

2009 Virginia Spring Gobbler Season Survey

1. How many days did you scout before the season? _____
2. How many hunters did you encounter during the season? _____
3. Did you have any interference from another hunter during the 2009 season? 1. Yes 2. No
4. Indicate the weapon, distance, shot size, whether the gobbler(s) you shot at this spring were killed, crippled, or missed, and time.

Bird Number	Weapon	Shotgun Shot Size	Distance (yards)	Time Shot (AM or PM)	Killed(1) Crippled (2) Missed (3)
<i>Example</i>	<i>Shotgun</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>8:15AM</i>	<i>1</i>
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

5. Do you favor limiting spring gobbler hunters to shot size number 4 or smaller? 1. Yes 2. No
6. Did you see any illegal turkey hunting during the 2009 spring gobbler season (check all that apply)?

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. None	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Hunting before season
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Trespassing	<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Over the limit
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Shooting before or after hours	<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Killing a hen
<input type="checkbox"/> 7. Other _____	
7. Has the recession impacted:
 The number of days you hunted? 1. Yes 2. No
 Money you spent on equipment? 1. Yes 2. No
8. If you hunt on private lands, is it owned by?
 1. You 2. Family 3. Friends 4. Hunt Club
 5. Other
9. On the lands that you hunt, do you do any habitat management for wild turkeys? 1. Yes 2. No 3. Not applicable
10. Do you typically feed turkeys over-winter on the lands you hunt?
 1. Yes 2. No 3. Not applicable

11. Would you support a \$10 "Habitat Stamp" to raise monies to purchase and manage public hunting and fishing areas?
 1. Yes 2. No
12. How would you rate your overall 2009 spring season?
 1. Excellent 2. Good 3. Fair
 4. Poor 5. No opinion
13. Did you take a youth hunting on the youth spring gobbler hunting day in 2009? 1. Yes 2. No
14. If you answered no to question 13, why did you choose not to take a youth hunting?
 1. Youth not available 2. Available youth not interested
 3. Did not have time 4. Do not have enough areas to hunt
 5. Not interested 6. Bad Weather
 7. Other
15. Do you typically try to "roost" gobblers the evening before you hunt?
 1. Yes 2. No
16. If you have roosted a gobbler, do you think your success increases?
 1. Yes 2. No 3. Not sure
17. Were the gobblers you shot alone, with hens, with other gobblers, or with both gobblers and hens. Please enter the bird's spur length (nearest 1/8 inch) and weight (if certified scales are available). Please record weight to the nearest ounce and whether the bird was weighed whole or dressed.

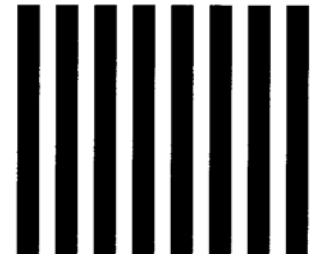
Bird Number	Date (MM/DD)	Alone (1) With Hens (2) With Gobblers (3) With both (4)	Spur Length (nearest 1/8)	Weight lb-oz. whole (w) dressed (d)
<i>Example</i>	<i>4/10</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>7/8</i>	<i>18-4 (w)</i>
1				
2				
3				

Remarks or observations (please include unusual experiences, opinions on hunting season regulations, weather, ect.).

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