

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife
BEAR ACTIVITY REPORT

Jan 1 - May 21 Period

| | | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>% Change</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| NOTE: This report contains sightings and complaints reported to DEP and does not include incidents handled by police departments without DEP assistance. | | 17 | 15 | 13.33% |
| Summary | Total: | 473 | 221 | 114.03% |
| | Sightings: | 99 | 53 | 86.79% |
| | Damage & Nuisance: | 374 | 168 | 122.62% |

| Category I | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>% Change</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| AGRICULTURE | 1 | 1 | |
| ATTEMPTED HOME ENTRY | 3 | 1 | |
| UNPROVOKED DOG ATTACK | 2 | 0 | |
| HUMAN ATTACK | 1 | 0 | |
| HOME ENTRY | 1 | 1 | |
| LIVESTOCK KILL (Prior to 2016) * | * | * | |
| PROTECTED LIVESTOCK (New) | 23 | 7 | |
| PROPERTY DAMAGE | 3 | 0 | |
| PROTECTED HIVE | 1 | 1 | |
| RABBIT ATTACK (Prior to 2016) * | * | * | |
| AGGRESSIVE | 16 | 4 | |
| TENT ENTRY | 0 | 0 | |
| VEHICLE ENTRY | 2 | 0 | |
| | 53 | 15 | 253.33% |

| Category II | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| CAMP SITE | 0 | 0 | |
| PROVOKED DOG ATTACK | 1 | 1 | |
| GARBAGE | 99 | 33 | |
| NUISANCE | 93 | 46 | |
| PROPERTY DAMAGE | 27 | 11 | |
| UNPROTECTED LIVESTOCK (New) | 1 | 4 | |
| UNPROTECTED HIVE *** | 2 | 0 | |
| OTHER | 0 | 0 | |
| | 223 | 95 | 134.74% |

| Category III | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| BIRD FEEDER | 15 | 5 | |
| FOUND DEAD | 1 | 5 | |
| INJURED BEAR | 18 | 9 | |
| ILLEGAL KILL | 0 | 0 | |
| OTHER | 35 | 26 | |
| SIGHTING | 99 | 53 | |
| URBAN BEAR | 2 | 1 | |
| VEHICLE STRIKE | 24 | 12 | |
| | 194 | 111 | 74.77% |

* Incident type total now divided between protected and unprotected livestock

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| Overall Incidents | | | |
|------------------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Number of Counties: 18 | 2022 | 2021 | % Change |
| ATLANTIC | | 1 | |
| BERGEN | 28 | 7 | |
| BURLINGTON | 8 | | |
| CAMDEN | 1 | 1 | |
| CUMBERLAND | 1 | 1 | |
| ESSEX | 1 | 3 | |
| GLOUCESTER | 1 | 1 | |
| HUNTERDON | 32 | 17 | |
| MERCER | 3 | 1 | |
| MIDDLESEX | 5 | 2 | |
| MONMOUTH | 3 | | |
| MORRIS | 78 | 43 | |
| OCEAN | 1 | | |
| PASSAIC | 27 | 13 | |
| SOMERSET | 27 | 16 | |
| SUSSEX | 169 | 86 | |
| UNION | 4 | 4 | |
| WARREN | 84 | 25 | |
| Total | 473 | 221 | 114.03% |

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