

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT IN SCOTLAND

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INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

HISTORY



Victorian



Edwardian



Present



OUTLINE

- Context and scale
- Species, seasons, methods, numbers
- Permits, licences
- Government intervention



CONTEXT AND SCALE

- Shooting influences management of 4.4Mha (55% of Scotland)



West and North Scotland



East and South Scotland



Lowland Scotland



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CONTEXT AND SCALE

- 100,000 – 200,000 people shoot/stalk (4%)



HUNTERS

- Professional game keepers/deer stalkers (private estates, FCS, SNH, NGOs): 2,000(?)
- Recreational hunters: 100,000 – 200,000 (< 4% of population)



Formal (driven) Shooting



Informal (rough) Shooting



CONTEXT AND SCALE

- Worth 160 million euros (< 1% GDP)



| Nature based tourism (SNH, 2010) | €M |
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| Wildlife | 150 |
| Field sports | 160 |
| Adventure | 210 |
| Landscape & scenery | 500 |
| Walking | 620 |
| Total | 1,640 |
| Total GDP Scotland | 164,000 |

MAIN SPECIES

| SPECIES | NUMBER / YEAR | METHODS |
|--|---------------|---------|
| Red deer (<i>Cervus elaphus</i>) | 60,000 | rifle |
| Roe deer (<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>) | 3,000 | rifle |
| Fallow deer (<i>Dama dama</i>) | 2,000 | rifle |
| Sika deer (<i>Cervus nippon</i>) | 7,000 | rifle |
| Red grouse (<i>Lagopus lagopus</i>) | 500,000? | shotgun |
| Pheasant (<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>) | 5,000,000? | shotgun |
| Red legged partridge (<i>Alectoris rufa</i>) | ? | shotgun |
| Ducks and geese | ? | shotgun |
| Mountain hare (<i>Lepus timidus</i>) | 25,000 | shotgun |
| Salmon (<i>Salmo salar</i>) | 90,000 | rod |
| Sea trout (<i>Salmo trutta</i>) | 25,000 | rod |

STALKING

Red Deer

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| Stags | 1st July - 20th October |
| Hinds | 21st October - 15th February |

Roe Deer

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| Bucks | 1st April - 20th October |
| Does | 21st October - 31st March |

Fallow Deer

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| Bucks | 1st August - 30th April |
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DRIVEN SHOOTING

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| Grouse | 12th August - 10th December |
| Partridge | 1st September - 31st January |
| Duck | 1st September - 31st January |
| Pheasant | 1st October - 1st February |

FISHING

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|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Salmon | January - November |
| Sea Trout | May - October |
| Brown Trout | 15th March - 30th September |
| Rainbow Trout | All year |

Red Deer



1st July till 15th February



60,000 culled per year



Roe Deer



1st April till 31st March



3,000 culled per year



Fallow Deer



1st August till 30th April



2,000 culled per year



Sika Deer



1st July till 15th February



7,000 culled per year



Pheasant, Partridge and Duck



1st September till 1st February



Grouse



12th August till December 10th



500,000 per year ?



Geese



Woodcock



Fishing

- Salmon, seatrout and brown trout (native)
- Rainbow trout (introduced)










LICENCES, PERMITS

- Shooting rights go with landownership – need landowner permission
- Need firearm certificate / shotgun licence (70,000 & 50,000 in Scotland)



GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION

- 'Light touch', hunting allowed almost everywhere including protected areas
- Protected species / close seasons / licenses can be issued
- Cull returns (only for deer)
- Best Practice guidance (voluntary)
- Deer Code introduces public benefit and responsibility

| | Imposed by State | Proposed by Landowners / Hunters but approved by State | Proposed by Landowners / Hunters' VOLUNTARY |
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| Management Objectives |  |  |  |
| Management Plan | |  |  |
| Quota/Cull Targets | |  |  |