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### Missouri - A Bump Back Up

**Forecast:** Following record low pheasant counts last summer, Missouri's ringneck population has rebounded, albeit slightly.

“Pheasant numbers were higher this year, as compared to last year in the northern part of the state, with numbers highest in the northeast and northwest portions of the state,” reports Beth Emmerich, Agricultural Wildlife Ecologist with the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Warmer, drier weather this year appeared in June, which likely increased later nesting efforts. Missouri's primary pheasant range is the northern 2 tiers of counties. Last year, 6,400 Missouri pheasant hunters bagged just under 20,000 roosters.

**Season Dates:** Varies by zone, consult regulations

**Daily Bag Limit:** Varies by zone, consult regulations

**Possession Limit:** Varies by zone, consult regulations

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- [Find a Missouri Pheasants Forever chapter](#)
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