

Bear Management in Seminole County for year 2024

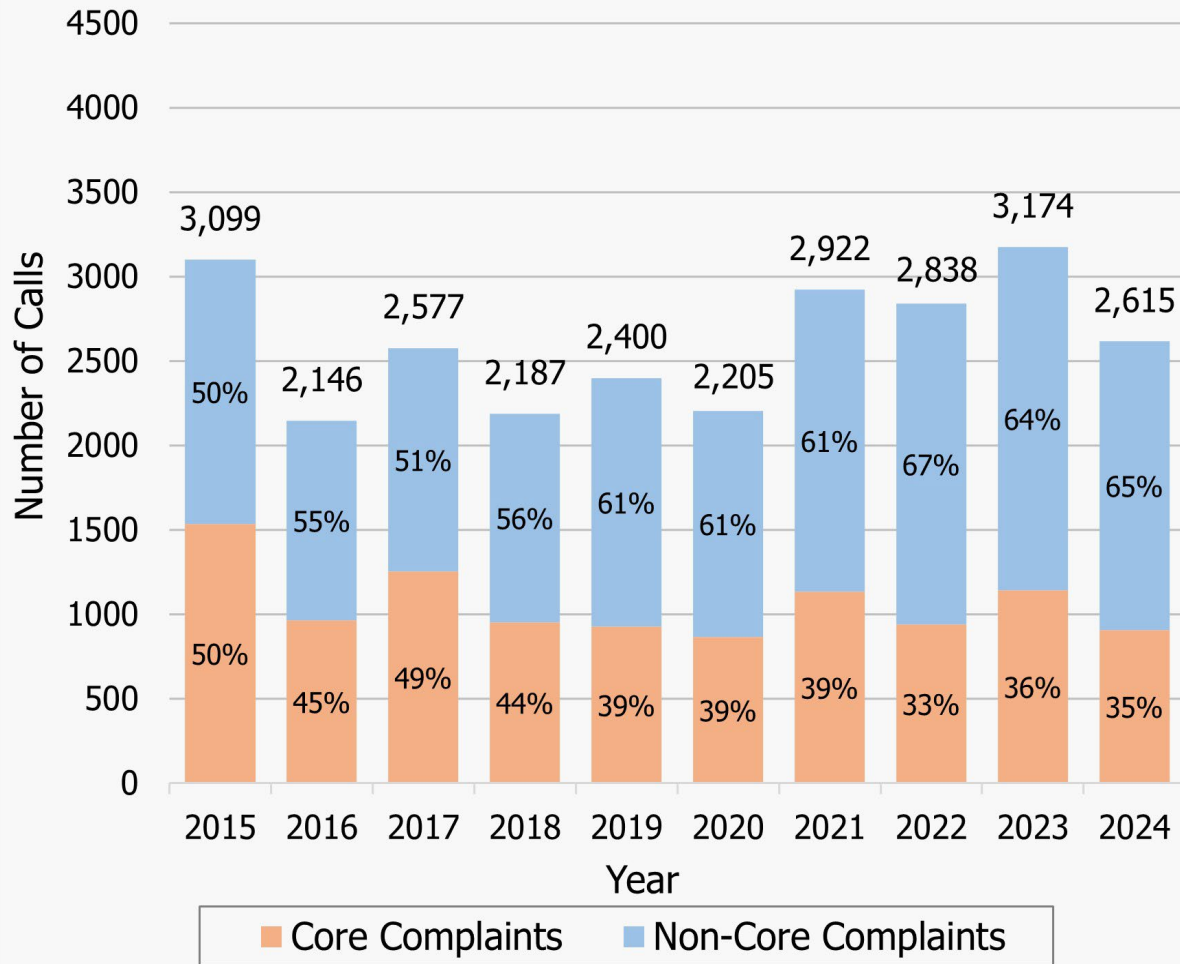
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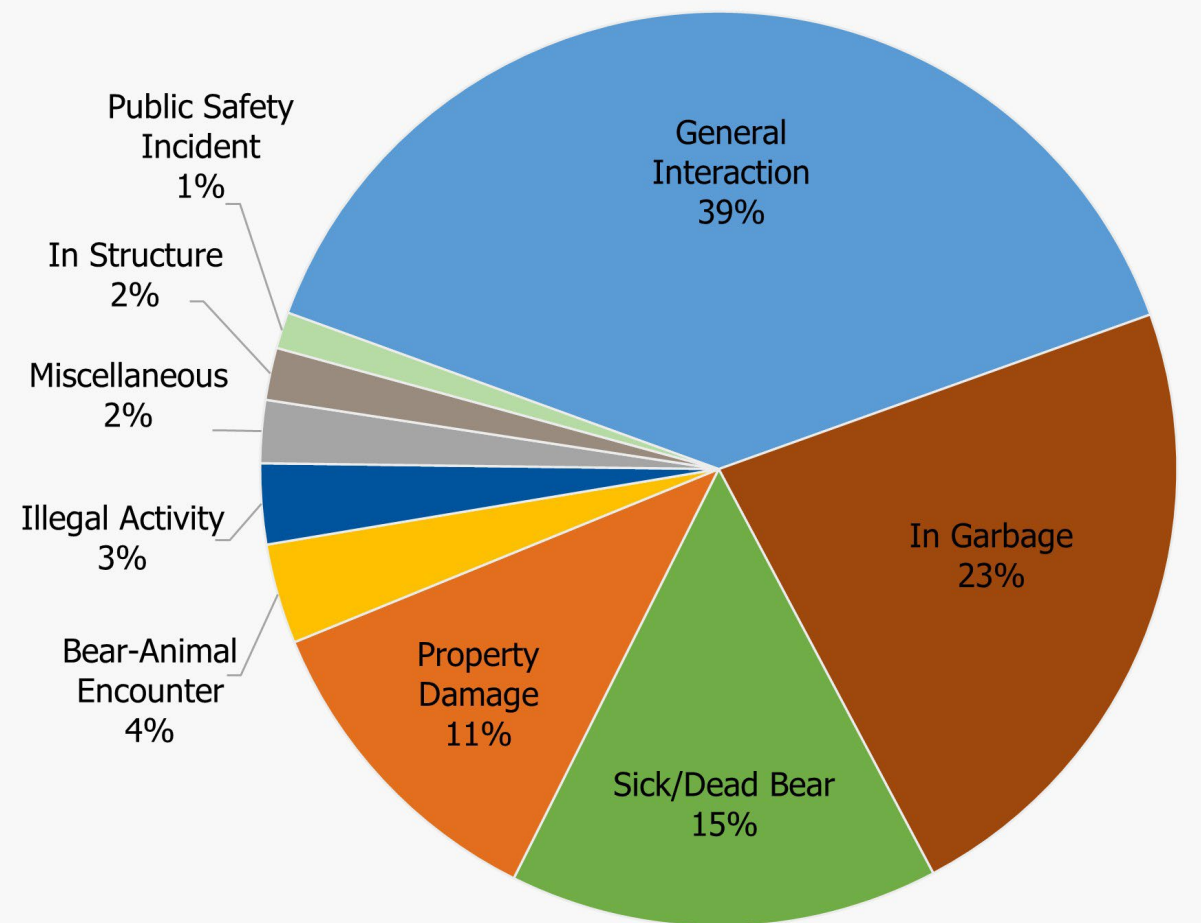


Northeast Bear Management

Bear Related Calls
Northeast Region
2015 - 2024 (n = 26,163)



Reason for Calls
Northeast Region
2015 - 2024 (n = 26,163)



Bear Management Calls in Seminole County

Nature of Incident	2022	2023	2024
General Interaction	143	166	127
In Garbage	65	75	39
Property Damage	22	52	46
Sick/Dead Bear	67	56	41
Bear-Animal Encounter	4	11	10
In Structure	2	5	2
Public Safety Incident	13	6	7
Miscellaneous	6	10	11
Illegal Activity	24	14	25
Total:	346	395	308



We Want to Hear from You

- 5-year update on Bear Management Plan in December 2024
- Commissioners asked staff to return to a future meeting with potential options for regulated black bear hunting



Options on Re-opening Regulated Bear Hunting

- Season timing
- Season length
- Methods allowed
- Bag limits and protections
- How permits issued
- Resident vs non-resident
- Harvest limit
- Location



None of the Above

Questions?



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