

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife
BEAR ACTIVITY REPORT

Jan 1 - Dec 31 Period

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</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.		20	19	5.26%
Summary	Total:	767	1408	-45.53%
	Sightings:	205	348	-41.09%
	Damage & Nuisance:	562	1,060	-46.98%

Category I		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>% Change</u>
	AGRICULTURE	26	32	
	ATTEMPTED HOME ENTRY	2	0	
	UNPROVOKED DOG ATTACK	0	2	
	HUMAN ATTACK	0	1	
	HOME ENTRY	4	16	
	LIVESTOCK KILL (Prior to 2016) *	*	*	
	PROTECTED LIVESTOCK (New)	31	4	
	PROPERTY DAMAGE	1	0	
	PROTECTED HIVE	2	4	
	RABBIT ATTACK (Prior to 2016) *	*	*	
	AGGRESSIVE	7	12	
	TENT ENTRY	0	1	
	VEHICLE ENTRY	2	2	
		<u>75</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>1.35%</u>

Category II		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
	CAMP SITE	0	0	
	PROVOKED DOG ATTACK	1	2	
	GARBAGE	97	216	
	NUISANCE	135	267	
	PROPERTY DAMAGE	29	65	
	UNPROTECTED LIVESTOCK (New)	8	34	
	UNPROTECTED HIVE ***	1	16	
	OTHER	0	0	
		<u>271</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>-54.83%</u>

Category III		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
	BIRD FEEDER	13	27	
	FOUND DEAD	10	7	
	INJURED BEAR	56	53	
	ILLEGAL KILL	0	1	
	OTHER	71	129	
	SIGHTING	204	348	
	URBAN BEAR	1	2	
	VEHICLE STRIKE	59	162	
		<u>414</u>	<u>729</u>	<u>-43.21%</u>

* Incident type total now divided between protected and unprotected livestock

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Overall Incidents

Number of Counties: 20	2021	2020	% Change
ATLANTIC	4	5	
BERGEN	40	75	
BURLINGTON	2	12	
CAMDEN	1	12	
CUMBERLAND	3	1	
ESSEX	18	4	
GLOUCESTER	3	23	
HUDSON	1	5	
HUNTERDON	73	85	
MERCER	7	7	
MIDDLESEX	8	16	
MONMOUTH	3	2	
MORRIS	126	238	
OCEAN	2	7	
OUT OF STATE	1		
PASSAIC	38	149	
SOMERSET	50	47	
SUSSEX	272	504	
UNION	8	25	
WARREN	107	191	
Total	767	1,408	-45.53%

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