

Moose Fact Sheet

Moose are found throughout the province of Manitoba ranging south from the U.S border, north to the Nunavut Territory. Until recently, there has been only an occasional report of moose in the prairie region of southern Manitoba, but populations have now become established in the Pembina and Souris River Valleys. They are also found in Spruce Woods Provincial Forest and Turtle Mountain Provincial Park in southwestern Manitoba from where they were absent until as late as the early 1970's.



The moose population in Manitoba is about 27,000 animals. Populations in accessible southern areas are at lower than desired levels. The demand for consumptive use of moose continues to exceed supply in the more accessible areas. Discussions with user groups regarding moose population recovery are ongoing. First Nations, Métis and licensed hunters actively harvest the moose. Equitable distribution of sustainable harvest, providing opportunity for all stakeholders, will require constructive consultation.

As additional forestry and recreational development occurs east of Lake Winnipeg and north and east of The Pas, more intensive management will be required to ensure that the moose population can be maintained.



