

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife
BEAR ACTIVITY REPORT

Jan 1 - Dec 21 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:	759	1400	-45.79%
	Sightings:	205	347	-40.92%
	Damage & Nuisance:	554	1,053	-47.39%

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)	30	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>74</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>0.00%</u>

Category II		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
	CAMP SITE	0	0	
	PROVOKED DOG ATTACK	1	2	
	GARBAGE	95	216	
	NUISANCE	134	266	
	PROPERTY DAMAGE	29	65	
	UNPROTECTED LIVESTOCK (New)	8	34	
	UNPROTECTED HIVE ***	1	15	
	OTHER	0	0	
		<u>268</u>	<u>598</u>	<u>-55.18%</u>

Category III		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
	BIRD FEEDER	13	27	
	FOUND DEAD	10	7	
	INJURED BEAR	54	51	
	ILLEGAL KILL	0	1	
	OTHER	70	127	
	SIGHTING	204	347	
	URBAN BEAR	1	2	
	VEHICLE STRIKE	58	161	
		<u>410</u>	<u>723</u>	<u>-43.29%</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	71	83	
MERCER	7	7	
MIDDLESEX	8	16	
MONMOUTH	3	2	
MORRIS	123	238	
OCEAN	2	7	
OUT OF STATE	1		
PASSAIC	37	145	
SOMERSET	50	46	
SUSSEX	271	504	
UNION	8	25	
WARREN	106	190	
Total	759	1,400	-45.79%

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