

2016 MICHIGAN ELK LICENSE DRAWING

Applicants Eligible for a 2016 Elk Hunting License	33,375
Applied for a Chance Only (For Future Drawings)	3,855
Invalid Applications / Applicant Not Eligible To Apply	169
Total Applicants	37,399

Elk licenses are awarded to hunters using a random weighted drawing system that began in 2003. After each annual drawing, one additional "chance" is awarded to unsuccessful applicants for future drawings. In 2016, elk applicants could have as many as 13 chances from previous drawings (2003 - 2015). Each applicant's current-year application also counts as one chance in the drawing, for a total of 14 possible chances per applicant in the 2016 drawing.

Any-Elk Licenses

All eligible applicants are included in the drawing for Any-Elk licenses. Hunters selected for an Any-Elk license may harvest either a bull elk or an antlerless elk.

<u>Chances</u>	<u>Applicants</u>	<u>Total Chances in Drawing (Chances X Applicants)</u>	<u>Licenses Awarded</u>
1	6,844	6,844	4
2	3,283	6,566	1
3	2,173	6,519	2
4	1,784	7,136	1
5	1,735	8,675	3
6	1,457	8,742	2
7	1,639	11,473	2
8	1,714	13,712	3
9	1,703	15,327	4
10	1,691	16,910	5
11	1,902	20,922	5
12	2,379	28,548	11
13	2,484	32,292	7
14	2,587	36,218	10
	33,375	219,884	60

Antlerless Elk Licenses

Eligible applicants who are not selected for an Any Elk license are eligible for an Antlerless Elk license if they selected "Bull or Antlerless" on their application. "Bull-Only" applicants are not included in the drawing for an Antlerless Elk license. Hunters selected for an Antlerless Elk license may harvest an antlerless elk only.

<u>Chances</u>	<u>Applicants</u>	<u>Total Chances in Drawing (Chances X Applicants)</u>	<u>Licenses Awarded</u>
1	4,162	4,162	5
2	1,854	3,708	3
3	1,128	3,384	4
4	875	3,500	3
5	809	4,045	4
6	647	3,882	6
7	734	5,138	8
8	696	5,568	7
9	697	6,273	10
10	718	7,180	10
11	810	8,910	8
12	1,024	12,288	23
13	1,101	14,313	26
14	1,102	15,428	23
	16,357	97,779	140