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1. Do you hunt Whitetail's in New York? (Required)

YES	3286	99%
NO	18	1%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3304

2. Are you a RESIDENT of NY or NON-RESIDENT? (Required)

RESIDENT	3156	95%
NON-RESIDENT	149	5%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3305

3. Did you purchase a NYS Big game license for the 2007-2008 season? (Required)

YES	3184	97%
NO	85	3%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3269

4. What age group do you fall into? (Required)

16-25 years old	153	5%
26-35 years old	443	14%
36-45 years old	890	27%
46-55 years old	870	27%
56-65 years old	696	21%
66+ years old	218	7%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3270

5. How long have you hunted Whitetail's in NYS? (Required)

1-10 years	369	11%
11-20 years	637	19%
21 + years	2293	69%
Never	9	0%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3308

6. What weapon(s) do you hunt Whitetail's with? Check all that apply. (Required)

Shotgun	2416	24%
Rifle	2157	21%
Pistol	790	8%
Muzzleloader	2203	22%
Bow	2548	25%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		10114

7. Do you hunt. (Required)

State Land	1765	36%
Private Property	3112	64%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		4877

8. What Region(s) do you hunt in? (Required)

Region 1	122	3%
Region 2	33	1%

Region 3	411	9%
Region 4	602	13%
Region 5	449	10%
Region 6	552	12%
Region 7	910	20%
Region 8	777	17%
Region 9	683	15%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		4539

9. IF you own your own land, do you grant permission to others who ask to hunt your property?

YES	955	49%
NO	999	51%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		1954

10. If NO, what are some of your reasons for doing so.

11. Are you happy with the current Whitetail management practices of the NYS DEC? (Required)

YES	1160	35%
NO	2165	65%
Total Number of Choices		3325

12. Are you happy with the current Habitat management practices of the NYS DEC? (Required)

YES	1290	39%
NO	2030	61%
Total Number of Choices		3320

13. What improvements would you like to see regarding State Land? (Required)

Parking	739	13%
Trails	680	12%
Selective timber cutting	1845	32%
Food plots	1764	31%
Other	649	11%
Total Number of Choices		3320

14. What method(s) or reporting your harvest would you prefer? (Required)

Phone	1663	34%
On-line	1929	39%
Mailing	832	17%
Mandatory Check Station	464	9%
Other	54	1%
Total Number of Choices		3320

15. NY currently has one of the longest Regular/Firearm seasons in the country, Ex. 2007 Southern Tier, 32 days, includes Muzzleloading. What is the longest amount of firearm season you would like to see? (Required)

1 Week	186	6%
2 Week's	555	17%

3 Week's	717	22%
4 Week's	1868	56%

Total Number of Choices **3326**

16. NY currently has one of the oldest age requirement's of all states for Whitetail hunting, 16 years old for firearms and 14 years old for junior bowhunting. Would you like to see the age lowered? (Required)

NO	811	24%
YES - 14 Years old	995	29%
YES - 12 Years old	1093	32%
YES - 10 Years old	323	10%
Other	174	5%

17. NY has one of the safest accident records with no mandatory orange requirements, do you believe the State should mandate Hunter Orange during the Regular/Firearms season with the exception of Archery only areas. (Required)

YES	1632	49%
NO	1675	51%

Total Number of Choices **3307**

18. NY's Doe harvest consist of roughly 30% Buttonbuck's, "a legally antlered deer must have one antler that is at least 3 inches or longer". Under the current law these are tagged with either a Doe Management Permit or Antlerless tag. Would you like to see Buttonbucks that are harvested tagged with the hunters Antler/Buck tag? (Required)

YES	1505	46%
NO	1801	54%

Total Number of Choices **3306**

19. Would you support making it illegal to spotlight big game during any big game season? (Required)

YES	2035	62%
NO	1271	38%

Total Number of Choices **3306**

20. Are you in favor of making it legal to hunt with a crossbow? (Required)

YES	1438	41%
NO	639	18%
Certain restrictions only	1391	40%

Total Number of Choices **3468**

21. If you chose "Certain restrictions only", what are some of the restrictions you would be ok with?

Age	843	24%
Physical Handicap	1515	44%
Medical Condition	906	26%
Other	178	5%

Total Number of Choices **3442**

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22. If you are in favor of making crossbows legal, what season(s) would you prefer it to be used in?

Archery	1309	43%
Regular/Firearms	627	21%
Crossbow Specific Season	476	16%
All season	638	21%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3050

23. Have you gone or considered going out of NY state to hunt Whitetails? (Required)

YES	2210	67%
NO		

31. Would you take the time to do a short survey from the NYS DEC at the time of purchasing your hunting license to help with hunting related issues? (Required)

YES	3104	94%
NO	199	6%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3303

32. With license sales down 150,000 hunters this year (2007), what do you think is the main reason responsible? (Choose one) (Required)

Newer hunters joining	627	12%
Veteren Hunters leaving	807	15%
Deer quality / Deer numbers	861	16%
Gas prices	401	7%
loss of hunting land / posted property / access to hunting areas	1857	34%
Age / Health	431	8%
Other	446	8%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		

. Are you in favor of the Saturday opener of Regular/Firearms season? (Required)

In favor	1391	42%
Not in favor	1034	31%
Doesn't matter	905	27%
<i>Total Number of Choices</i>		3330

26. Which ONE of these do you think is the BIGGEST problem to the Whitetail population? (Required)

Over population of deer	268	5%
Over hunting	322	6%
Loss of habitat	1073	20%
Poaching (using others tags, jacking, etc.)	809	15%
Habitat quality	674	12%
DMP's - Deer management permits	753	14%
Coyotes/Predators	1053	19%
Other	543	10%

27. Have you ever leased or considered leasing land to deer hunt on? (Required)		
YES	1502	45%
NO	1803	55%
Total Number of Choices	3305	
28. Have you ever planted or considered planting food plots? (Required)		
YES	2458	74%
NO	848	26%
Total Number of Choices	3306	
29. Would you be in favor of a new BUCK management program in certain Regions/Wildlife Management Areas. (Required)		
YES	2492	75%
NO	829	25%
Total Number of Choices	3321	
30. If yes to question 29 what type of management would you prefer?		
Point Restrictions	1638	35%
Spread Restriction	271	6%
Earn-a-buck (shoot doe first)	591	13%
1 Buck per year per hunter	842	18%
Buttonbucks tagged as bucks only	700	15%
Buck tag draws/lotto	52	1%
Doe hunting only for certain amount of time	401	9%
Other	136	3%
Total Number of Choices	4631	
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