enlarged. The dnr should not have worked so hard to raise the population while working to destroy deer herds.

The wolf population should be 0

I understand the need fo

Please learn from the past mistakes. Wolves kill every wildlife in an area and move to the next. Michigan hunters are going out of state to hunt and spend their money. Wolves are more populated than the DNR cares to admit. They are out of control and need to be managed and not just a few. Most of them need to be removed

Way to many...they are destroying the deer herd that many depend on for food.

There are too many wolves.

You are losing so much money because deer hunters won't come back.

It's time to manage our resources instead of pandering to special interest organizations

They are a predator and should be hunted as such!!!

Notes from the original meetings involving all stakeholders including the Sierra Club and other animal rights groups reflect a agreement that once Wolves reach 100 they could be managed. It now seems that most scientific biological groups feel 200 is a sustainable number. Let's manage them by slowly reducing the number to find a sustainable number.

Population is super high here in the EUP... causing deer number to be at an low number. Hunters are disgruntled

200 or less. A lot of lost revenue with no game animals to hunt.

Should be less then 200. There is no more deer in the EUP. THEY HAVE DEPLETED THE HERD!! THERE IS ALREADY TO MANY PREDATORS!!! We have counted less then 6 deer in an are as big as a Mile square where we hunt. Soon there will be no deer left to hunt. I have bought a lisc since I was old enough to hunt. I have seen good populations and bad. This is the all.time worst. I goes years and not shoot any deer as I let them go if they are not mature or more than a six point. I believe the Mackinac Bridge reported less than 1800 deer. That's a HUGE drop since 2013. Something is wrong. Hunting land and camps will be given away as no one will want to purchase land that's not worthy of hunting.

This year while sitting in the woods all day for a week, I saw just one doe. In past years I could expect to see multiple deer each day but now it's almost nothing. I've seen a big increase in wolf numbers, as they show up on my trail cams. I'd like to see the population brought down to 200 because the wolf herd is way out of balance. As an active duty military member I only get to come home and hunt the UP a very short time each year. I truly hope things turn around soon.

Without a future controlled season, there will be no checks and balance allowing the population to grow to overwhelming levels.

This needs to be done soon. Wolf are okay in the upper peninsula but need to be properly managed.

Have family that hunt up there and they have had plenty of run ins with the wolves.

thin them out

Wolves have ruined our traditional hunting camp, lowered our property value and caused us to travel to our property much less. This has greatly reduced the money we spend in the area.

The deer heard has been so depleted from the wolves that the last 2 yrs I've seen more wolves then I have deer. Last yr 2 deer all season and 8 wolves. This yr 0 deer all season and 1 wolf. Thinking about just spending my deer seasons I. The lower peninsula from now on.

Stopped hunting in the UP for deer. See more wolves than deer

They killed of all the deer in Covinton can't even hunt at my own camp anymore sad

Population should be as low as possible to bring back better deer hunting in the UP.

0 they were eradicated back in the day for a reason

0 worst deer season ever had

I don't think there should be any wolves in the U.p.

Hunting should start immediately

Trapping is a must! Last time around quota numbers only achieved 50% of what could be taken!

I have been hunting the U.P. For over 50 years and I have never seen so little deer it is very disheartening. Wolf tracks everywhere I even got a few on camera. We need wolf management now or deer hunting in the U.P. Is doomed

Less than 100

Michigan needs sound scientific management of the species

Enough is enough. Time to send these Apex predators packing

They have taken our area over.

Please do this before it gets more out of hand!

If we had no wolves it would be the best there a terrible killer of all valued wildlife

Follow Wisconsin's lead.

I suppose it's easy to point the finger at the wolf for the steady decline of quality hunting in Michigan. Surely I wish they were the main problem but without having smaller management units for the UP, I do not believe there will be much change until we rearrange these units. The UP is drastically different from one end to the other. I've worked for the DNR before and quite frankly, there is not enough man power to get the job done. What I'd like to see is each field office across the UP have its own wildlife team to help establish a way to effectively control and manage animal populations. Thanks for the time reading this if you do....

Poor deer sightings this year. Some of the worst I've experienced. Really need to do something about these wolves. People are starting to feel unsafe walking into the woods

The wolves need to be managed by hunters and trappers not by bureaucrats

I see more wolf tracks than deer tracks where I hunt . The deer numbers are already too low as it is the wolves need to be controlled.

If the Michigan DNR wants to keep their funding steady they need a big healthy deer population, and that requires a very small wolf population

Here's how to get the largest money grab ever for MDNR. Wolf tag same price as deer combo tag, pick a date when hunting them starts and ends with a 24 hour mandatory registration, from that point on let the trappers get the numbers to an acceptable level!

Should kill all the wolves and let the UP have a nice healthy deee and moose herd

The wolf herd is out of hand. They are decimating the revenue, sporting animals (small game, deer, turkey and some bear). It makes zero sense why the DNR would want an animal that is going to deter people from hunting and take away revenue from the state.

The number of wolves should be controlled by the area/county like the deer population or turkey. First find out how many there are in an area and control that to a reasonable number.

Yes to a controlled season, but people illegally taking wolves should still be harshly penalized!

Must have wolves. DNR should know the stable amount the UP can handle. Hardly pays to have a camp and all the cost . Seen less the 10 all season.

Kill all the wolves

All wild life populations needs to managed.

The season should be run like Wisconsin's was the first time. Management areas with kill quotas by hunting and trapping. Not just focusing on "problem packs" that Michigan did the first time.

There should be a reasonable time for a season. Not to long but not short

Less than 200

The population is getting to the point that our deer herd in many areas are struggling. If nothing is done very soon there will not be enough deer to harvest for human consumption this taking away from the businesses that thrive during that magical time of year.

Might as well regulate and benefit with paying conservationist.

The population should be zero

Personally 200 is too high in my opinion with the deer herd the way it is. Relocate em if you don't want us killing em isle royale needs wolves

Need to limit these wolves. Really harming other populations

get rid of them

The coyotes are a major issue as well. What can we do to control their population?

The wolf population is out of control and needs to be thinned out

The population should be what ever the land can support. I do think they should be regulated.

Not sure why we need the wolves in the U.P. with our winters and hunters we can control the deer population on our own

I support over the counter license sales for a nominal fee(not \$100 like WI is proposing), and when the quota(whatever Wildlife Division determines) is met, the hunt ends.

Deer herd has rapidly dropped in the last 4 years. Areas we see sign now have zero sign of deer. We are looking for other places to hunt. The UP deer population is dismal.

200 if they have to keep some. Personally I think it should be down to 50 at the most

The UP deer herd is currently very low and a management wolf hunt should be instituted as soon as possible.

The wolves came thru my area and cleaned out ALL the deer !! Its extremely creepy to go into the woods and not hear a single thing !! 0 wildlife now

Seriously, the wolf population is getting way to high in areas of the U.P. of Michigan

Hunted the past 40 years in Eastern UP. Way too many wolves the past 5 years especially. Decimating the deer population including mature bucks. We have to get this in check. Wolves regularly viewed and on trail cam. Saw 15 on a kill in Oct.

Way overpopulated now causing many conflicts and an economic downturn due to lack of deer. Also hard to run dogs for fear of them being killed

The wolves population should be zero

Sad when you hear more wolves than you see deer

We need a wolf hunt ASAP.

I agree with hunting wolves. Predators need to stay in check also

I'd like to see a state managed 2021 trapping and hunting season.

Number of wolves being harvested depend on the true/accurate population of the wolves in the UP.

We are over run East of I 75. I call a tremendous amount of wolves in while coyote hunting and their sign is everywhere

Wolves are overwhelmingly overpopulated and need to be managed

Zero for population! We have enough coyotes!

Everything needs checks and balances to be able to survive, if the DNR can implement the same management for the wolves as they do the deer in the UP we'll have no wolves in no time

Or less they way they have taken down the deer herd. And problems with farming.

I think 200 is a balanced number. The wolf has its place in the eco system but with the numbers we're at now, the ecosystem is way out of balance. I've watched the deer herd go almost to nothing while the wolves have done nothing but increase in numbers. I'm in the eastern UP and I cover a lot of ground on my ATV, truck, bike, and by foot. And almost every time I will see wolf tracks before I see deer tracks. I would truly like to see the ecosystem get back where it should be.

It's not about the number over the entire UP it's about the size and relative proximity of the packs. I am not against a few packs but when there is multiple large packs in one area that's horrible for all the deer, coyote and fox although the rabbit/hare and birds come up a little but it's sad with a low deer population and chases out young hunters that are already on the decline

Although a beautiful animal in pictures, etc...I never liked that the wolf was brought back into the UP. There's a reason they were removed from here years ago. I worry about how it will be in another 10-20 years, for deer, farm animals, family pets, etc.

I don't think we should have them at all

Regulate wolves because we are loosing our deer herd

I hunt near Strongs in the U. P. And last year the Wolves moved in and slaughtered the deer herd around here. I've hunted here for 50 years and this the first time that there wasn't any deer hung at the buck pole at Strongs Corners. Something needs to be done!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The wolves have decimated the deer population to the point where we only saw three deer in a weeks hunt between four guys.

Wolves are everywhere and have found multiple wolf kills this season

Would like to see a wolf hunting season

Should be like coyote season, or if state wants to make some \$ issue license

we see tons of track's and cam pic's of wolf's. there was 14 hunters in our camp that has been hunting seney for 30 year's and we normally do well but this year no one has got a deer.

Nothing but complaining with hunters who hunt the UP.. some guys see more wolves than deer on a hunt.. this is a problem

The numbers are way off and trapping them may give you a better idea how abundant they really are also allowing farmers to manage there problems would be a step in the right direction seeing as we have screwed them over for years

Do we really need timber wolves at all?

The grey wolf have taken over in the upper peninsula. The population has not been controlled and im afraid its to late. Many businesses that thrive on deer hunters are taking a hit because people are realizing its not worth it to come to the upper peninsula to hunt. Us sportsmen have spent more than enough money to create a healthy deer herd but with the unmanageable wolf population we are wasting our money. The wolf populates more than any animal in the woods and thrives better as well. They have no predator and without a management plan the upper peninsula as we once knew it will be a thing of the past.

We need an open hunting season on these predators..

Wolves should be zero

Discretion of today's hunters is highly suspect

Worst deer season I've had, could hear wolves all around me while hunting very Erie feeling, something needs to happen . Thanks Ryan Northern Marquette county

There was no choice for less then 200

S.S.S. git ur Dunnn.

Should be over the counter sales until the quota is met.

If we're forced to have wolves then stick to the original goal of 200 animals in Michigan and Wisconsin combined. Wolves are not endangered. North America only has one true species of wolf, the Grey Wolf. There's over 60,000 in Canada alone. Contrary to popular belief, wolves don't stabilize ecosystems, they destabilize them. Humans are the apex predator in Michigan. Wolves are non-essential and have decimated the deer herd. 30K deer are killed annually by wolves in the UP. That has about destroyed the hunting economy. I don't buy for one second that wolf tourism generates any revenue. People answer survey questions about wolves from their living room downstate and say they vacation to see wolves. We all know that's BS. Heck, the state biologists would have a difficult time finding them without radio telemetry. The whole wolf debate is a farce based on propaganda from animal rights groups. The DNR needs to wake up and knock the population back to a few packs. It's ridiculous it has taken this long.

200 or less

They have no threat of anything, and that is going end up bad in the long run.

Too many seasons, bag limits too generous

With the shortage of deer in the U.P. the carrying number has to be low so the deer numbers can rebound. The winters vary so much with winter kill that its hard to say how many deer you have from year to year. But we have to cut the wolf population under 200 animals.

But they need to start counting east of I 75

Have a lottery hunt by any legal means. Mandatory check in

Haven't bought a deer license in 3yrs

Wolf Season should open on Jan 5th 2021.

The less the better

Way too many of them up there. Gunna kill the economy in the UP if we can't control them and get the deer herd back to good numbers

Haven't seen a legal buck to harvest in two seasons now. Hunting bow, rifle & muzzleloader season. Not good!

Zero should be the target.

They have no natural predators except Humans so we need to control the balance plus they have no economic value and destroy everything that brings people to the UP

I have seen fewer deer this Deer Season then in seasons past. The wolves may not be killing but the track they make are on deer trails and tracks. The deer know they are around. The deer will not stay where Wolves are present.

Extremely way to many wolves in Houghton and iron counties.

Please manage getting scary out there

None. They have literally destroyed the deer population

Does there have to be any?

have around 1000 take down to 200

We were fine for a hundred years without them. Worst reintroduction ever. Starting with Dr David Mech back in 1974

Right now they out number the deer there is more out there then the DNR say there is