

Summary of Florida's Nuisance Alligator Harvests from 1977 to 2008.

Year	Complaints Received	Permits Issued	Tags Issued	Alligators Harvested	Alligators Harvested per Tag Issued	Ave. Size of Alligator (ft.)	Est. Meat Produced (lbs.)
1977	709			535			
1978	4,914	2,346	3,124	1,871	0.60	7.0	
1979	4,639	2,486	3,321	1,679	0.51	6.7	3,617
1980	4,024	2,216	2,856	1,590	0.56	7.0	36,907
1981	4,931	2,622	3,318	1,871	0.56	7.2	58,656
1982	6,124	3,209	3,826	2,169	0.57	7.0	50,911
1983	5,955	3,003	3,550	1,871	0.53	6.9	53,528
1984	7,289	3,536	4,272	2,201	0.52	7.0	71,262
1985	6,432	6,187	6,187	3,023	0.49	7.2	90,100
1986	6,018	5,458	5,458	3,049	0.56	7.1	95,568
1987	7,288	6,618	6,618	3,853	0.58	7.1	110,625
1988	10,305	7,978	7,978	4,464	0.56		121,297
1989	9,867	7,076	7,076	4,263	0.60		116,000
1990	9,950	7,787	7,787	4,053	0.52		97,712
1991	11,965	8,297	8,297	4,228	0.51		101,930
1992	10,480	7,880	7,880	3,564	0.45		82,735
1993	12,089	9,032	9,032	4,019	0.44		96,858
1994	13,431	9,812	9,812	4,632	0.47		115,911
1995	13,615	10,171	10,171	4,931	0.48		106,382
1996	13,220	10,123	10,123	4,799	0.47		109,952
1997	14,984	12,019	12,019	4,305	0.36	7.4	110,936
1998	15,616	12,866	12,866	5,149	0.40	7.0	109,421
1999	14,828	12,412	12,412	5,263	0.42	7.0	111,844
2000	14,954	12,343	12,343	5,446	0.44	7.0	96,444
2001	16,749	14,085	14,085	7,204	0.51	6.9	121,365
2002	14,738	11,961	11,961	5,835	0.49	7.0	103,333
2003	17,161	13,873	13,873	5,841	0.42	7.0	103,439
2004	18,072	15,485	15,485	7,291	0.47	7.2	142,372
2005	16,858	15,346	15,981	9,134	0.57	7.1	169,913
2006	18,307	15,305	19,958	11,661	0.58	6.9	196,451
2007	13,429	11,253	14,768	10,349	0.70	6.9	174,348
2008	14,285	11,156	14,384	9,733	0.68	6.9	163,970
Totals	353,226	273,941	290,821	149,876			3,123,786
99-08 Ave.	15,938	13,322	14,525	7,776	0.53	7.0	138,348
2004-08 Ave.	16,190	13,709	16,115	9,634	0.60	7.0	169,411

Notes:

- (1) Complaints were limited to an 11-county area in 1977.
- (2) In 1977, permits and tags were issued in conjunction with a pilot study and were not comparable to 1978-present data.
- (3) During 1985-2004, only one tag was issued per permit. Multiple tags per permit were issued for other years.
- (4) Meat yield based on reports from nuisance alligator trappers during 1979-1996.
- (5) Meat yield was estimated based on the average size of nuisance alligators and average estimated meat yield of 30% during 1997-1999.
- (5) Meat yield was estimated based on the average size of nuisance alligators and average estimated meat yield of 25% during 2000 to present.