



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: ADAMS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 873 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 5,012 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,840

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 4,249

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 6000/6000 **Muzzle:** 650/650

CWD: 331

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

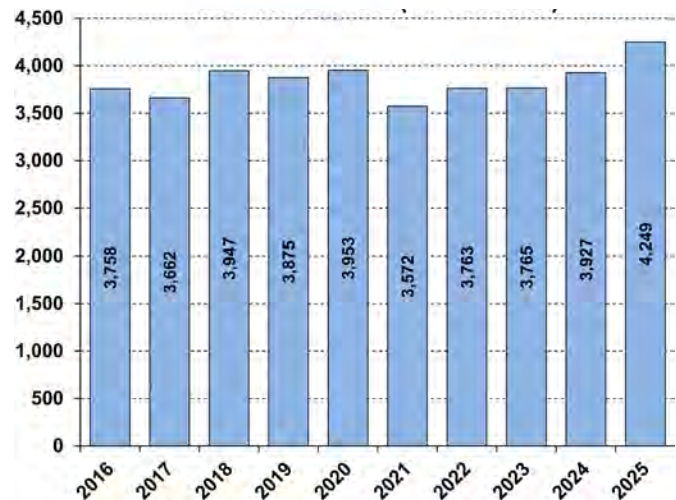
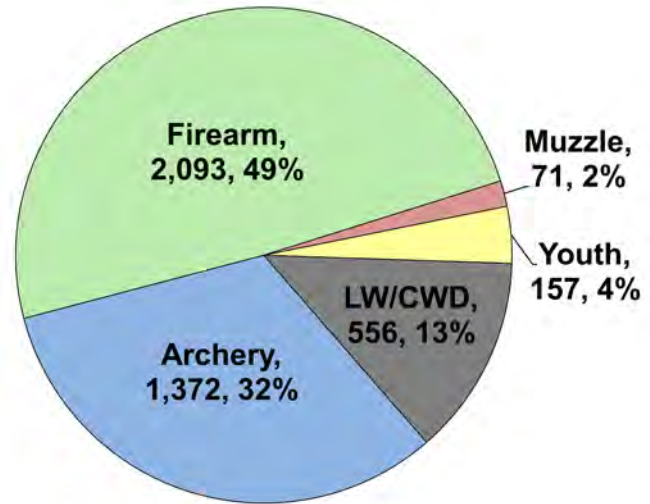
Check Station Location: No check station in 2026

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD was detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 187

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 0

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Adams County.



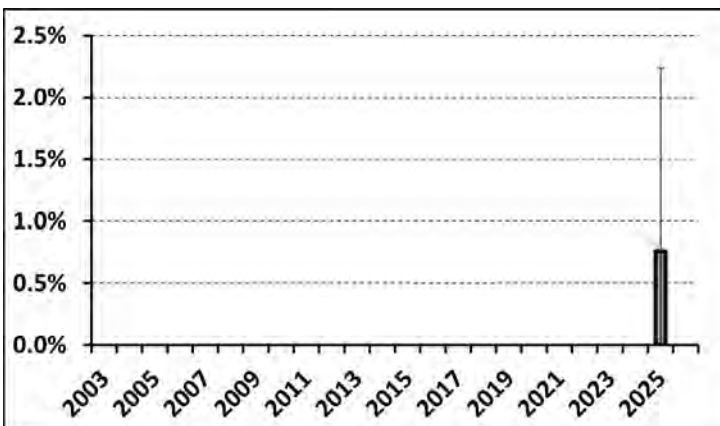
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	754	685	641	667	642
Crossbow	656	702	690	697	701
Traditional	18	19	25	30	29
Total	1428	1406	1356	1394	1372

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.7	32.5	32.5	30.3	27.7
M - Yearling	15.3	14.6	16.1	15.1	12.4
M - Fawn	9.0	7.6	8.3	7.9	8.5
F - Adult	37.6	38.9	36.5	39.8	43.4
F - Fawn	7.4	6.4	6.7	7.0	8.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: ALEXANDER COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 253 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 896 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 650

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 602

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 800/800 **Muzzle:** 142/200

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

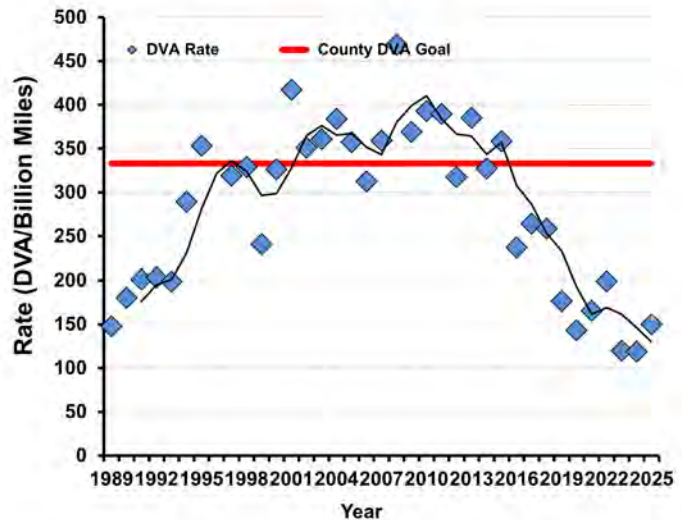
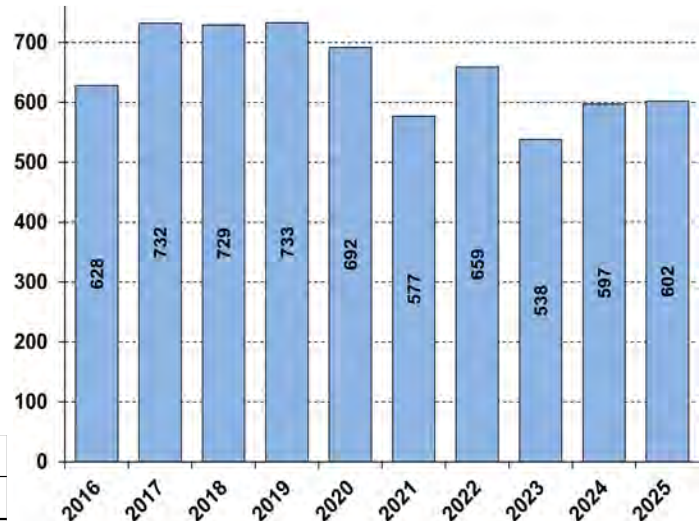
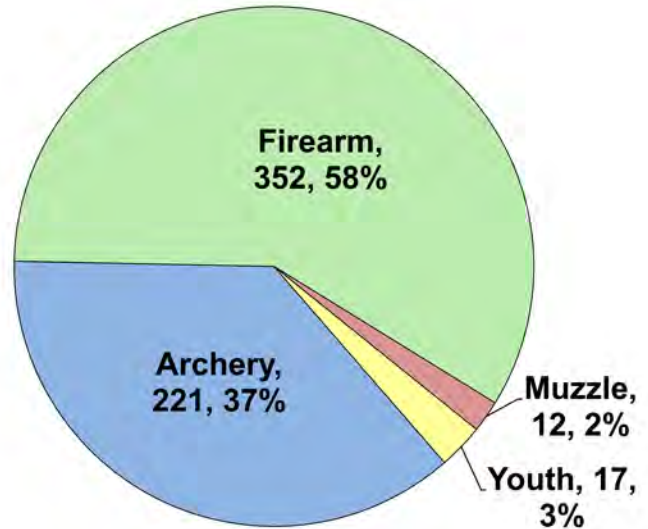
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	86	109	86	114	89
Crossbow	99	133	116	122	128
Traditional	4	2	2	2	4
Total	189	244	204	238	221

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.3	33.8	36.8	34.8	34.9
M - Yearling	23.7	23.7	23.6	24.3	19.6
M - Fawn	7.5	7.3	5.6	6.9	7.8
F - Adult	30.5	31.4	28.4	29.5	32.7
F - Fawn	5.0	3.8	5.6	4.5	5.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: BOND COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 383 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 1,666 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,223

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,490

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2100/2100 **Muzzle:** 216/235

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

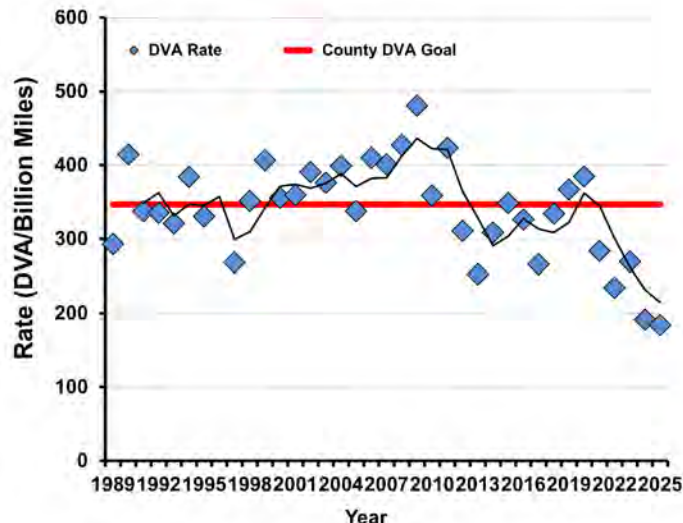
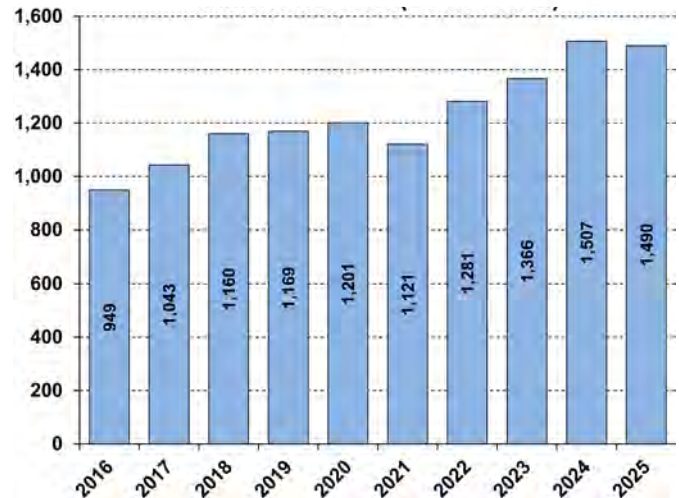
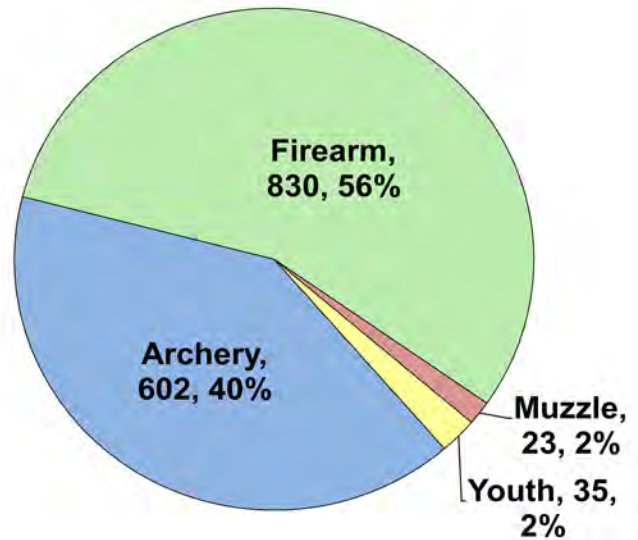
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	181	214	222	257	248
Crossbow	257	275	321	322	351
Traditional	1	3	1	1	3
Total	439	492	544	580	602

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.6	22.9	29.7	25.0	26.4
M - Yearling	21.4	23.0	21.5	20.6	20.9
M - Fawn	10.1	9.4	7.2	9.9	7.3
F - Adult	32.6	38.4	34.9	38.4	40.0
F - Fawn	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.0	5.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: BOONE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 282 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 634 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 327

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 413

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 636/1350 **Muzzle:** 71/300

CWD: 26

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

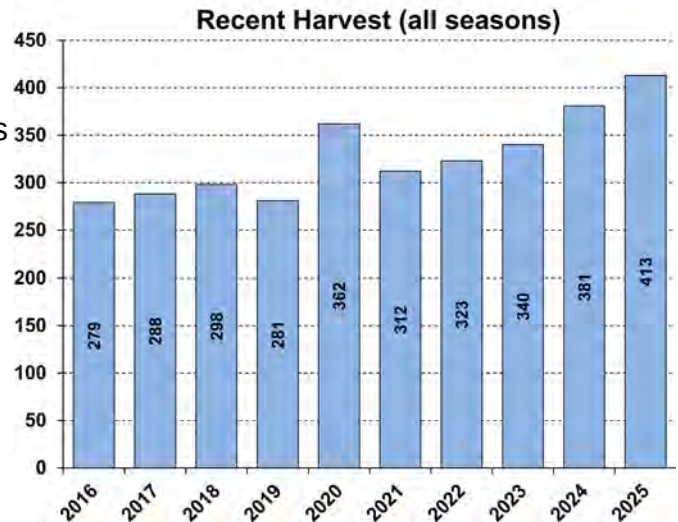
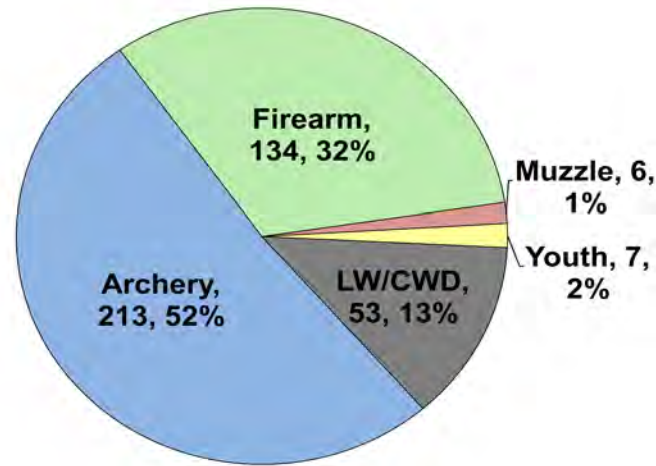
Check Station Location: Boone Co. Fairgrounds

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 106

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 28

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified its CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in Boone County anymore.



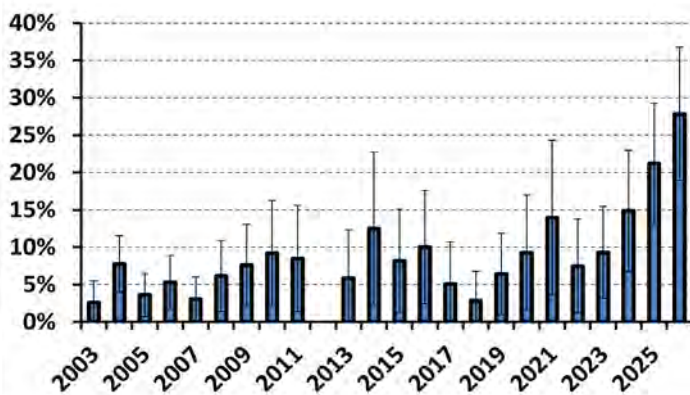
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	88	78	95	96	90
Crossbow	87	99	105	108	120
Traditional	1	0	3	3	3
Total	176	177	203	207	213

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.3	33.4	37.1	34.9	35.1
M - Yearling	24.0	26.6	26.2	25.3	19.9
M - Fawn	9.3	8.4	8.5	8.8	6.8
F - Adult	25.6	27.2	23.8	23.8	33.7
F - Fawn	7.7	4.3	4.4	7.2	4.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: BROWN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 308 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1959

Record Harvest: 3,003 (2004)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,151

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,183

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2647/2700 **Muzzle:** 473/500

Late Winter: 140

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2003 - Present

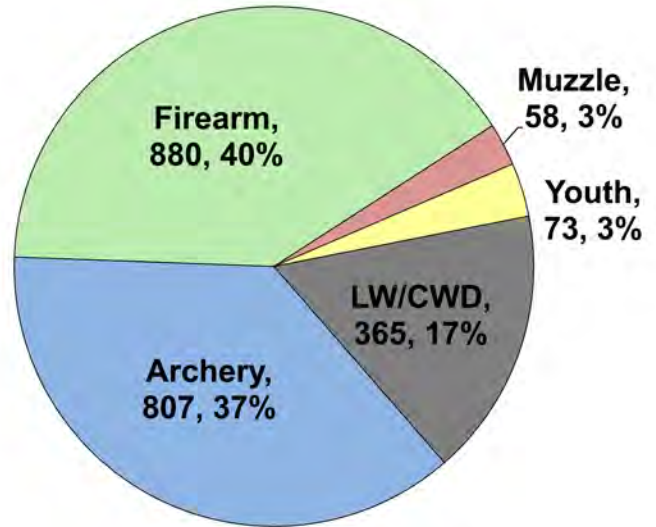
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	445	407	372	408	421
Crossbow	402	412	372	388	376
Traditional	15	8	13	5	10
Total	862	827	757	801	807

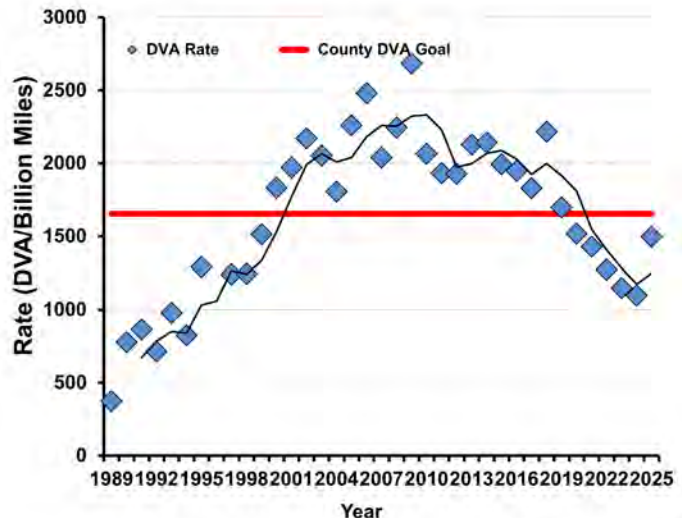
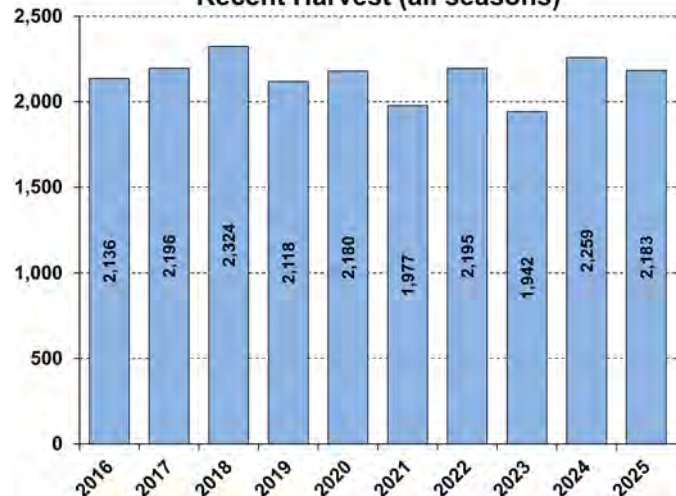
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	34.9	34.0	37.0	29.0	31.5
M - Yearling	10.7	11.0	10.7	11.3	10.3
M - Fawn	8.1	7.8	8.1	7.8	7.1
F - Adult	38.7	40.5	37.5	45.1	44.2
F - Fawn	7.5	6.7	6.7	6.9	7.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: BUREAU COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 874 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 2,873 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,812

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,848

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3119/4500 **Muzzle:** 440/500

CWD: 98

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

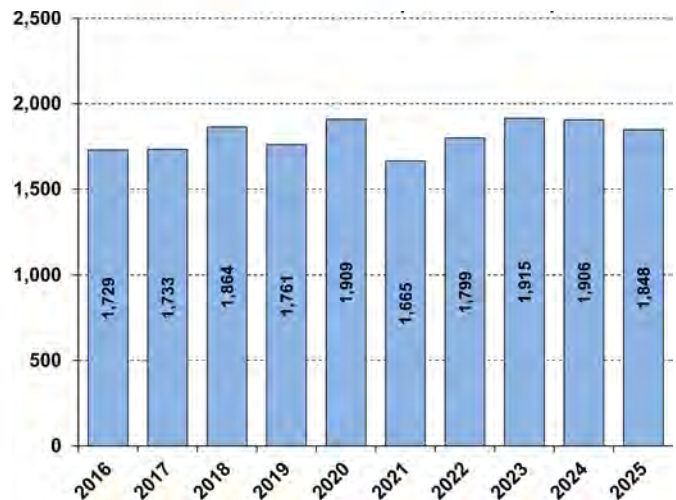
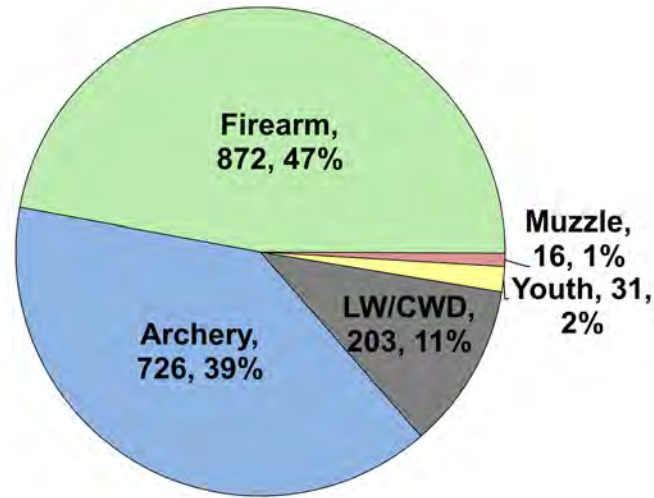
Check Station Location: Bureau Co. Fairgrds.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD WAS detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 340

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 3

IDNR sharpshooting: 50 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



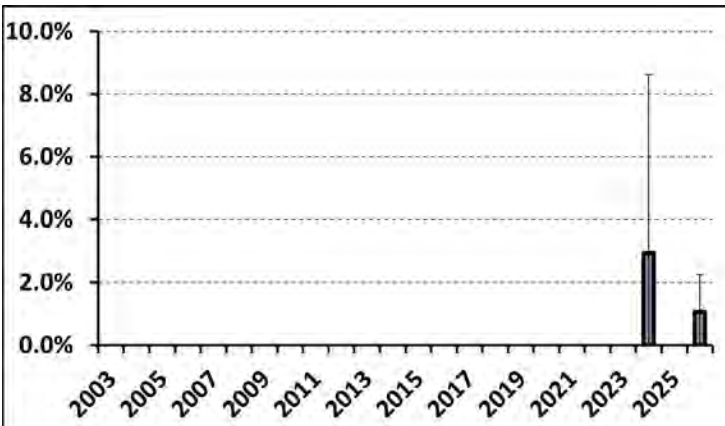
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	322	330	374	308	298
Crossbow	380	466	462	408	408
Traditional	9	10	11	7	20
Total	711	806	847	723	726

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.4	30.4	32.4	27.0	34.1
M - Yearling	19.5	17.5	18.2	19.3	16.4
M - Fawn	9.1	7.6	6.6	8.1	7.2
F - Adult	37.7	38.4	37.4	39.3	37.8
F - Fawn	6.2	6.2	5.4	6.3	4.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CALHOUN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 284 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,255 (2006)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,666

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,696

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1950/1950 **Muzzle:** 342/350

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

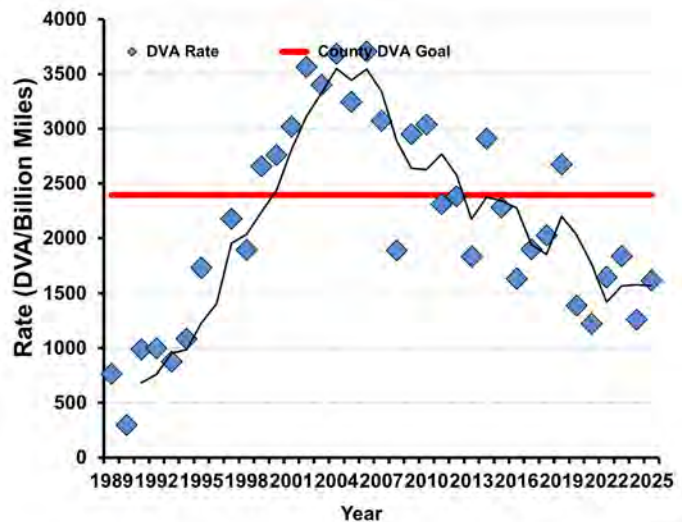
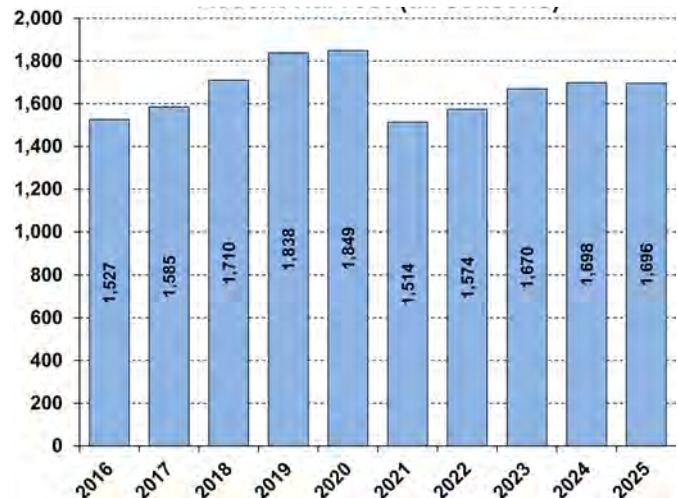
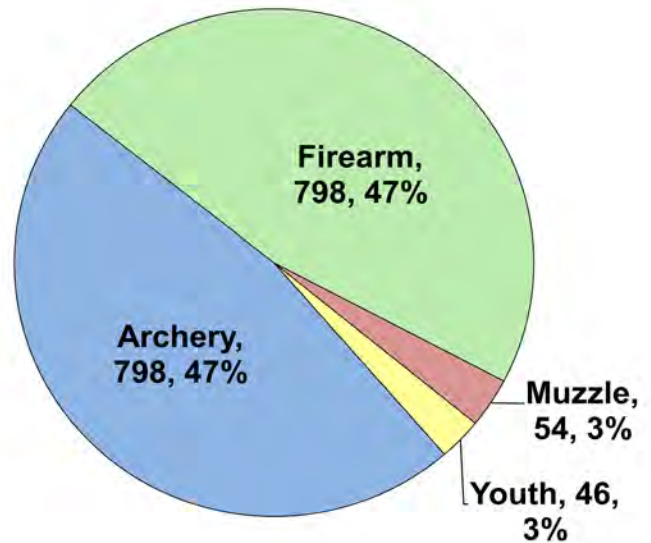
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	408	335	363	381	367
Crossbow	370	396	439	425	423
Traditional	12	16	11	6	8
Total	790	747	813	812	798

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.5	33.7	32.6	31.2	32.9
M - Yearling	12.4	12.1	15.3	13.7	11.5
M - Fawn	10.1	6.5	8.1	7.1	6.8
F - Adult	40.4	41.9	37.1	42.5	41.0
F - Fawn	9.6	5.8	6.8	5.5	7.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CARROLL COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 467 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 2,044 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,273

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,282

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2065/3200 **Muzzle:** 236/450

CWD: 64

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

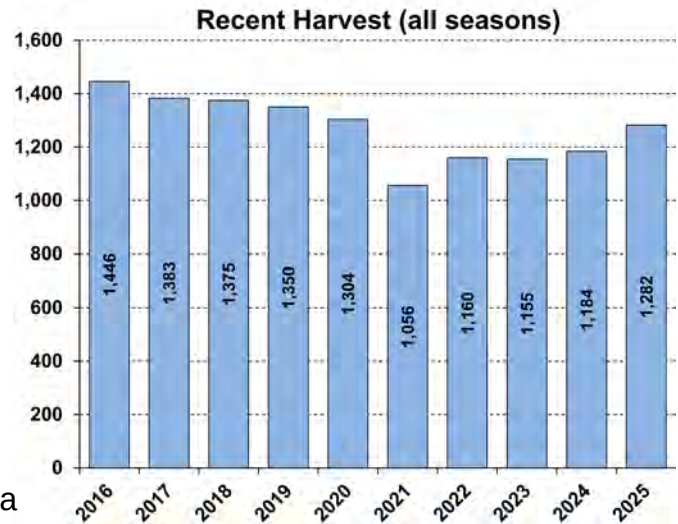
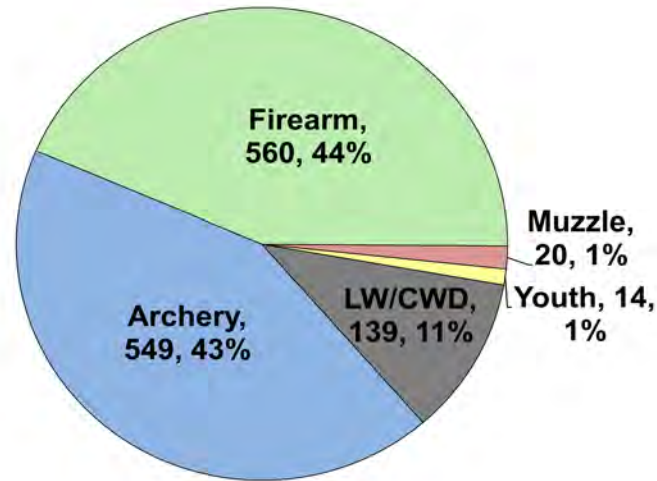
Check Station Loc.: Mississippi Palisades SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 556

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 47

IDNR sharpshooting: 164 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



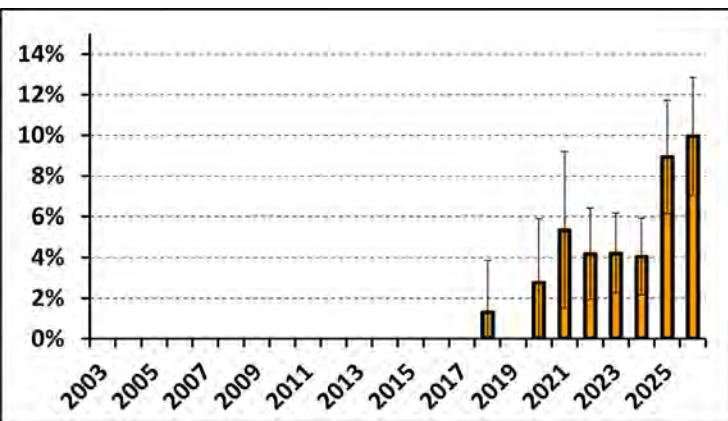
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	208	171	179	159	191
Crossbow	298	326	323	359	356
Traditional	5	15	6	5	2
Total	511	512	508	523	549

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.0	27.8	29.5	29.4	32.1
M - Yearling	18.4	17.2	19.7	19.7	15.1
M - Fawn	7.4	9.4	8.6	8.3	6.7
F - Adult	39.6	37.8	36.7	36.7	38.5
F - Fawn	6.6	7.8	5.5	5.9	7.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CASS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 384 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,774 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,380

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,475

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1500/1500 **Muzzle:** 201/230

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2013

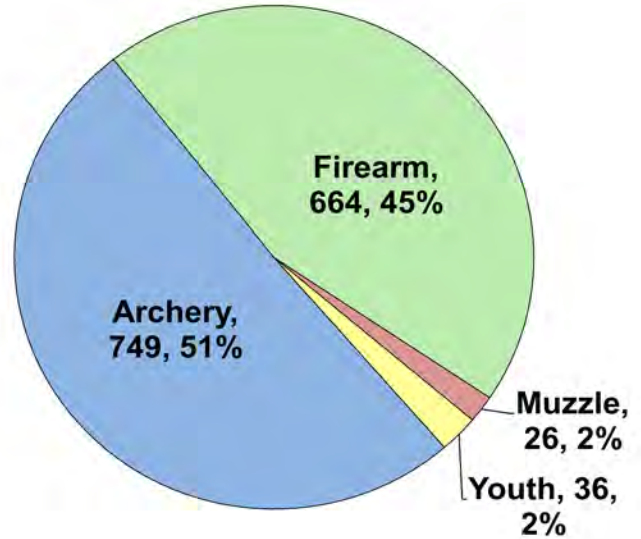
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	354	356	356	355	371
Crossbow	312	321	321	403	367
Traditional	3	4	8	2	11
Total	669	681	685	760	749

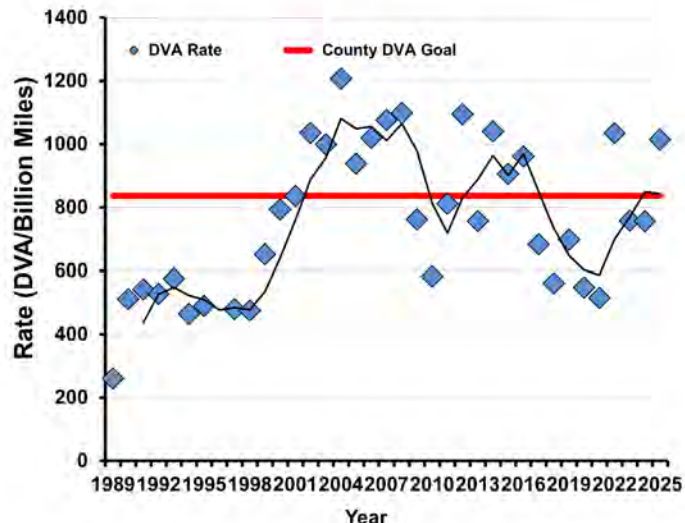
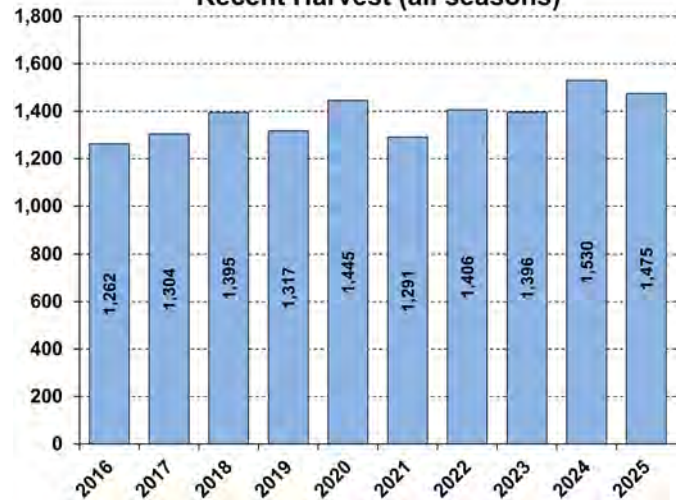
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	32.1	31.0	34.0	31.2	32.5
M - Yearling	14.6	14.0	15.2	15.0	13.8
M - Fawn	9.5	7.1	8.7	8.6	7.0
F - Adult	36.9	41.7	35.2	38.8	40.2
F - Fawn	6.8	6.1	6.9	6.5	6.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 384 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 816 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 631

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 678

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 500/500 **Muzzle:** 175/175

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

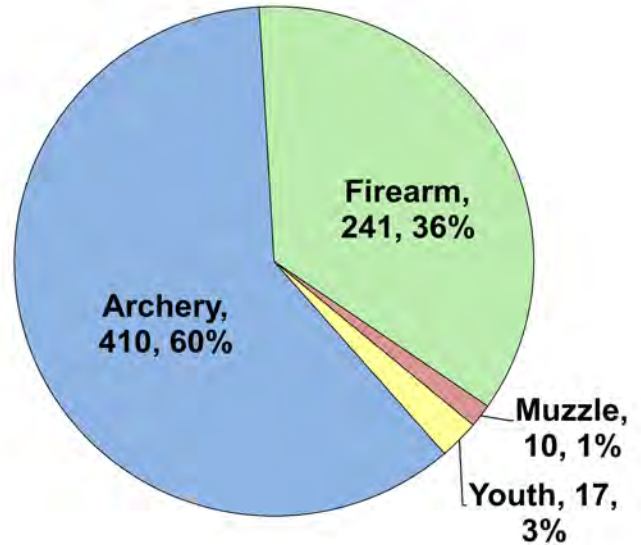
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	136	143	144	177	159
Crossbow	224	232	237	246	243
Traditional	7	2	4	4	8
Total	367	377	385	427	410

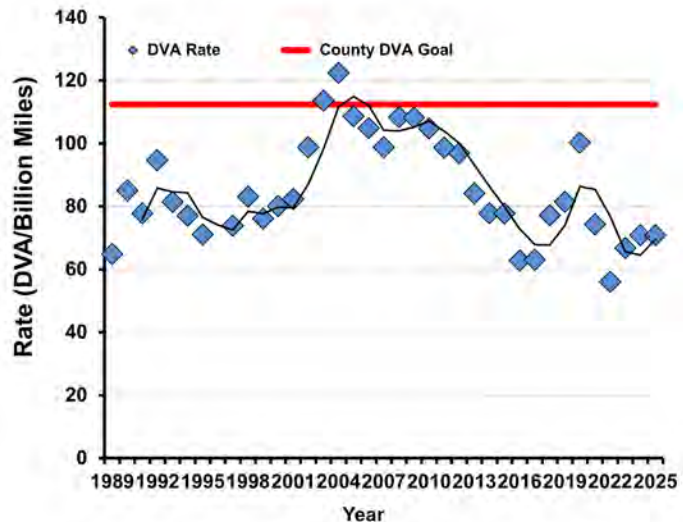
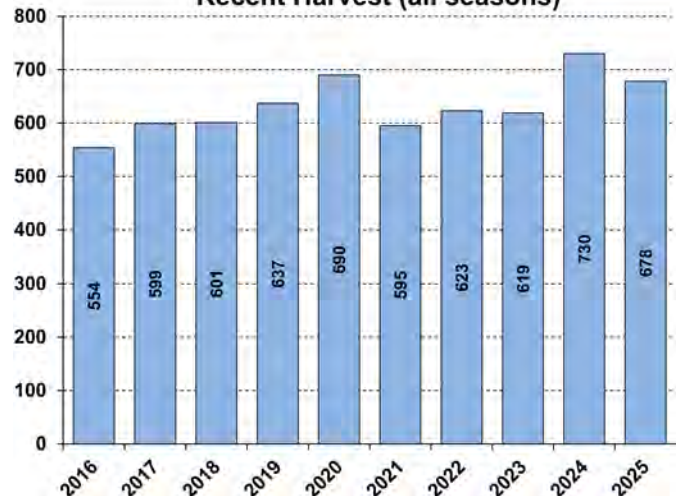
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	42.7	36.3	43.1	38.4	40.0
M - Yearling	18.3	20.4	20.4	19.7	22.0
M - Fawn	4.7	8.3	4.0	4.7	3.2
F - Adult	30.8	29.4	29.2	33.4	32.6
F - Fawn	3.5	5.6	3.2	3.8	2.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CHRISTIAN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 715 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 1,337 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,169

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,244

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1650/1650 **Muzzle:** 290/300

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

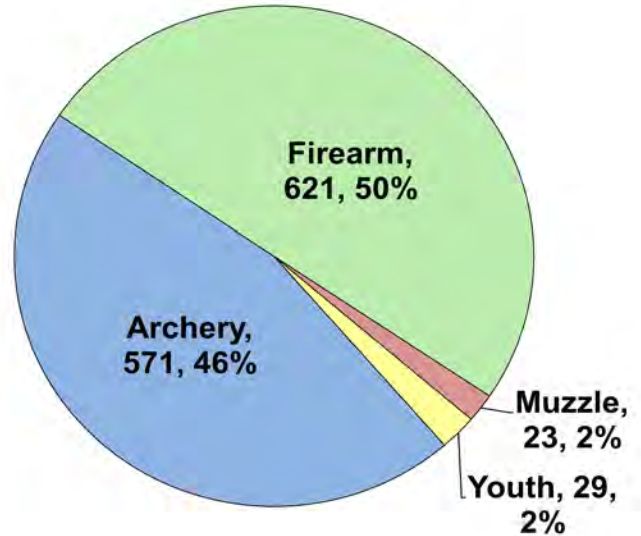
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	226	230	215	241	234
Crossbow	302	301	314	321	335
Traditional	1	6	2	2	2
Total	529	537	531	564	571

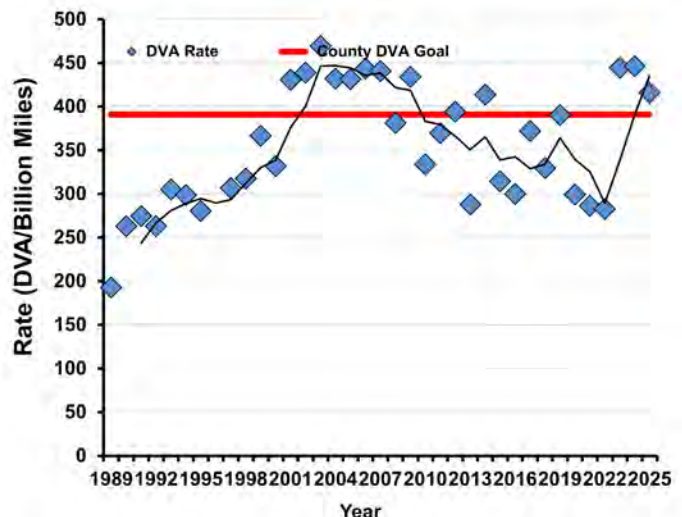
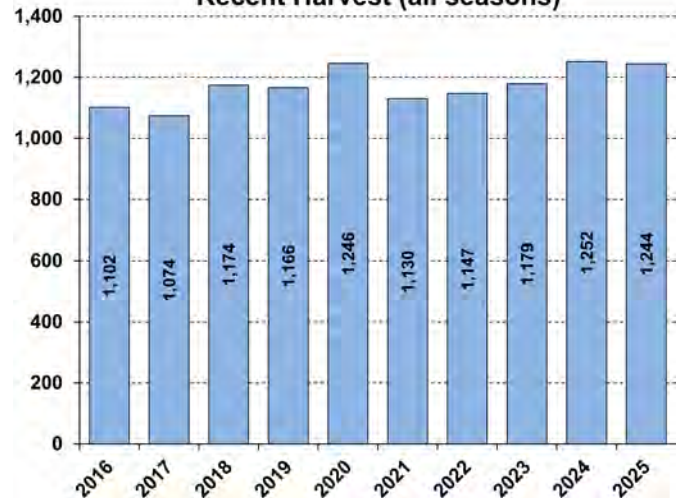
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.1	29.6	33.8	27.3	26.5
M - Yearling	19.4	18.3	18.0	14.7	17.3
M - Fawn	8.7	8.2	8.1	9.8	7.9
F - Adult	36.3	38.3	36.0	42.2	43.3
F - Fawn	5.6	5.7	4.2	6.0	5.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CLARK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 505 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 2,591 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,076

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,186

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2500/2500 **Muzzle:** 443/460

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2017

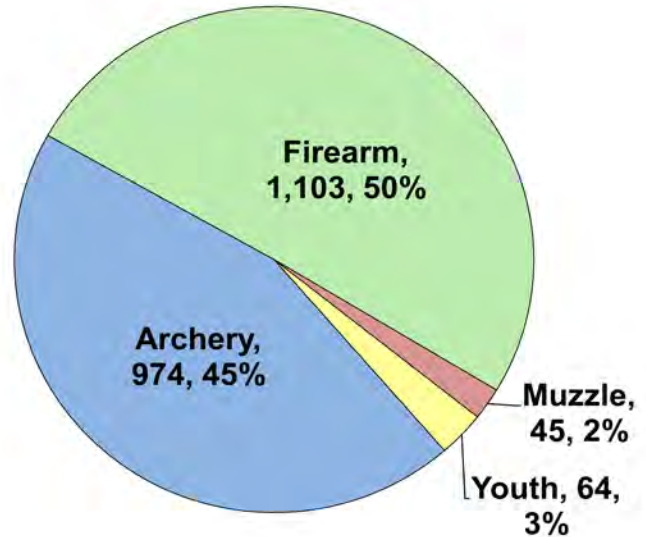
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	426	467	498	479	494
Crossbow	373	421	407	448	466
Traditional	13	10	11	6	14
Total	812	898	916	933	974

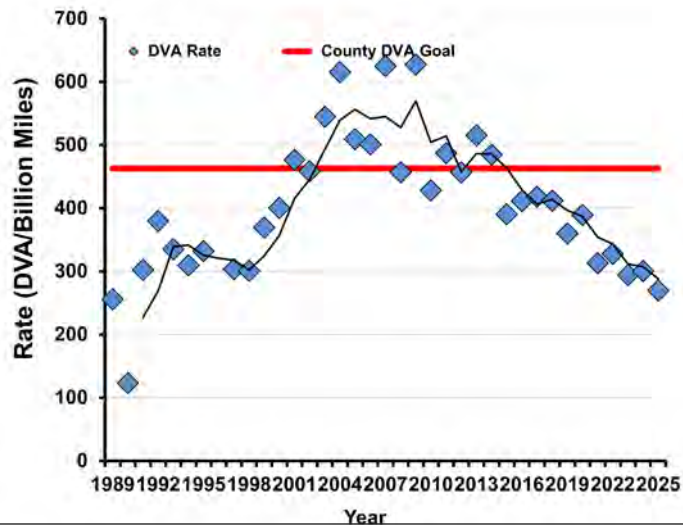
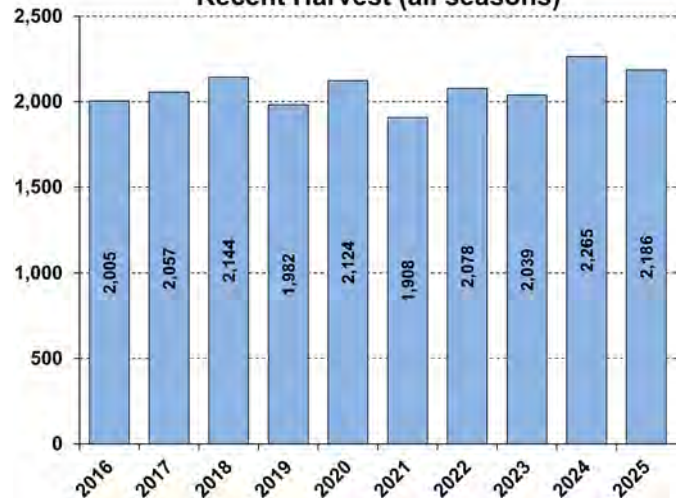
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.2	35.9	37.8	34.3	34.0
M - Yearling	14.7	13.8	14.3	13.5	13.2
M - Fawn	8.5	7.3	7.3	8.3	7.5
F - Adult	34.5	35.9	36.2	36.9	39.9
F - Fawn	7.1	7.1	4.5	7.1	5.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CLAY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 469 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 2,752 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,154

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,752

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3500/3500 **Muzzle:** 397/475

Late Winter: 94

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

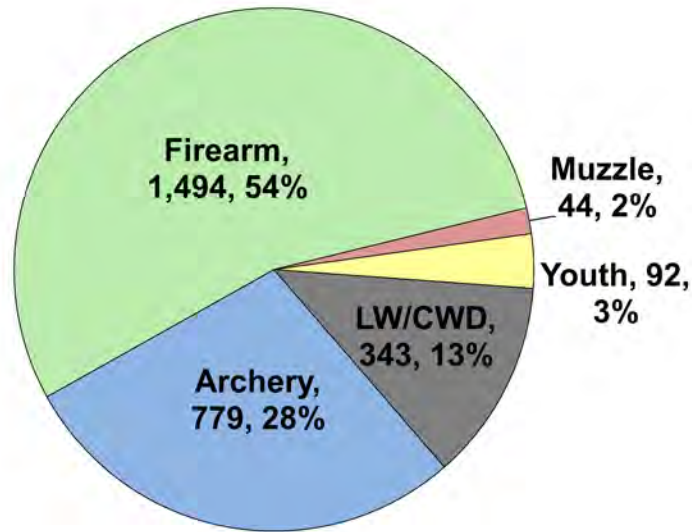
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	338	316	358	373	365
Crossbow	326	329	355	411	394
Traditional	7	6	16	6	20
Total	671	651	729	790	779

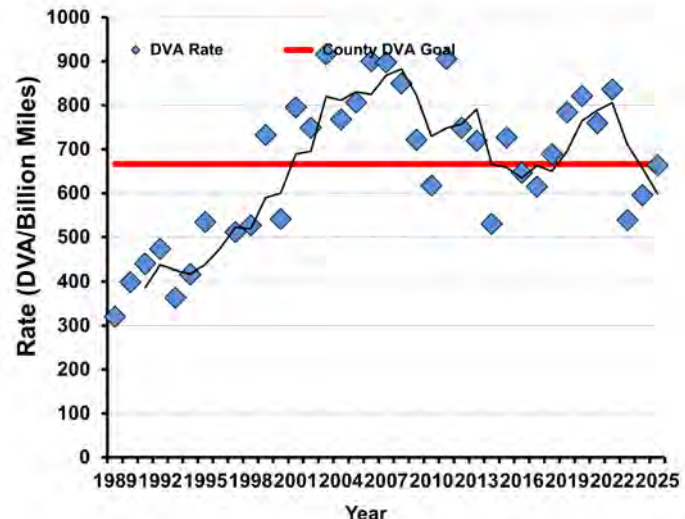
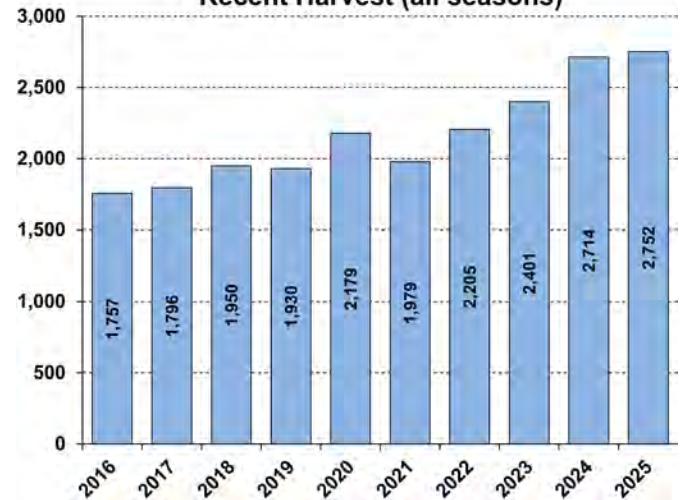
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.4	26.0	29.9	26.2	26.1
M - Yearling	15.3	15.1	15.2	14.1	14.2
M - Fawn	12.5	11.3	9.8	10.1	9.3
F - Adult	36.0	38.3	36.8	40.1	42.3
F - Fawn	8.8	9.3	8.2	9.5	8.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CLINTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 503 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 1,803 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,381

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,748

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

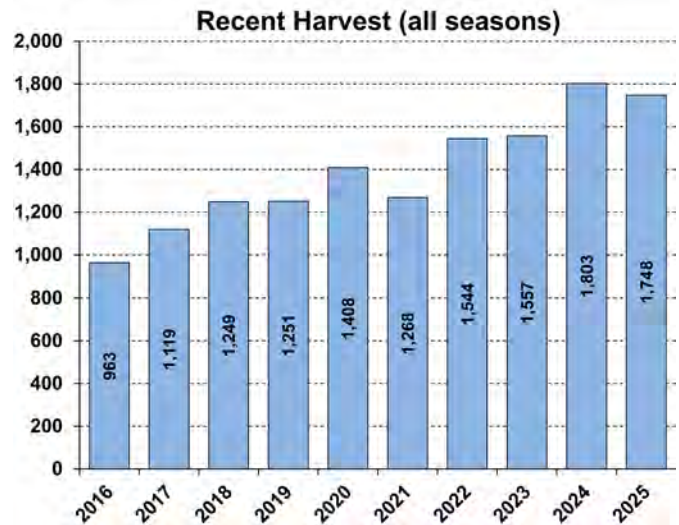
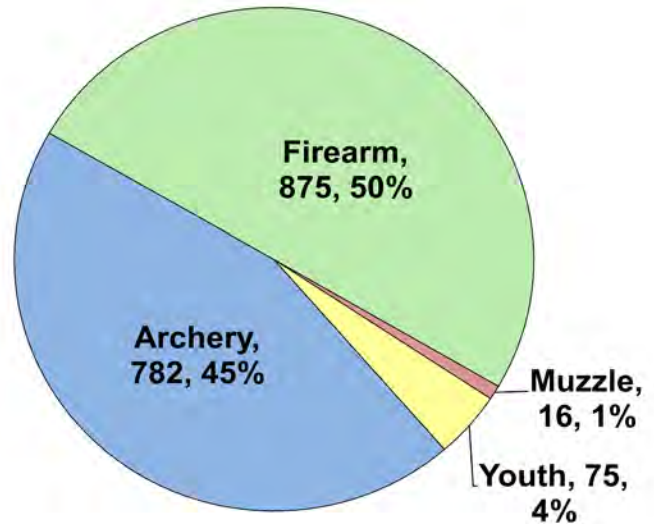
Firearm: 2250/2250 **Muzzle:** 300/300

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2026 - Present



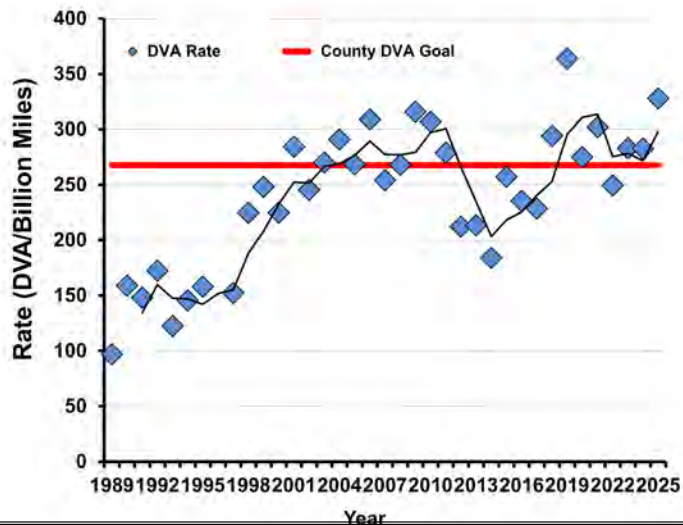
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	267	314	319	307	357
Crossbow	298	359	334	373	421
Traditional	4	4	10	6	4
Total	569	677	663	686	782

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.8	25.1	26.5	26.1	26.4
M - Yearling	21.5	23.6	20.7	21.2	20.3
M - Fawn	10.9	7.5	9.6	8.0	8.8
F - Adult	33.8	37.2	36.9	39.1	37.4
F - Fawn	6.0	6.6	6.2	5.5	7.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: COLES COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 510 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 1,692 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,447

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,671

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1850/1850 **Muzzle:** 290/300

Late Winter: 66

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2003 - Present

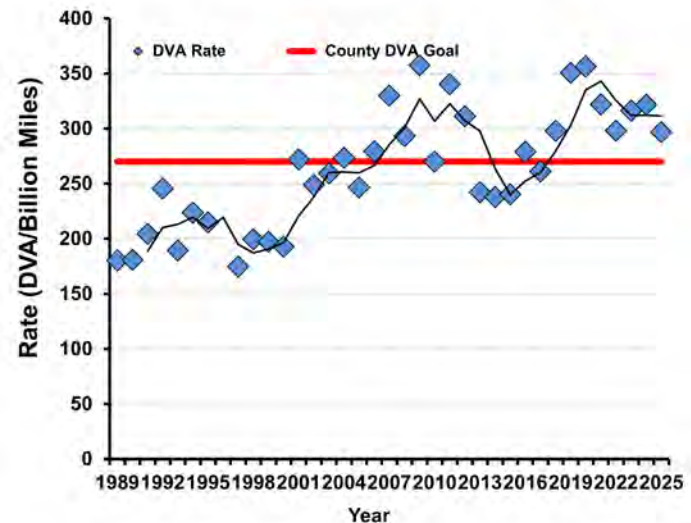
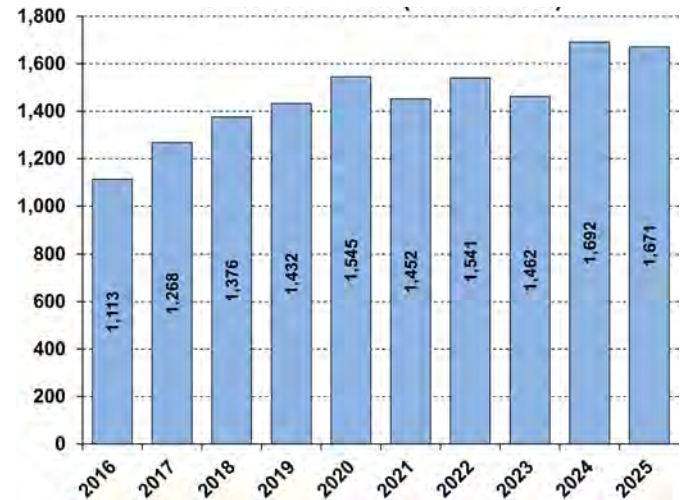
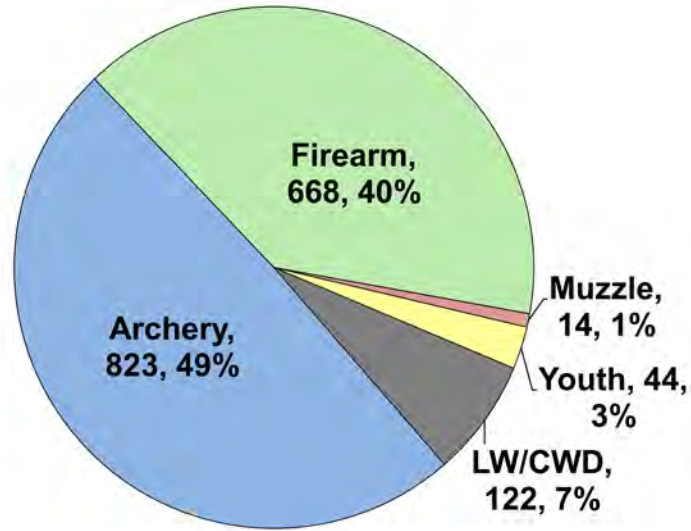
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	351	373	346	364	349
Crossbow	355	367	412	441	461
Traditional	11	9	8	9	13
Total	717	749	766	814	823

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.1	31.1	28.6	25.7	25.5
M - Yearling	17.5	16.1	18.3	15.5	17.2
M - Fawn	10.9	9.5	8.3	9.8	7.9
F - Adult	34.6	37.3	39.7	40.7	43.3
F - Fawn	6.9	6.0	5.1	8.3	6.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: COOK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 957 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 234 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 143

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 149

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

No firearm hunting in Cook Co.

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

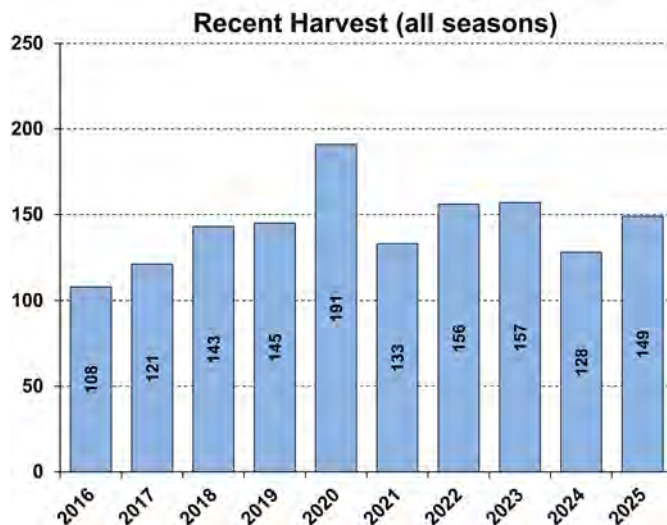
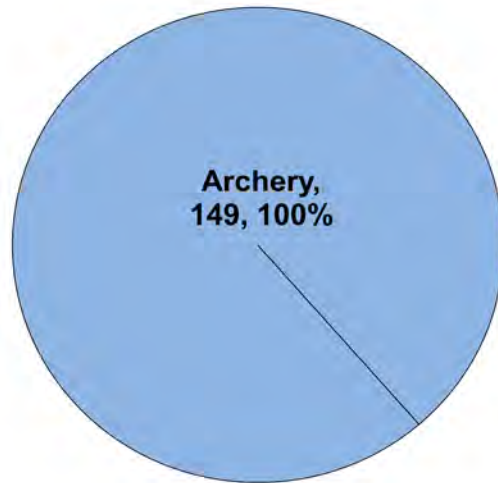
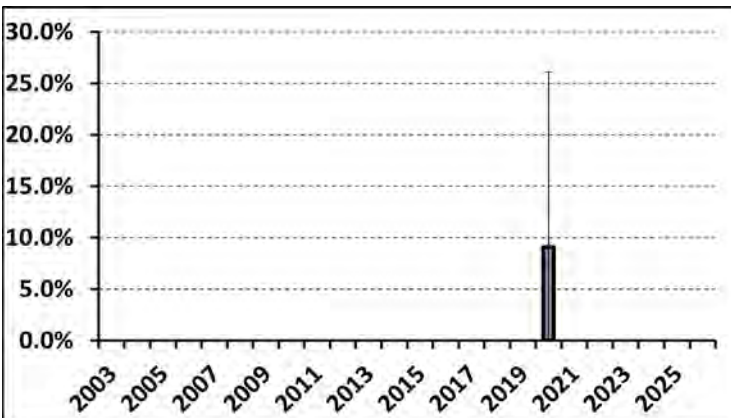
Check Station Location: None. Hunters wishing to have their deer tested should take them to participating vendors or head drop off barrels.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. There is firearm hunting in Cook Co.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 717

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 5

Special permits: IDNR provides special permits for municipalities to lower localized deer populations. Through these efforts 697 deer were tested for CWD and 5 positives were detected. Only hunter harvested deer shown below.



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	75	62	79	63	65
Crossbow	55	91	76	63	82
Traditional	3	3	2	2	2
Total	133	156	157	128	149

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	42.1	35.9	41.4	45.3	43.6
M - Yearling	25.6	22.4	24.2	18.8	20.1
M - Fawn	4.5	5.1	3.2	5.5	4.7
F - Adult	23.3	28.8	29.3	28.1	29.5
F - Fawn	4.5	7.7	1.9	2.3	2.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CRAWFORD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 768 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 2,554 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,125

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,426

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2731/2800 **Muzzle:** 232/325

Late Winter: 62

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2003 - Present

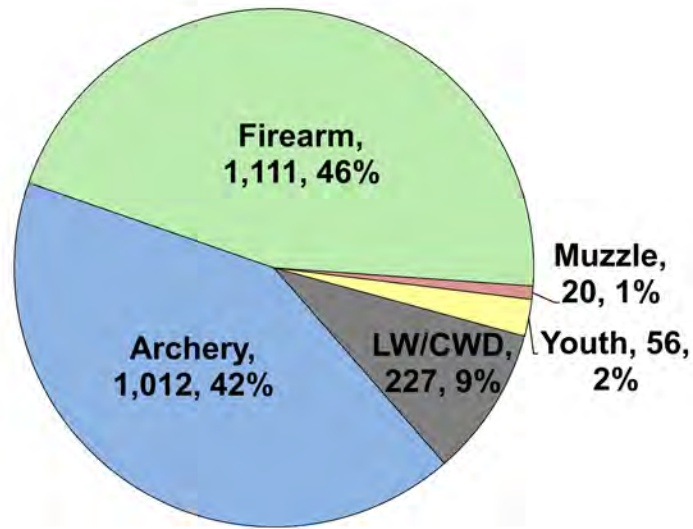
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	482	416	486	494	472
Crossbow	433	425	511	570	528
Traditional	9	9	17	7	12
Total	924	850	1014	1071	1012

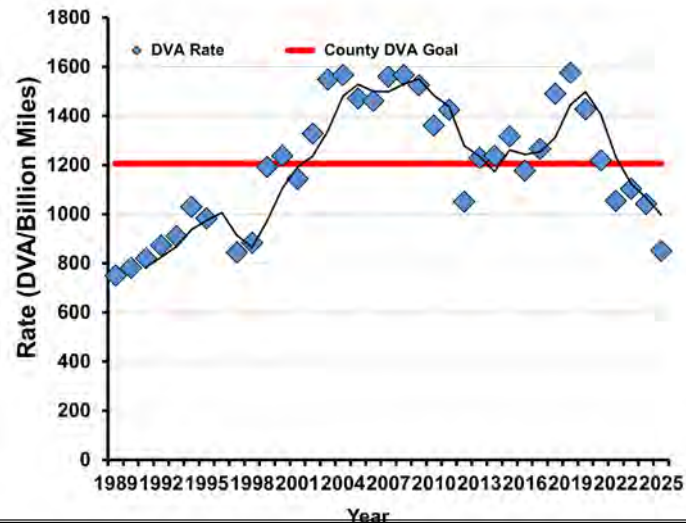
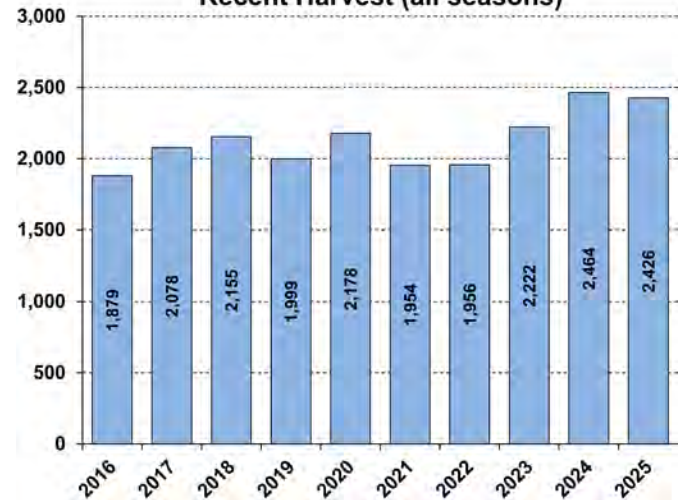
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.0	30.2	28.8	29.9	27.2
M - Yearling	13.8	13.5	15.3	12.3	13.7
M - Fawn	9.5	8.9	8.8	8.2	8.0
F - Adult	36.6	40.6	40.4	42.2	43.9
F - Fawn	7.1	6.7	6.7	7.4	7.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 347 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 1,557 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,387

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,543

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2000/2000 **Muzzle:** 275/275

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

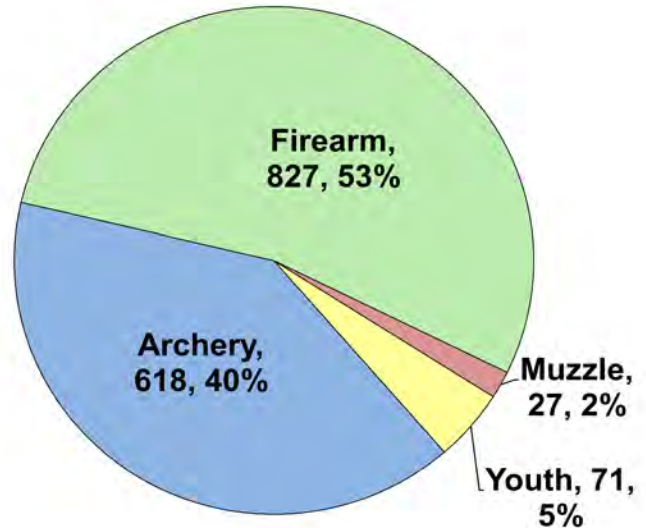
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	298	260	334	301	309
Crossbow	244	249	253	254	293
Traditional	11	7	13	10	16
Total	553	516	600	565	618

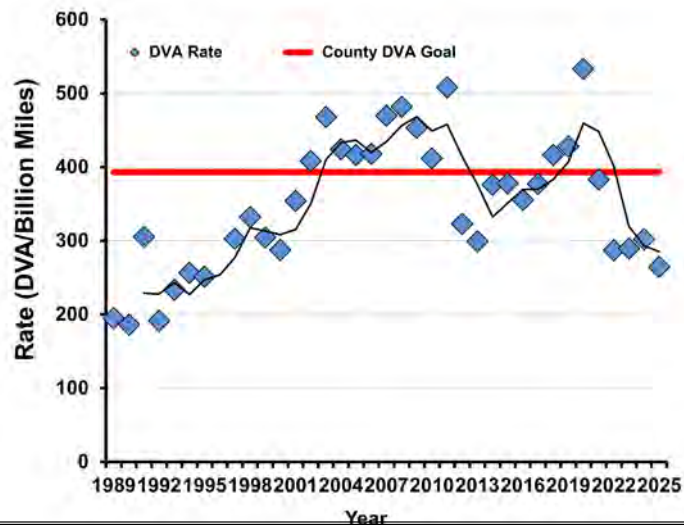
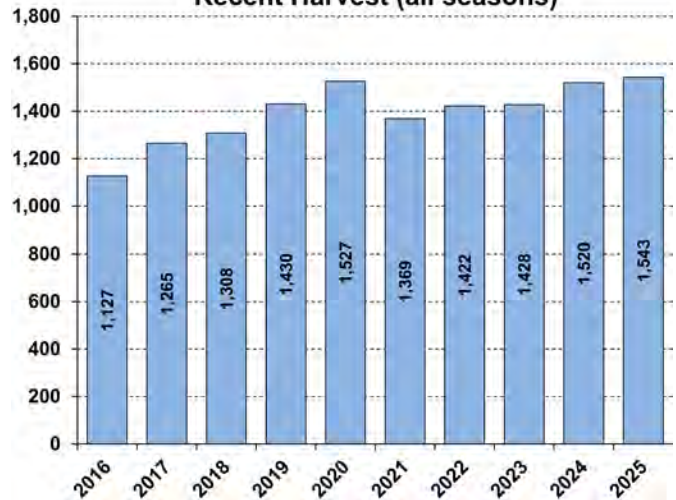
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.7	30.5	30.7	29.4	28.8
M - Yearling	14.9	14.1	16.0	14.2	16.0
M - Fawn	11.9	10.5	8.1	10.3	9.0
F - Adult	35.6	37.9	39.2	38.3	40.1
F - Fawn	7.8	7.0	6.0	7.8	6.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: DEKALB COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 634 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 659 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 355

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 413

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 658/1500 **Muzzle:** 50/275

CWD: 41

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

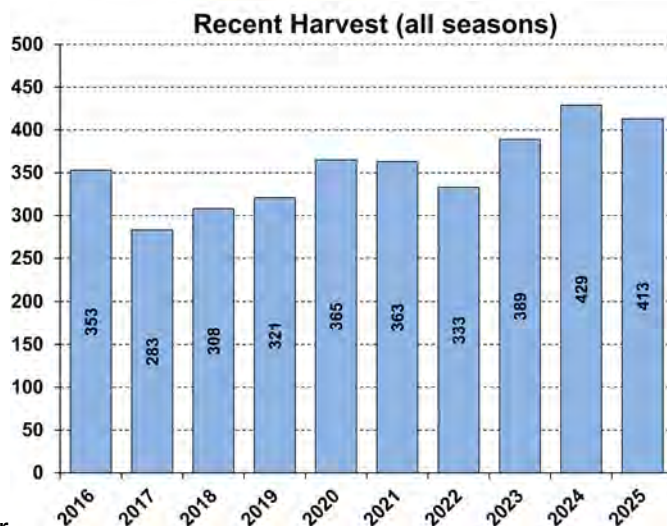
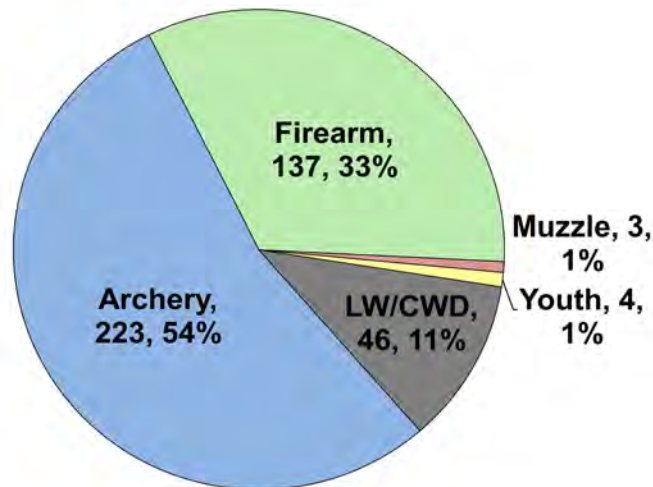
Check Station Location: Shabbona Lake SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 148

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 12

IDNR sharpshooting: 35 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



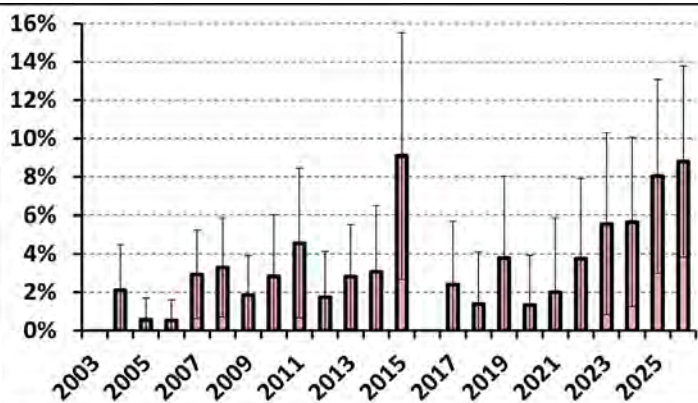
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	102	87	110	110	76
Crossbow	109	96	131	129	147
Traditional	1	3	1	2	0
Total	212	186	242	241	223

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	25.9	28.5	28.3	31.4	36.3
M - Yearling	22.0	20.4	27.2	19.7	19.6
M - Fawn	13.5	12.3	8.7	10.3	7.0
F - Adult	33.3	29.7	29.6	32.6	30.3
F - Fawn	5.2	9.0	6.2	6.0	6.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: DEWITT COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 405 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 1,108 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 949

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,001

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1085/1100 **Muzzle:** 223/240

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

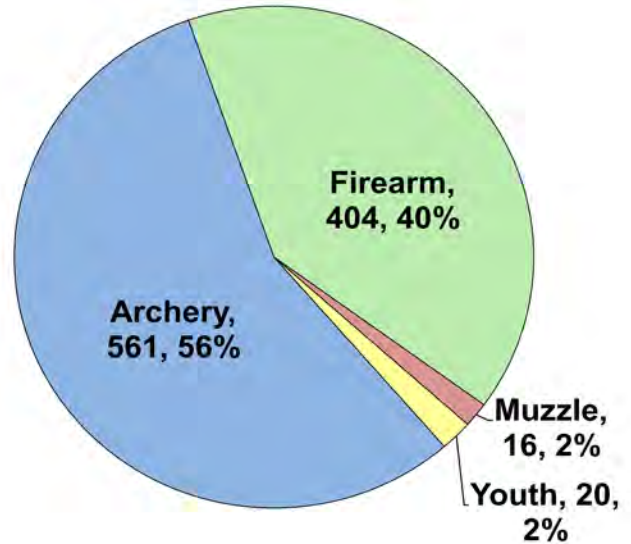
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	218	257	240	246	243
Crossbow	338	311	318	351	314
Traditional	3	9	5	6	4
Total	559	577	563	603	561

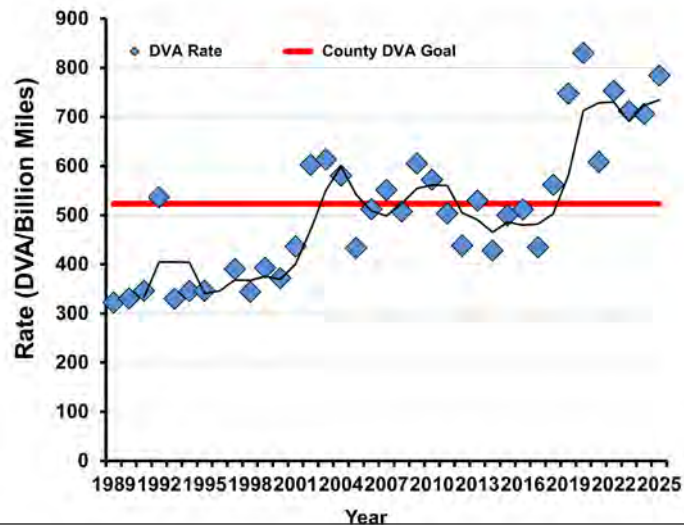
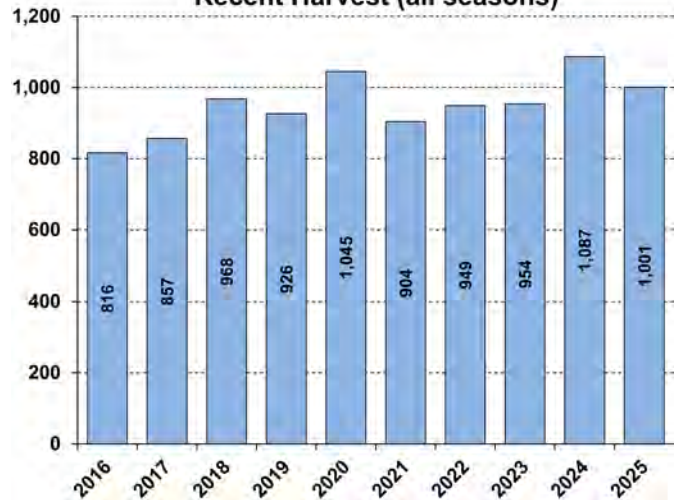
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	25.3	26.2	28.2	28.8	30.8
M - Yearling	18.4	15.3	18.0	15.5	13.9
M - Fawn	8.3	10.1	9.2	7.9	8.8
F - Adult	40.6	41.4	37.7	41.5	40.9
F - Fawn	7.4	7.0	6.8	6.3	5.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: DOUGLAS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 417 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 501 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 375

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 467

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 400/400 **Muzzle:** 98/100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

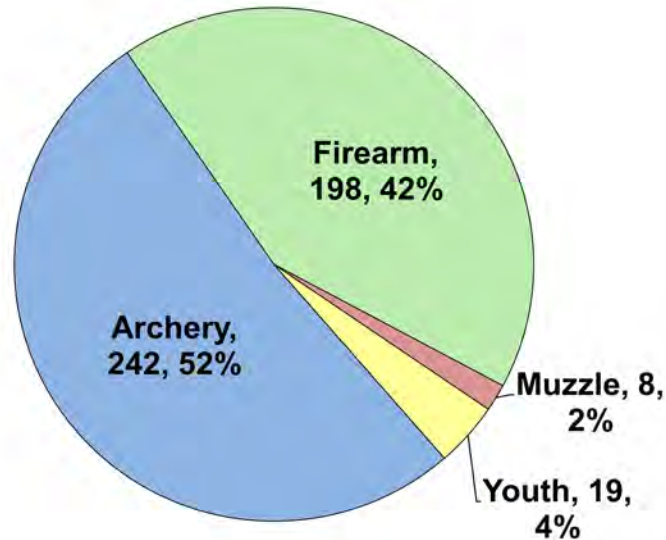
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	80	69	92	77	84
Crossbow	130	147	125	142	156
Traditional	2	2	4	3	2
Total	212	218	221	222	242

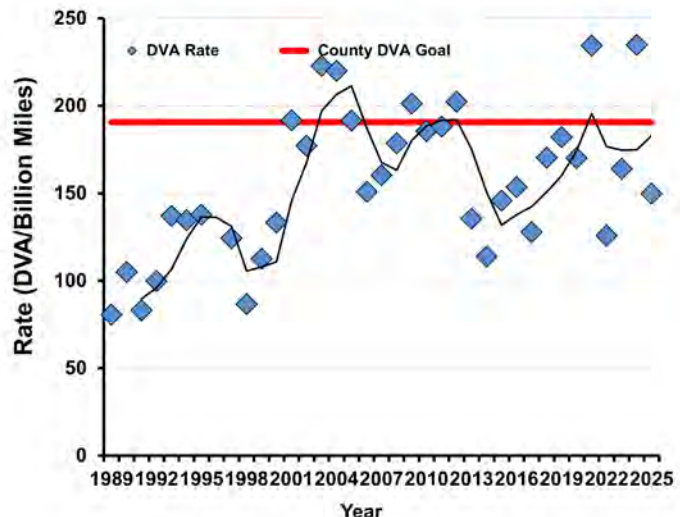
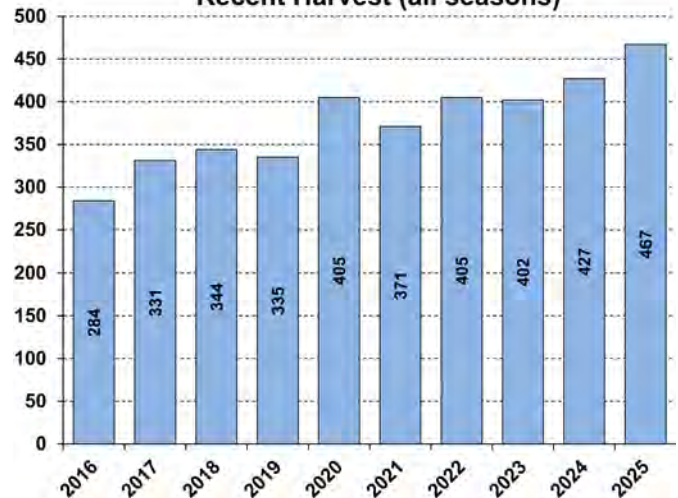
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	34.0	31.6	31.1	28.1	31.9
M - Yearling	20.8	17.0	19.9	26.0	18.8
M - Fawn	11.6	11.1	10.0	6.8	8.8
F - Adult	28.8	34.6	35.3	32.8	36.0
F - Fawn	4.9	5.7	3.7	6.3	4.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: DUPAGE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 336 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 152 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 37

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 29

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

No firearm hunting in DuPage Co.

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

Check Station Location: None. Hunters wishing to have their deer tested should take them to participating vendors or head drop off barrels.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. There is firearm hunting in DuPage Co.

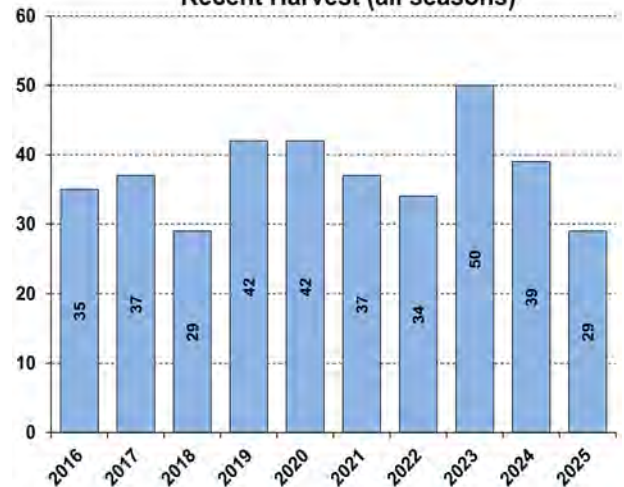
Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 521

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 4

Special permits: IDNR provides special permits for municipalities to lower localized deer populations. Through these efforts 508 deer were tested for CWD and 4 were positive. No CWD positive deer have been detected via hunter harvest.



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



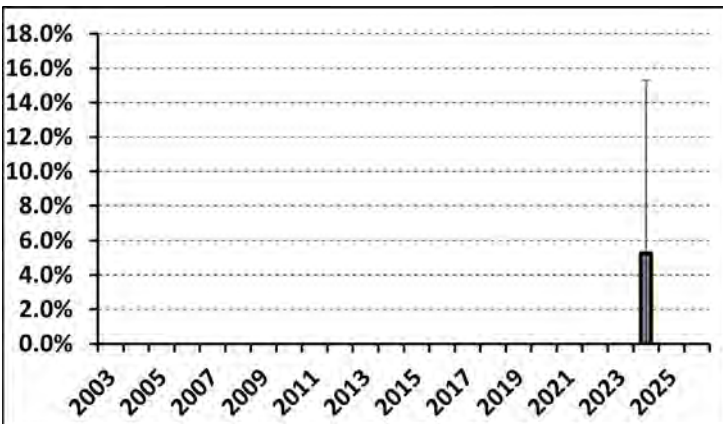
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	19	18	20	17	14
Crossbow	18	15	30	22	15
Traditional	0	1	0	0	0
Total	37	34	50	39	29

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.1	32.4	20.0	41.0	51.7
M - Yearling	24.3	29.4	28.0	30.8	27.6
M - Fawn	5.4	5.9	4.0	7.7	0.0
F - Adult	35.1	20.6	32.0	20.5	20.7
F - Fawn	0.0	11.8	16.0	0.0	0.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: EDGAR COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 623 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 1,474 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,126

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,248

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1300/1300 **Muzzle:** 275/275

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2018

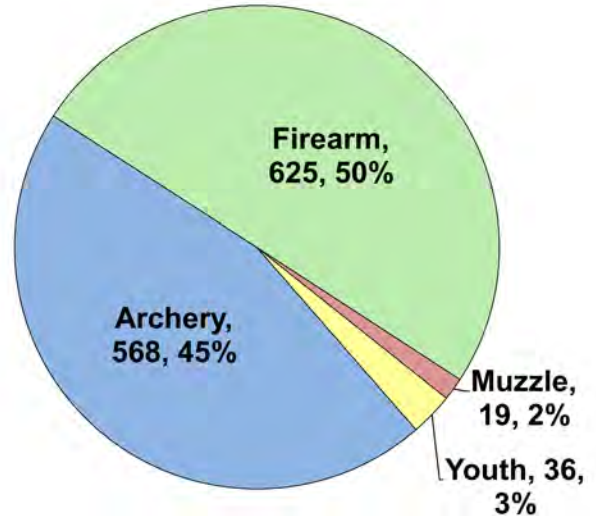
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	295	313	294	320	297
Crossbow	215	206	234	223	264
Traditional	5	7	6	8	7
Total	515	526	534	551	568

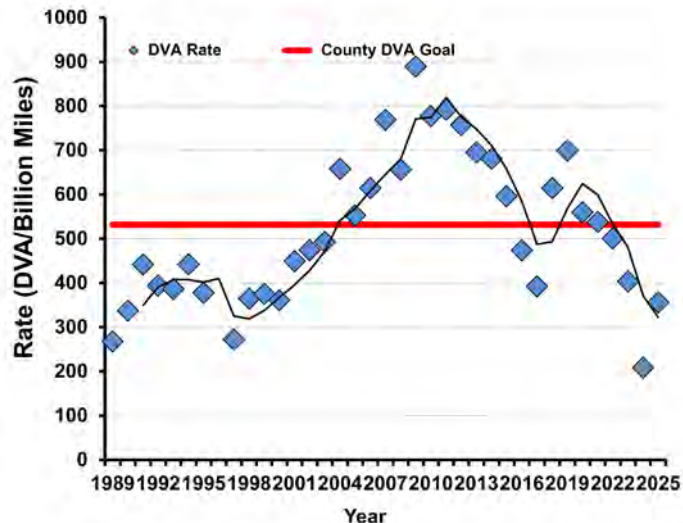
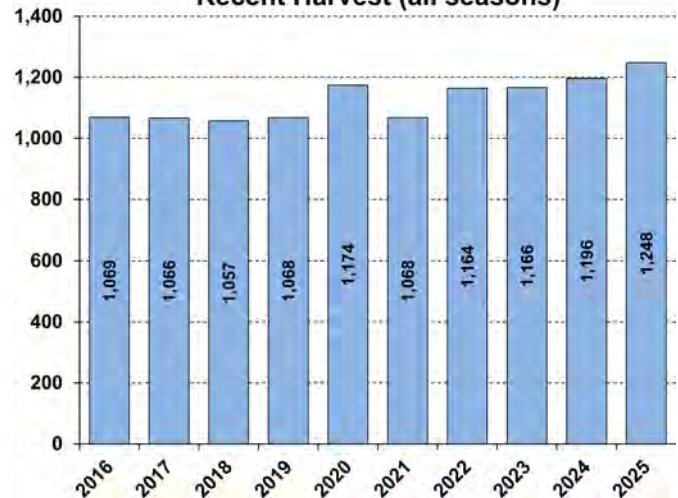
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	37.6	37.1	41.9	38.0	37.8
M - Yearling	15.6	14.7	13.2	14.8	13.4
M - Fawn	8.8	7.9	6.7	5.8	5.2
F - Adult	33.0	35.9	33.2	36.5	38.1
F - Fawn	5.0	4.4	5.1	4.8	5.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: EDWARDS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 422 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 914 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 743

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 854

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 700/700 **Muzzle:** 100/100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2016

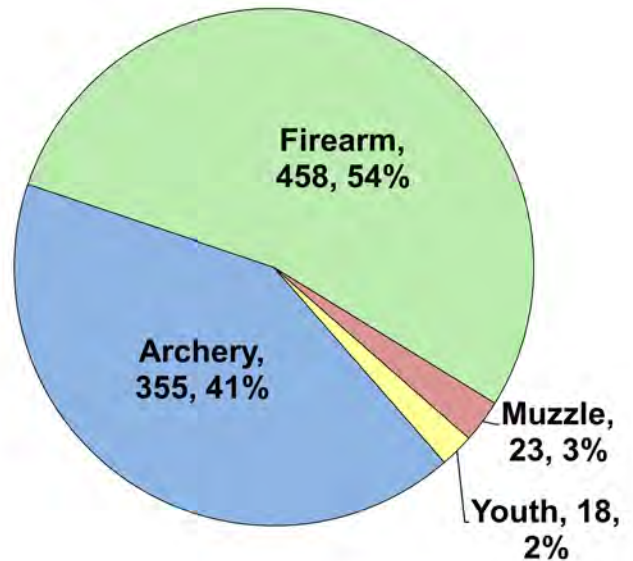
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	144	130	154	158	163
Crossbow	136	163	168	173	186
Traditional	3	2	4	2	6
Total	283	295	326	333	355

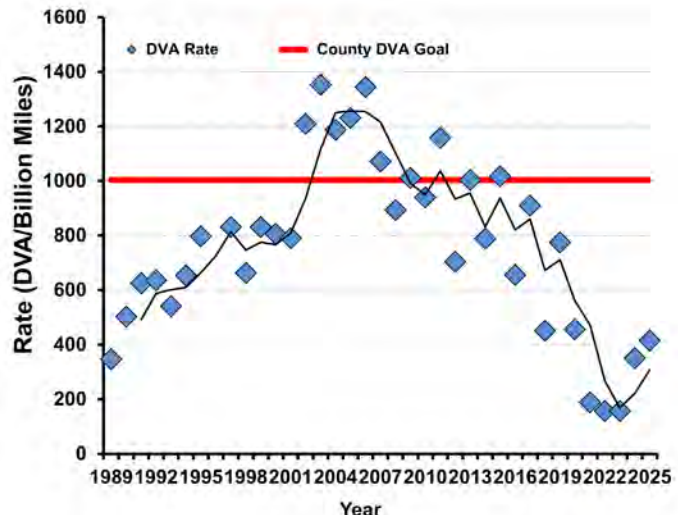
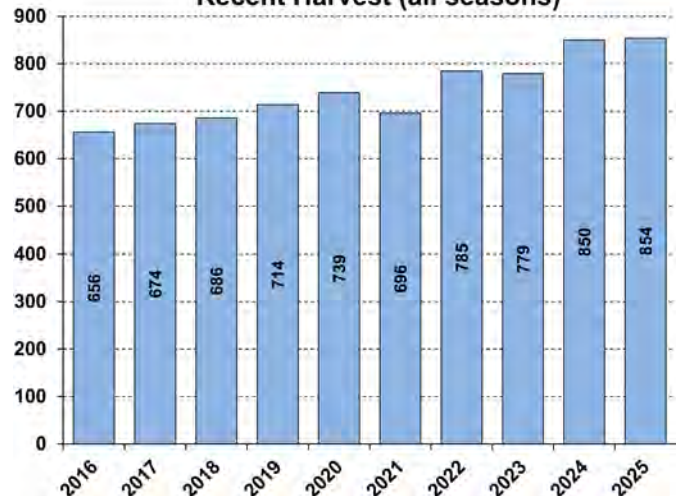
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	34.9	35.2	41.2	33.8	37.7
M - Yearling	15.4	16.8	15.3	17.9	17.2
M - Fawn	9.1	6.9	4.7	6.2	4.8
F - Adult	33.2	35.0	33.6	36.9	35.8
F - Fawn	7.5	6.1	5.1	5.2	4.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: EFFINGHAM COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 480 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 2,207 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,748

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,180

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2700/2700 **Muzzle:** 355/355

Late Winter: 114

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

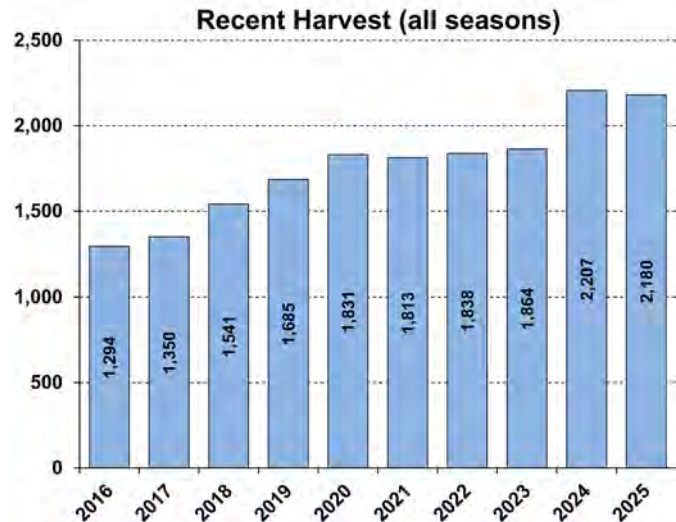
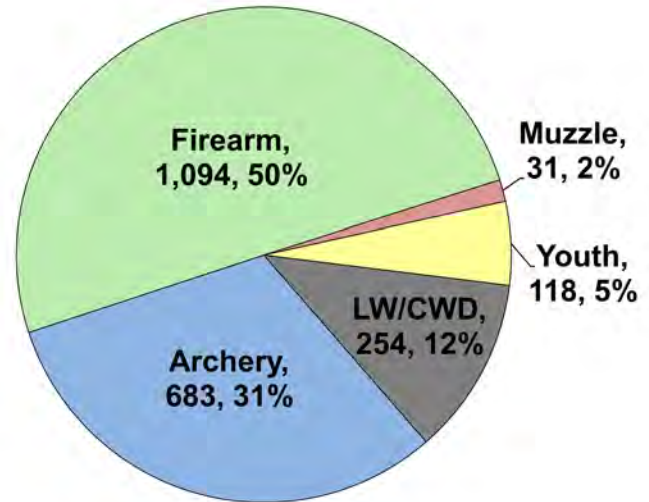
Check Station Loc.: None at this time.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD was detected for the first in this county in 2025. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 48

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Effingham County..



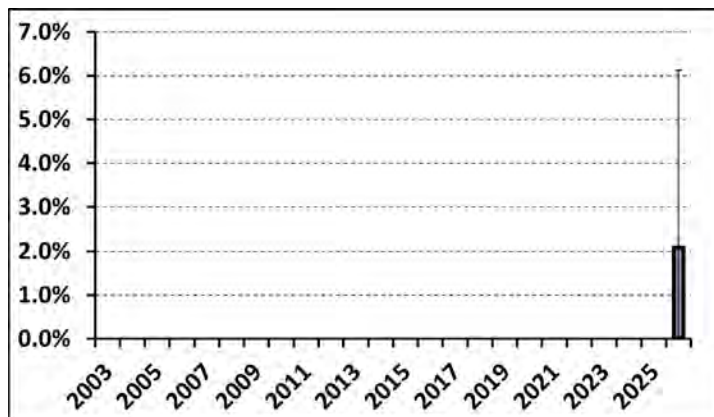
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	369	316	330	366	350
Crossbow	327	293	286	383	330
Traditional	8	3	3	4	3
Total	704	612	619	753	683

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.6	22.4	27.8	26.1	25.4
M - Yearling	17.9	17.0	18.5	16.2	15.6
M - Fawn	11.8	11.1	8.2	9.0	10.0
F - Adult	35.1	39.5	38.5	40.5	40.4
F - Fawn	7.6	10.0	7.0	8.3	8.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: FAYETTE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 726 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 4,025 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,932

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 4,025

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4000/4000 **Muzzle:** 685/700

Late Winter: 351

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2025 - Present

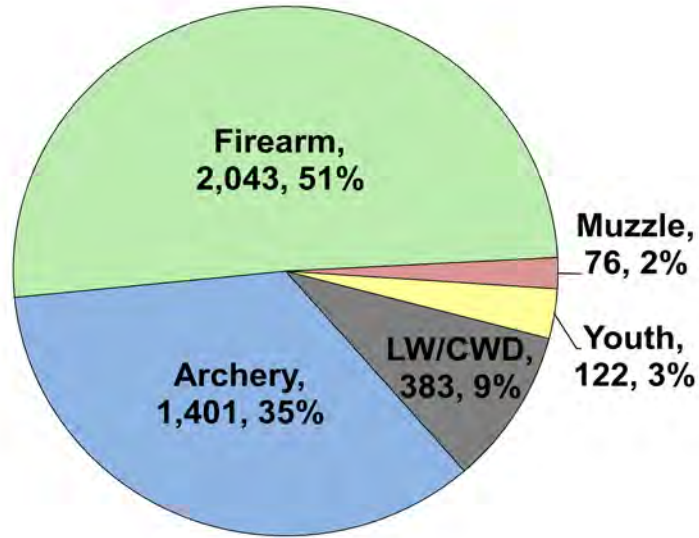
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	542	545	633	701	643
Crossbow	542	591	678	841	746
Traditional	5	8	9	4	12
Total	1089	1144	1320	1546	1401

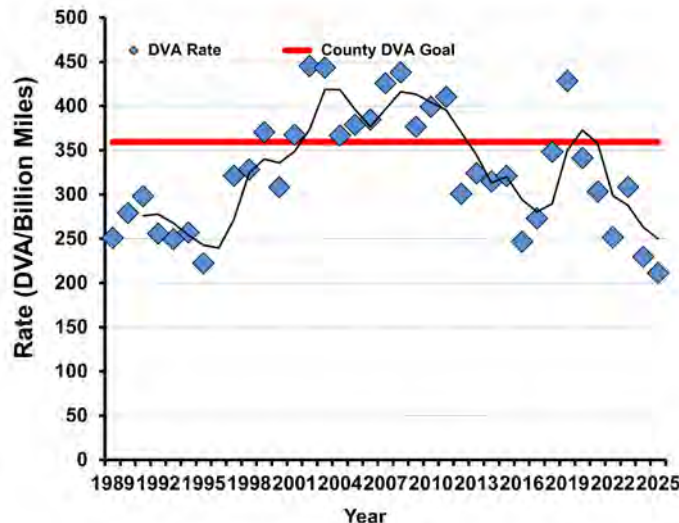
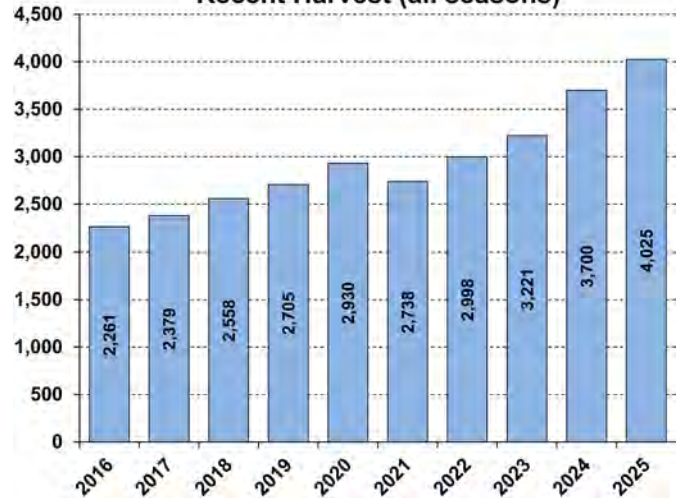
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.1	27.2	31.9	31.1	27.0
M - Yearling	16.0	17.0	17.5	14.6	14.6
M - Fawn	10.0	10.5	7.2	8.9	8.9
F - Adult	34.4	36.5	36.3	37.3	41.8
F - Fawn	8.4	8.8	7.2	8.1	7.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: FORD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 486 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 260 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 189

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 227

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 470/600 **Muzzle:** 68/100

CWD: 12

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

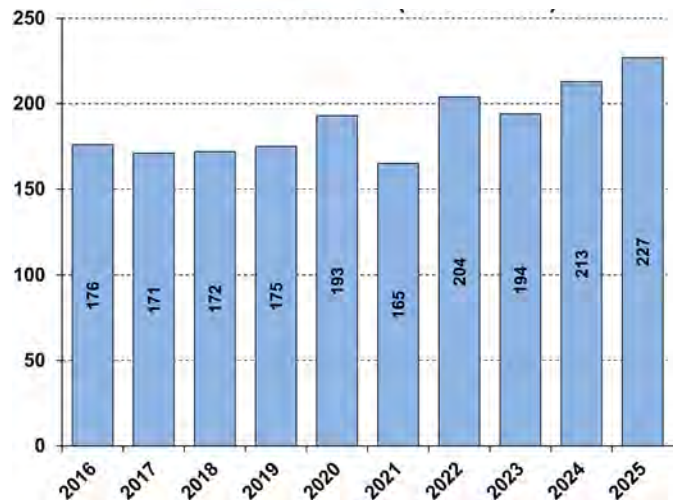
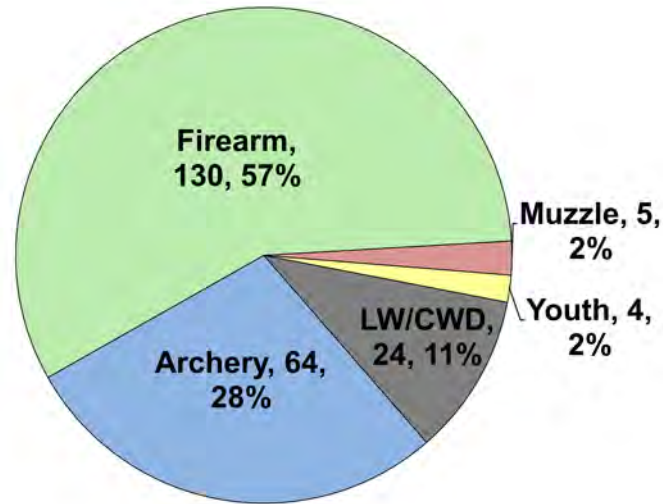
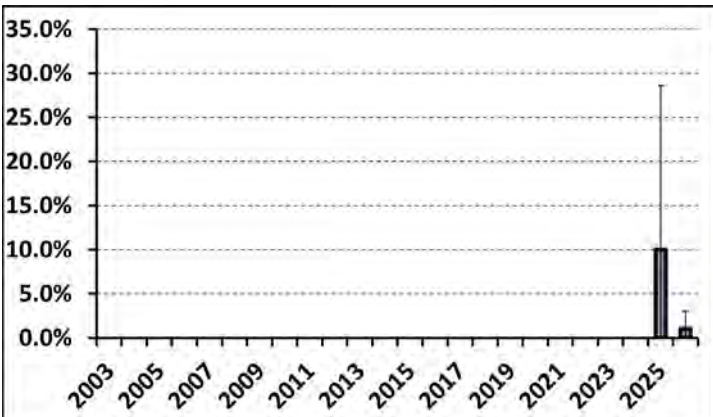
Check Station Location: IDNR Office, 301 S Date St., Gibson City, IL 60936

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes.
CWD was detected in this county in 2023. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 98

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 2

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	26	23	28	25	25
Crossbow	25	44	34	39	38
Traditional	0	0	1	0	1
Total	51	67	63	64	64

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	43.0	46.6	48.5	35.7	39.2
M - Yearling	21.8	21.6	15.5	21.6	22.0
M - Fawn	8.5	4.4	4.6	9.4	5.7
F - Adult	24.2	22.5	29.9	31.0	30.8
F - Fawn	2.4	4.9	1.5	2.3	2.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: FRANKLIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 432 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 2,778 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,597

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,638

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3000/3000 **Muzzle:** 375/400

Late Winter: 107

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2024-Present

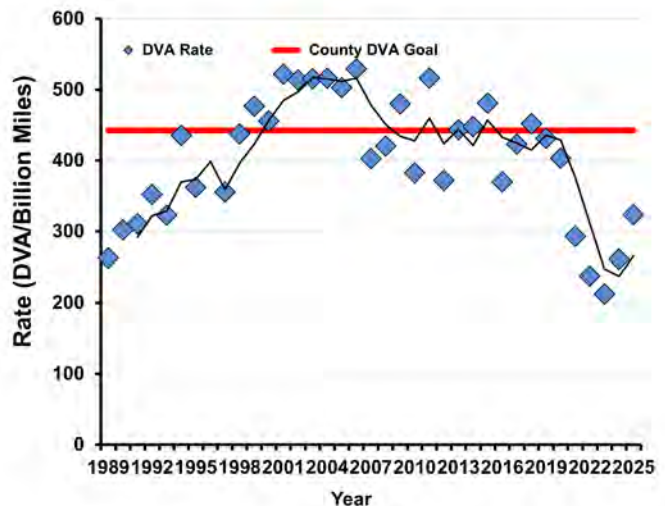
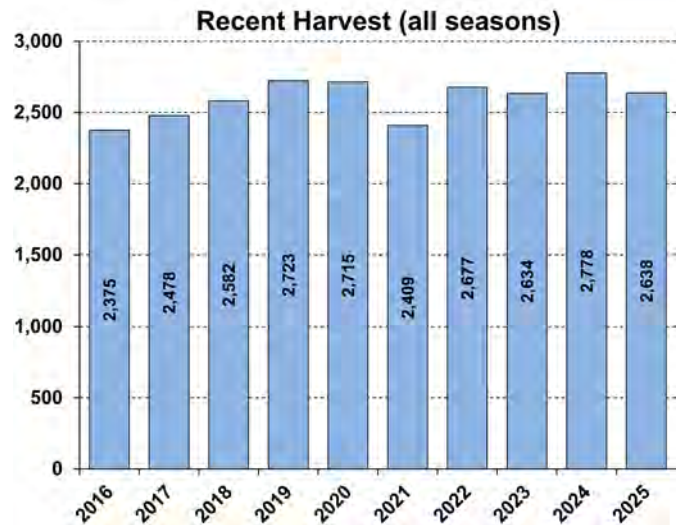
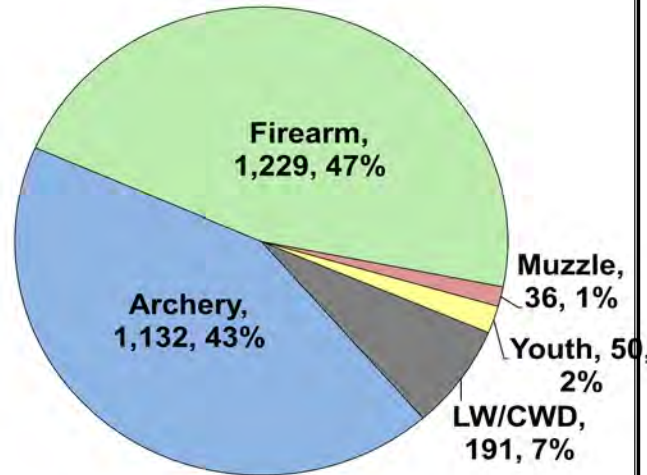
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	534	558	559	573	553
Crossbow	584	604	610	558	570
Traditional	6	15	13	16	9
Total	1124	1177	1182	1147	1132

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	26.5	25.8	29.3	28.4	28.7
M - Yearling	16.4	16.0	17.4	15.9	14.9
M - Fawn	7.9	8.8	7.1	6.9	6.3
F - Adult	42.2	43.2	40.5	42.7	45.3
F - Fawn	6.9	6.2	5.7	6.1	4.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: FULTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 884 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 5,717 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 4,027

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 4,267

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 5633/6200 **Muzzle:** 765/965

Late Winter: 168

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2003 - Present

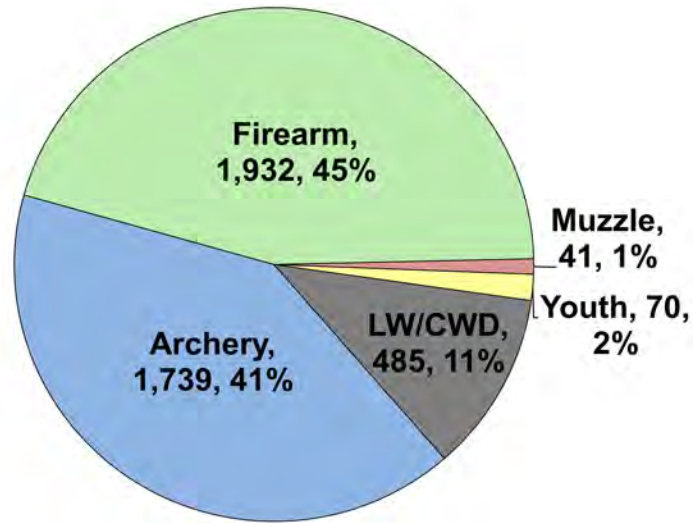
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	809	733	782	833	829
Crossbow	744	775	816	907	876
Traditional	33	37	37	35	34
Total	1586	1545	1635	1775	1739

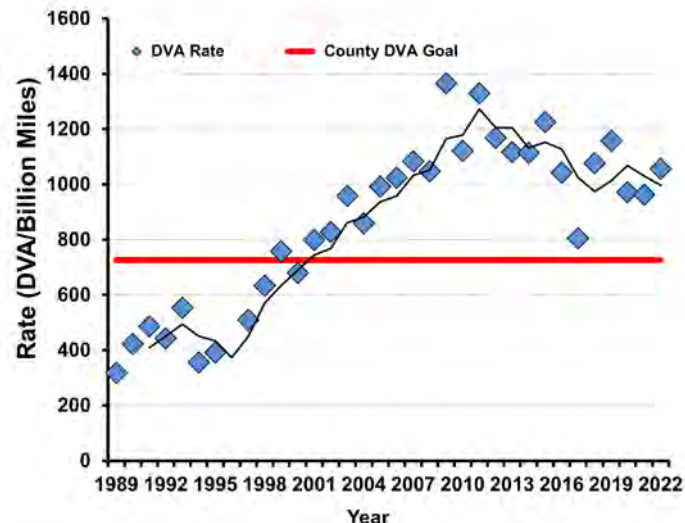
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	32.3	31.8	31.4	28.4	29.7
M - Yearling	15.1	13.7	15.2	14.0	14.6
M - Fawn	8.0	8.4	8.2	9.0	8.0
F - Adult	37.3	39.5	38.7	42.1	42.1
F - Fawn	7.3	6.6	6.5	6.5	5.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: GALLATIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 328 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,091 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 750

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 734

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1312/1450 **Muzzle:** 134/150

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

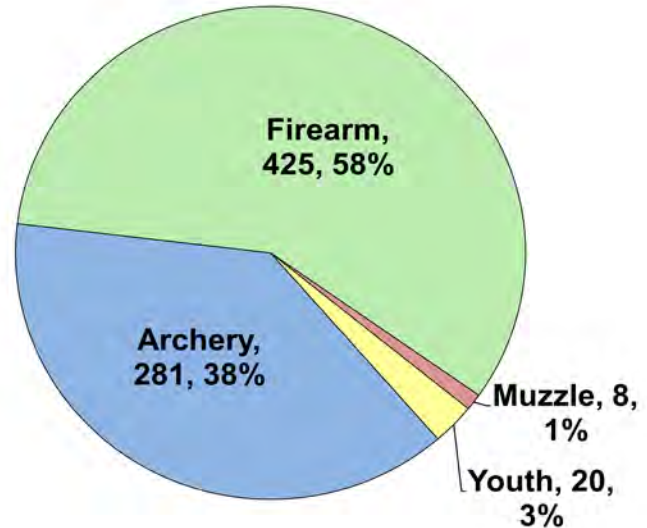
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	156	156	131	148	144
Crossbow	126	164	128	126	136
Traditional	4	6	3	4	1
Total	286	326	262	278	281

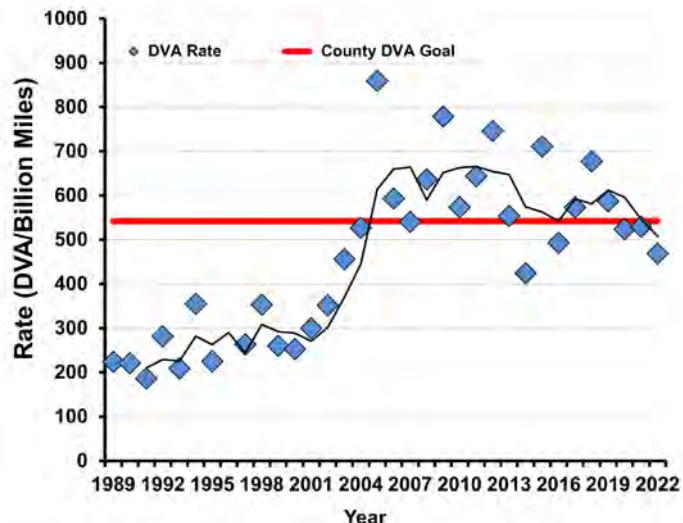
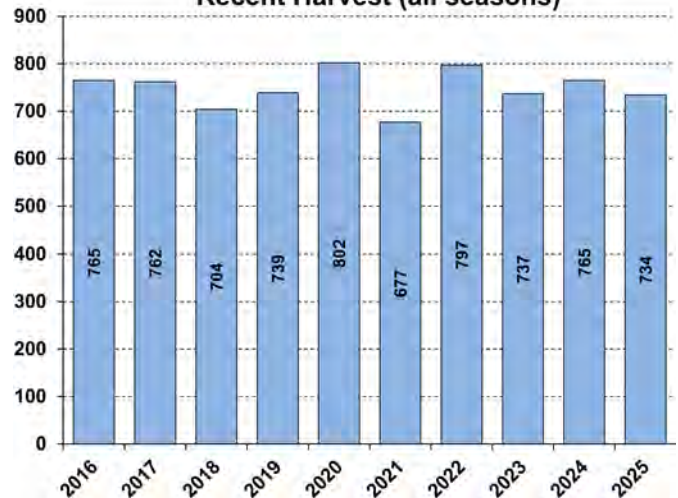
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.6	36.9	37.4	36.9	42.0
M - Yearling	16.7	16.6	17.2	18.3	15.9
M - Fawn	8.6	5.9	6.4	4.8	4.1
F - Adult	32.8	35.9	33.6	35.0	33.5
F - Fawn	6.4	4.8	5.3	5.0	4.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: GREENE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 548 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 3,241 (2004)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,039

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,177

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1750/1750 **Muzzle:** 275/275

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2013

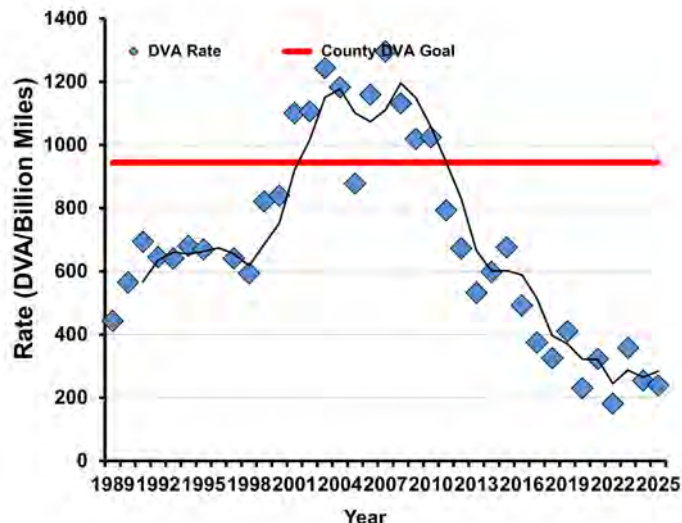
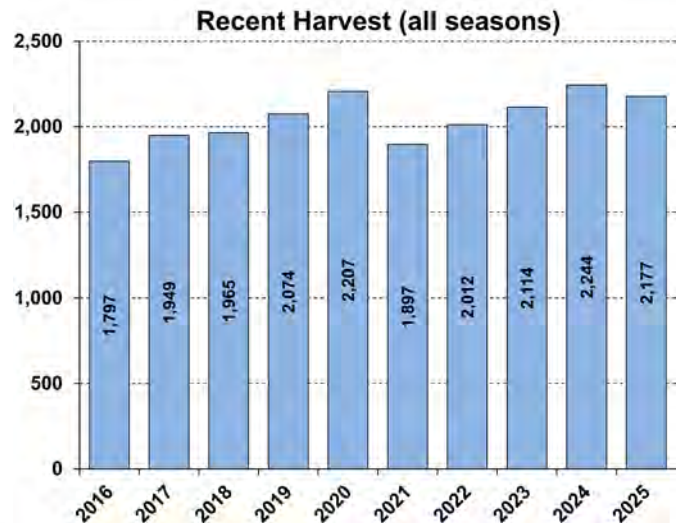
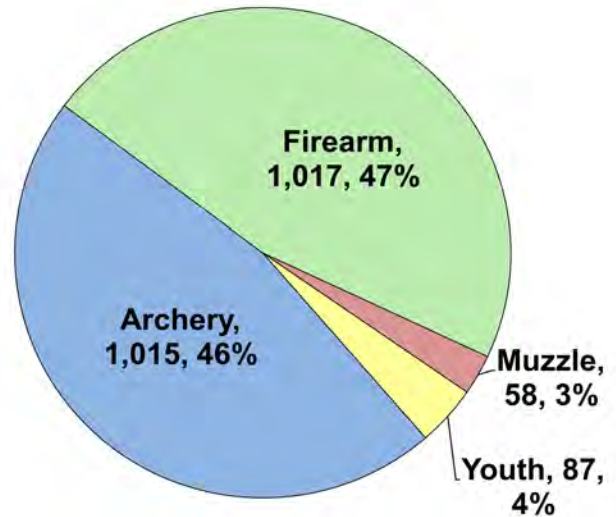
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	440	433	492	520	516
Crossbow	393	459	453	492	480
Traditional	10	8	10	18	19
Total	843	900	955	1030	1015

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.9	30.7	33.2	29.6	31.0
M - Yearling	11.6	12.2	13.1	12.8	12.4
M - Fawn	10.2	9.5	6.8	7.9	7.7
F - Adult	38.9	39.9	39.0	41.6	41.2
F - Fawn	10.4	7.7	8.0	8.1	7.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: GRUNDY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 430 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 1,157 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 714

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 796

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1091/1850 **Muzzle:** 105/475

CWD: 65

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

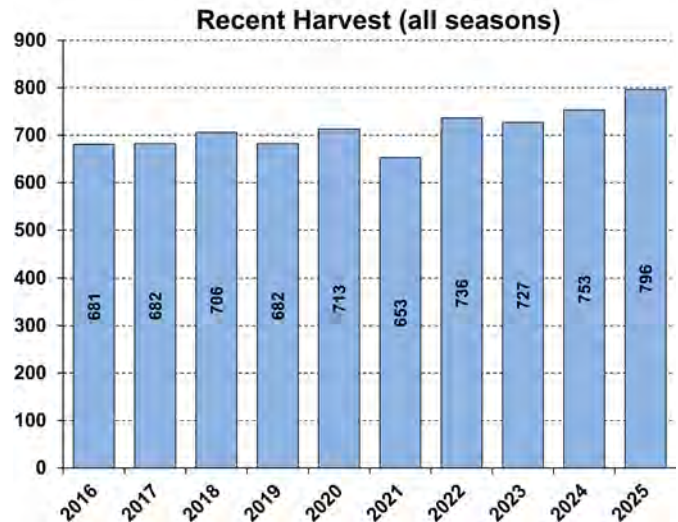
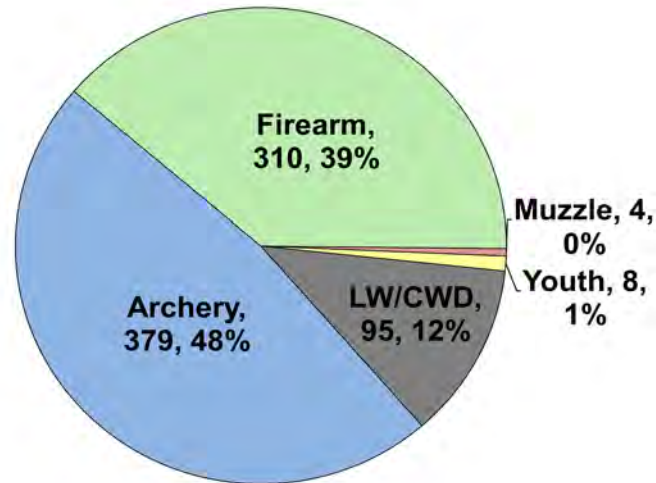
Check Station Location: Gebhard Woods SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 204

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 50

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified its CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in Grundy County anymore.



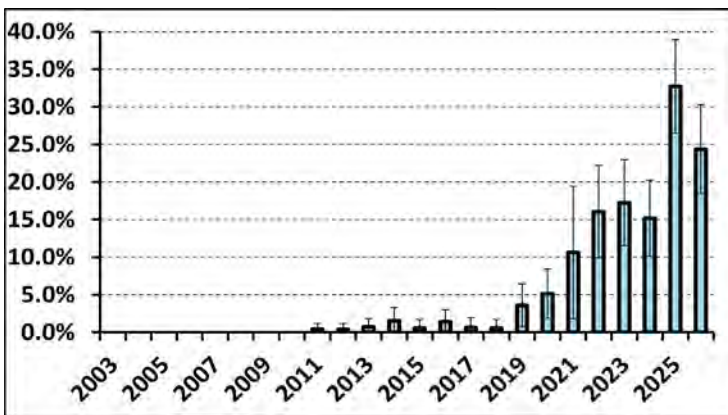
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	169	191	172	162	176
Crossbow	149	176	184	167	200
Traditional	1	4	1	2	3
Total	319	371	357	331	379

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.7	30.3	32.7	30.1	32.5
M - Yearling	22.6	16.8	21.2	16.1	16.2
M - Fawn	7.7	8.8	7.3	8.4	7.8
F - Adult	35.0	36.1	33.6	39.2	36.2
F - Fawn	6.0	7.9	5.2	6.2	7.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: HAMILTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 436 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 2,671 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,246

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,671

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2500/2500 **Muzzle:** 384/400

Late Winter: 183

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

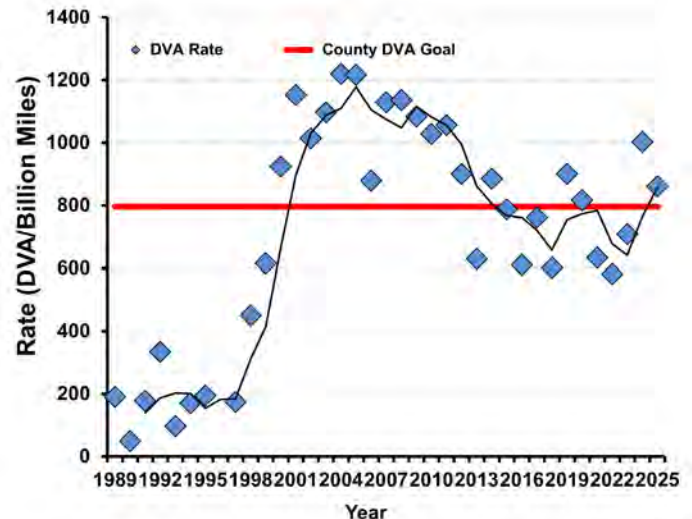
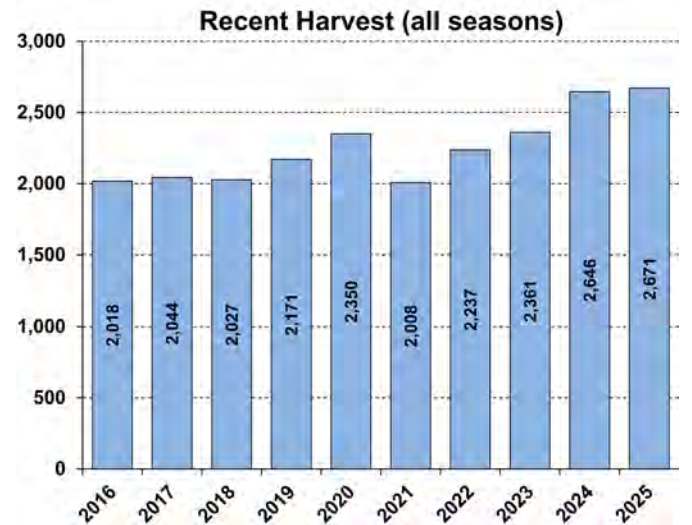
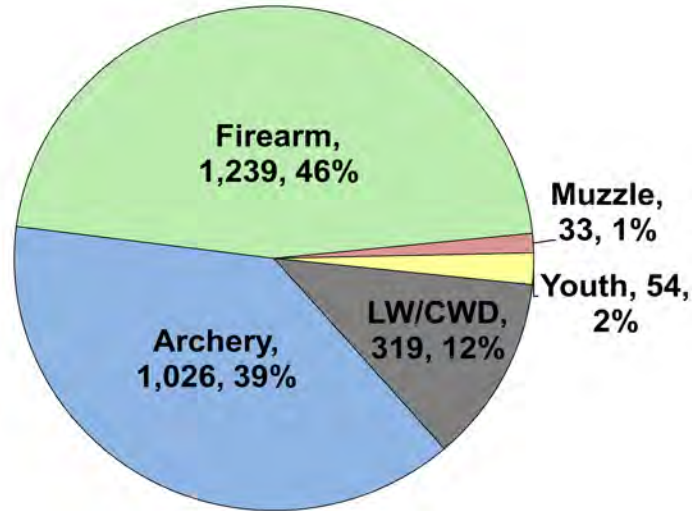
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	388	398	468	490	456
Crossbow	402	498	543	559	553
Traditional	12	12	13	11	17
Total	802	908	1024	1060	1026

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	34.9	31.5	35.2	30.4	33.4
M - Yearling	14.2	14.2	13.8	14.9	12.2
M - Fawn	6.2	6.7	5.8	6.0	6.1
F - Adult	38.4	41.8	39.6	42.4	43.1
F - Fawn	6.2	5.8	5.6	6.2	5.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: HANCOCK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 816 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,661 (2008)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,849

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,185

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4306/4400 **Muzzle:** 590/675

Late Winter: 50

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2022 - Present

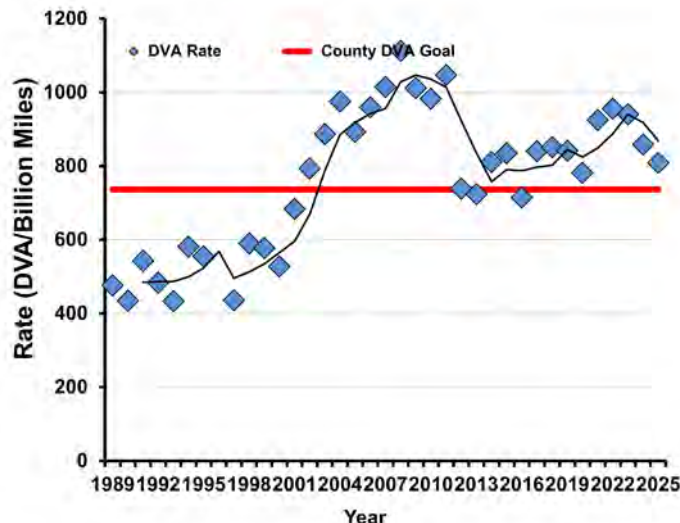
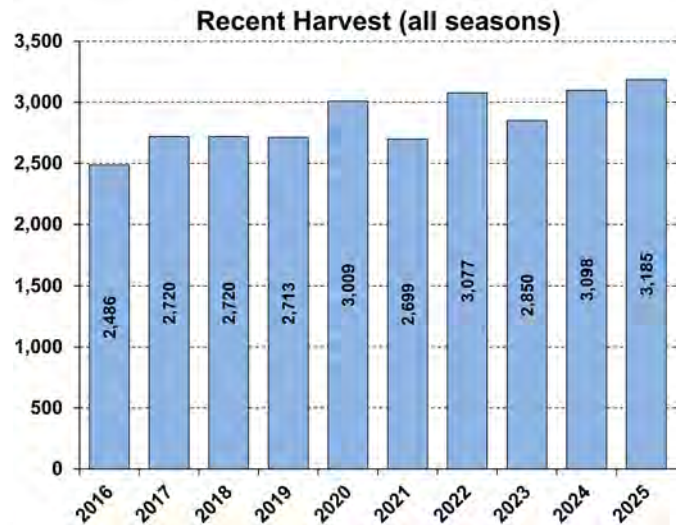
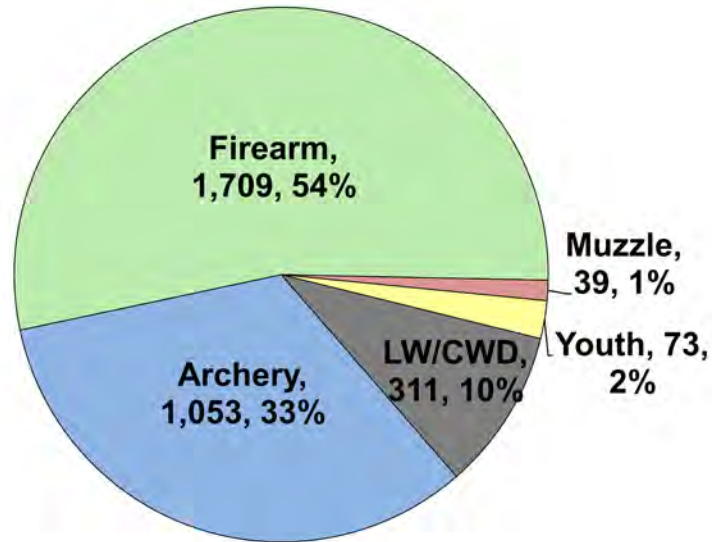
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	479	461	459	491	491
Crossbow	530	556	542	558	547
Traditional	11	9	10	12	15
Total	1020	1026	1011	1061	1053

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.4	29.9	32.7	26.0	29.2
M - Yearling	14.3	12.0	12.2	12.6	11.8
M - Fawn	8.9	8.7	10.5	9.5	8.5
F - Adult	37.9	40.4	36.6	43.8	42.2
F - Fawn	7.5	9.1	8.1	8.1	8.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: HARDIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 181 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,667 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,215

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 902

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1800/1800 **Muzzle:** 192/235

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

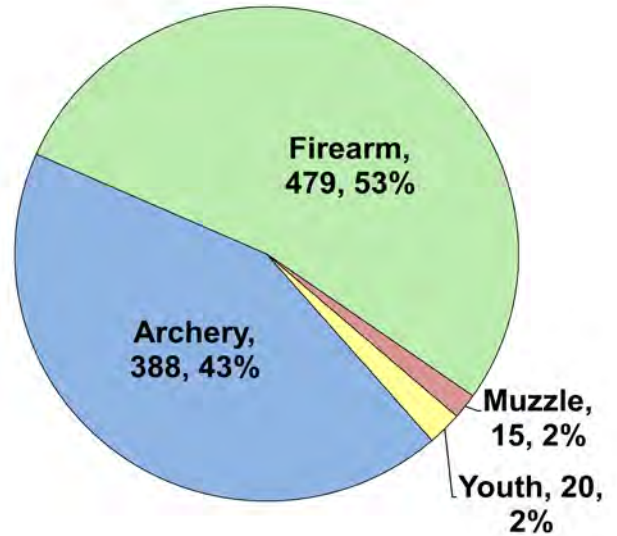
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	183	182	182	164	169
Crossbow	222	241	210	225	214
Traditional	3	9	5	2	5
Total	408	432	397	391	388

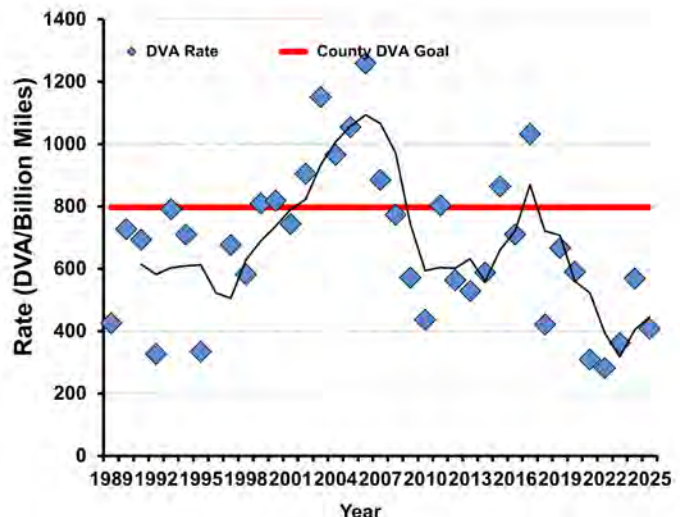
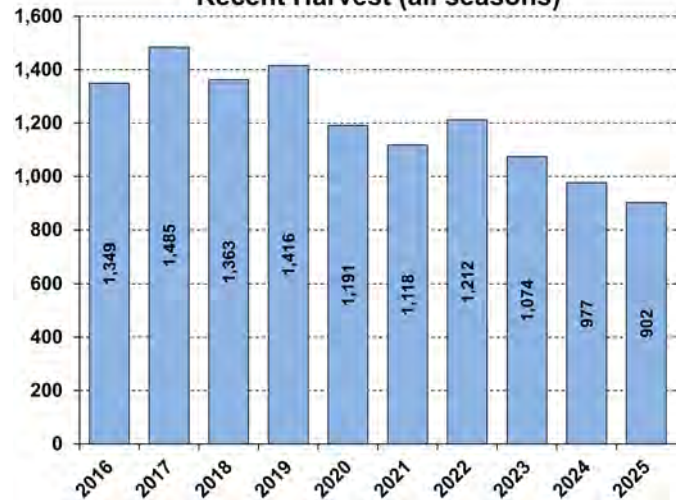
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	24.9	22.7	25.8	25.8	27.5
M - Yearling	21.2	22.7	23.1	22.1	19.5
M - Fawn	9.7	10.7	9.1	8.1	6.8
F - Adult	36.2	38.9	37.3	36.5	39.9
F - Fawn	8.0	5.0	4.7	7.5	6.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: HENDERSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 397 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,247 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 908

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,063

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1400/1400 **Muzzle:** 185/210

Late Winter: 33

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2007 - Present

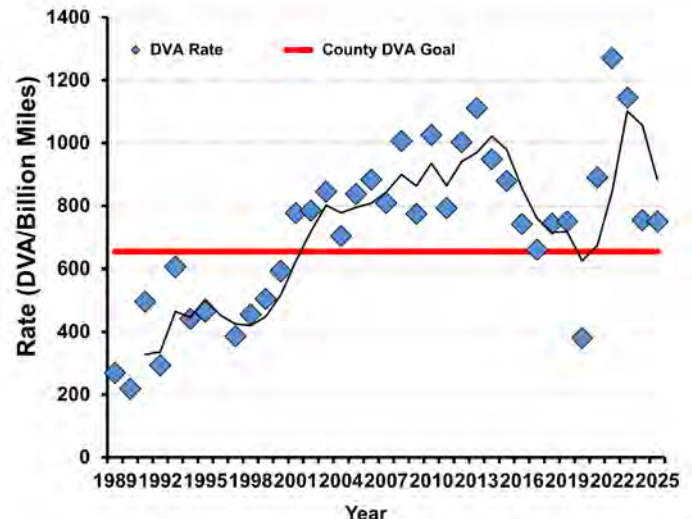
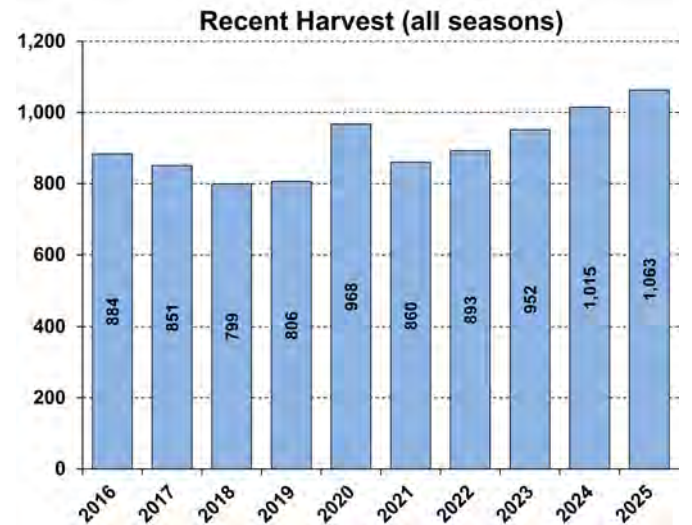
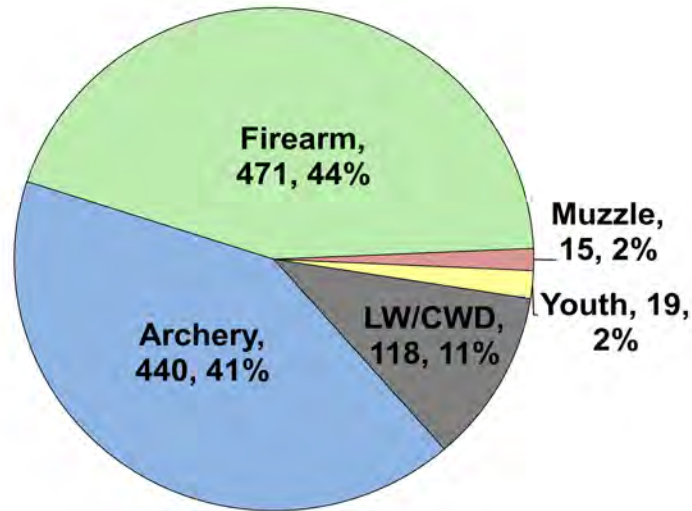
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	184	165	196	214	192
Crossbow	199	194	203	214	239
Traditional	4	6	4	17	9
Total	387	365	403	445	440

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	32.3	33.5	34.1	31.2	30.5
M - Yearling	15.1	14.9	16.5	18.0	15.9
M - Fawn	9.1	7.8	8.6	7.7	6.7
F - Adult	36.2	38.0	33.5	37.5	41.0
F - Fawn	7.3	5.8	7.2	5.6	5.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: HENRY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 826 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 1,634 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,063

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,233

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1500/1500 **Muzzle:** 391/400

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

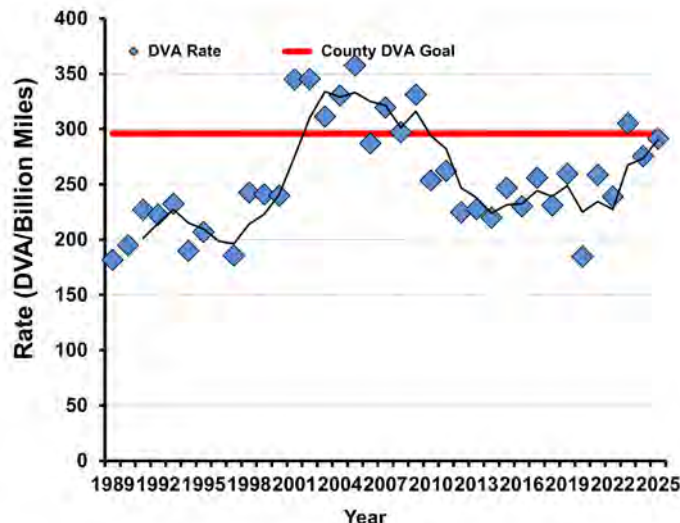
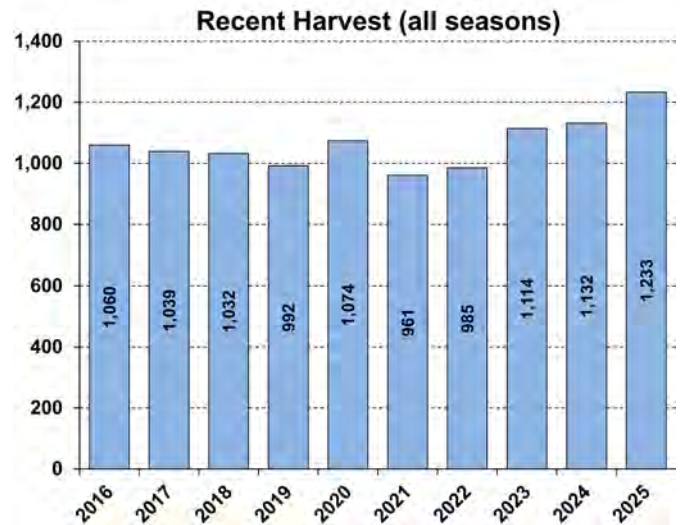
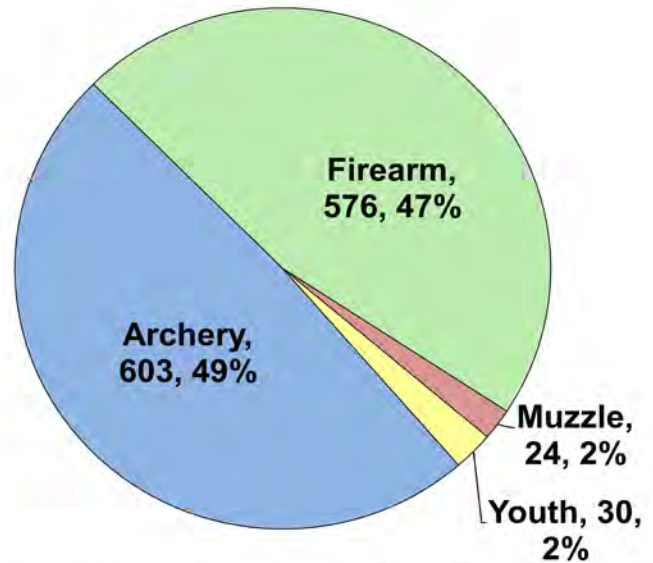
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	210	195	230	238	224
Crossbow	299	308	362	364	377
Traditional	5	4	2	8	2
Total	514	507	594	610	603

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.3	31.0	36.1	33.6	35.4
M - Yearling	20.1	19.9	18.9	18.2	17.4
M - Fawn	9.5	8.8	6.2	6.5	7.8
F - Adult	35.8	34.0	33.2	35.9	35.1
F - Fawn	6.3	6.3	5.7	5.7	4.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: IROQUOIS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 1,119 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 1,368 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,022

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,323

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1700/1700 **Muzzle:** 396/400

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

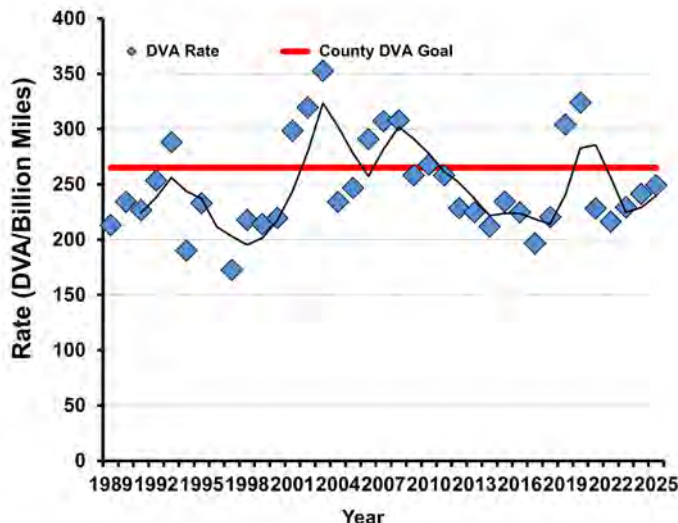
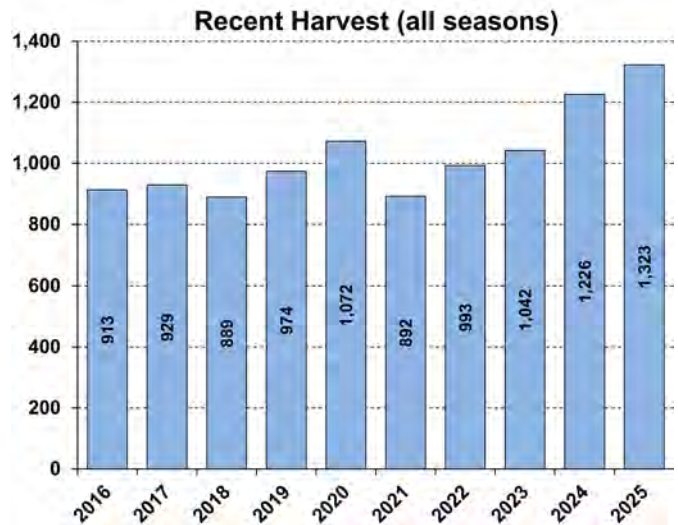
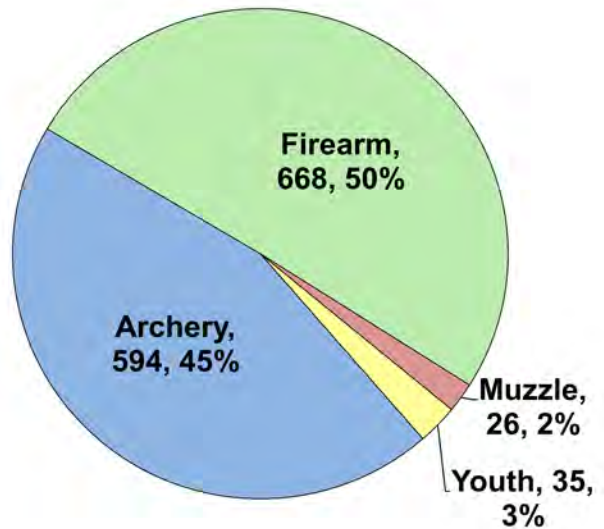
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	150	215	190	216	204
Crossbow	280	324	304	390	385
Traditional	4	2	2	1	5
Total	434	541	496	607	594

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	38.1	35.3	40.3	36.1	36.1
M - Yearling	20.5	20.7	19.4	16.2	17.2
M - Fawn	7.1	6.7	6.2	6.4	5.7
F - Adult	28.8	32.6	30.1	35.4	36.4
F - Fawn	5.5	4.5	3.9	5.8	4.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JACKSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 606 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,710 (2018)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,434

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,340

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 5400/5400 **Muzzle:** 520/590

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2009

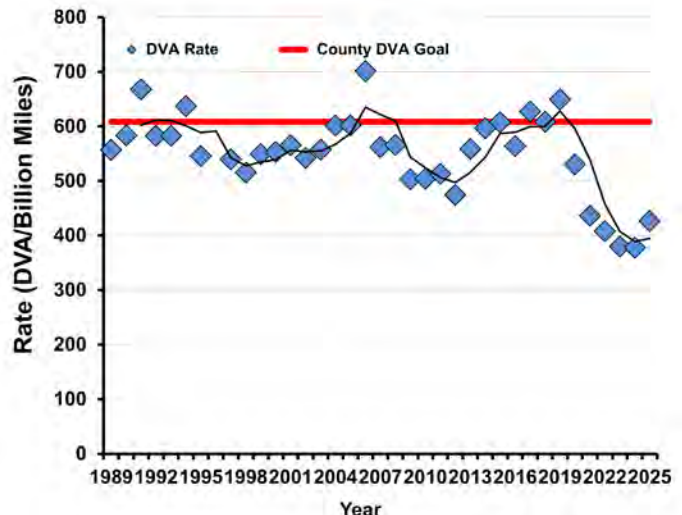
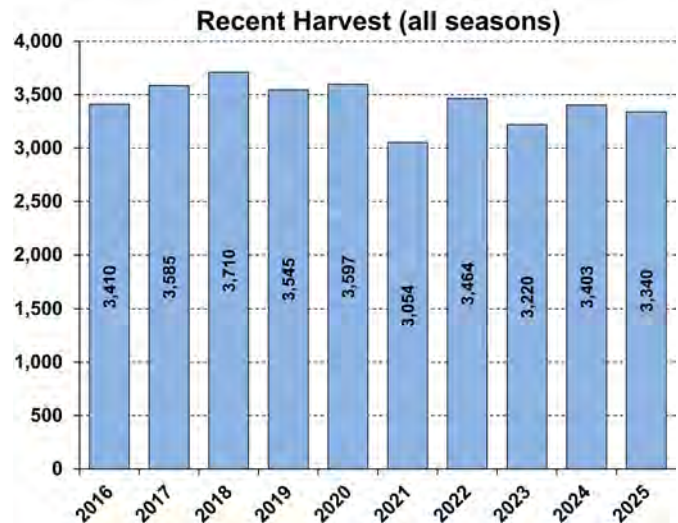
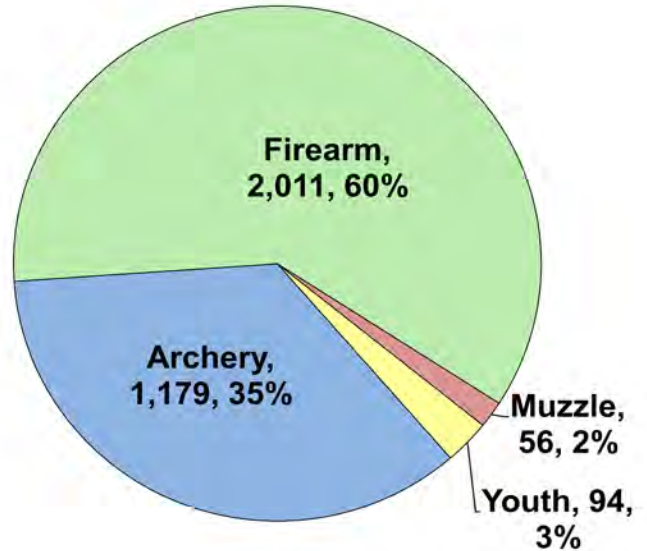
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	462	488	441	516	525
Crossbow	609	628	620	700	641
Traditional	17	10	4	11	13
Total	1088	1126	1065	1227	1179

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.0	26.6	27.1	27.0	27.0
M - Yearling	20.9	18.8	21.4	20.6	20.5
M - Fawn	8.2	8.9	8.9	6.9	8.3
F - Adult	36.8	40.0	37.6	40.2	38.2
F - Fawn	6.1	5.7	4.9	5.3	6.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JASPER COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 498 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 2,531 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,963

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,531

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2250/2250 **Muzzle:** 350/350

Late Winter: 150

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2025 - Present

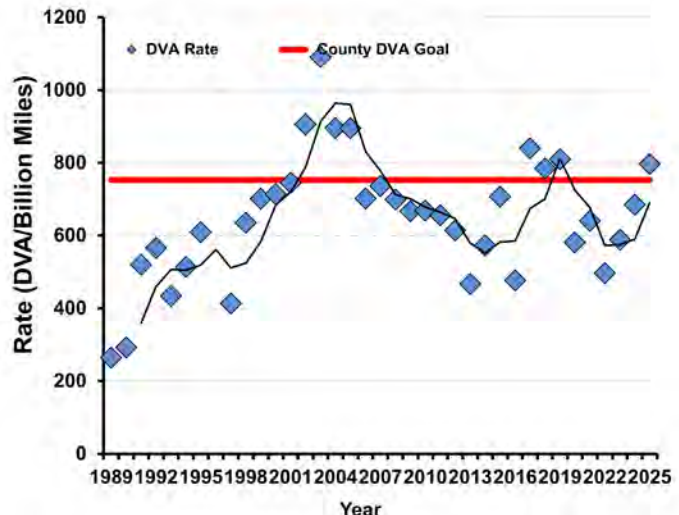
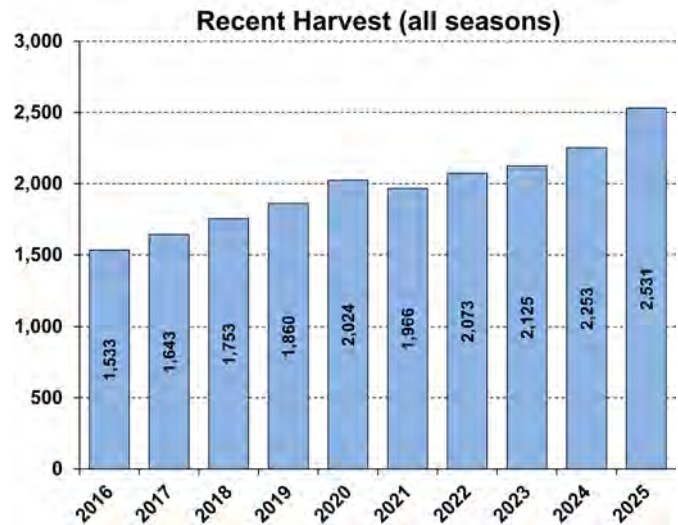
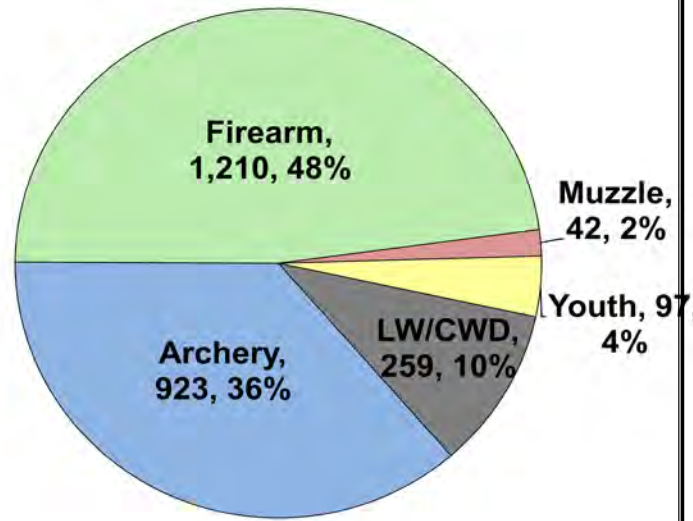
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	453	405	435	496	503
Crossbow	405	409	461	376	411
Traditional	8	7	8	11	9
Total	866	821	904	883	923

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.3	26.7	28.5	27.9	24.7
M - Yearling	16.4	16.0	15.4	14.4	13.6
M - Fawn	11.2	10.9	9.2	10.1	8.4
F - Adult	37.6	36.9	38.4	38.8	44.3
F - Fawn	7.5	9.6	8.5	8.8	9.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JEFFERSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 584 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 5,124 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 4,004

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 5,124

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4400/4400 **Muzzle:** 700/700

Late Winter: 392

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2024-Present

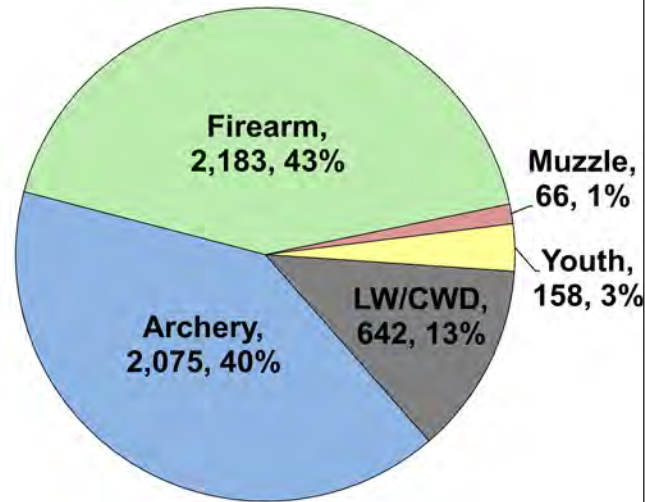
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	856	911	978	961	979
Crossbow	970	1003	1088	1089	1078
Traditional	7	18	18	16	18
Total	1833	1932	2084	2066	2075

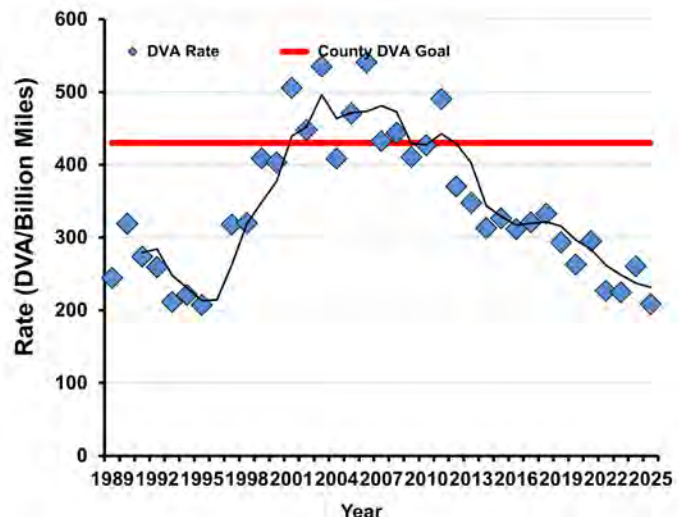
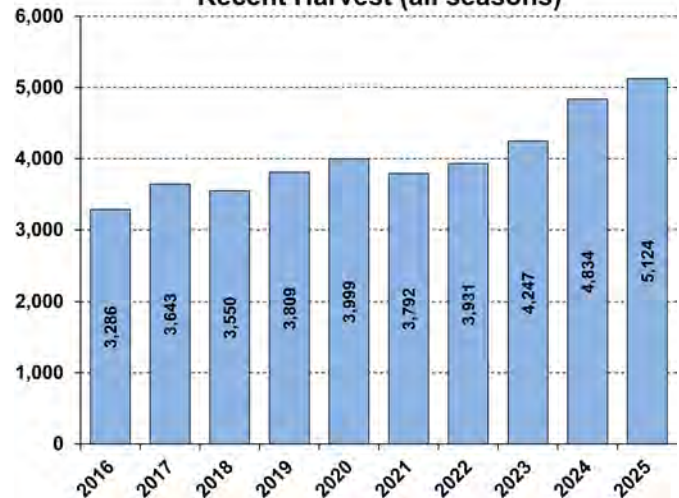
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.6	31.3	34.0	29.4	26.8
M - Yearling	16.4	15.8	17.2	16.1	15.2
M - Fawn	8.1	7.8	6.8	6.7	7.2
F - Adult	38.1	39.0	36.5	42.2	44.2
F - Fawn	6.8	6.1	5.4	5.7	6.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JERSEY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 378 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 2,150 (2006)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,312

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,498

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2100/2100 **Muzzle:** 346/375

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

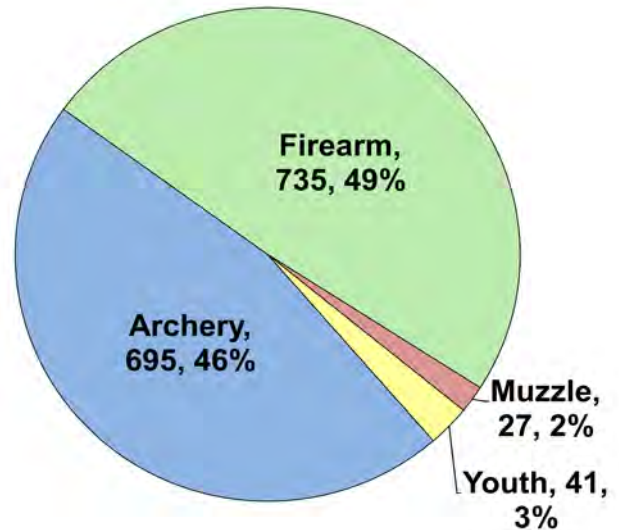
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	305	322	307	296	327
Crossbow	291	303	346	357	363
Traditional	9	8	12	6	5
Total	605	633	665	659	695

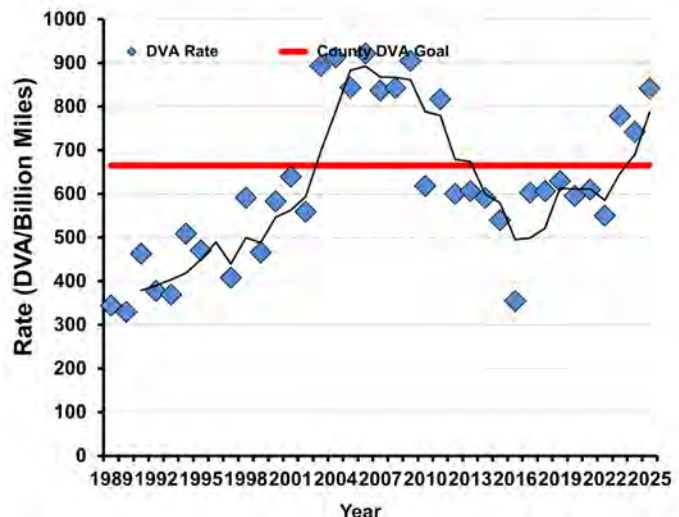
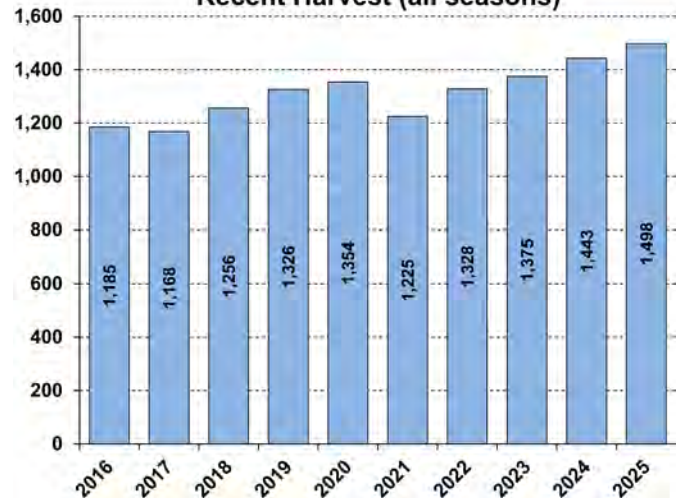
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	32.9	31.5	31.8	29.4	31.8
M - Yearling	15.9	16.5	16.0	15.1	17.0
M - Fawn	9.0	7.1	8.8	7.7	6.9
F - Adult	35.9	38.6	38.0	41.0	38.7
F - Fawn	6.3	6.3	5.5	6.9	5.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JODAVIESS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 619 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 4,364 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,985

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,698

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4907/7000 **Muzzle:** 489/1300

CWD: 154

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

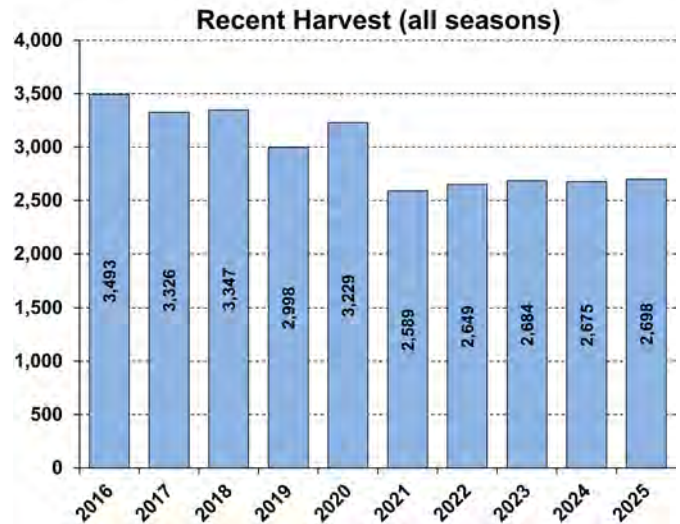
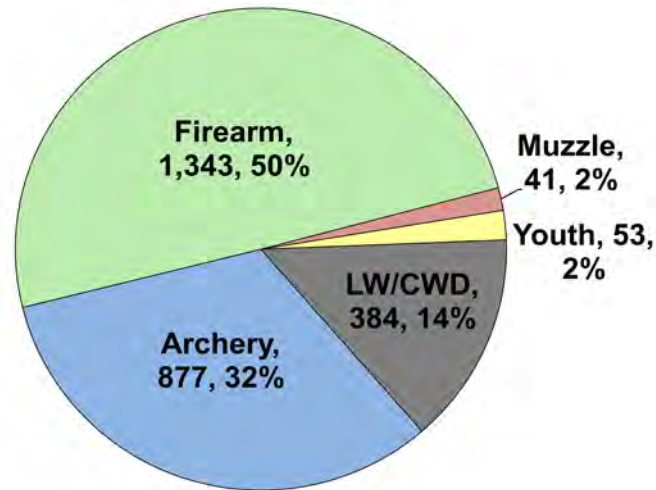
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CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 1,296

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 123

IDNR sharpshooting: 350 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



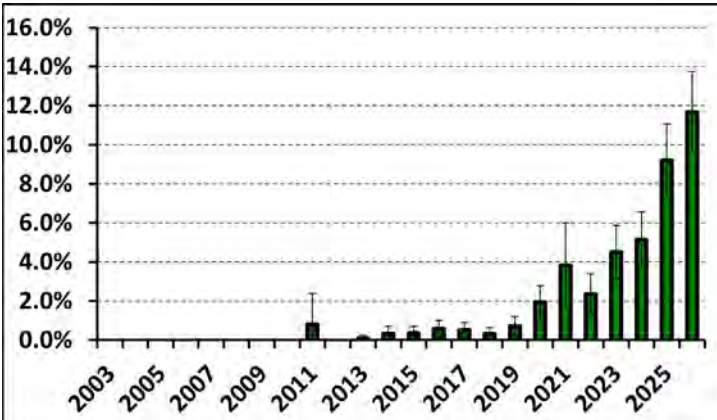
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	466	439	452	410	348
Crossbow	506	502	514	512	514
Traditional	10	12	6	6	15
Total	982	953	972	928	877

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	32.7	30.4	32.2	28.8	30.9
M - Yearling	14.7	15.5	16.6	15.6	15.1
M - Fawn	7.7	10.1	7.8	9.7	7.6
F - Adult	38.1	37.4	37.3	38.5	39.5
F - Fawn	6.8	6.6	6.1	7.5	6.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: JOHNSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 349 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 2,997 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,179

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,993

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3000/3000 **Muzzle:** 420/450

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

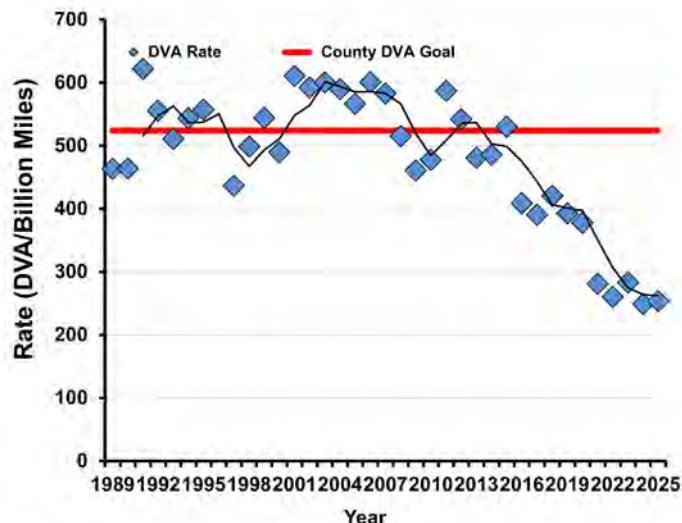
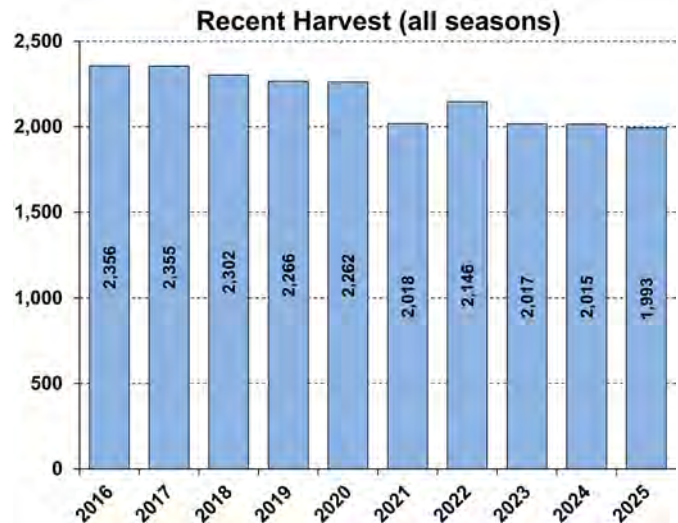
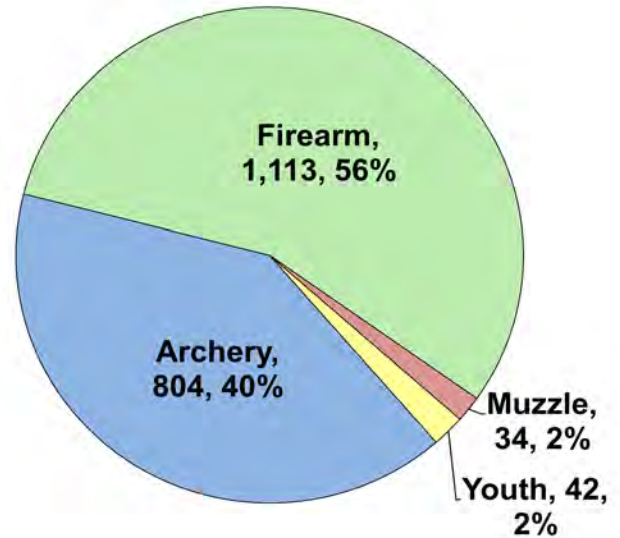
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	395	380	363	354	370
Crossbow	392	468	477	478	423
Traditional	9	9	9	10	11
Total	796	857	849	842	804

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.0	26.5	27.0	28.6	29.7
M - Yearling	18.8	19.2	21.7	20.0	20.8
M - Fawn	7.9	7.6	6.6	7.0	6.2
F - Adult	37.7	40.4	38.7	39.6	38.4
F - Fawn	6.6	6.3	5.9	4.8	4.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: KANE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 524 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 559 (2004)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 373

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 413

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 252/525 **Muzzle:** 21/200

CWD: 7

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

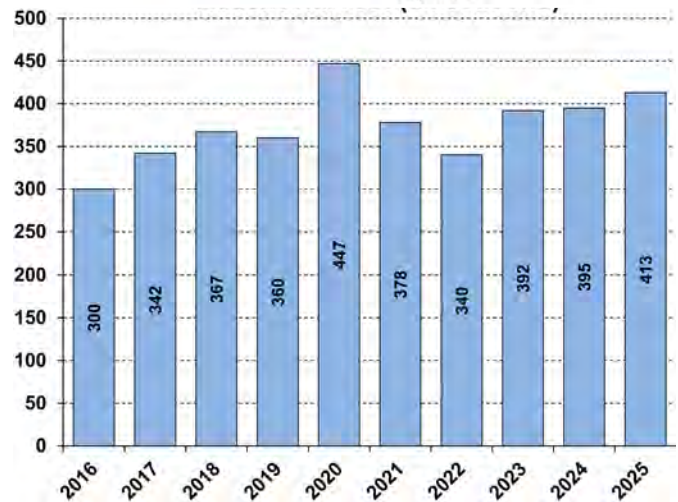
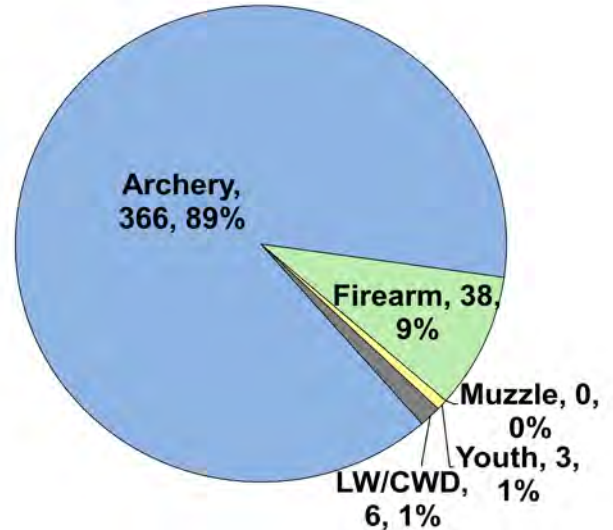
Check Station Location: Use Boone, DeKalb, Kendall, or McHenry check station

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 343

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 23

IDNR sharpshooting: 192 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



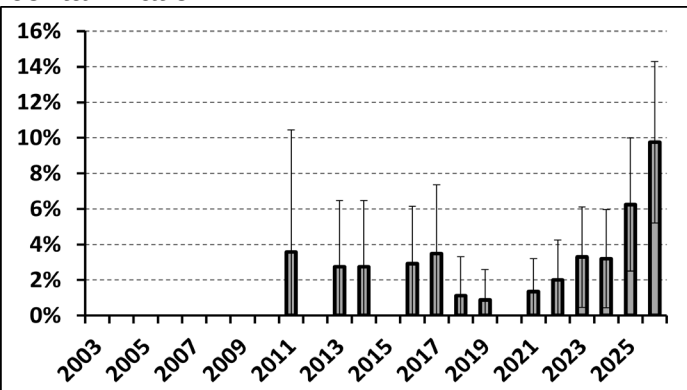
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	163	153	178	163	165
Crossbow	170	152	170	188	199
Traditional	2	3	4	3	2
Total	335	308	352	354	366

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.9	32.4	37.8	31.9	32.7
M - Yearling	20.9	20.9	18.4	24.6	22.3
M - Fawn	9.5	5.0	7.9	6.5	8.0
F - Adult	33.3	36.8	30.9	32.9	31.7
F - Fawn	6.3	5.0	5.1	4.0	5.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: KANKAKEE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 681 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1975

Record Harvest: 749 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 588

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 749

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1220/1650 **Muzzle:** 193/325

CWD: 48

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

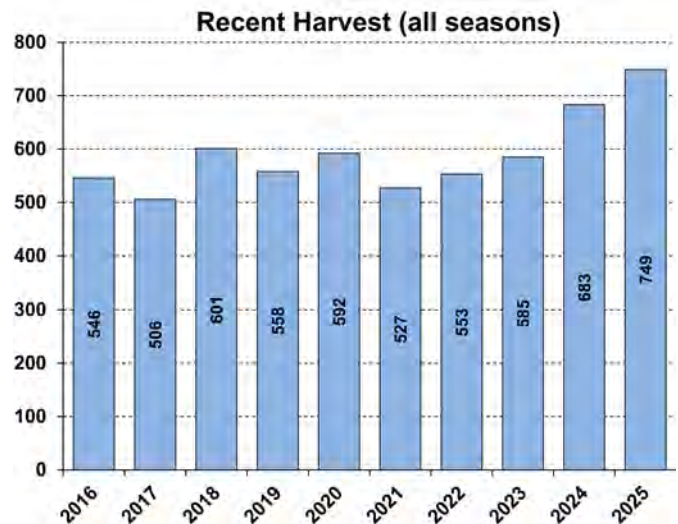
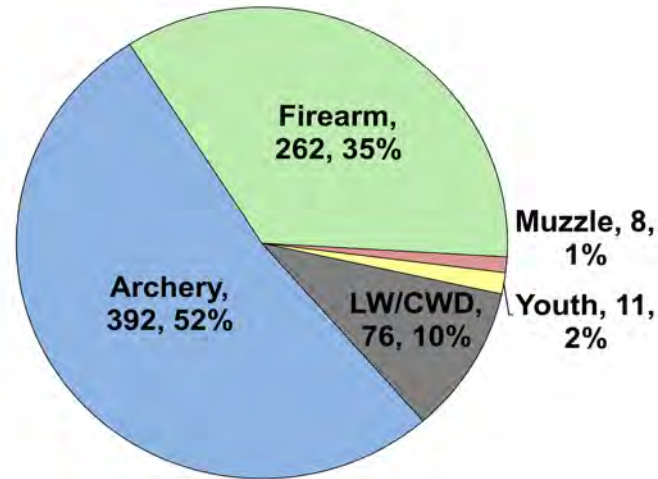
Check Station Location: Kankakee River SP Visitor Center

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 190

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 3

IDNR sharpshooting: 53 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



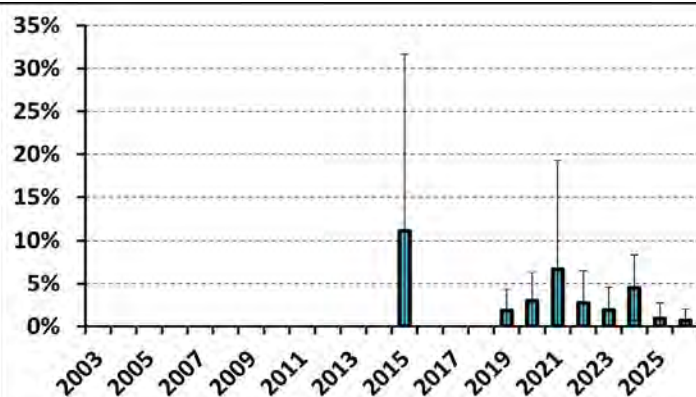
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	114	118	143	144	148
Crossbow	161	186	196	256	235
Traditional	2	7	3	8	9
Total	277	311	342	408	392

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.5	30.3	33.0	31.0	31.2
M - Yearling	20.9	17.8	20.9	19.6	18.0
M - Fawn	10.5	9.2	7.4	7.8	7.6
F - Adult	35.6	36.2	32.0	35.3	36.3
F - Fawn	4.6	6.5	6.8	6.3	6.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: KENDALL COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 322 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 403 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 290

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 269

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 483/600 **Muzzle:** 51/225

CWD: 24

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

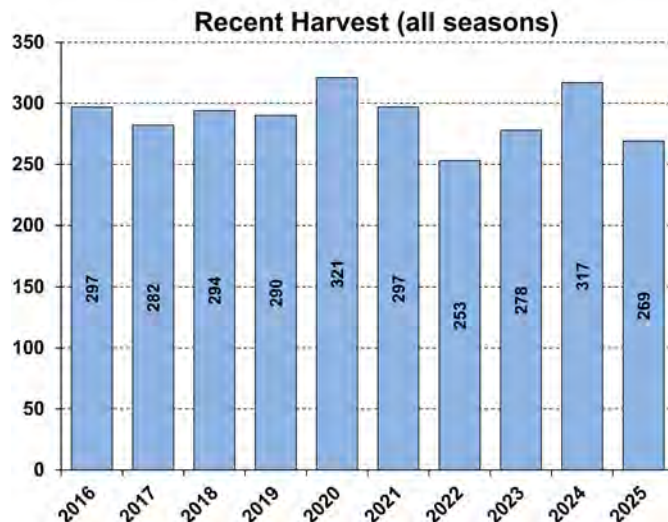
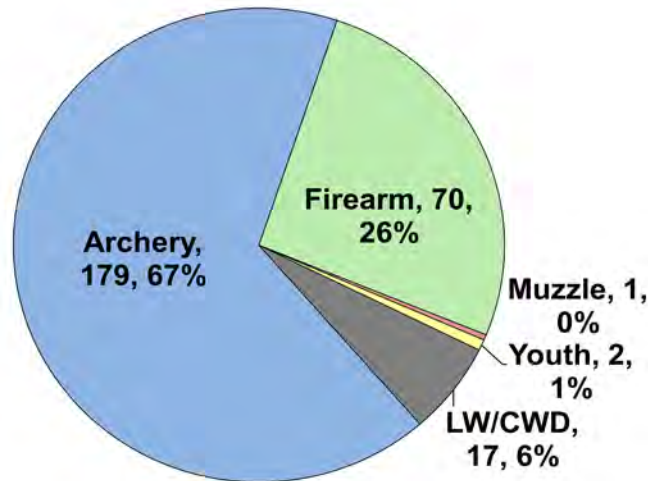
Check Station Location: Silver Springs SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 76

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 12

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified it's CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in Kendall County anymore.



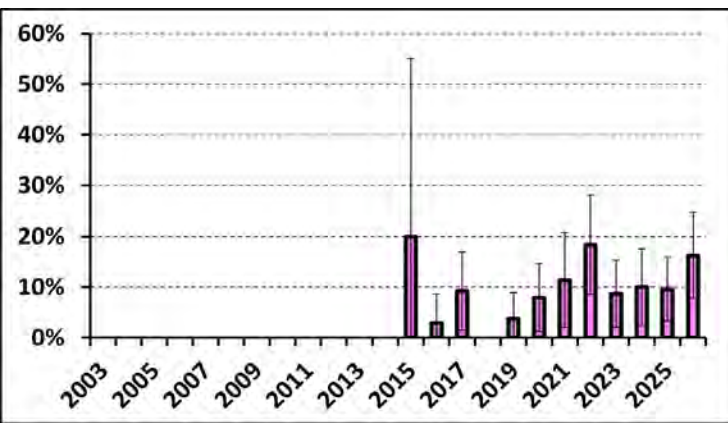
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	103	86	96	118	93
Crossbow	91	83	94	98	86
Traditional	0	0	23	2	0
Total	194	169	213	218	179

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	22.2	28.5	30.2	25.4	36.7
M - Yearling	25.6	19.8	23.7	28.5	23.2
M - Fawn	10.1	7.5	7.9	9.1	9.0
F - Adult	38.7	37.5	31.3	31.0	25.5
F - Fawn	3.4	6.7	6.8	6.0	5.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: KNOX COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 720 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1960

Record Harvest: 3,000 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,317

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,339

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3466/4200 **Muzzle:** 473/700

Late Winter: 100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

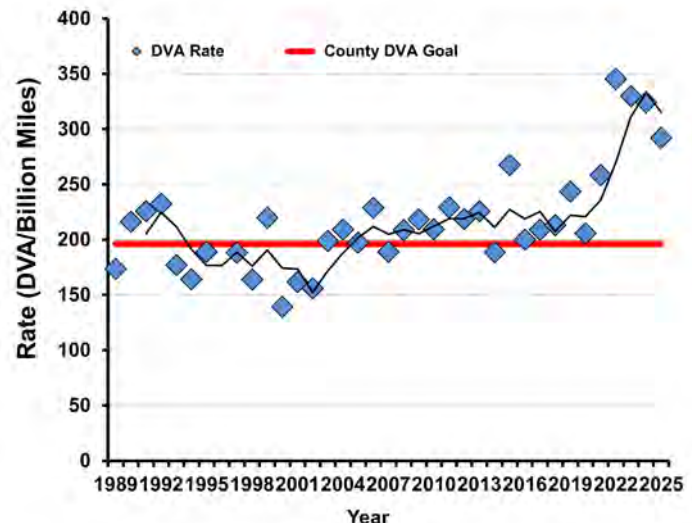
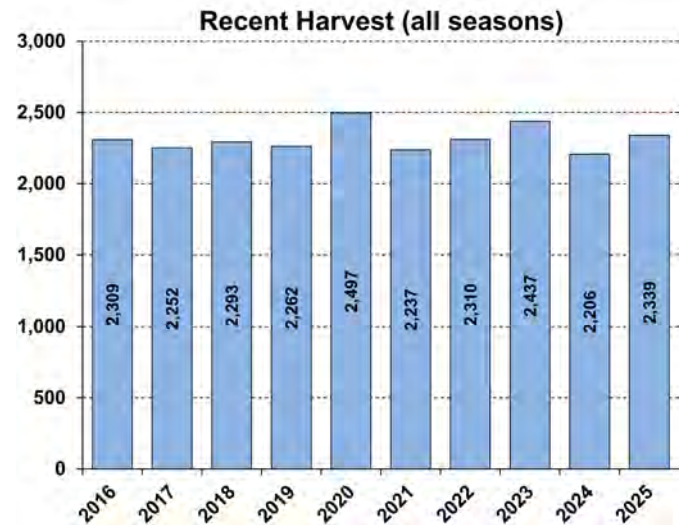
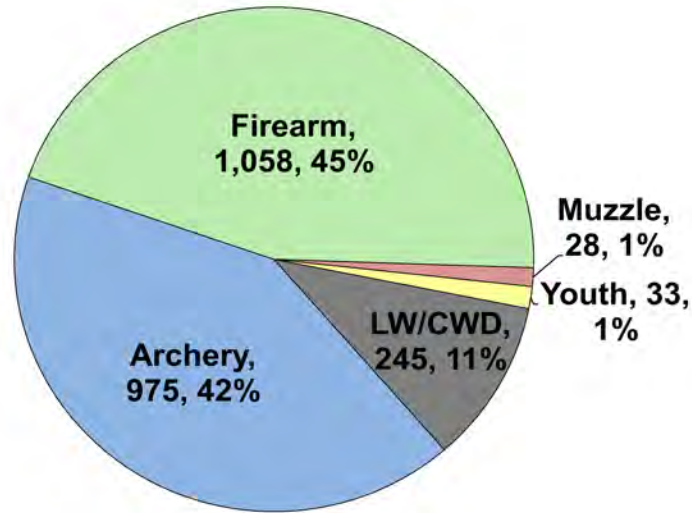
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	413	390	447	344	408
Crossbow	536	536	559	470	541
Traditional	27	24	0	15	26
Total	976	950	1006	829	975

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.1	30.0	30.4	27.5	30.7
M - Yearling	15.8	14.4	18.3	16.0	15.6
M - Fawn	9.6	7.7	8.4	9.7	7.6
F - Adult	39.1	41.6	38.3	41.5	42.3
F - Fawn	6.4	6.3	4.6	5.3	3.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LAKE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 470 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 607 (1995 and 1996)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 311

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 319

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

No firearm hunting except Chain-O-Lakes SP

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

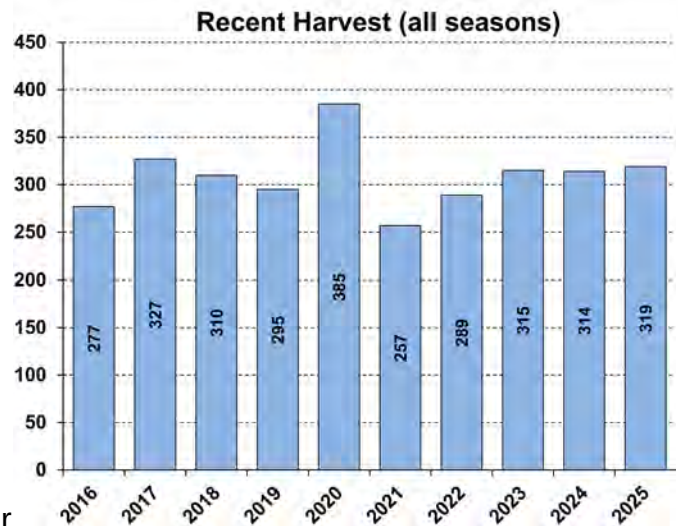
Check Station Location: Use McHenry Co. Check station

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 228

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 4

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



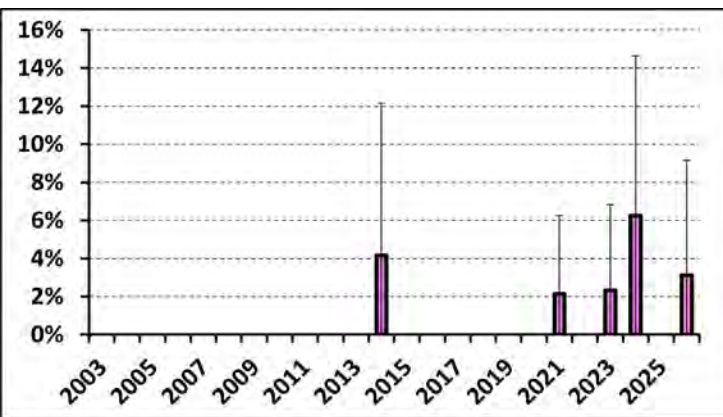
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	143	166	171	170	173
Crossbow	107	118	139	129	139
Traditional	4	2	1	4	2
Total	254	286	311	303	314

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.1	38.8	38.7	33.3	34.8
M - Yearling	26.1	23.9	27.9	33.7	26.3
M - Fawn	5.1	5.5	5.4	4.1	5.0
F - Adult	34.2	28.7	26.3	25.1	29.5
F - Fawn	1.6	3.1	1.6	3.8	4.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LASALLE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 1,148 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 3,170 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,611

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,561

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2442/4025 **Muzzle:** 236/825

CWD: 141

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

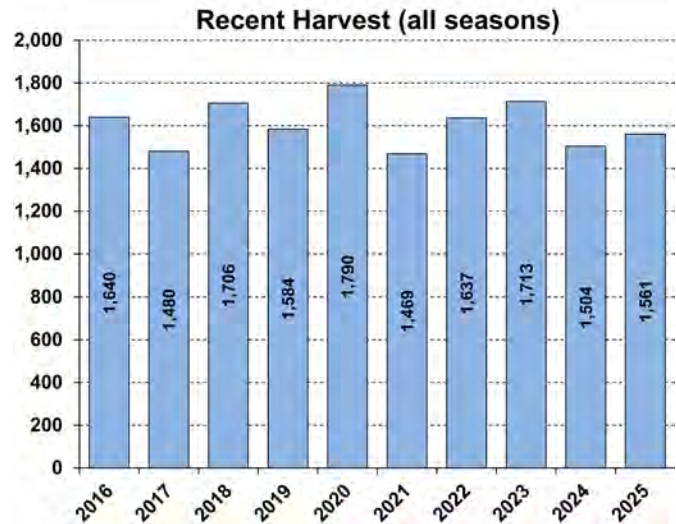
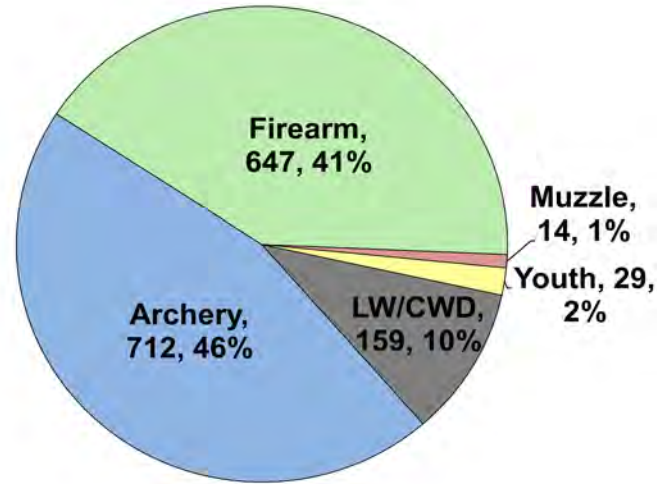
Check Station Location: Buffalo Rock SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 382

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 58

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified its CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in LaSalle County anymore.



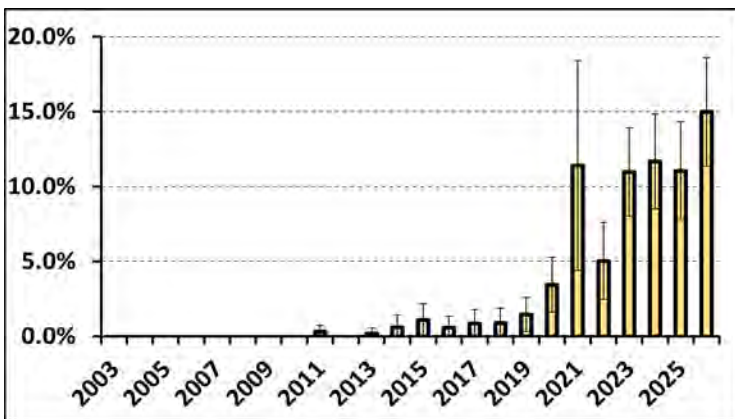
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	315	351	378	290	295
Crossbow	389	410	463	409	413
Traditional	8	9	6	5	4
Total	712	770	847	704	712

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	25.5	27.6	32.9	26.1	31.4
M - Yearling	20.0	18.9	21.7	20.2	19.9
M - Fawn	9.5	8.6	7.2	10.3	7.6
F - Adult	37.7	38.5	32.0	35.8	35.8
F - Fawn	7.3	6.4	6.1	7.6	5.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LAWRENCE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 374 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 1,433 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,219

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,404

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1498/1650 **Muzzle:** 161/260

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

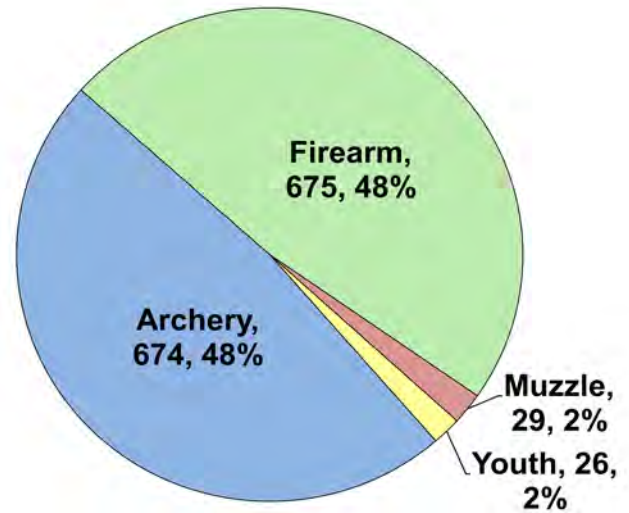
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	232	249	276	277	295
Crossbow	251	341	354	361	363
Traditional	7	3	4	9	16
Total	490	593	634	647	674

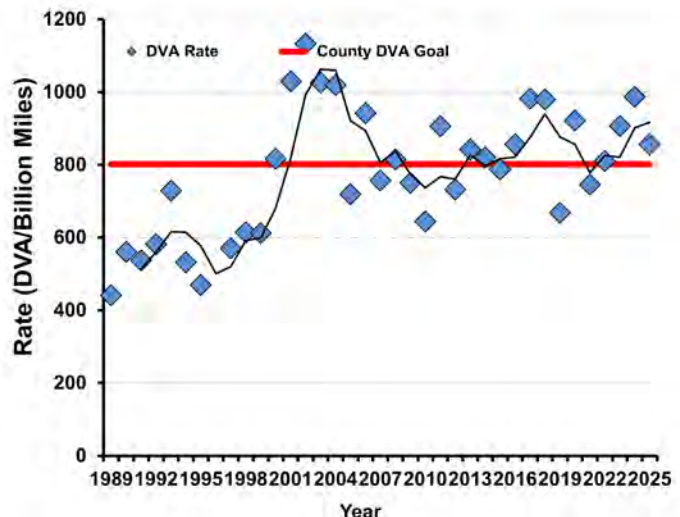
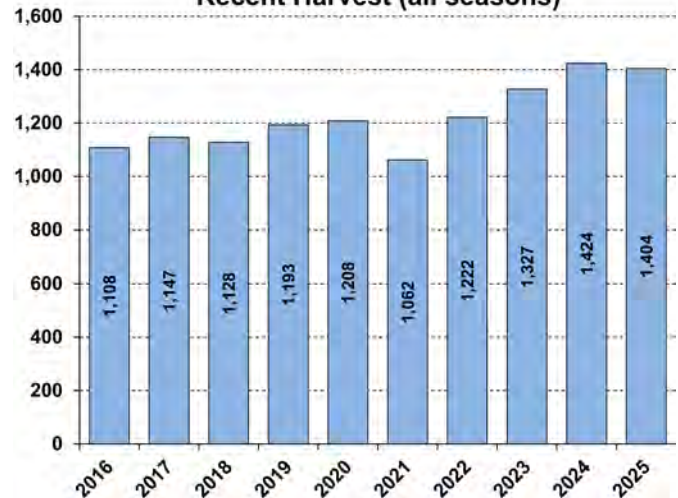
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.9	31.3	30.2	28.4	30.6
M - Yearling	16.2	16.9	17.9	16.7	18.9
M - Fawn	10.0	8.9	9.0	8.5	6.8
F - Adult	34.0	38.4	36.4	39.5	39.0
F - Fawn	7.9	4.4	6.4	6.9	4.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LEE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 729 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,542 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,146

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,404

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2046/2400 **Muzzle:** 207/435

CWD: 116

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

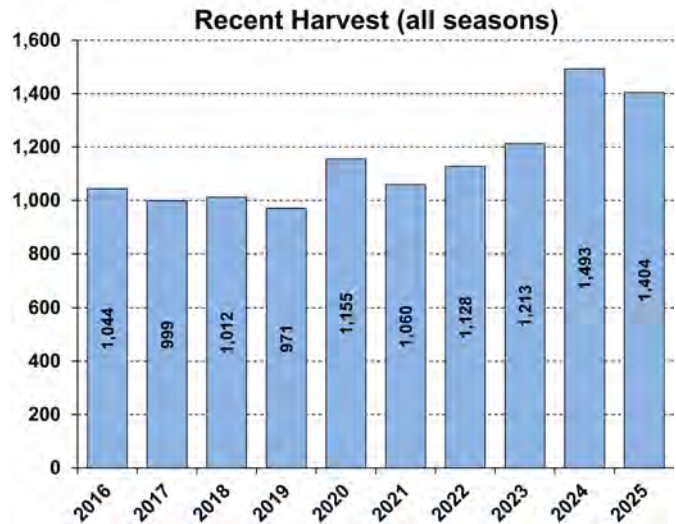
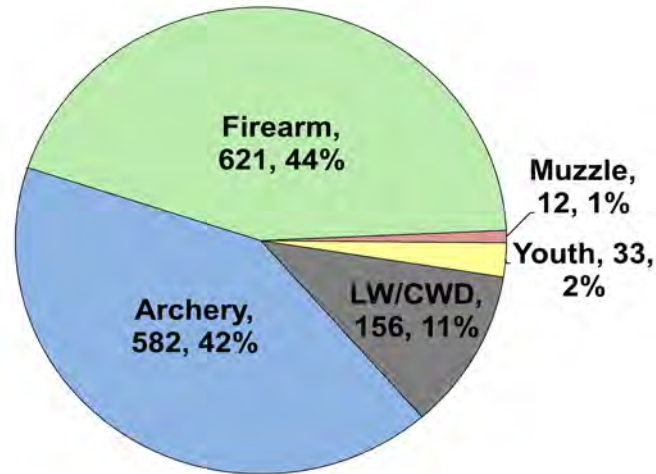
Check Station Location: N/A. Hunters are encouraged to use neighboring check stations.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 379

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 23

IDNR sharpshooting: 26 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



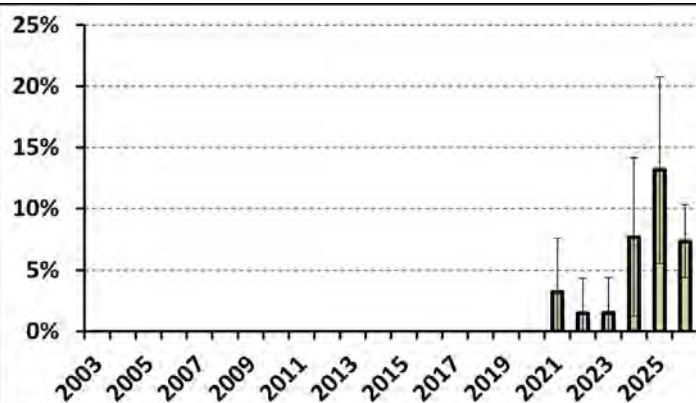
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	198	205	223	234	242
Crossbow	264	256	301	351	334
Traditional	5	5	5	3	6
Total	467	466	529	588	582

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	23.5	23.1	29.4	24.1	29.1
M - Yearling	22.2	21.5	22.8	18.1	16.9
M - Fawn	11.4	12.1	9.3	9.5	8.8
F - Adult	37.3	36.5	33.5	40.7	38.1
F - Fawn	5.7	6.6	4.9	7.5	7.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 1,046 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 995 (2010)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 703

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 775

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1418/2025 **Muzzle:** 151/350

CWD: 45

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

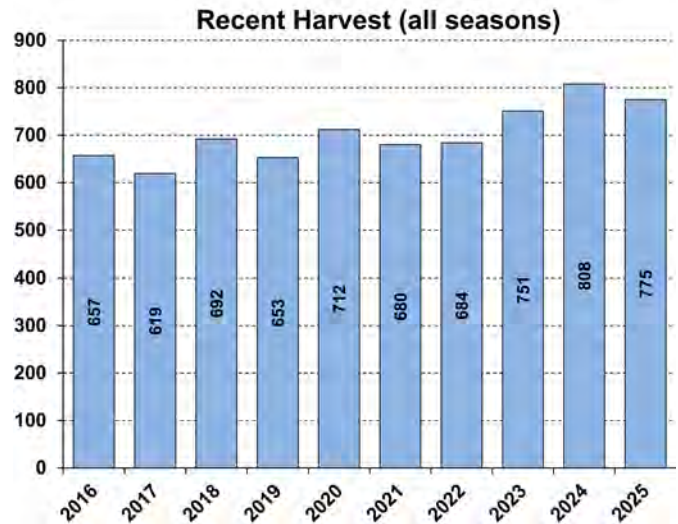
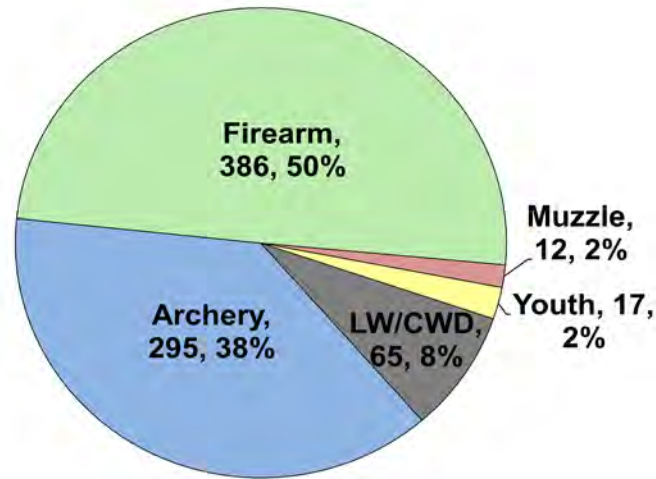
Check Station Loc.: Pontiac Sportsman's Club

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 344

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 19

IDNR sharpshooting: 82 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



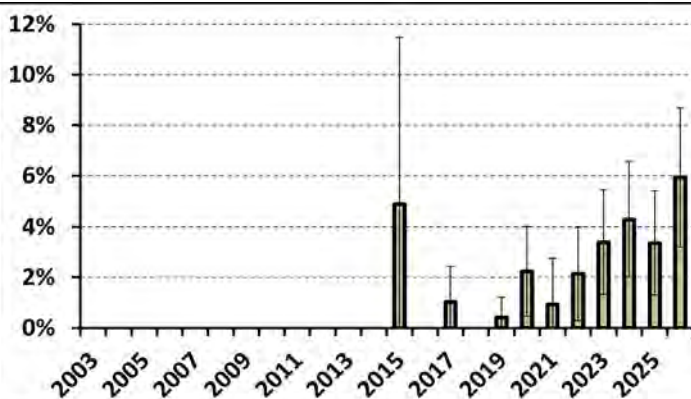
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	119	115	131	134	127
Crossbow	112	126	140	156	168
Traditional	0	0	0	2	0
Total	231	241	271	292	295

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	36.8	32.7	34.2	30.4	30.3
M - Yearling	12.5	18.7	16.4	17.1	21.7
M - Fawn	10.5	8.8	6.9	9.7	7.2
F - Adult	34.9	34.0	36.4	36.7	35.9
F - Fawn	5.3	5.9	6.1	6.1	4.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: LOGAN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 619 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1967

Record Harvest: 892 (2012)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 772

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 855

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 800/800 **Muzzle:** 200/200

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

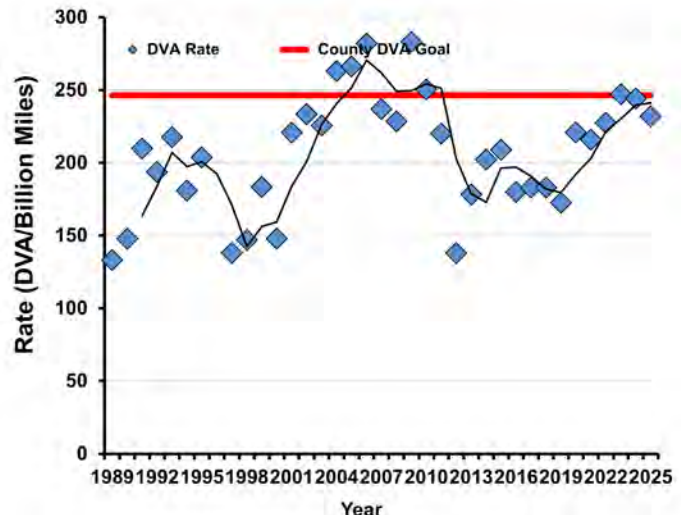
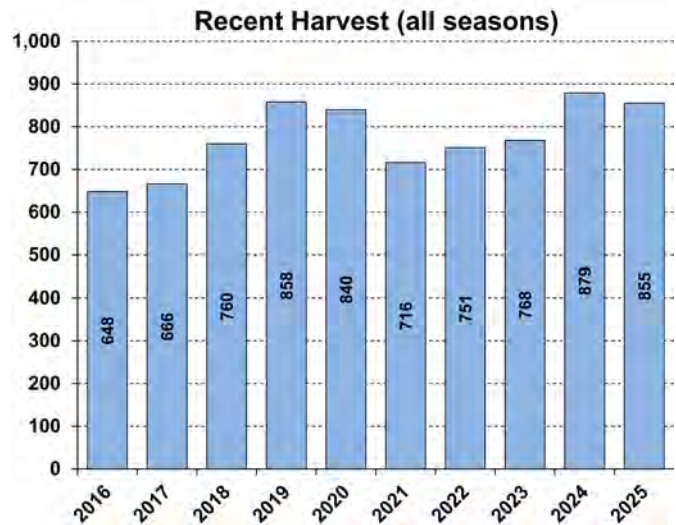
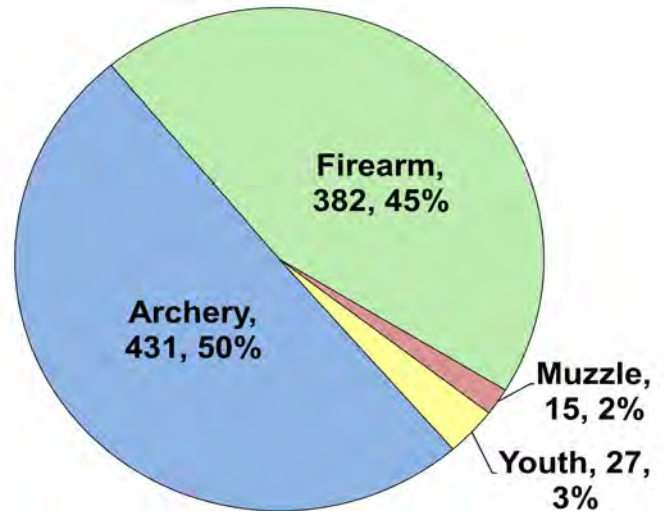
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	172	153	183	198	180
Crossbow	195	244	217	240	247
Traditional	6	2	1	5	4
Total	373	399	401	443	431

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	41.1	36.9	38.8	34.1	34.0
M - Yearling	14.2	13.6	12.9	16.4	16.5
M - Fawn	6.0	6.1	7.4	6.9	6.9
F - Adult	33.2	38.5	36.2	37.2	38.2
F - Fawn	5.4	4.9	4.7	5.3	4.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MACON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 586 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 1,025 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 751

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 699

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 600/600 **Muzzle:** 200/200

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

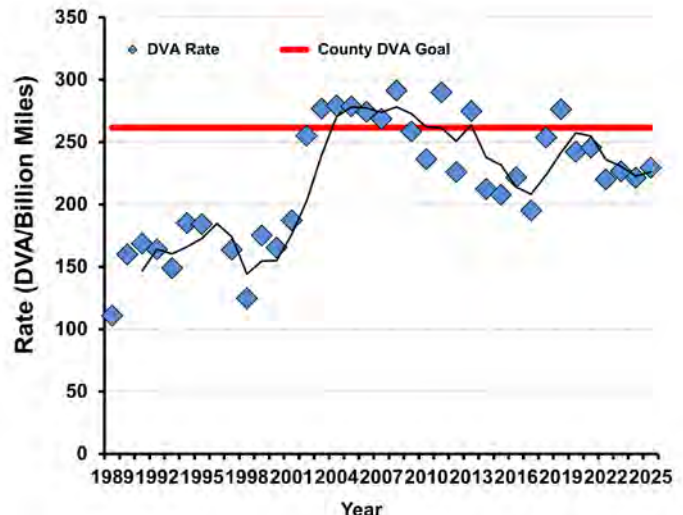
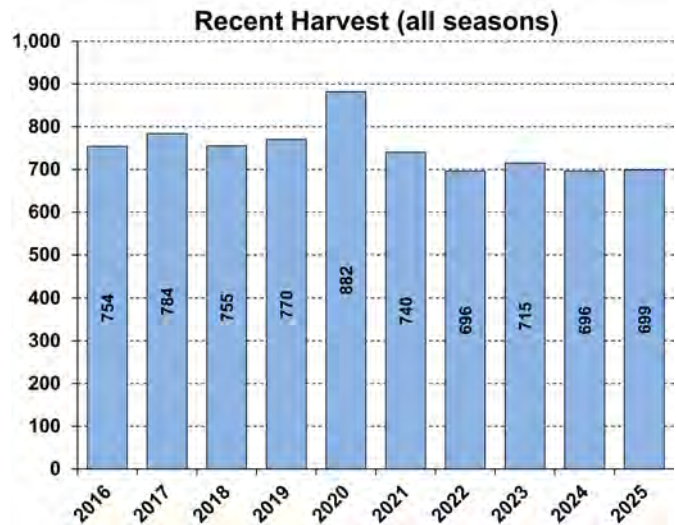
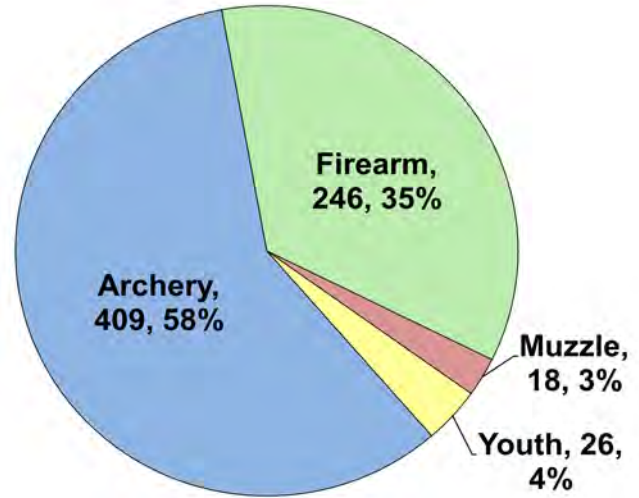
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	207	189	187	155	161
Crossbow	271	234	263	253	248
Traditional	6	6	4	2	0
Total	484	429	454	410	409

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.9	32.0	31.6	32.2	34.5
M - Yearling	22.2	16.7	19.7	19.3	19.9
M - Fawn	8.0	11.4	7.1	8.6	7.2
F - Adult	36.6	33.6	35.1	33.5	33.9
F - Fawn	4.3	6.3	6.4	6.5	4.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MACOUPIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 868 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 3,860 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,013

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,533

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 5387/5500 **Muzzle:** 538/600

Late Winter: 106

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2019 - Present

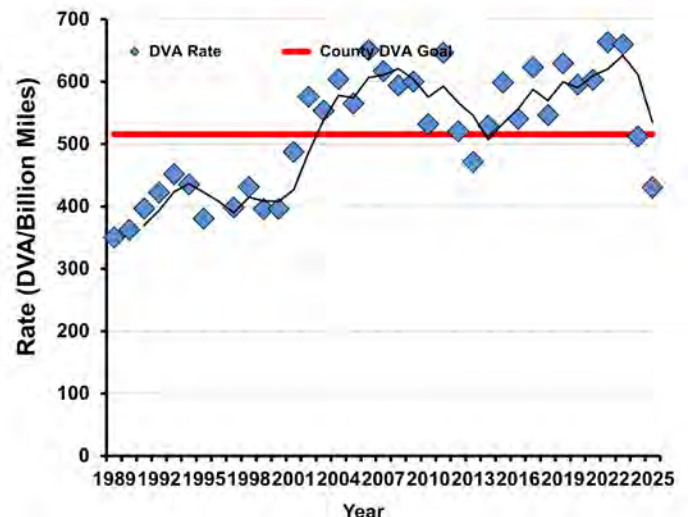
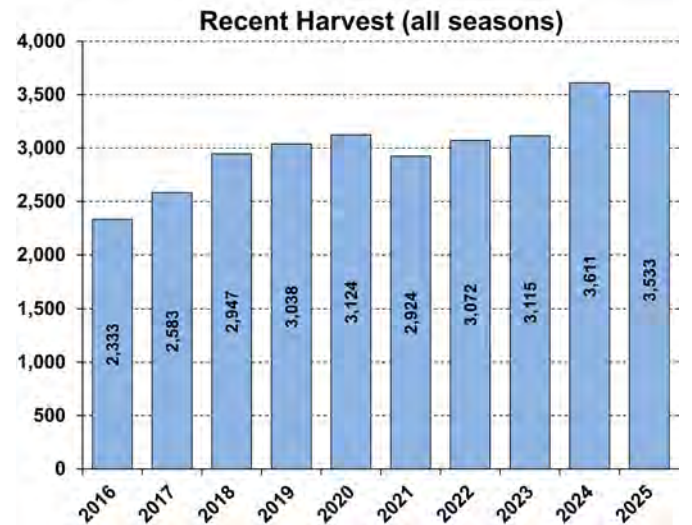
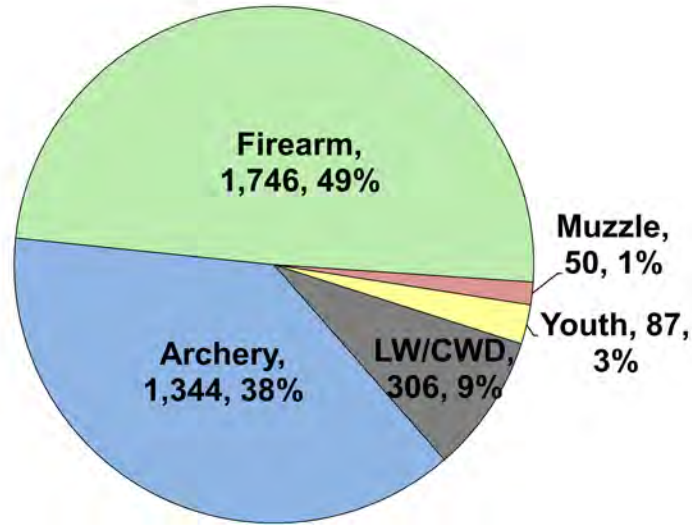
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	581	555	577	612	637
Crossbow	604	601	677	722	693
Traditional	11	16	12	8	14
Total	1196	1172	1266	1342	1344

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.3	29.9	31.5	28.7	27.5
M - Yearling	15.4	16.0	14.0	15.1	14.8
M - Fawn	9.7	9.3	8.5	9.0	7.2
F - Adult	38.0	38.1	38.6	40.1	44.2
F - Fawn	8.7	6.6	7.4	7.1	6.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MADISON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 741 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 2,544 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,799

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,051

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2500/2500 **Muzzle:** 300/310

Late Winter: 72

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

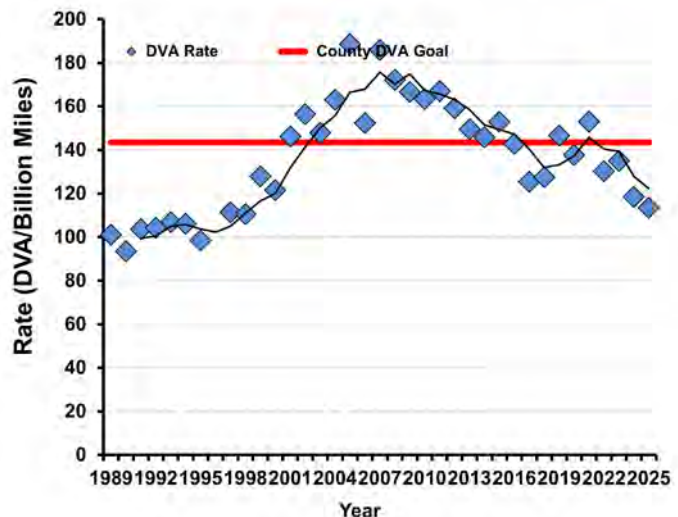
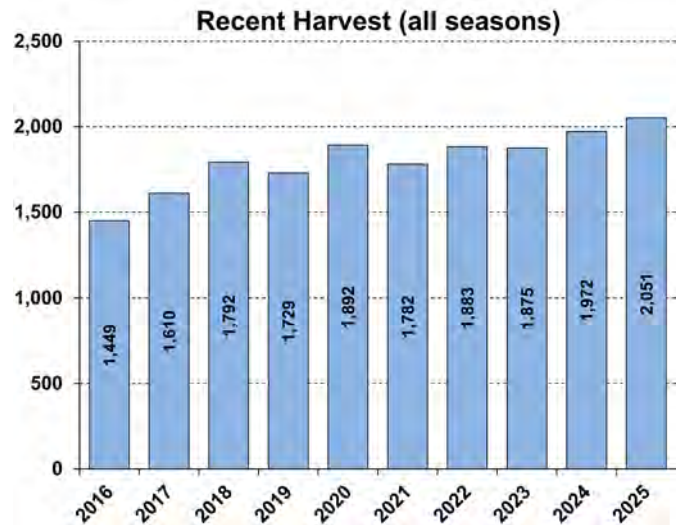
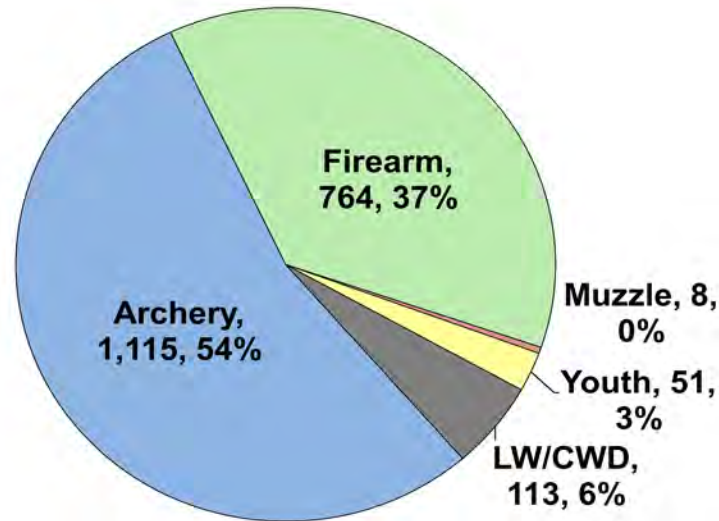
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	487	460	497	455	467
Crossbow	561	574	586	588	635
Traditional	8	8	10	9	13
Total	1056	1042	1093	1052	1115

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.3	26.0	27.6	25.6	28.3
M - Yearling	19.3	19.3	19.0	19.8	20.4
M - Fawn	9.0	9.9	8.2	8.2	8.2
F - Adult	37.4	40.0	39.7	40.8	38.2
F - Fawn	6.1	4.8	5.4	5.6	4.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MARION COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 576 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 3,897 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,141

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,885

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4500/4500 **Muzzle:** 590/645

Late Winter: 118

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

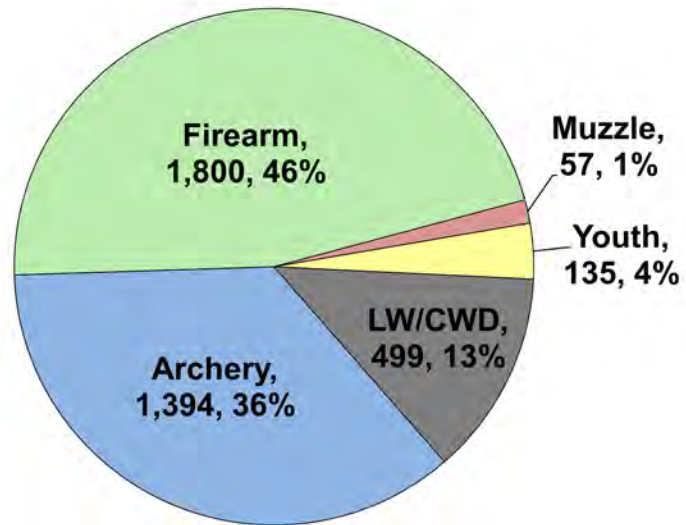
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	557	499	597	579	589
Crossbow	639	635	746	838	793
Traditional	11	7	11	15	12
Total	1207	1141	1354	1432	1394

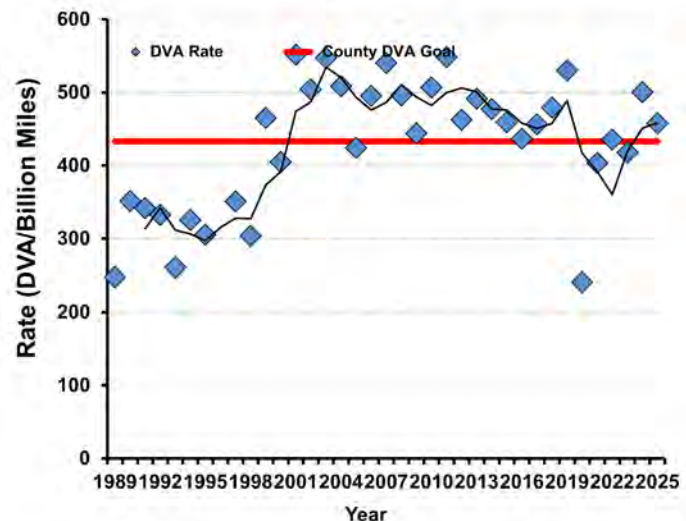
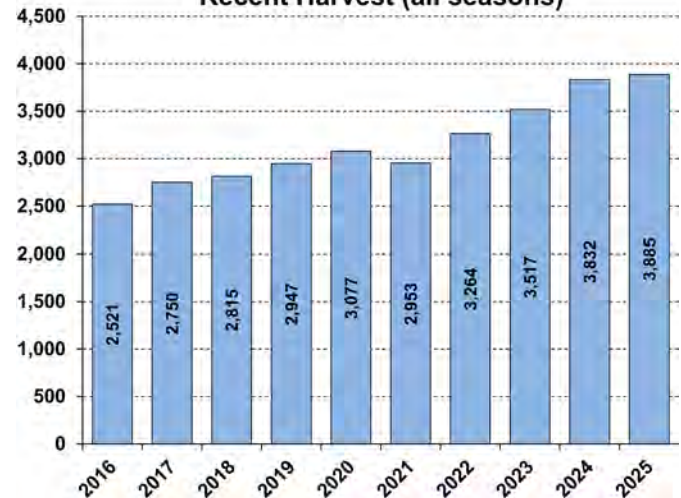
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.5	28.3	32.0	29.7	28.2
M - Yearling	15.2	16.2	16.1	15.2	14.5
M - Fawn	10.6	9.4	8.4	8.9	7.6
F - Adult	38.0	38.0	37.3	39.9	42.6
F - Fawn	6.7	8.1	6.1	6.2	7.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MARSHALL COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 399 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,387 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,031

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,167

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1744/2250 **Muzzle:** 245/315

CWD: 47

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

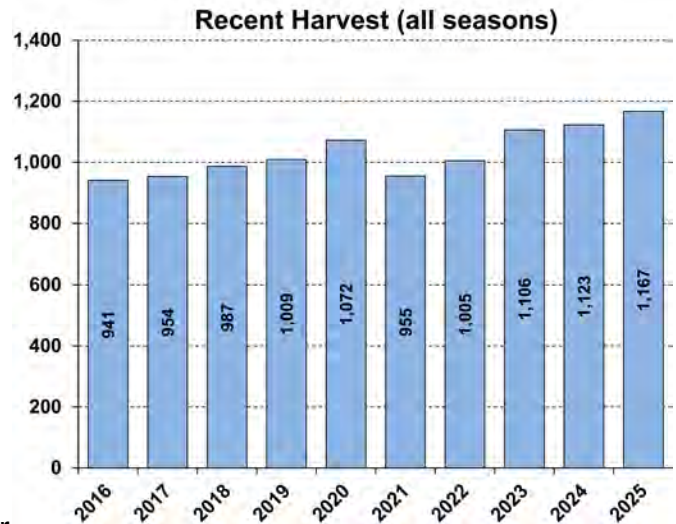
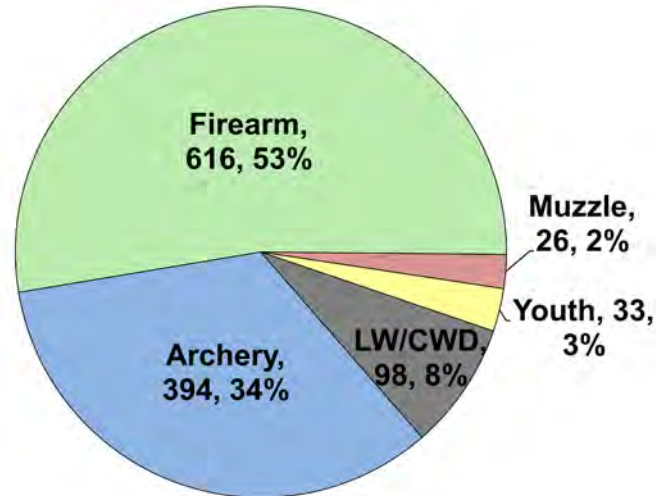
Check Station Location: N/A

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD WAS detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 29

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 2

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



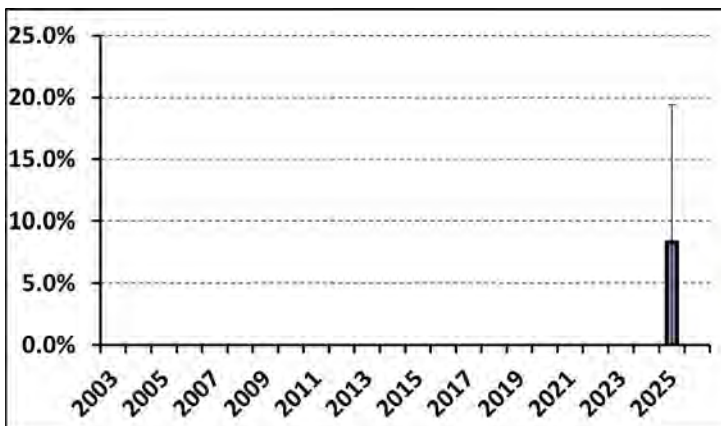
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	165	159	176	149	179
Crossbow	205	221	277	263	214
Traditional	0	3	2	2	1
Total	370	383	455	414	394

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.2	31.4	31.6	27.4	29.3
M - Yearling	18.2	15.7	19.4	17.9	18.3
M - Fawn	9.7	9.4	7.9	8.8	7.7
F - Adult	34.7	36.8	35.4	38.6	40.0
F - Fawn	7.2	6.7	5.7	7.3	4.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MASON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 564 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,320 (2004)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 922

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,071

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 700/700 **Muzzle:** 200/200

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

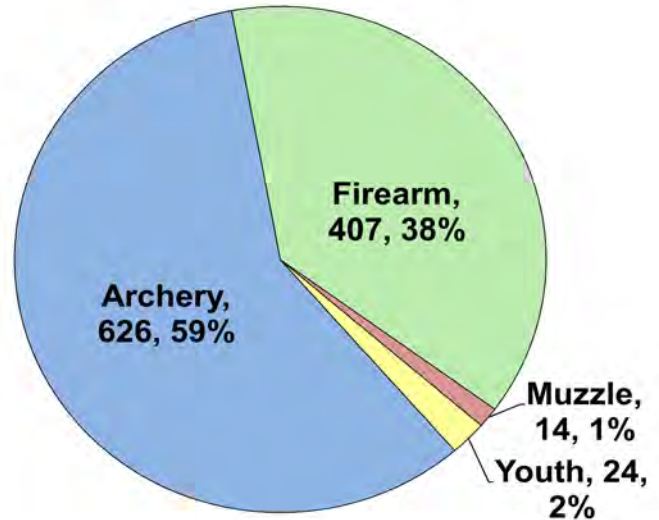
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	220	226	227	259	263
Crossbow	276	288	327	341	357
Traditional	8	4	5	16	6
Total	504	518	559	616	626

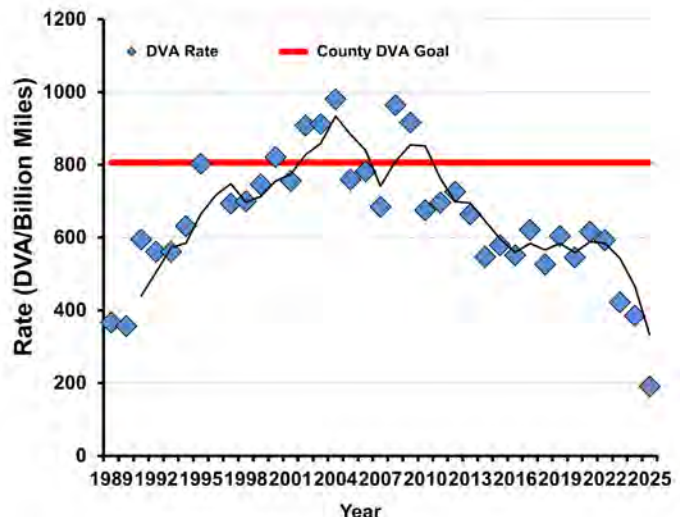
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.2	33.3	35.6	31.7	31.4
M - Yearling	18.7	18.5	19.1	18.0	18.1
M - Fawn	9.8	8.9	8.1	7.9	8.4
F - Adult	31.4	33.3	31.6	35.5	36.6
F - Fawn	6.9	6.1	5.7	6.9	5.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MASSAC COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 242 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,227 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 836

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 734

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 750/750 **Muzzle:** 100/100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2009

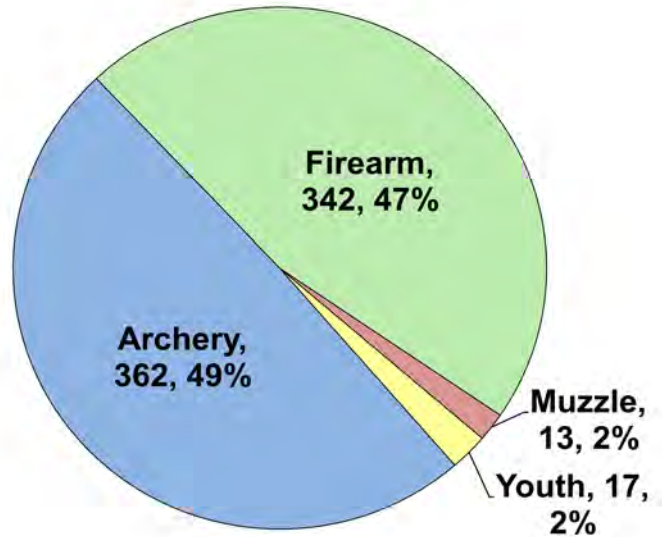
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	176	171	169	176	156
Crossbow	184	192	215	234	202
Traditional	7	5	5	4	4
Total	367	368	389	414	362

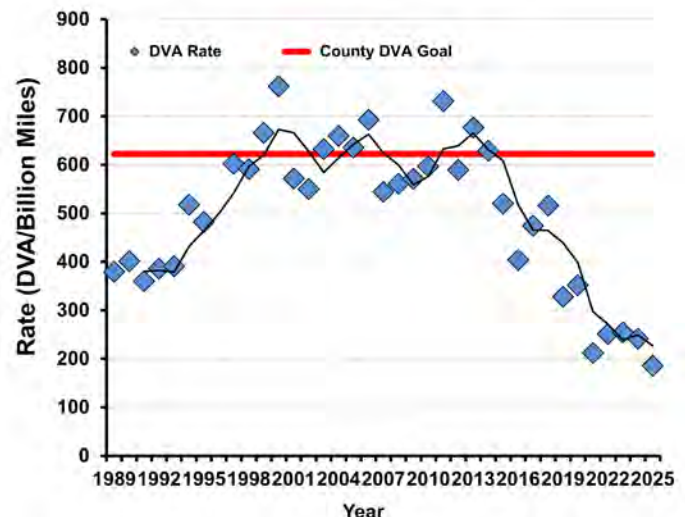
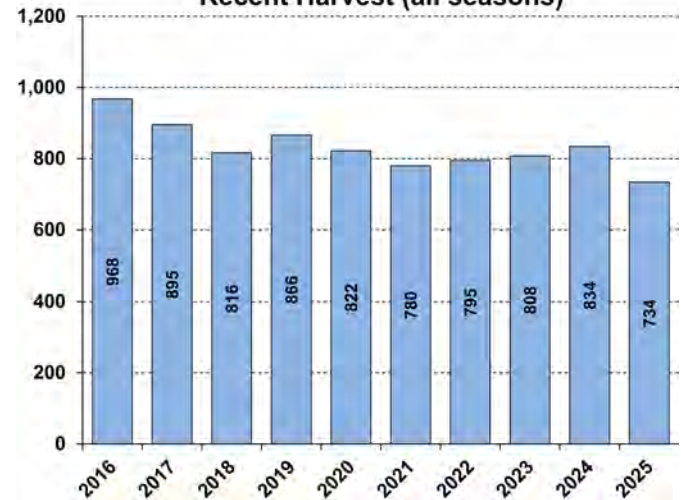
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.8	36.7	36.8	30.8	34.5
M - Yearling	16.7	16.6	17.5	19.3	19.1
M - Fawn	5.0	5.7	5.1	4.1	4.9
F - Adult	38.8	37.0	38.2	41.5	38.1
F - Fawn	5.6	4.0	2.5	4.3	3.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: McDONOUGH COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 591 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1959

Record Harvest: 2,085 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,560

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,607

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2200/2200 **Muzzle:** 276/350

Late Winter: 34

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2005 - Present

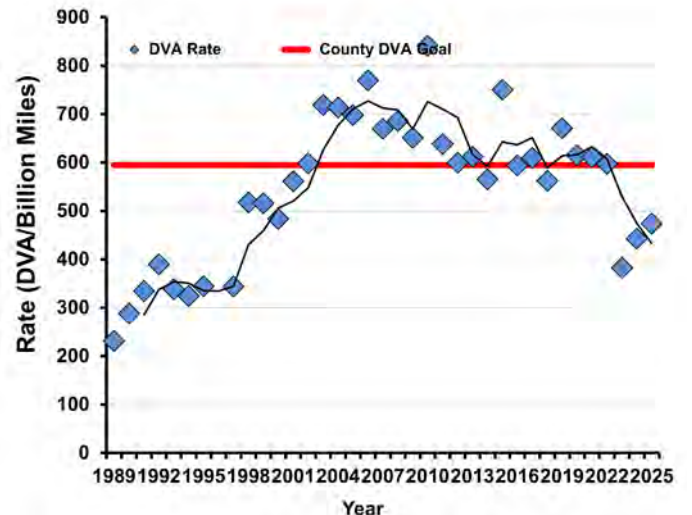
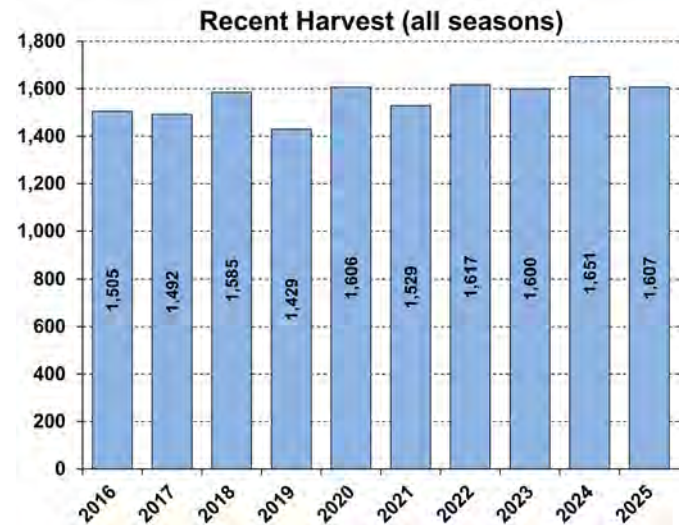
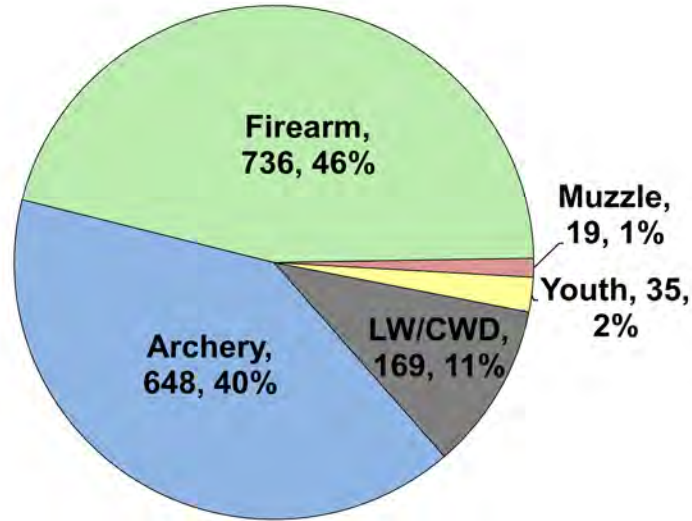
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	331	331	315	309	305
Crossbow	302	296	323	351	337
Traditional	8	4	4	3	6
Total	641	631	642	663	648

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.3	28.4	32.3	27.8	29.9
M - Yearling	14.5	13.6	14.7	13.9	13.4
M - Fawn	8.6	8.3	9.5	8.0	8.0
F - Adult	38.1	43.2	37.8	43.2	42.4
F - Fawn	7.5	6.4	5.8	7.1	6.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MCHENRY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 611 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 1,592 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 995

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,139

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1358/3400 **Muzzle:** 169/550

CWD: 81

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

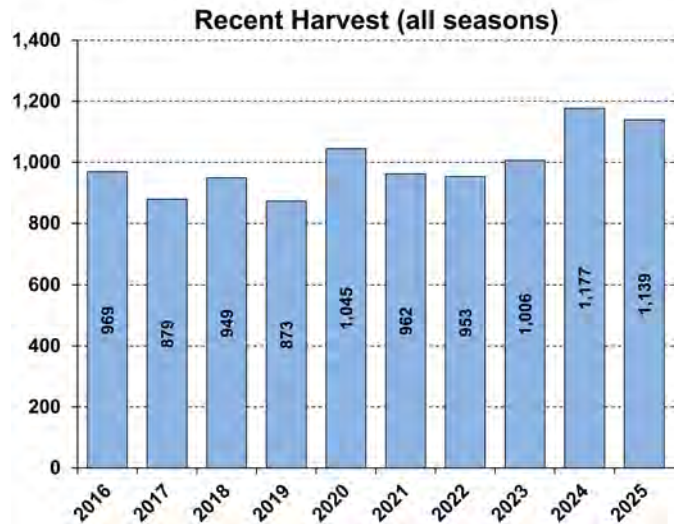
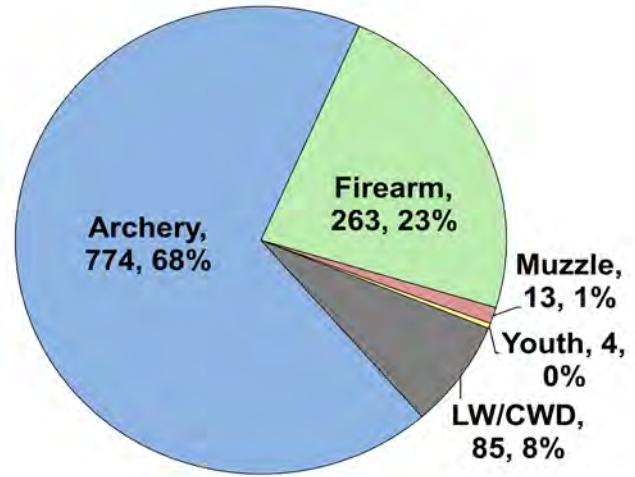
Check Station Location: Volo Bog SP

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 317

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 45

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified its CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in McHenry County anymore.



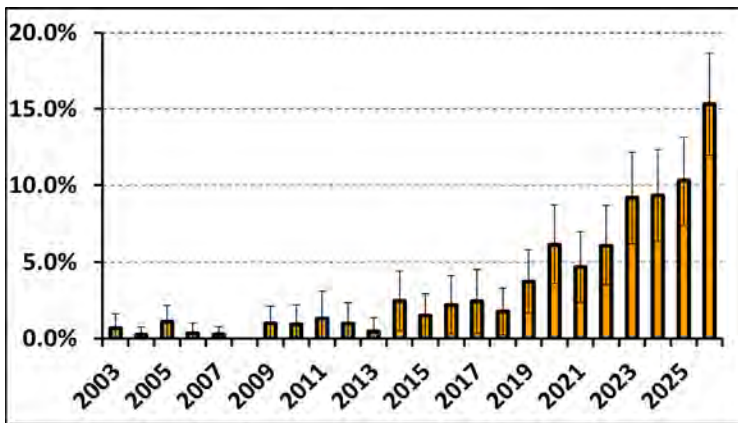
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	350	362	360	443	416
Crossbow	282	301	322	397	349
Traditional	12	6	12	11	9
Total	644	669	694	851	774

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.0	31.7	33.9	30.7	31.8
M - Yearling	26.6	24.4	22.5	24.5	26.5
M - Fawn	9.0	7.7	7.1	6.3	6.9
F - Adult	29.6	30.3	30.9	31.7	28.4
F - Fawn	4.7	6.0	5.7	6.7	6.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MCLEAN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 1,186 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 1,688 (2010)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,210

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,396

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1954/2400 **Muzzle:** 265/375

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2019

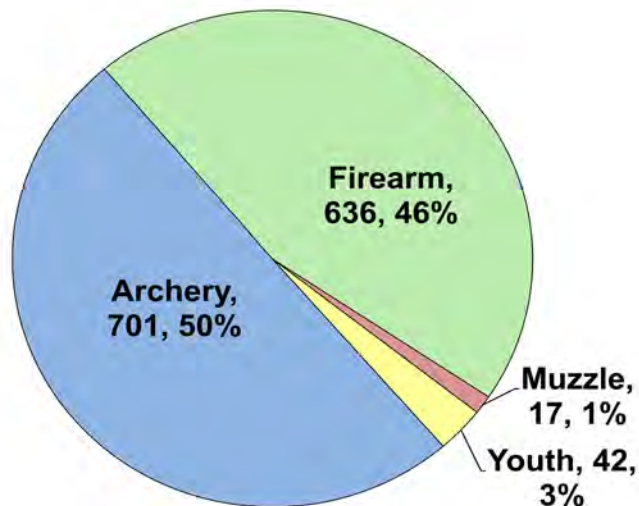
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	228	227	256	275	283
Crossbow	278	357	382	415	408
Traditional	10	5	7	4	10
Total	516	589	645	694	701

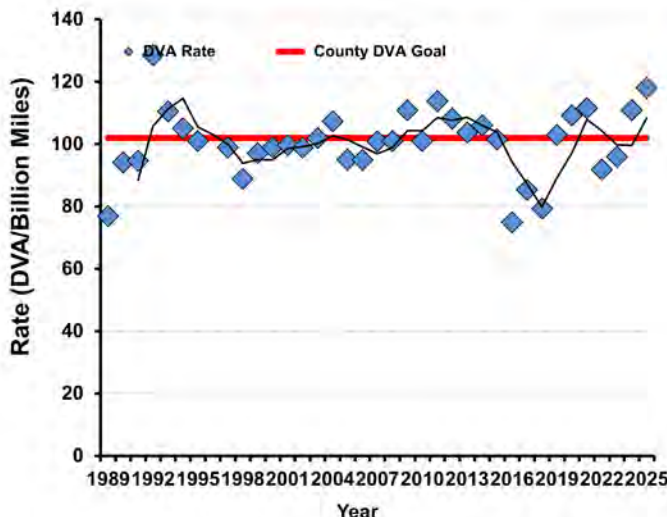
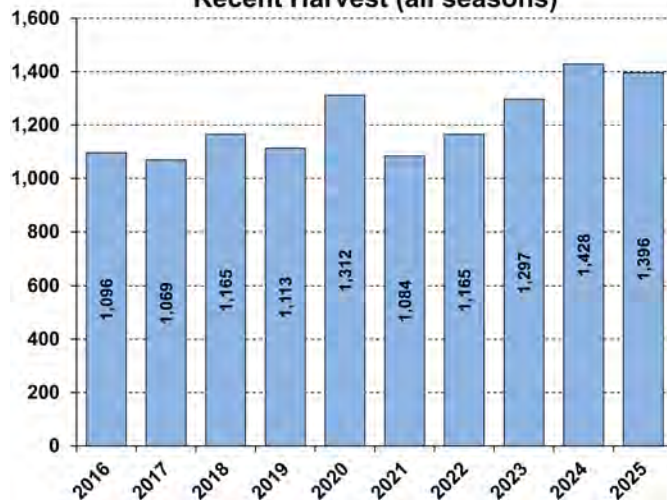
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.7	31.0	36.2	27.4	30.1
M - Yearling	18.5	18.0	17.3	17.5	17.4
M - Fawn	6.9	6.9	7.0	8.5	7.4
F - Adult	39.0	39.3	35.2	42.0	40.8
F - Fawn	4.9	4.8	4.2	4.6	4.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MENARD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 316 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 1,035 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 834

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 891

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1000/1000 **Muzzle:** 160/160

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

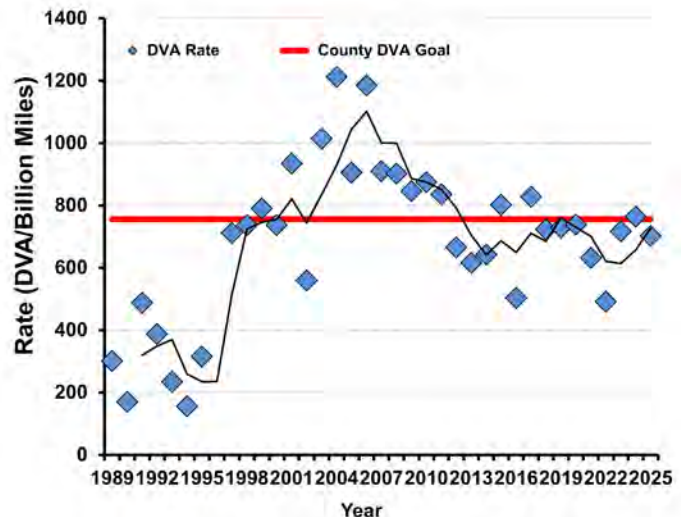
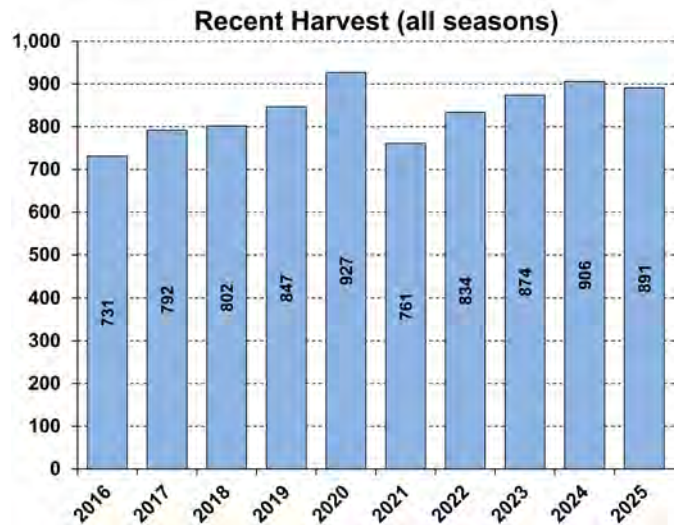
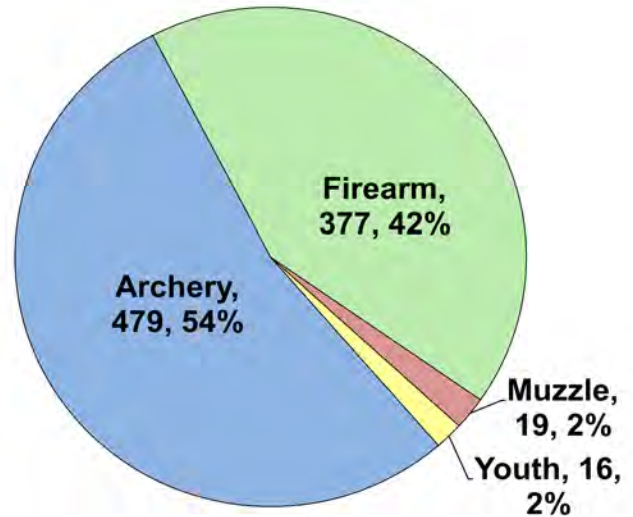
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	195	207	195	184	231
Crossbow	201	228	244	249	244
Traditional	4	3	1	5	4
Total	400	438	440	438	479

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.5	33.1	37.6	31.1	34.1
M - Yearling	14.1	13.4	13.3	14.0	12.3
M - Fawn	7.2	7.4	6.8	5.8	5.1
F - Adult	39.6	41.0	38.0	44.4	44.4
F - Fawn	5.7	5.0	4.3	4.6	4.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MERCER COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 568 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,716 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,527

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,716

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2575/3000 **Muzzle:** 373/500

Late Winter: 51

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2007 - Present

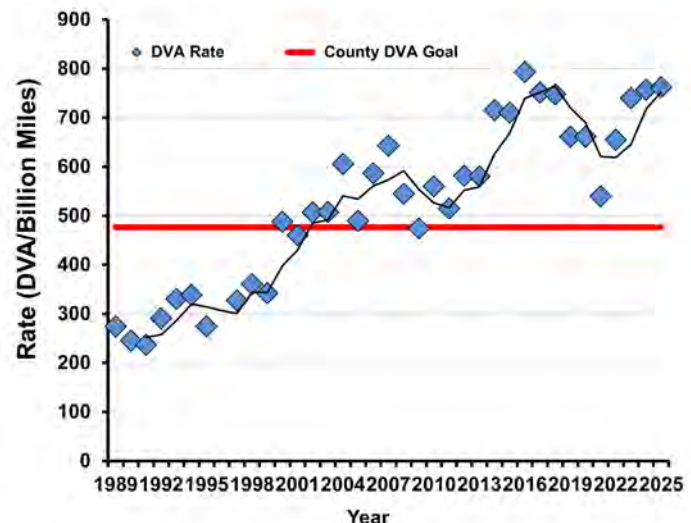
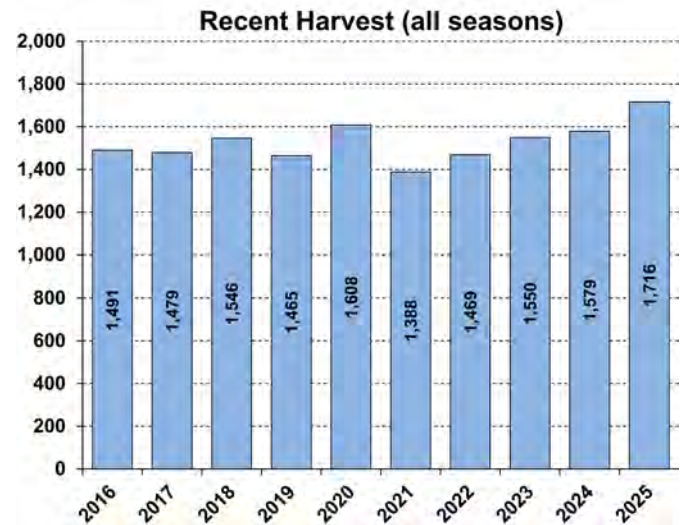
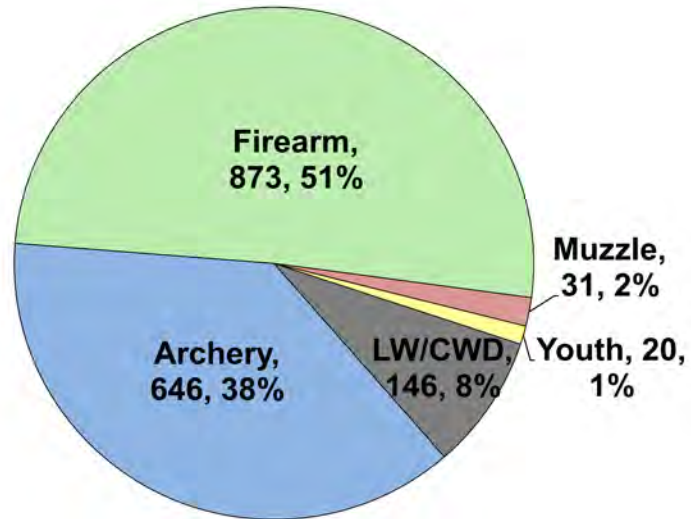
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	234	228	227	241	258
Crossbow	261	301	344	346	384
Traditional	3	3	4	3	4
Total	498	532	575	590	646

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.9	31.7	31.0	29.1	31.5
M - Yearling	15.5	14.7	16.3	14.4	15.3
M - Fawn	11.0	8.4	9.4	8.9	7.8
F - Adult	38.2	37.2	37.2	39.5	39.5
F - Fawn	6.4	8.1	6.2	8.0	5.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MONROE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 398 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 1,995 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,663

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,995

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3278/3500 **Muzzle:** 403/450

Late Winter: 47

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2006 - Present

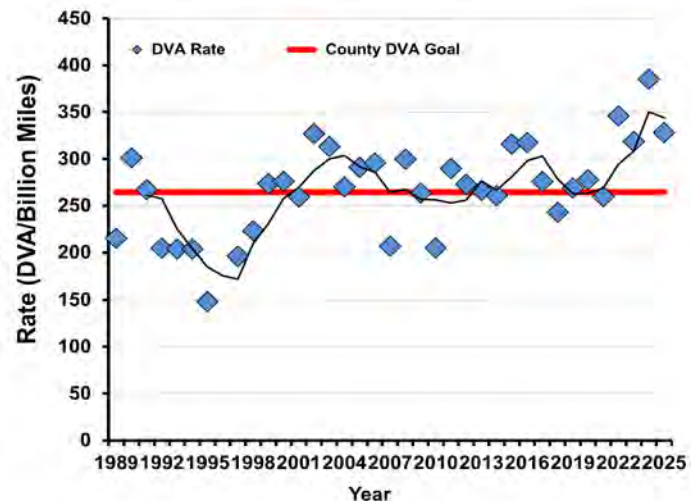
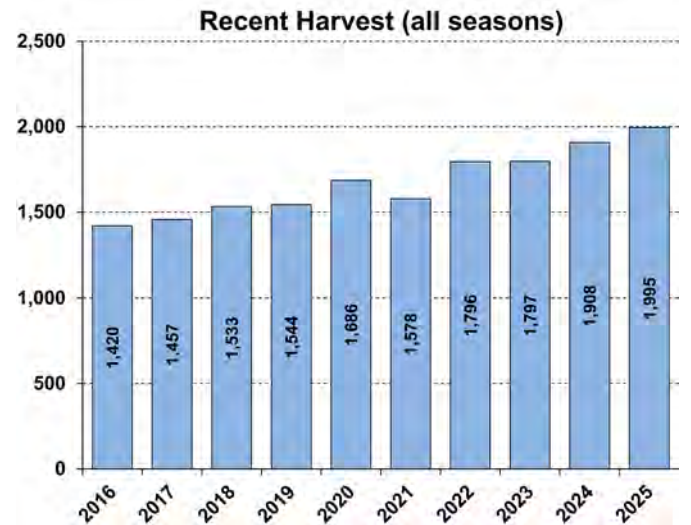
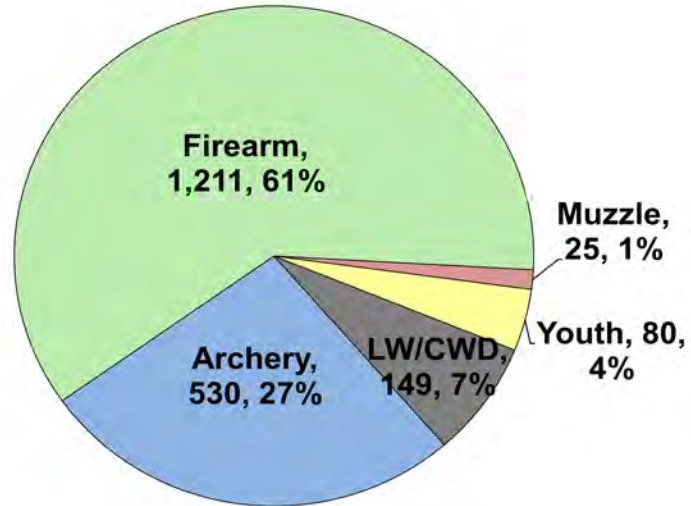
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	184	165	172	173	189
Crossbow	287	326	301	346	328
Traditional	8	5	7	8	13
Total	479	496	480	527	530

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.1	29.5	30.4	27.8	28.8
M - Yearling	20.8	17.6	19.4	18.4	18.5
M - Fawn	9.1	9.1	7.3	7.7	7.0
F - Adult	37.7	38.3	37.0	39.7	40.9
F - Fawn	5.3	5.5	5.8	6.4	4.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 710 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 2,424 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,785

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,228

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2250/2250 **Muzzle:** 377/400

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2015

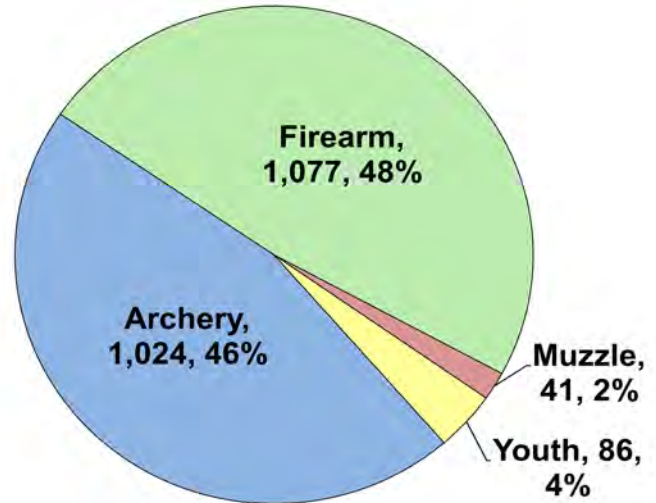
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	458	436	430	477	454
Crossbow	427	418	520	542	555
Traditional	2	7	3	7	15
Total	887	861	953	1026	1024

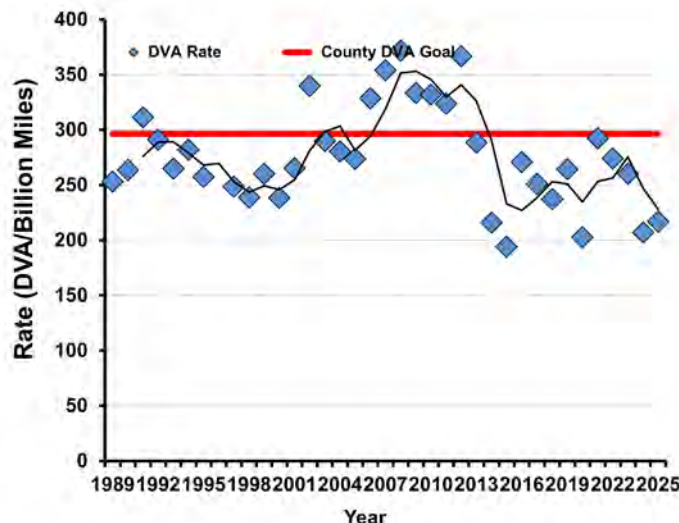
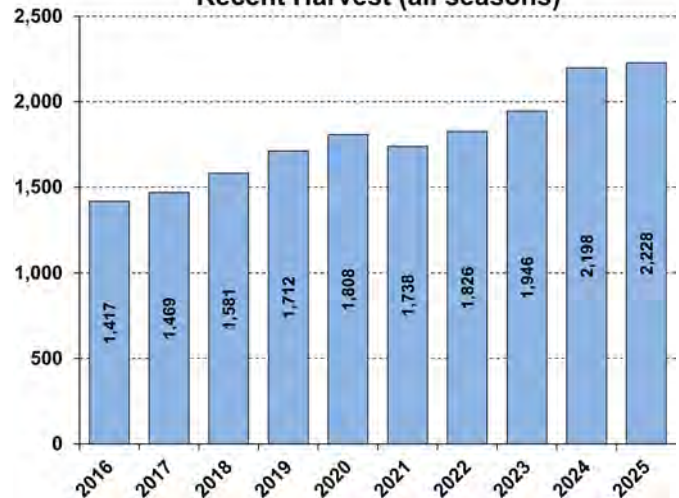
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.1	28.1	32.1	27.9	28.1
M - Yearling	17.0	17.0	18.6	16.3	19.2
M - Fawn	9.4	10.0	8.3	9.3	7.3
F - Adult	36.8	38.0	36.3	39.3	40.5
F - Fawn	6.7	6.9	4.7	7.2	4.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MORGAN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 574 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 2,222 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,381

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,483

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1300/1300 **Muzzle:** 225/225

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

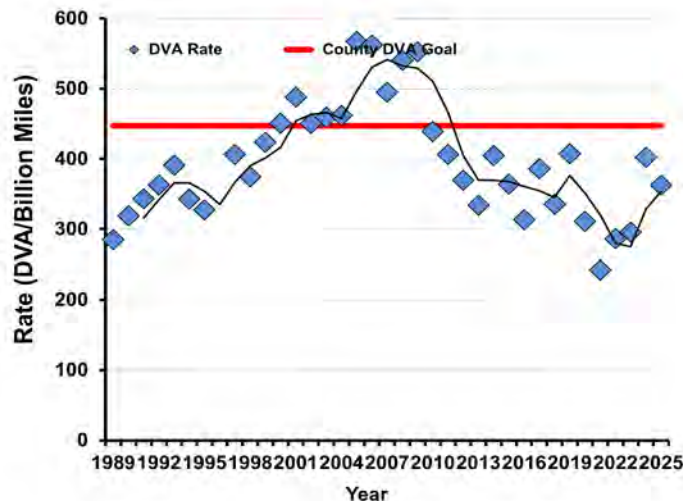
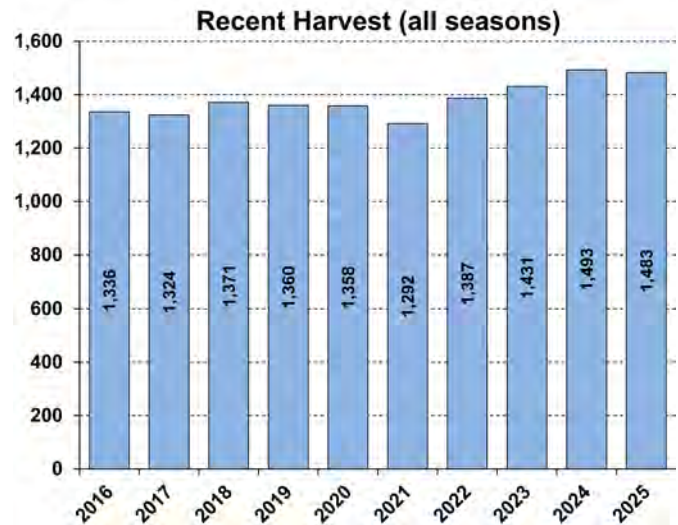
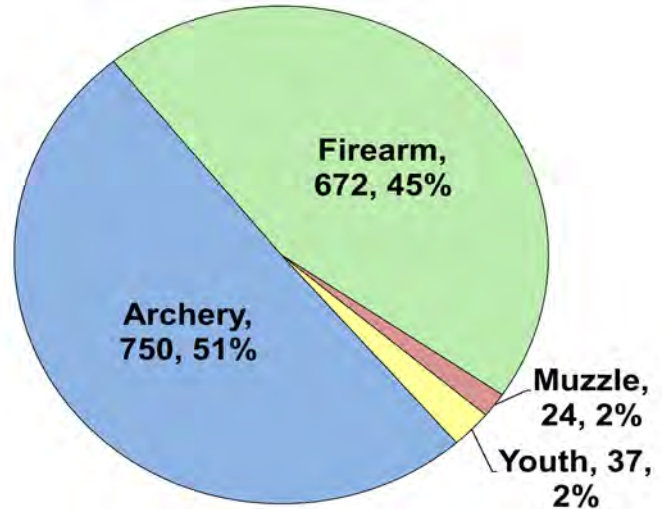
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	345	338	352	377	350
Crossbow	316	317	333	346	390
Traditional	6	6	10	4	10
Total	667	661	695	727	750

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	38.9	38.6	40.4	34.6	37.0
M - Yearling	15.0	13.3	13.3	16.7	13.8
M - Fawn	7.4	8.0	7.3	6.8	6.3
F - Adult	33.7	35.9	33.5	35.7	37.2
F - Fawn	5.0	4.2	5.5	6.3	5.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: MOULTRIE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 344 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1972

Record Harvest: 900 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 686

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 900

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 400/400 **Muzzle:** 125/125

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

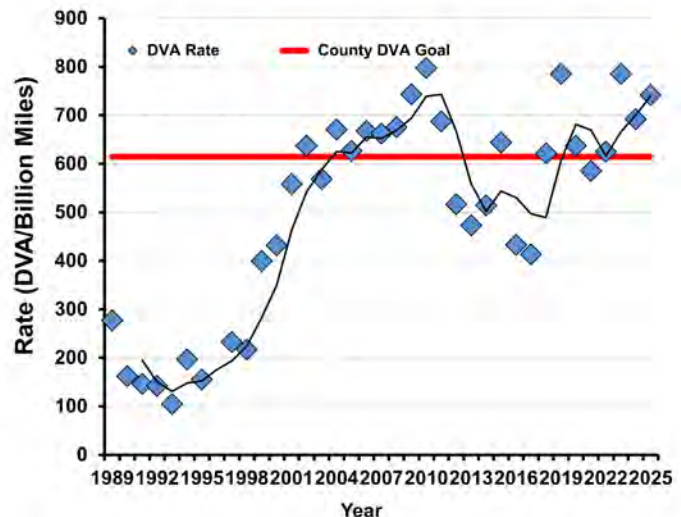
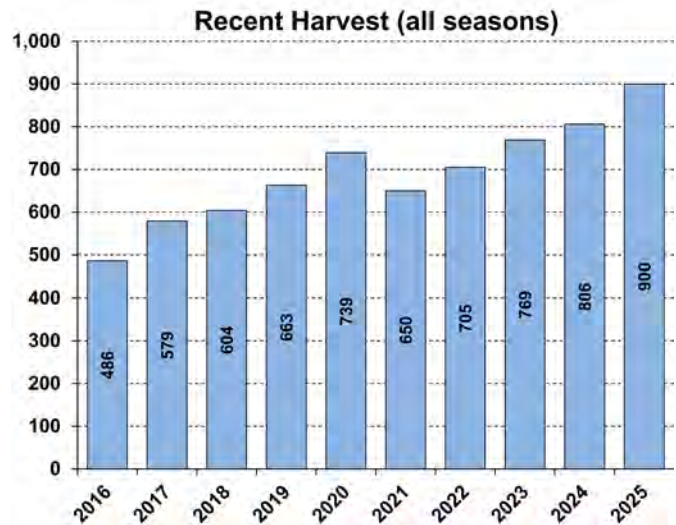
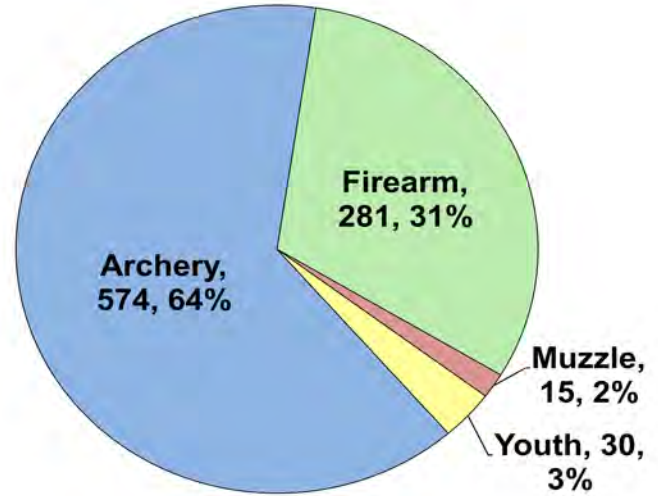
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	185	200	250	235	294
Crossbow	232	245	235	234	279
Traditional	3	3	3	1	1
Total	420	448	488	470	574

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	24.3	28.1	27.7	27.9	24.3
M - Yearling	19.5	21.4	18.9	18.0	19.0
M - Fawn	12.3	9.8	9.2	10.4	8.8
F - Adult	36.0	33.6	38.0	37.7	39.8
F - Fawn	7.8	7.1	6.2	6.0	8.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: OGLE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 764 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 2,488 (2006)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,540

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,620

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2570/3900 **Muzzle:** 2452/675

CWD: 105

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

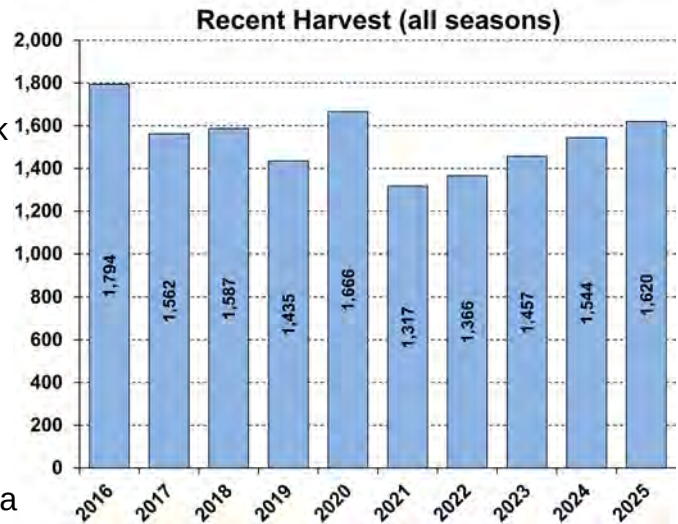
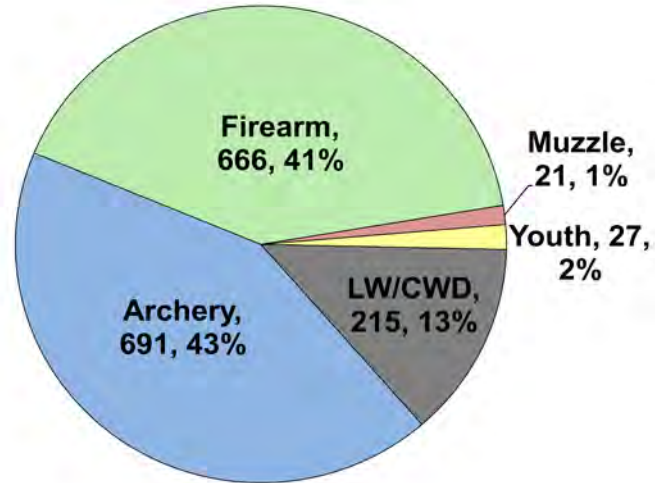
Check Station Location: Castle Rock State Park

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 570

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 88

IDNR sharpshooting: 155 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



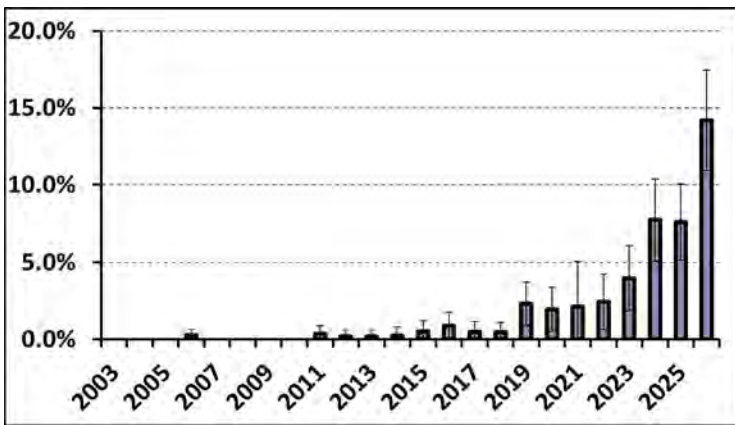
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	256	277	322	283	292
Crossbow	277	365	316	381	392
Traditional	8	3	3	4	7
Total	541	645	641	668	691

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.1	30.4	33.2	28.6	34.3
M - Yearling	18.7	20.1	18.8	18.7	16.3
M - Fawn	8.0	8.1	8.2	9.1	6.4
F - Adult	36.2	35.6	33.6	37.3	38.2
F - Fawn	6.1	5.9	6.2	6.2	4.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PEORIA COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 630 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 3,366 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,920

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,141

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2998/3000 **Muzzle:** 401/425

CWD: 88

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

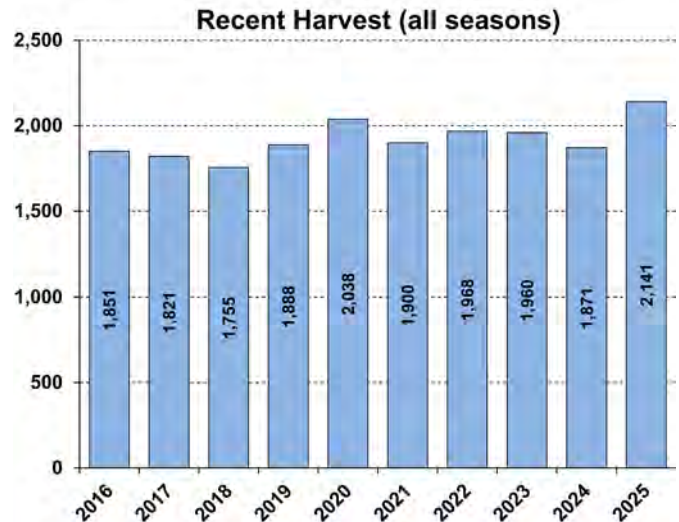
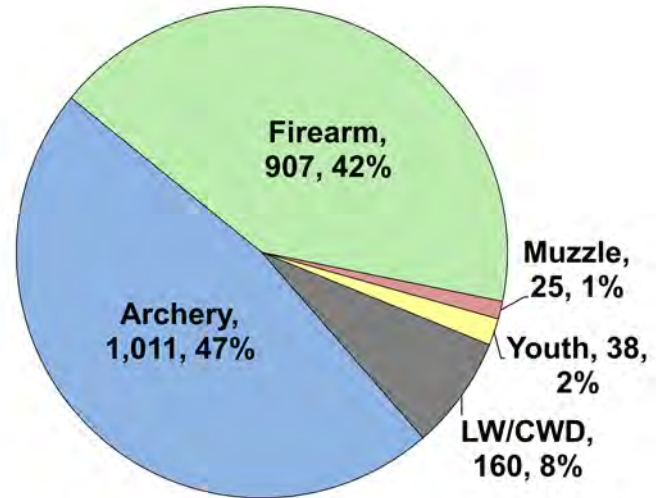
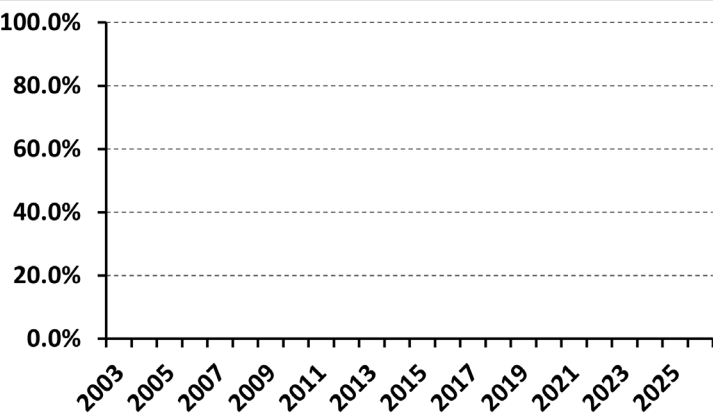
Check Station Location: No check station in 2026

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD was detected in this county in 2024. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 11

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Peoria County. Image below only shows hunter harvest. The first positive was a suspect deer.



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	457	444	470	428	455
Crossbow	569	569	529	517	546
Traditional	6	11	13	9	10
Total	1032	1024	1012	954	1011

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	26.6	26.3	28.5	24.5	26.1
M - Yearling	20.7	18.9	19.2	18.7	19.0
M - Fawn	9.3	9.1	8.2	9.9	8.9
F - Adult	38.8	39.8	38.4	40.4	42.0
F - Fawn	4.7	5.9	5.8	6.5	3.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PERRY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 447 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 2,993 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,663

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,993

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3200/3200 **Muzzle:** 470/500

Late Winter: 244

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2017 - Present

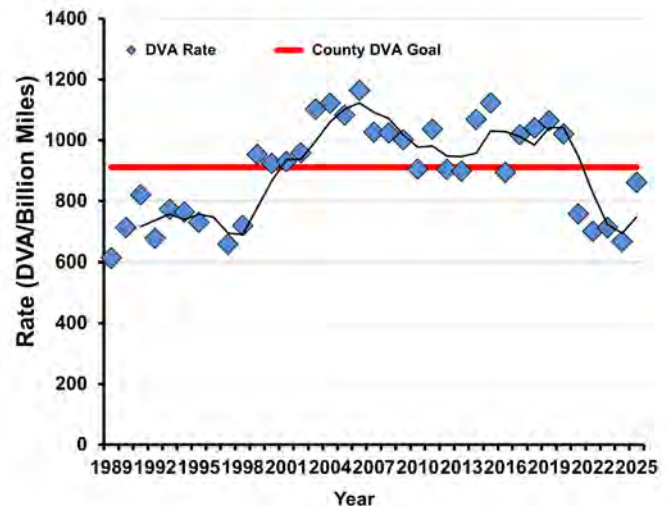
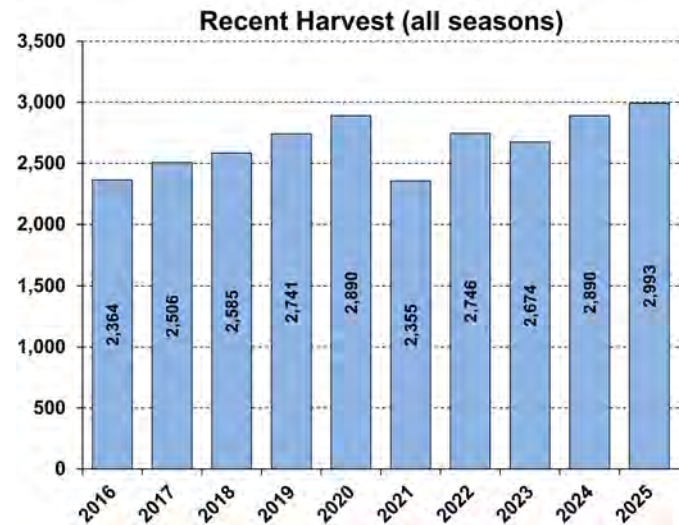
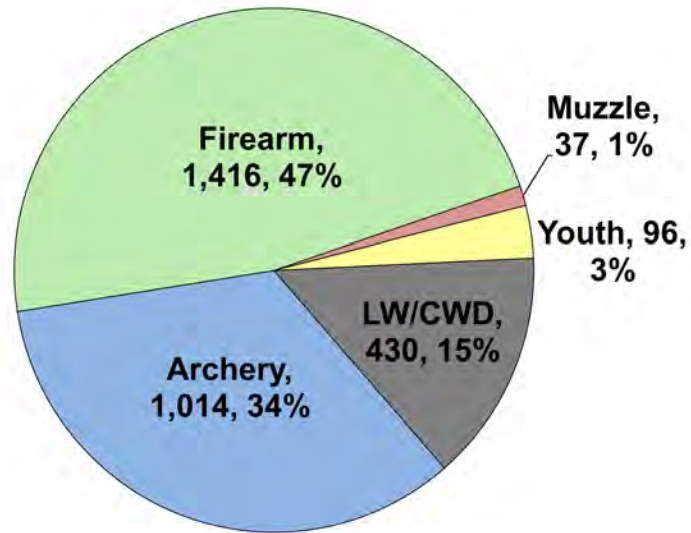
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	408	452	439	461	434
Crossbow	459	487	495	519	559
Traditional	9	13	7	16	21
Total	876	952	941	996	1014

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.7	29.5	31.0	28.2	28.2
M - Yearling	12.5	12.5	13.7	12.9	13.2
M - Fawn	8.3	8.8	7.7	6.7	7.3
F - Adult	41.9	41.9	41.1	45.5	45.4
F - Fawn	7.6	7.3	6.4	6.7	5.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PIATT COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 439 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1972

Record Harvest: 619 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 372

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 450

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 300/300 **Muzzle:** 87/100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

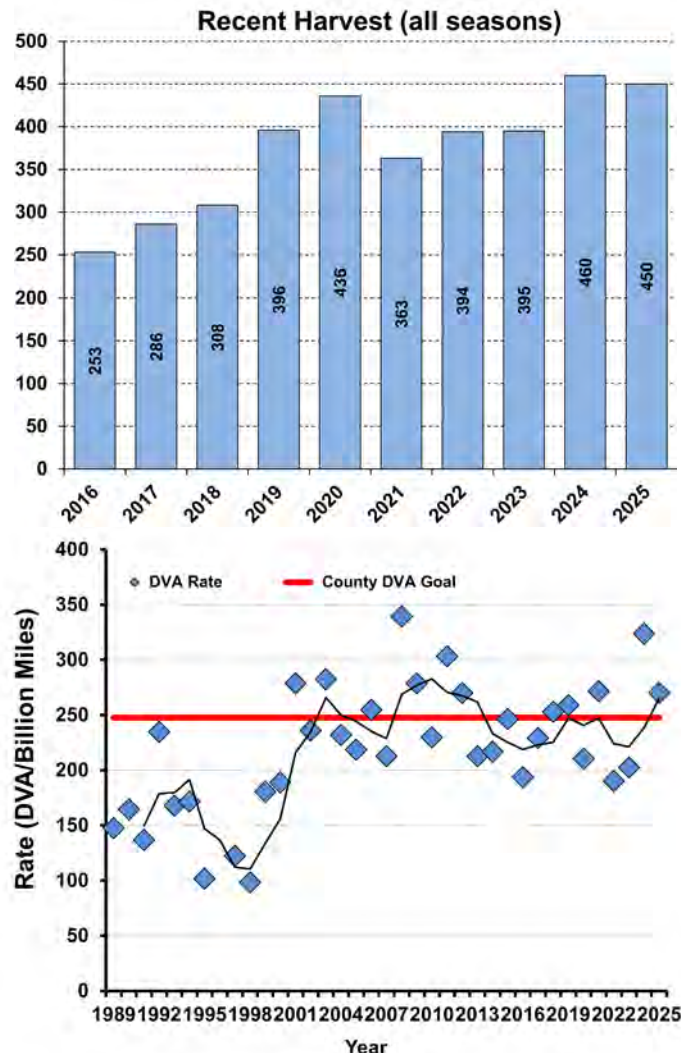
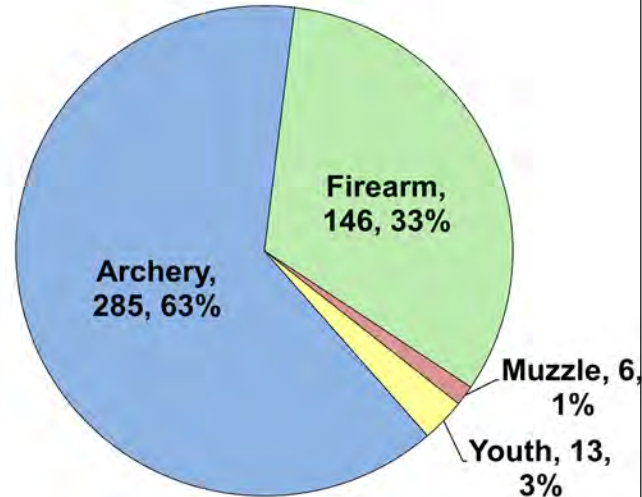
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	119	117	135	154	146
Crossbow	120	126	125	139	136
Traditional	3	3	1	5	3
Total	242	246	261	298	285

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	40.5	35.3	34.4	33.5	32.9
M - Yearling	16.0	16.8	18.0	17.0	19.1
M - Fawn	6.6	4.3	6.3	5.2	5.1
F - Adult	31.1	37.1	36.2	41.5	39.8
F - Fawn	5.8	6.6	5.1	2.8	3.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PIKE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 848 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 9,033 (2006)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 4,433

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 4,724

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4500/4500 **Muzzle:** 882/900

Late Winter: 311

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2025 - Present

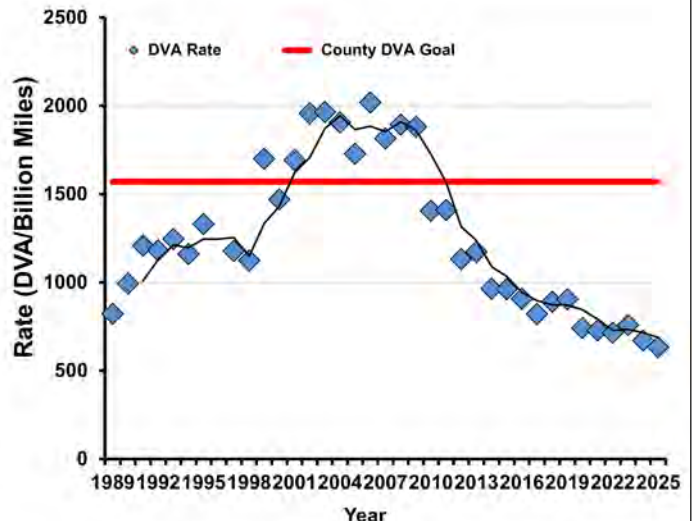
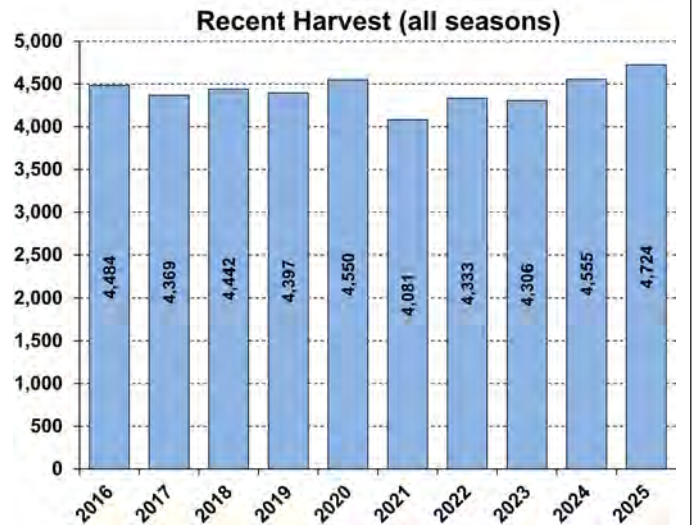
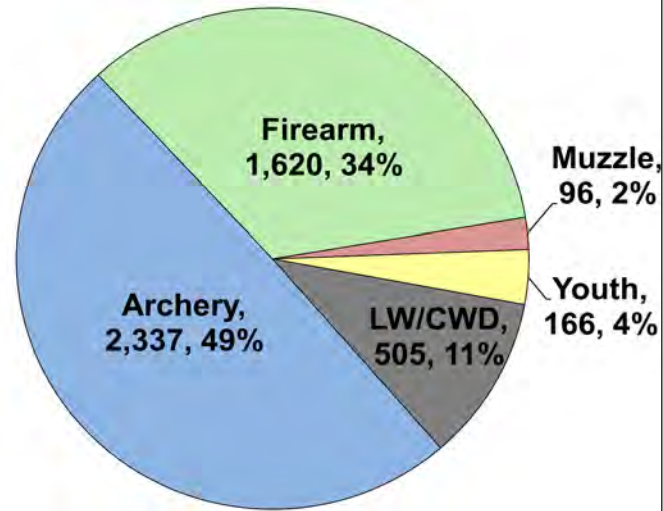
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	1159	1058	1046	1094	1084
Crossbow	1035	1138	1091	1184	1197
Traditional	49	35	39	48	56
Total	2243	2231	2176	2326	2337

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.7	37.5	39.2	36.5	33.9
M - Yearling	11.4	12.7	12.5	11.4	10.5
M - Fawn	6.9	6.0	5.7	5.4	5.7
F - Adult	39.8	39.6	37.2	41.5	44.9
F - Fawn	6.2	4.2	5.4	5.2	5.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: POPE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 374 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,230 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,322

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,070

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4000/4000 **Muzzle:** 350/425

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

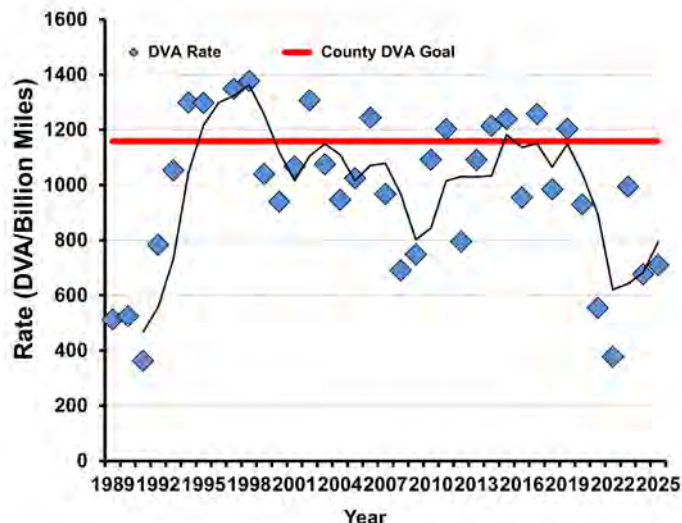
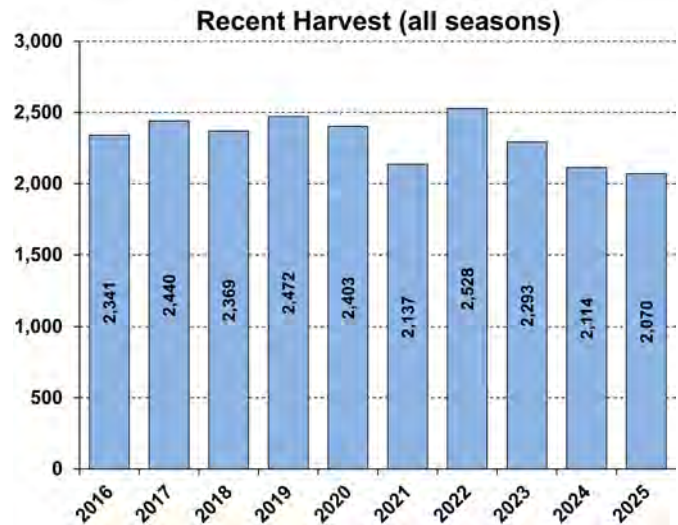
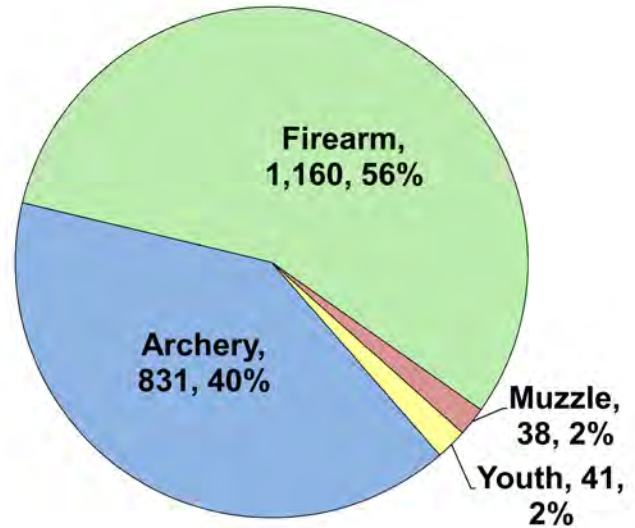
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	427	454	441	410	408
Crossbow	435	548	464	429	416
Traditional	9	10	9	6	7
Total	871	1012	914	845	831

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	26.3	24.7	28.5	29.0	29.0
M - Yearling	23.2	23.9	25.6	23.7	26.5
M - Fawn	9.8	8.8	8.6	8.1	6.4
F - Adult	34.2	36.1	32.8	35.0	34.1
F - Fawn	6.6	6.4	4.5	4.2	4.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PULASKI COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 203 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,171 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 609

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 588

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 500/500 **Muzzle:** 100/100

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

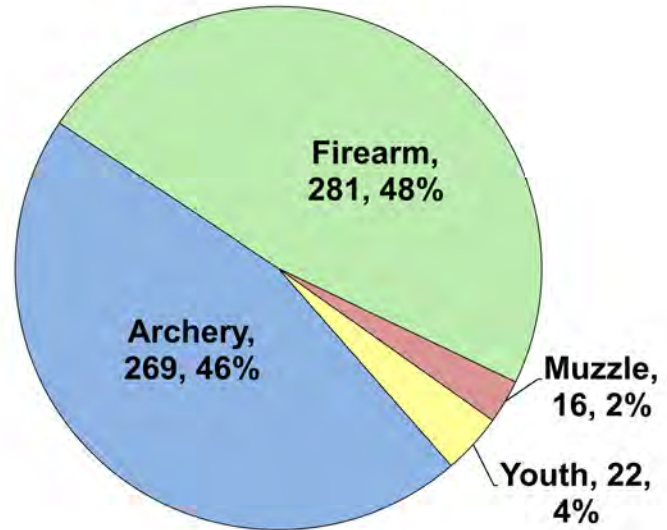
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	114	141	119	155	132
Crossbow	152	148	136	124	135
Traditional	2	4	3	0	2
Total	268	293	258	279	269

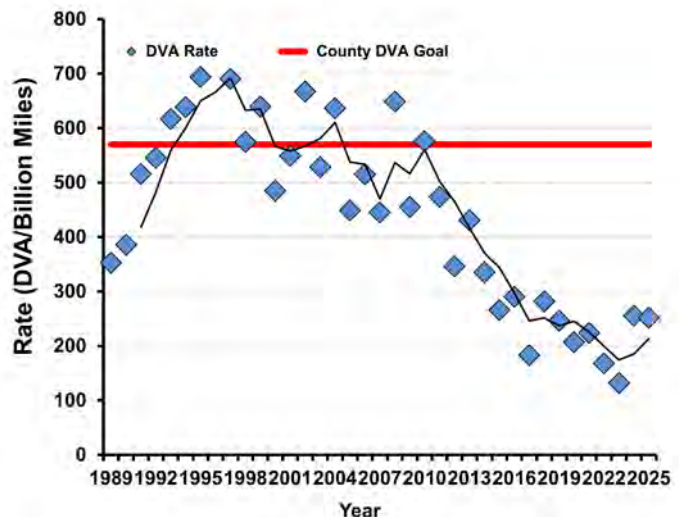
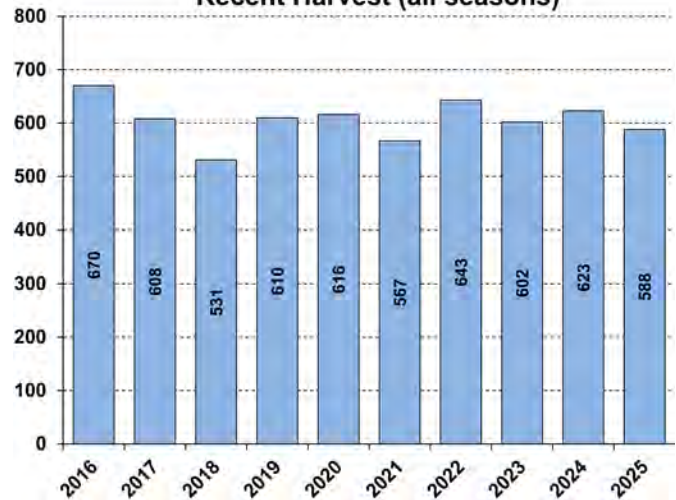
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.4	31.1	33.4	31.1	31.0
M - Yearling	19.2	18.2	19.4	19.7	20.2
M - Fawn	7.6	5.4	7.8	7.5	4.9
F - Adult	34.9	40.0	34.7	37.6	39.5
F - Fawn	6.9	5.3	4.7	4.0	4.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: PUTNAM COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 172 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,146 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 691

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 763

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1105/1275 **Muzzle:** 158/195

Late Winter: 32

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

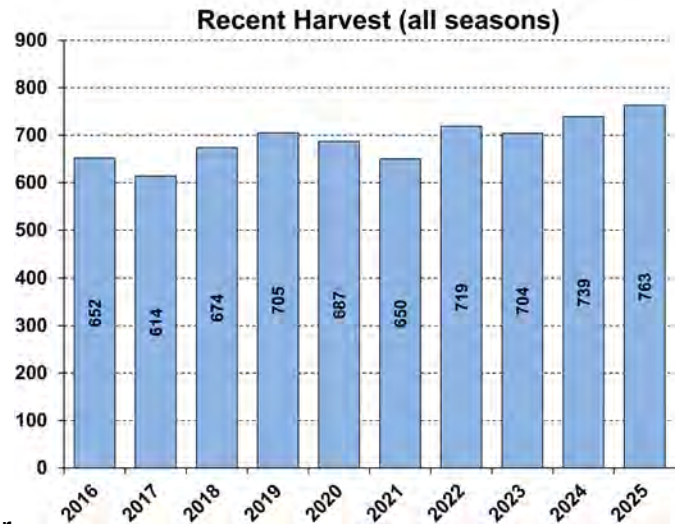
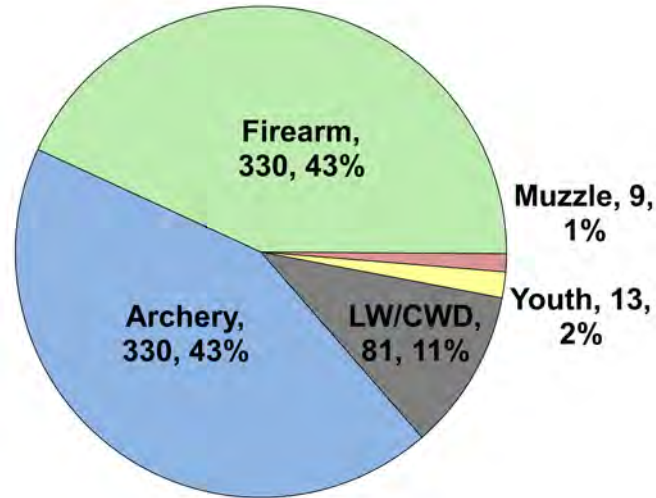
Check Station Location: N/A

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD WAS detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 175

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 2

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



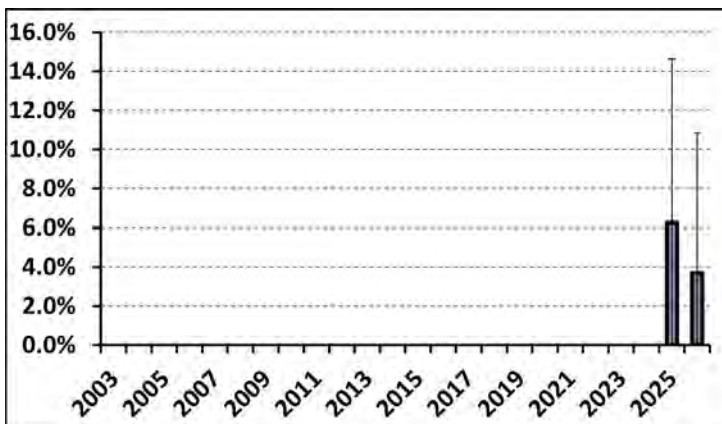
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	119	125	128	120	126
Crossbow	161	173	181	178	202
Traditional	1	4	0	1	2
Total	281	302	309	299	330

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.2	27.5	32.5	26.4	26.7
M - Yearling	16.3	14.7	17.3	14.2	16.6
M - Fawn	8.8	10.2	7.5	11.9	9.0
F - Adult	42.5	42.4	38.5	40.2	42.3
F - Fawn	4.3	5.1	4.1	7.3	5.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: RANDOLPH COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 595 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 4,253 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,847

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 4,148

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 5000/5000 **Muzzle:** 817/825

Late Winter: 259

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2022 - Present

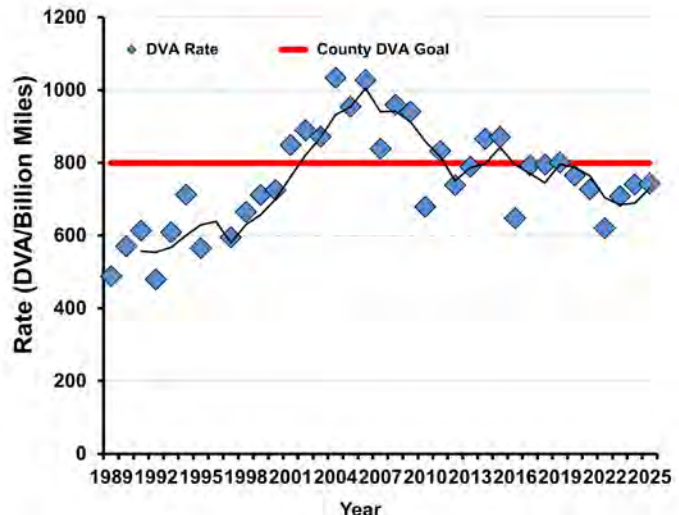
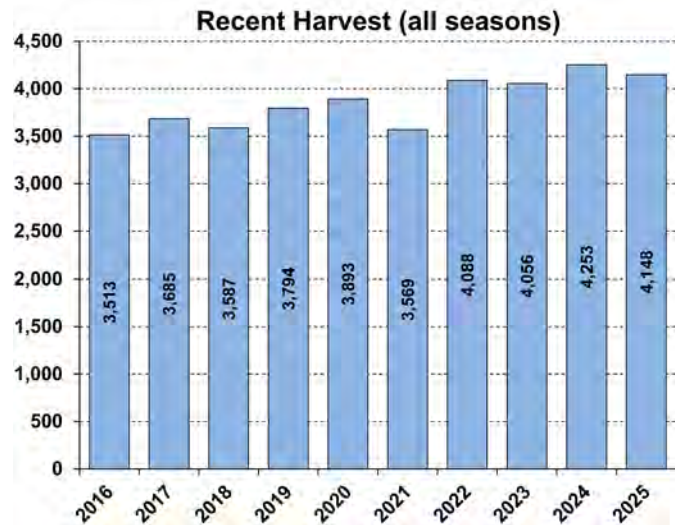
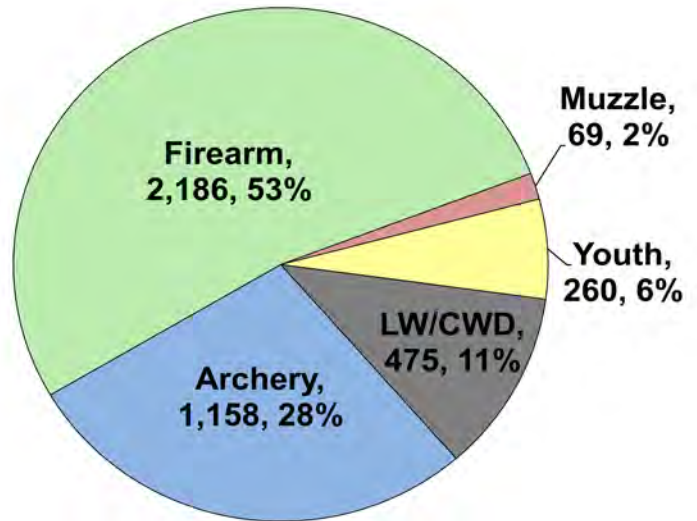
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	505	491	500	461	440
Crossbow	746	711	748	745	713
Traditional	11	13	11	7	5
Total	1262	1215	1259	1213	1158

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.7	27.0	28.7	25.2	27.1
M - Yearling	15.7	14.4	15.1	15.2	14.2
M - Fawn	8.9	8.9	7.7	8.3	7.7
F - Adult	38.3	42.9	41.8	43.9	44.6
F - Fawn	7.3	6.9	6.7	7.4	6.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: RICHLAND COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 362 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 1,852 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,268

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,415

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1500/1500 **Muzzle:** 201/225

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

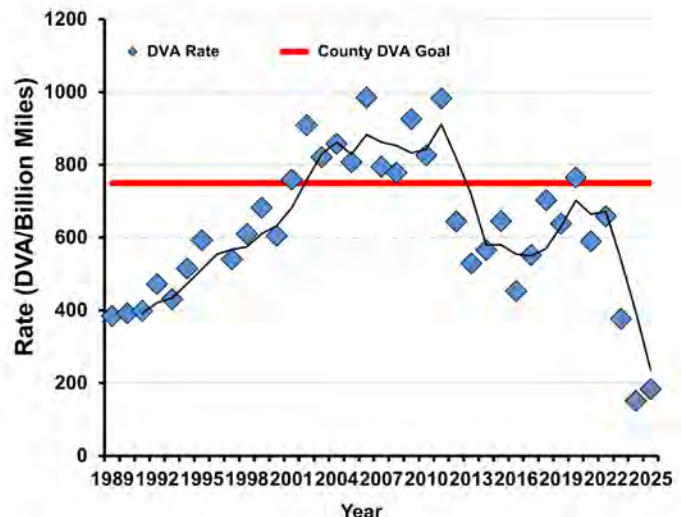
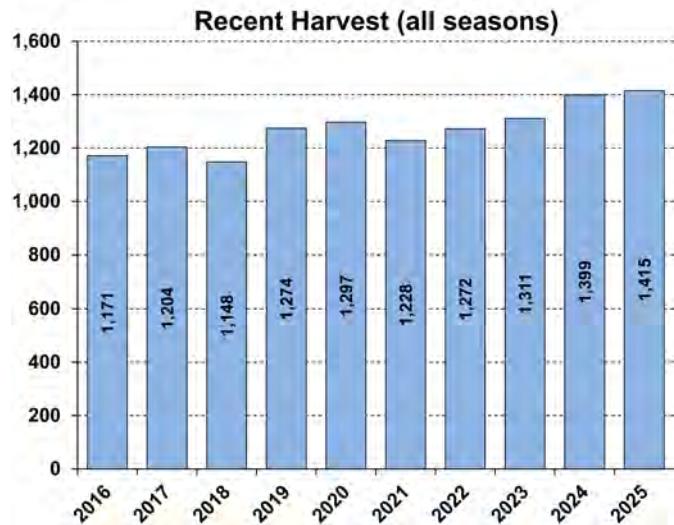
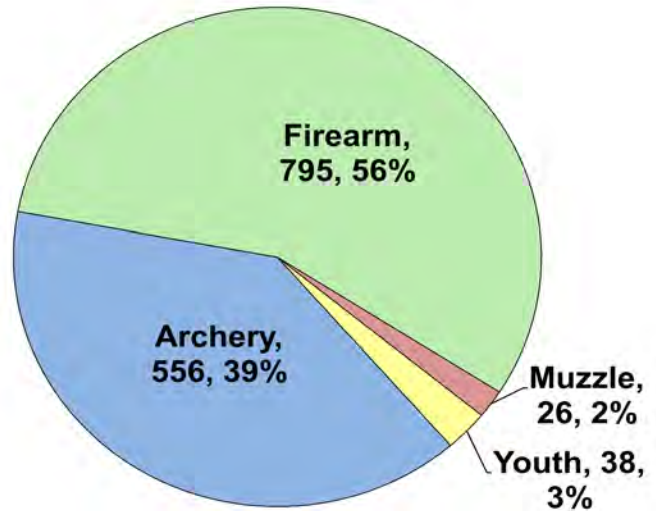
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	260	258	269	278	256
Crossbow	255	265	286	282	294
Traditional	5	4	4	5	6
Total	520	527	559	565	556

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.8	28.9	32.6	31.2	30.2
M - Yearling	13.2	15.0	15.3	13.3	16.6
M - Fawn	10.9	8.8	8.3	8.6	8.4
F - Adult	35.9	39.0	36.3	38.7	38.8
F - Fawn	9.2	8.3	7.5	8.2	6.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: ROCK ISLAND COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 452 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 1,926 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,494

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,618

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2304/2700 **Muzzle:** 285/550

Late Winter: 31

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2007 - Present

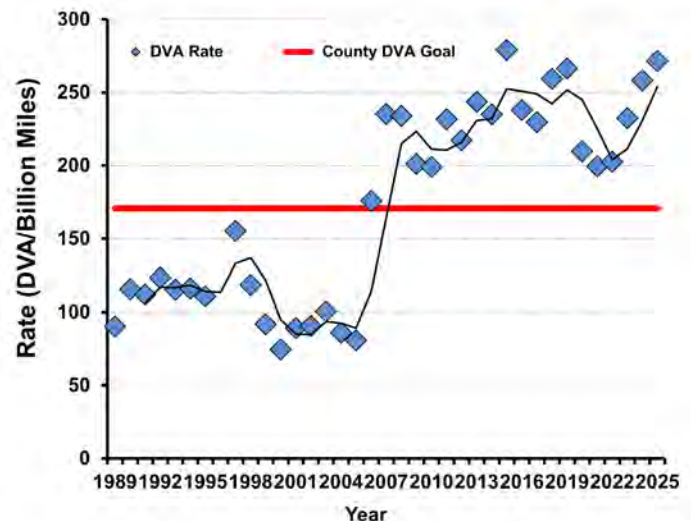
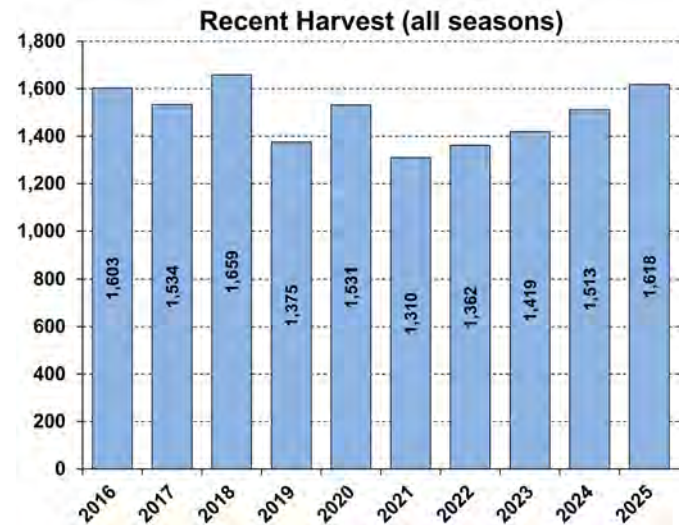
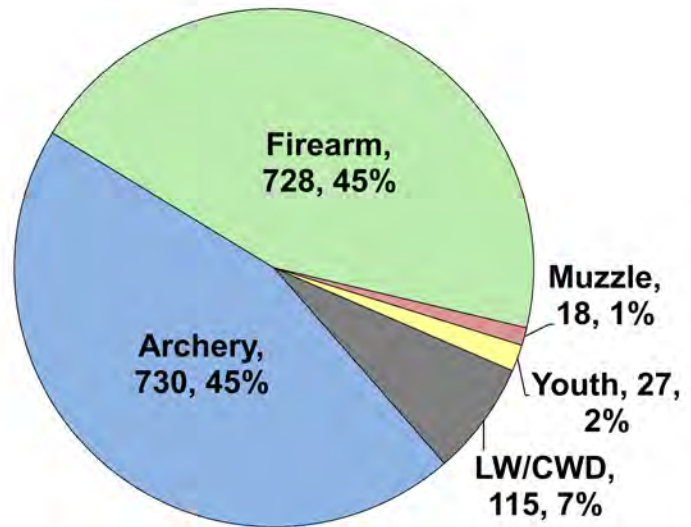
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	261	263	256	283	253
Crossbow	343	355	344	383	469
Traditional	5	4	5	4	8
Total	609	622	605	670	730

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	25.3	25.4	30.3	27.4	30.5
M - Yearling	18.3	19.0	18.9	19.4	17.6
M - Fawn	10.5	9.8	8.6	8.8	7.9
F - Adult	38.6	38.3	36.4	39.5	39.3
F - Fawn	7.3	7.5	5.8	4.8	4.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: SALINE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 387 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,913 (2010)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,705

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,814

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2800/2800 **Muzzle:** 267/300

Late Winter: 105

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2003 - Present

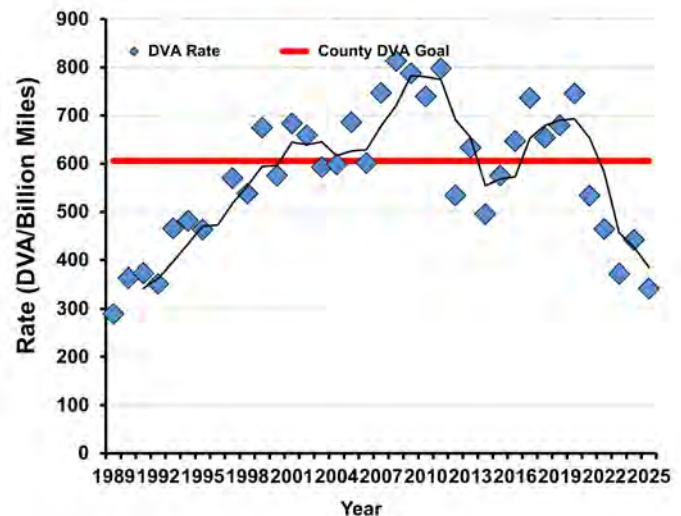
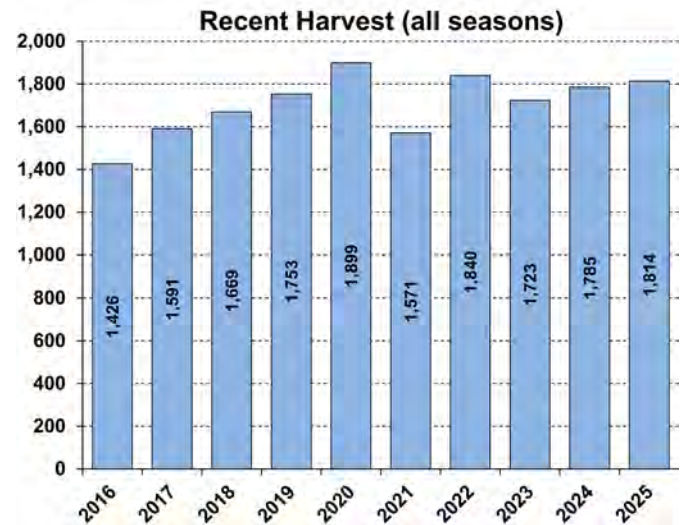
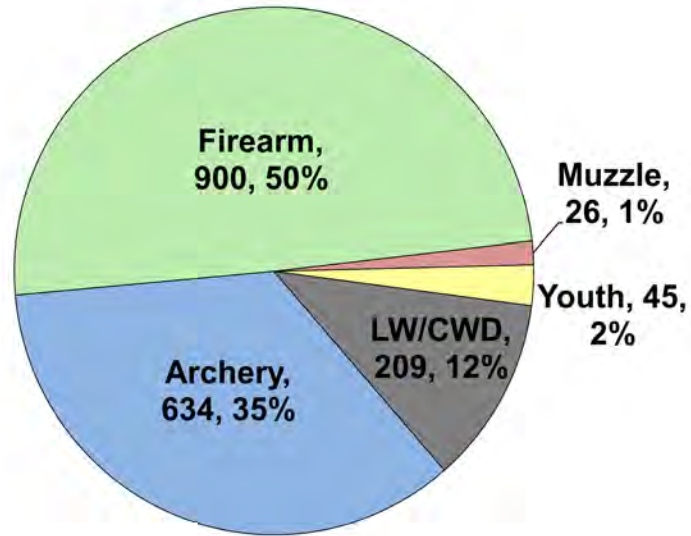
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	271	299	280	294	266
Crossbow	315	385	326	336	360
Traditional	8	7	9	5	8
Total	594	691	615	635	634

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.7	27.5	29.7	30.3	29.4
M - Yearling	15.4	16.5	17.0	16.6	17.4
M - Fawn	6.9	7.4	6.5	6.7	4.9
F - Adult	40.9	43.3	40.0	41.2	41.7
F - Fawn	6.0	5.2	6.8	5.2	6.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: SANGAMON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 877 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 1,980 (2006)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,546

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,743

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1450/1450 **Muzzle:** 425/425

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

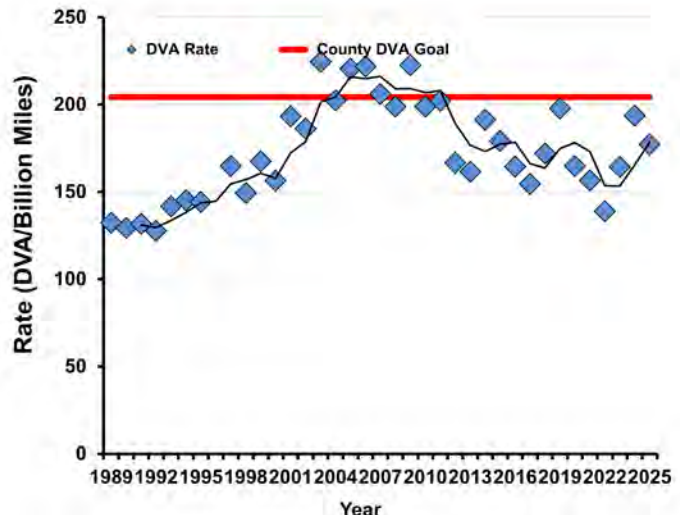
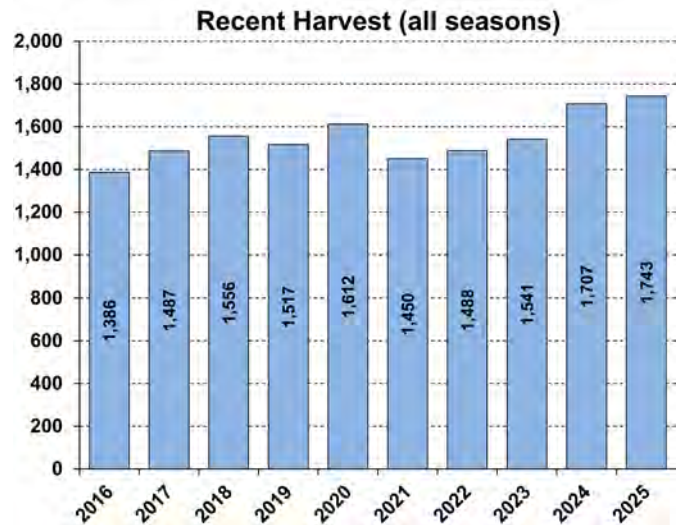
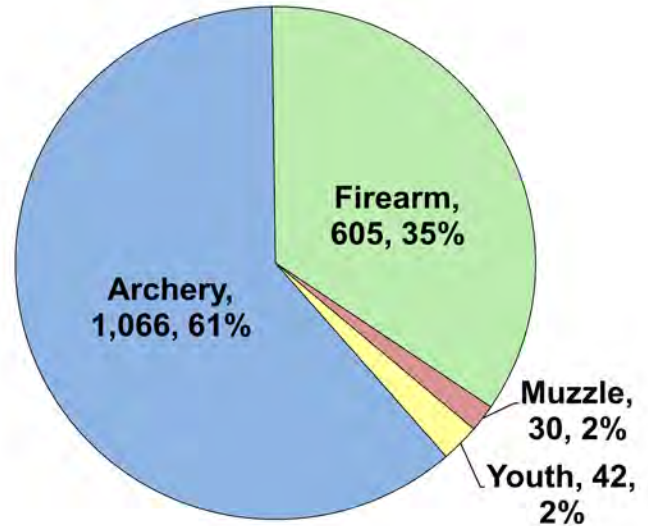
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	405	424	435	486	483
Crossbow	458	479	508	595	569
Traditional	3	7	17	9	14
Total	866	910	960	1090	1066

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.8	31.0	34.9	31.1	32.9
M - Yearling	15.9	16.2	15.8	16.2	15.7
M - Fawn	9.7	6.7	7.1	7.7	6.4
F - Adult	37.4	41.6	37.1	40.0	41.3
F - Fawn	6.2	4.6	5.1	5.1	3.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: SCHUYLER COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 442 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,243 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,629

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,784

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3858/4200 **Muzzle:** 514/600

Late Winter: 116

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2021 - Present

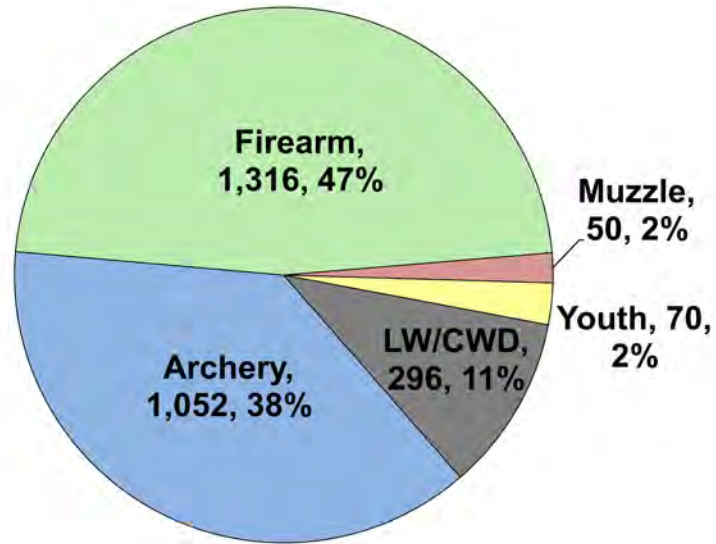
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	562	466	463	474	515
Crossbow	538	547	522	577	532
Traditional	19	13	10	12	5
Total	1119	1026	995	1063	1052

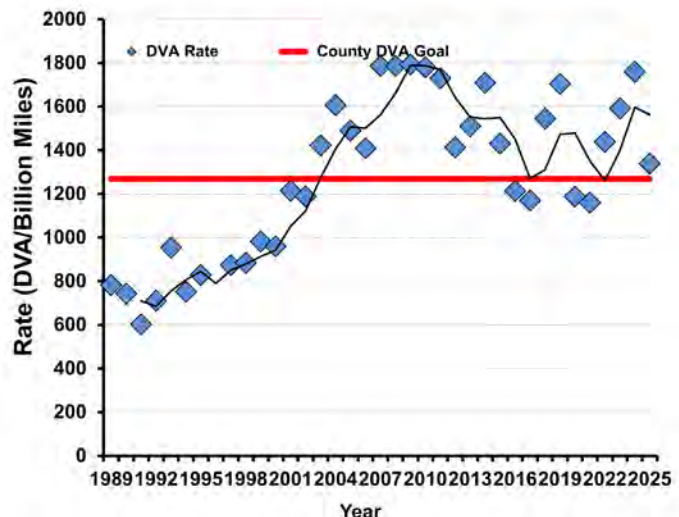
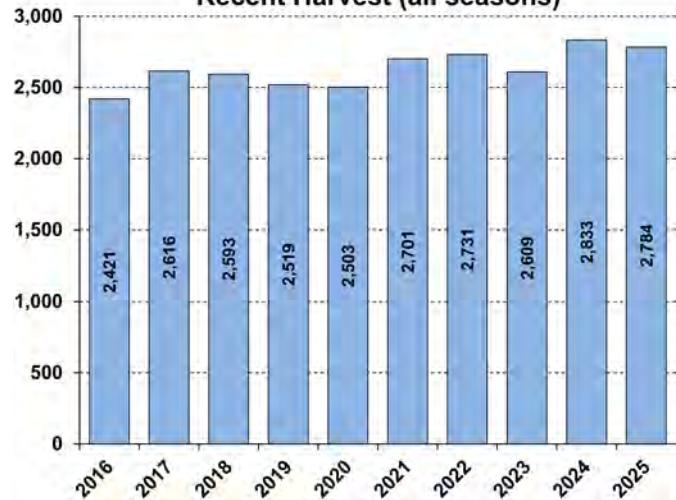
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.4	31.3	32.4	28.7	29.7
M - Yearling	11.9	13.3	14.4	13.4	12.6
M - Fawn	8.5	9.3	8.7	8.2	7.6
F - Adult	39.5	39.3	36.8	43.1	43.7
F - Fawn	6.8	6.8	7.7	6.6	6.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: SCOTT COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 253 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,214 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 676

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 707

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 600/600 **Muzzle:** 125/125

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

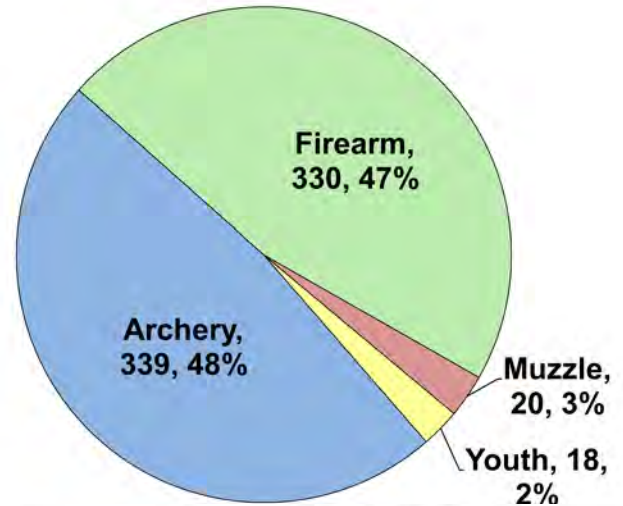
Check Station Loc.: None at this time.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD was detected for the first in this county in 2025. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

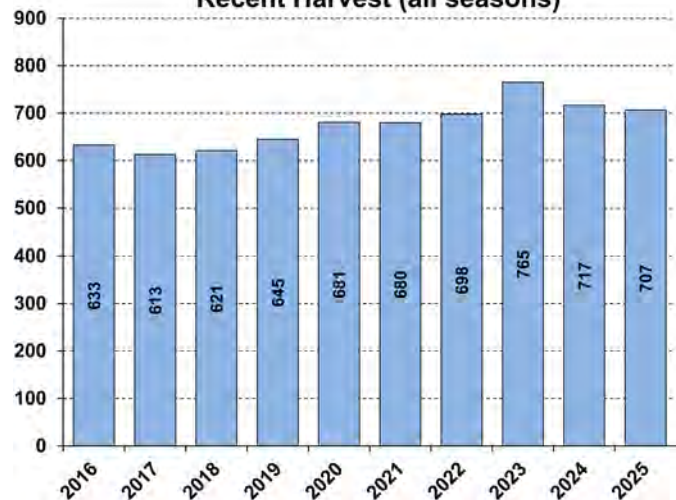
Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 10

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Scott County.



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



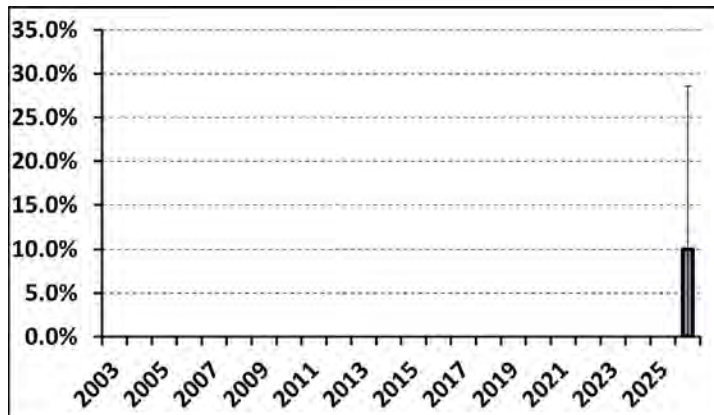
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	186	155	153	152	165
Crossbow	146	170	197	166	171
Traditional	1	3	3	5	3
Total	333	328	353	323	339

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.7	36.0	37.6	36.5	36.2
M - Yearling	12.9	14.8	12.5	10.7	12.0
M - Fawn	8.2	6.4	5.5	7.0	5.9
F - Adult	35.3	37.7	37.9	38.9	41.7
F - Fawn	7.8	5.2	6.4	6.8	4.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: SHELBY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 768 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 2,833 (2024)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,388

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,769

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3300/3300 **Muzzle:** 495/550

Late Winter: 96

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2007 - Present

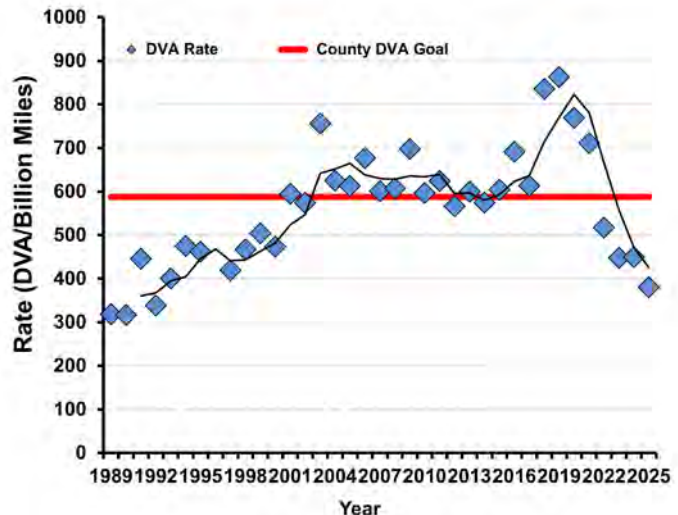
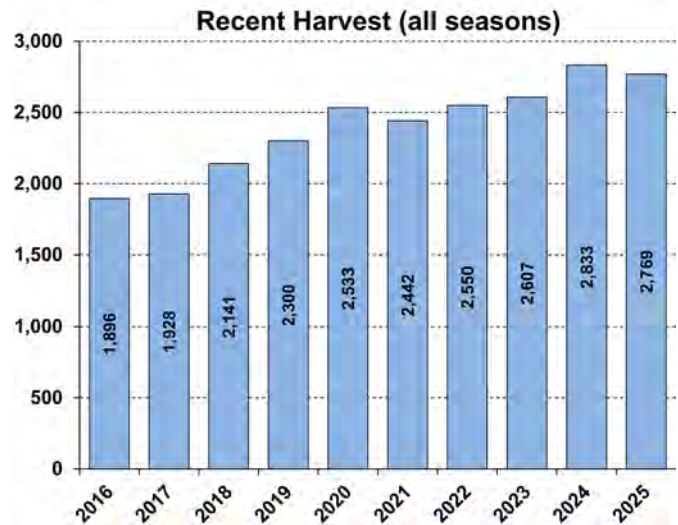
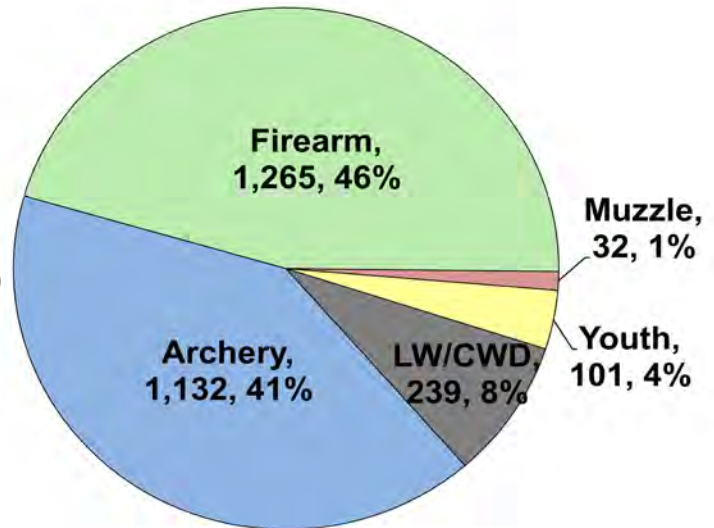
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	513	510	516	585	560
Crossbow	529	533	559	586	561
Traditional	15	15	15	11	11
Total	1057	1058	1090	1182	1132

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.0	28.2	31.2	29.2	28.4
M - Yearling	18.1	16.2	17.3	14.8	16.3
M - Fawn	9.2	8.6	8.4	9.0	7.1
F - Adult	35.2	40.3	37.2	39.9	42.0
F - Fawn	7.5	6.7	5.8	7.1	6.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: STARK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 289 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 598 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 338

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 395

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 617/675 **Muzzle:** 103/120

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

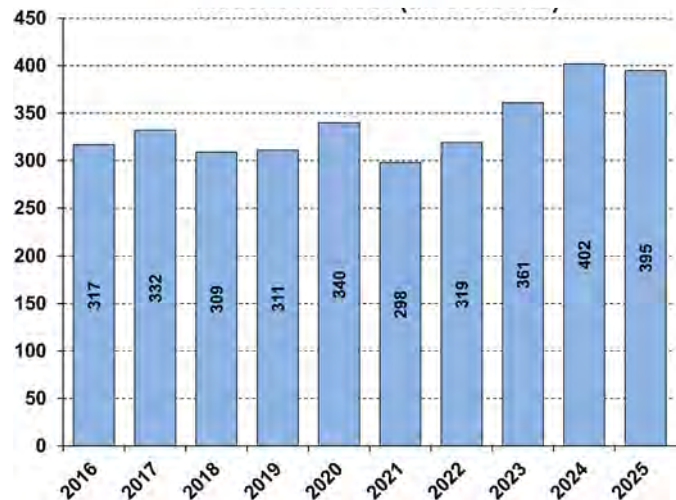
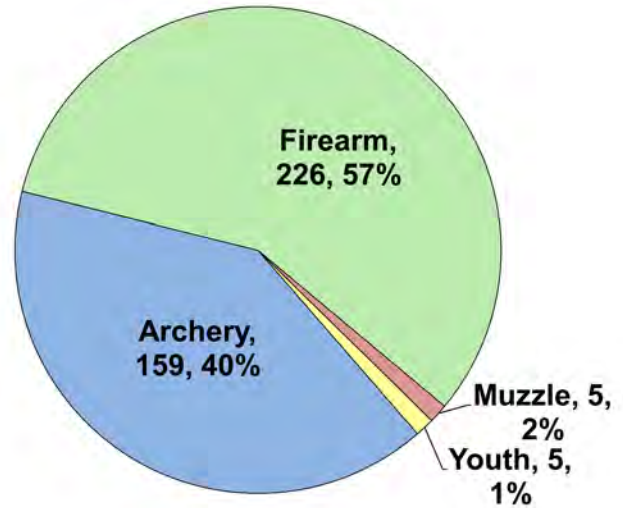
Check Station Loc.: None at this time.

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD was detected for the first in this county in 2025. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 3

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Stark County.



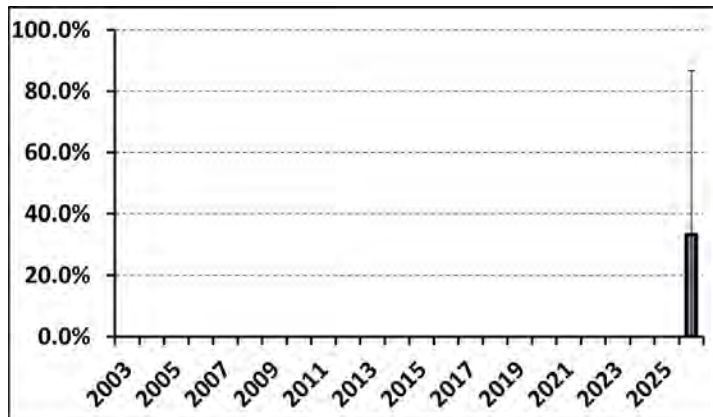
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	53	47	60	54	59
Crossbow	83	91	93	105	97
Traditional	1	4	3	2	3
Total	137	142	156	161	159

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.5	32.9	29.6	32.6	36.2
M - Yearling	17.8	19.7	26.0	18.9	16.5
M - Fawn	7.0	5.6	8.0	7.2	7.1
F - Adult	38.6	37.6	31.0	37.1	35.7
F - Fawn	6.0	4.1	5.3	4.2	4.6

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: ST. CLAIR COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 675 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 2,123 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,563

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,928

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2100/2100 **Muzzle:** 438/450

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2019

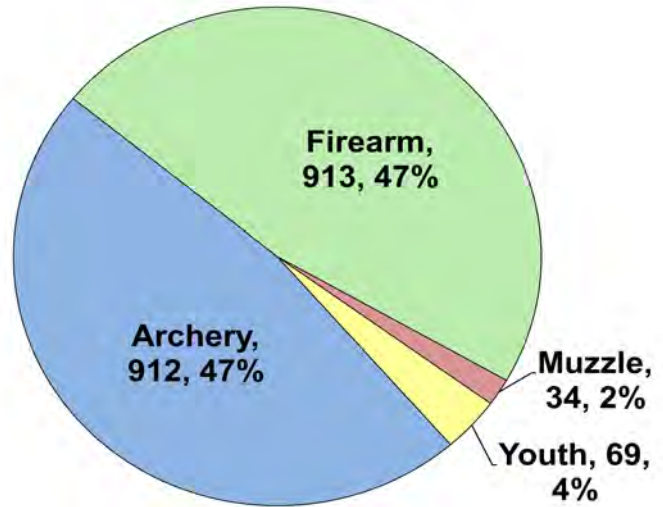
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	315	334	325	343	362
Crossbow	487	514	543	475	543
Traditional	9	8	8	12	7
Total	811	856	876	830	912

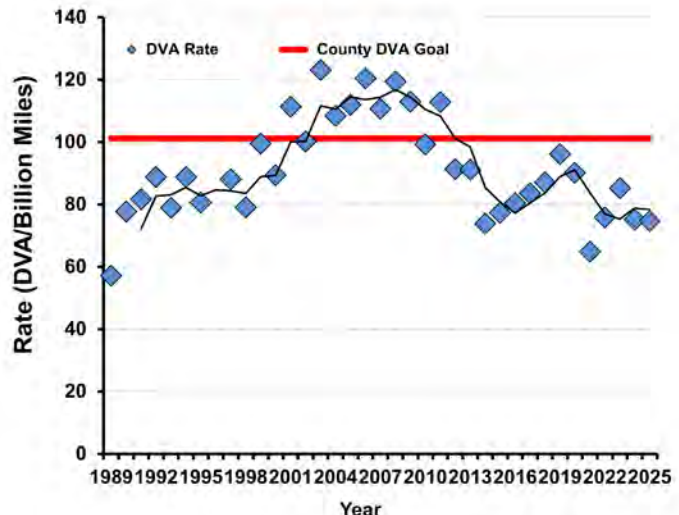
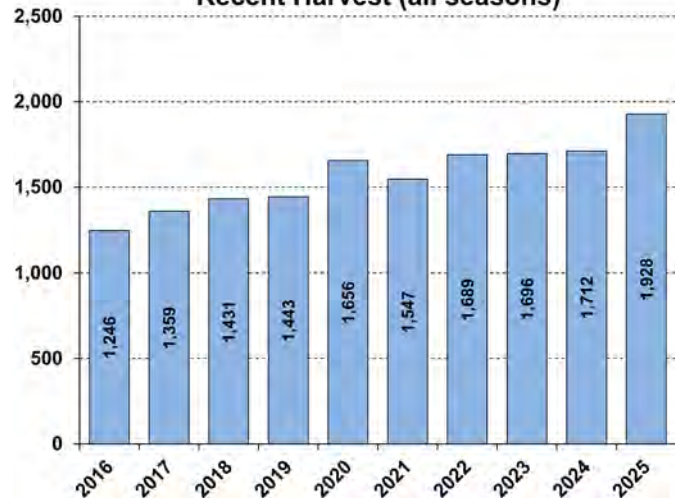
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.9	28.3	31.1	31.7	31.7
M - Yearling	23.2	22.6	24.5	22.0	22.1
M - Fawn	8.7	8.0	6.5	6.4	7.3
F - Adult	35.6	35.9	34.1	35.7	35.1
F - Fawn	4.7	5.2	3.8	4.3	3.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: STEPHENSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 565 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,829 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,206

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,133

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2173/3250 **Muzzle:** 149/525

CWD: 24

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

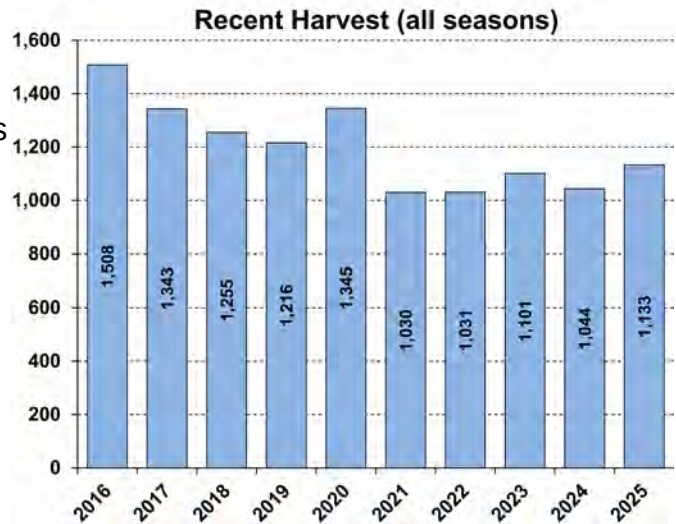
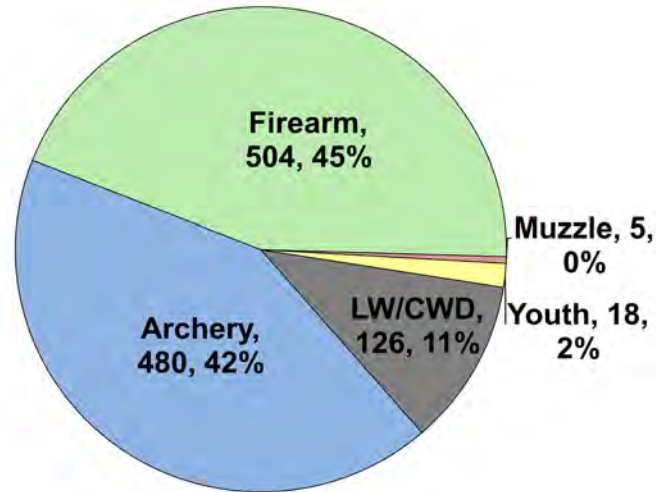
Check Station Loc: Stephenson Co. Fairgrounds

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 241

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 35

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR has modified its CWD management strategy and will not be sharpshooting in Stephenson County anymore.



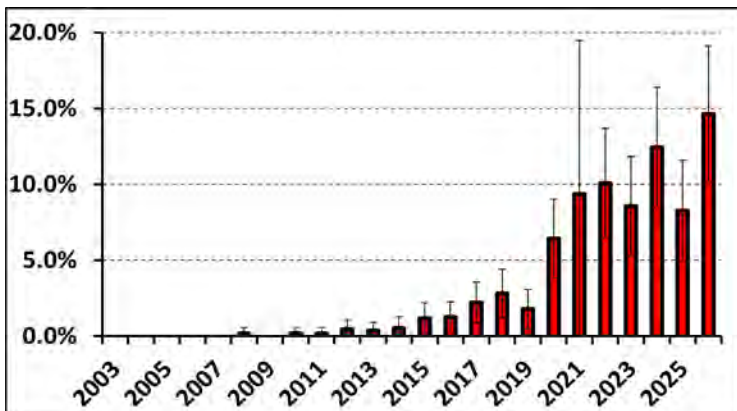
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	166	170	163	147	158
Crossbow	237	238	284	297	321
Traditional	4	5	5	2	1
Total	407	413	452	446	480

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	26.8	28.5	32.1	24.1	35.7
M - Yearling	19.9	18.0	19.5	20.7	16.9
M - Fawn	8.8	10.7	8.6	8.1	7.6
F - Adult	36.8	35.6	34.2	39.7	34.0
F - Fawn	7.6	7.2	5.6	7.4	5.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: TAZEWELL COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 658 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 1,750 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,293

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,548

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1200/1200 **Muzzle:** 225/225

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

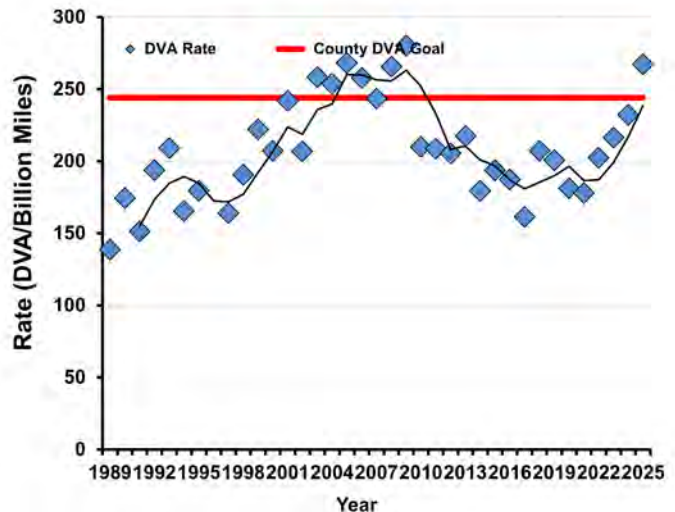
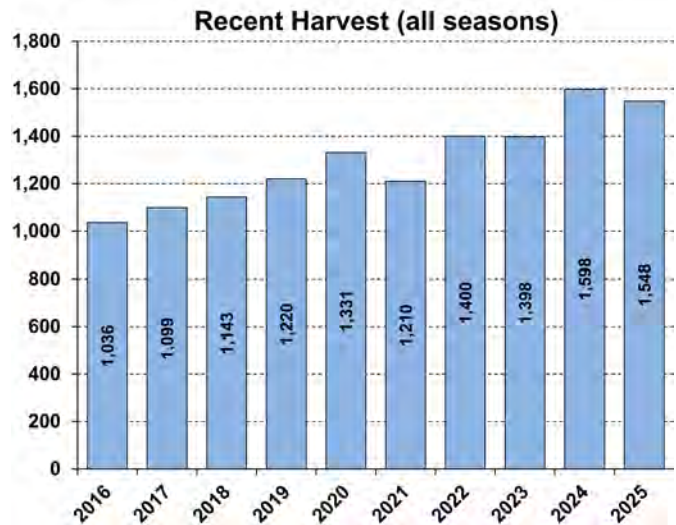
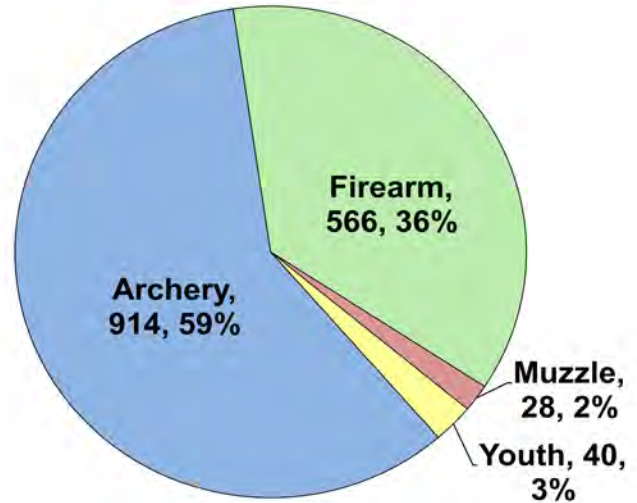
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	307	361	361	417	397
Crossbow	383	459	448	529	506
Traditional	10	10	16	19	11
Total	700	830	825	965	914

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	25.7	27.6	31.7	26.5	29.2
M - Yearling	21.5	18.8	22.2	19.8	21.8
M - Fawn	8.5	9.5	7.9	9.8	7.9
F - Adult	38.8	37.6	33.0	37.7	36.2
F - Fawn	5.5	6.6	5.3	6.1	4.8

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: UNION COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 422 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,213 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,266

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,109

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2500/2500 **Muzzle:** 450/450

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

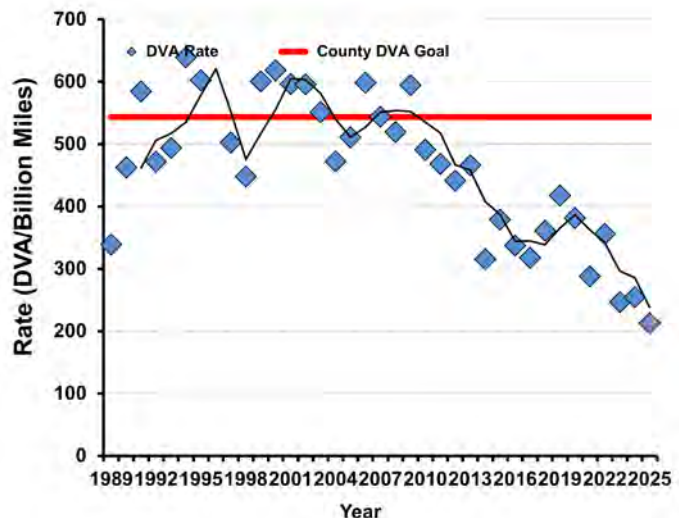
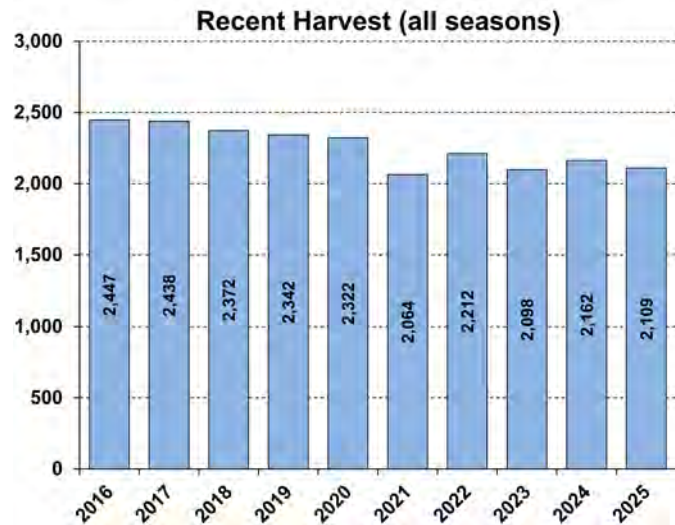
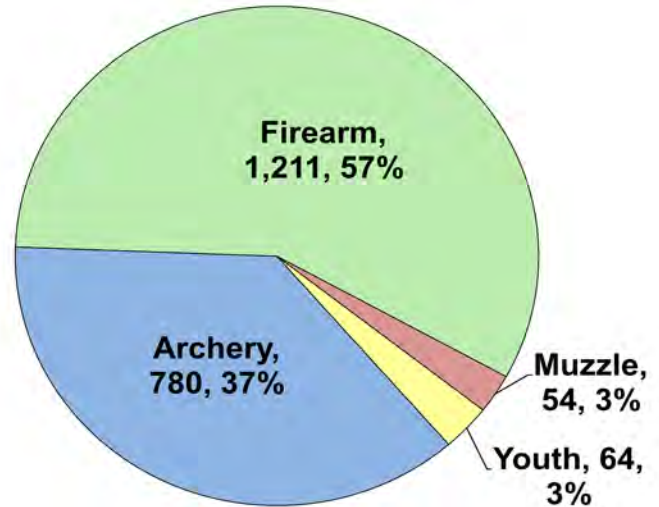
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	380	355	325	346	349
Crossbow	457	544	454	472	423
Traditional	9	7	11	13	8
Total	846	906	790	831	780

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	28.8	27.8	29.4	31.4	29.9
M - Yearling	17.3	15.0	18.0	18.6	20.4
M - Fawn	7.5	8.3	6.6	7.5	6.8
F - Adult	41.2	43.4	40.0	38.3	37.6
F - Fawn	5.2	5.5	6.0	4.2	5.4

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: VERMILION COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 301 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 2,353 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,670

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,938

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2060/2250 **Muzzle:** 394/425

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2018

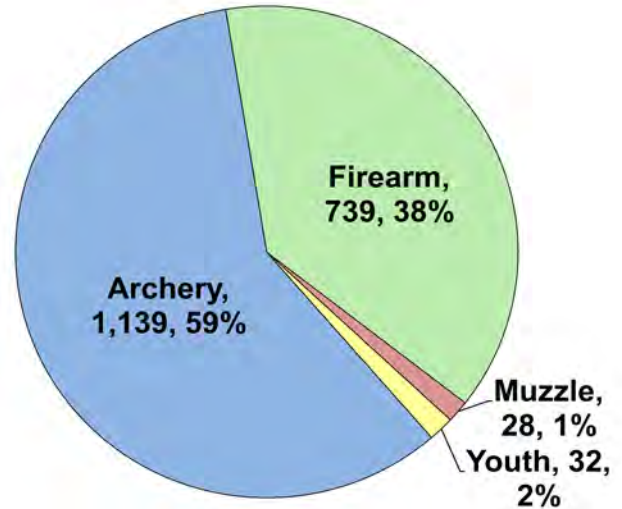
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	487	473	469	456	495
Crossbow	572	660	634	612	634
Traditional	14	22	18	11	10
Total	1073	1155	1121	1079	1139

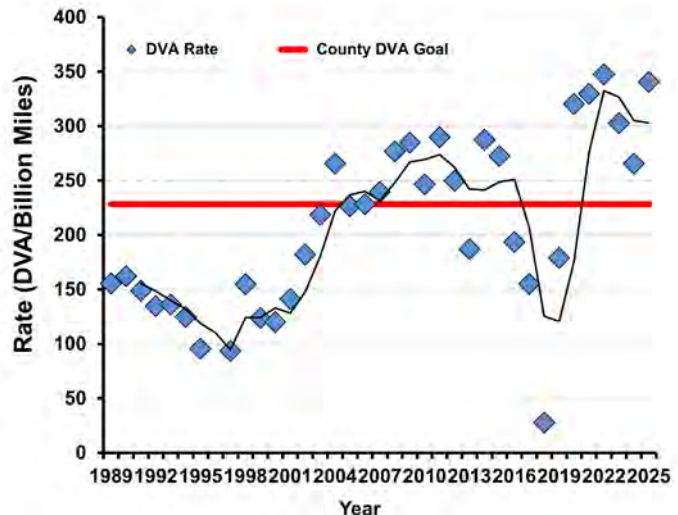
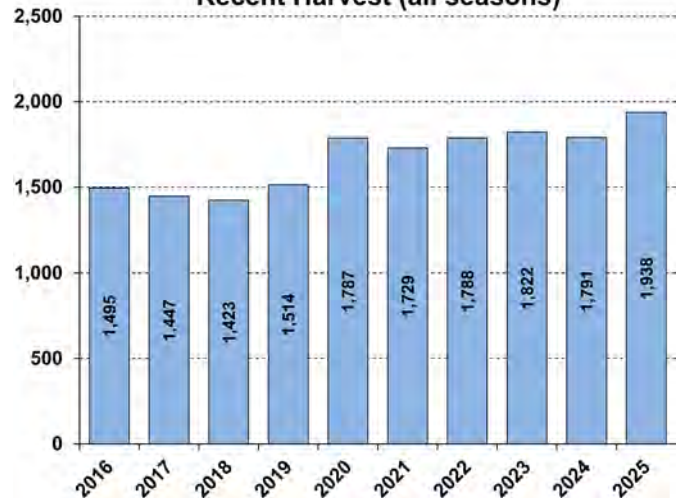
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	37.5	30.1	33.4	33.4	32.9
M - Yearling	14.5	16.5	18.0	15.7	16.8
M - Fawn	6.7	9.5	7.4	5.9	6.7
F - Adult	36.1	38.1	36.8	40.8	39.6
F - Fawn	5.2	5.8	4.4	4.2	4.1

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WABASH COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 227 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1971

Record Harvest: 737 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 465

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 624

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 400/400 **Muzzle:** 75/75

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012

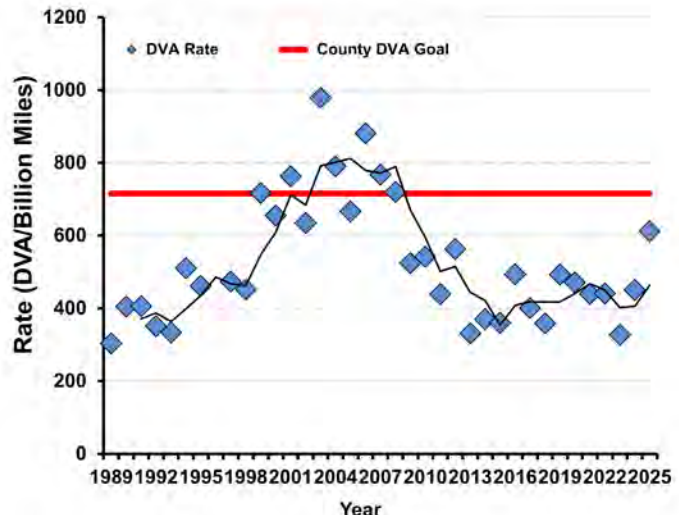
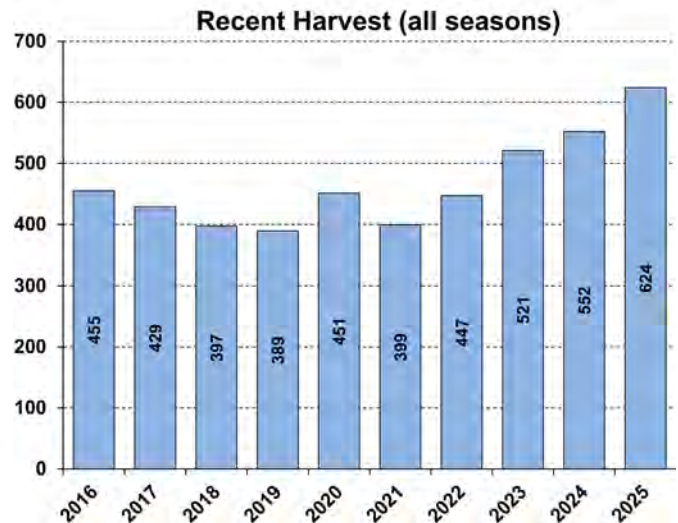
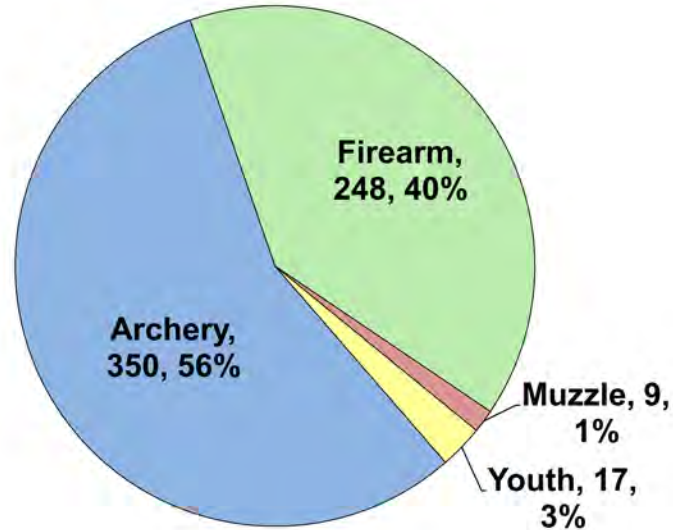
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	132	138	184	149	184
Crossbow	93	112	135	144	159
Traditional	2	4	2	0	7
Total	227	254	321	293	350

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	35.1	35.6	37.4	36.2	34.5
M - Yearling	18.3	18.8	19.4	16.5	17.8
M - Fawn	9.3	7.2	4.6	6.2	8.2
F - Adult	32.3	34.0	32.4	35.5	35.9
F - Fawn	5.0	4.5	6.1	5.6	3.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WARREN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 545 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,276 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 827

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 954

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1446/1500 **Muzzle:** 166/215

Late Winter: 27

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter: 2025 - Present

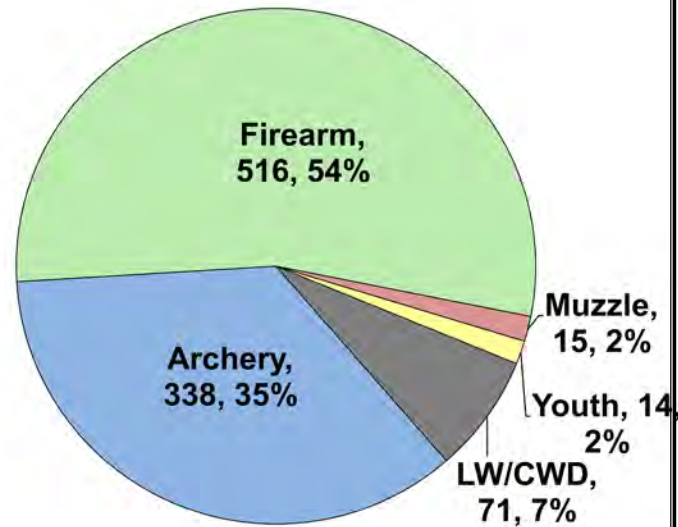
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	140	124	142	146	138
Crossbow	139	147	186	197	197
Traditional	7	8	5	3	3
Total	286	279	333	346	338

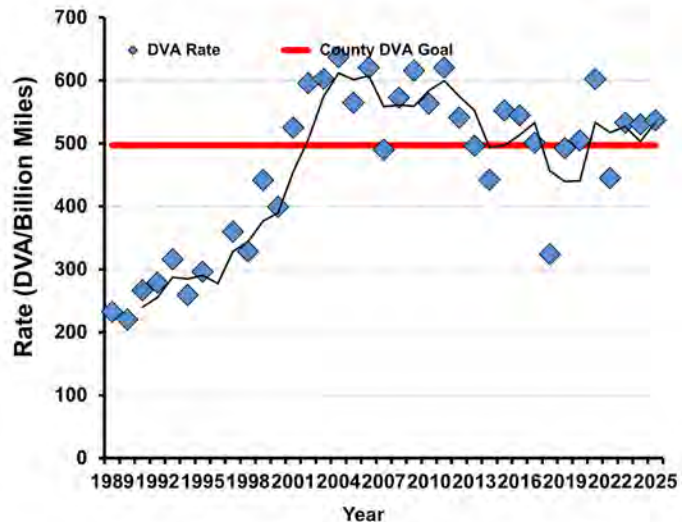
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.5	32.7	35.5	32.7	29.9
M - Yearling	19.2	18.2	15.9	16.4	17.3
M - Fawn	7.8	9.6	10.2	8.6	8.1
F - Adult	37.8	34.6	31.0	38.3	38.6
F - Fawn	5.7	5.0	7.4	4.1	6.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WASHINGTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 564 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 2,439 (2025)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,790

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 2,439

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2700/2700 **Muzzle:** 500/500

Late Winter: 157

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2024-Present

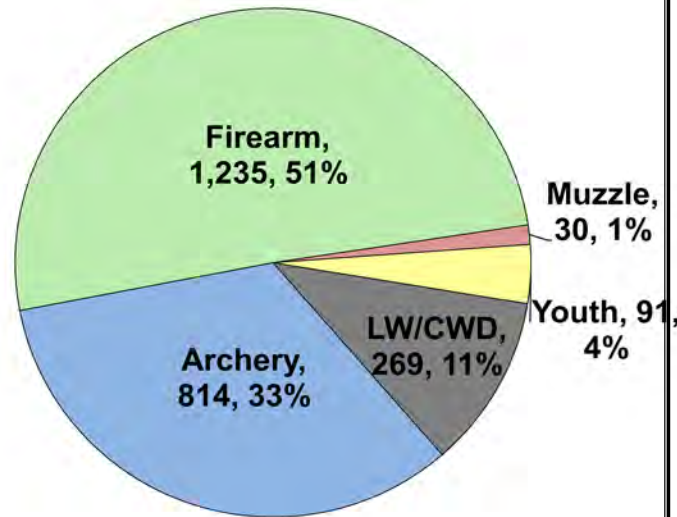
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	285	274	296	335	343
Crossbow	344	379	406	465	464
Traditional	2	6	4	5	7
Total	631	659	706	805	814

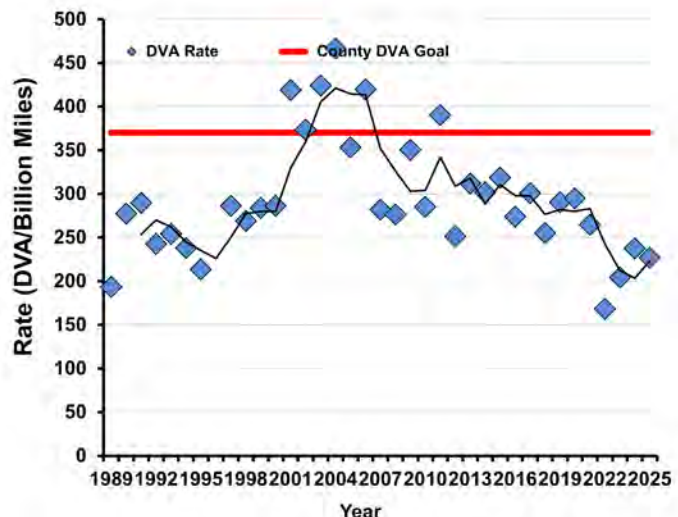
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	33.4	33.6	35.7	28.9	30.2
M - Yearling	15.9	16.8	17.0	15.2	14.4
M - Fawn	8.6	7.1	7.3	7.0	7.3
F - Adult	36.7	36.1	35.3	43.6	42.6
F - Fawn	5.5	6.4	4.7	5.3	5.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WAYNE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 715 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 3,540 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,763

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,288

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 3000/3000 **Muzzle:** 400/400

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2015

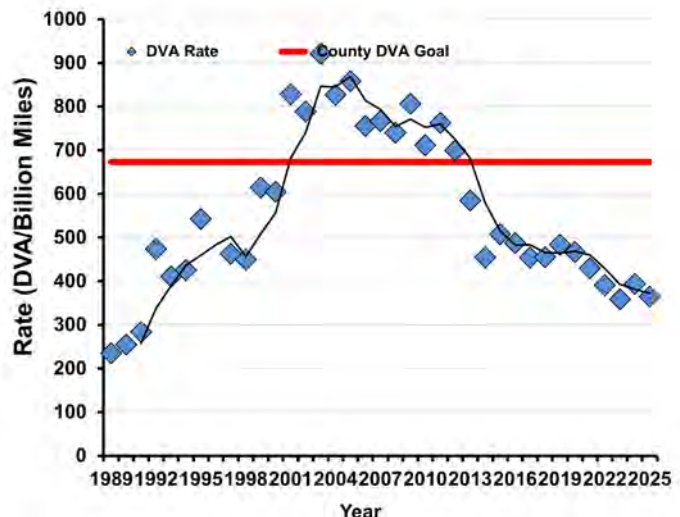
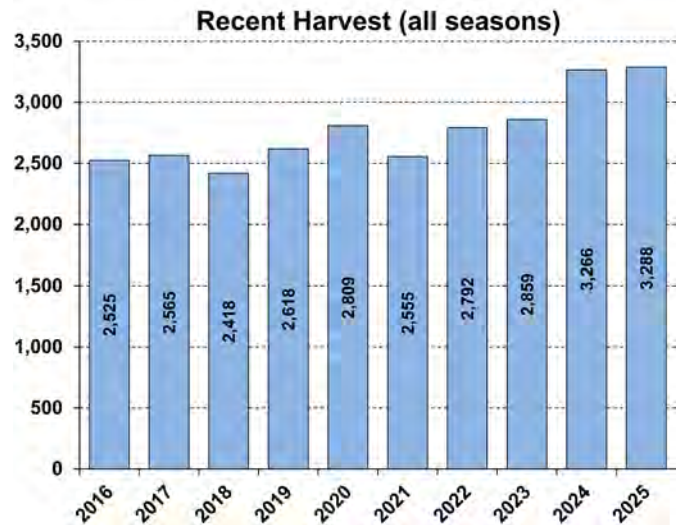
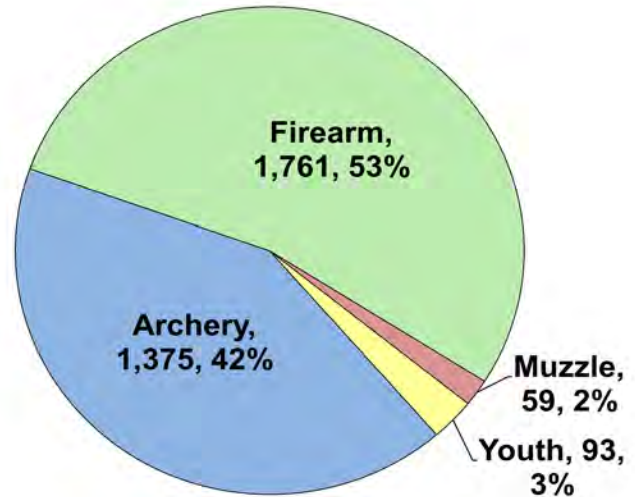
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	517	514	600	610	611
Crossbow	570	601	677	766	751
Traditional	15	15	13	11	13
Total	1102	1130	1290	1387	1375

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	30.5	29.9	32.6	30.7	29.3
M - Yearling	15.7	15.0	14.9	15.0	16.2
M - Fawn	9.6	8.4	7.9	8.3	7.4
F - Adult	35.9	39.4	37.6	39.2	39.8
F - Fawn	8.3	7.3	7.0	6.7	7.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WHITE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 502 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 2,299 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,552

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,790

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1800/1800 **Muzzle:** 290/300

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2018

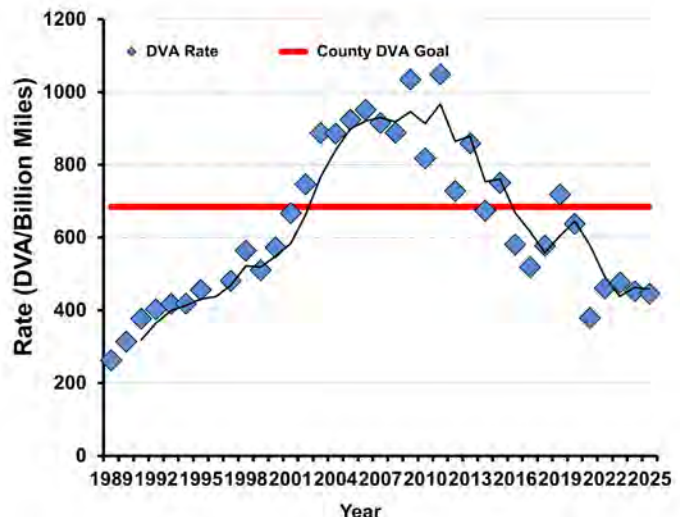
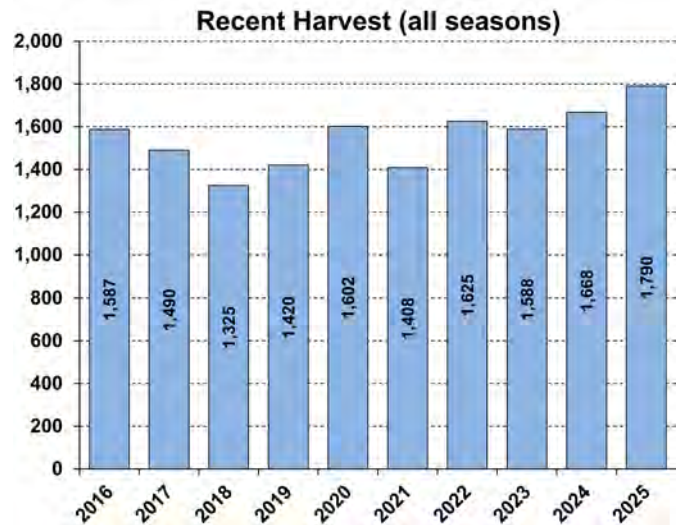
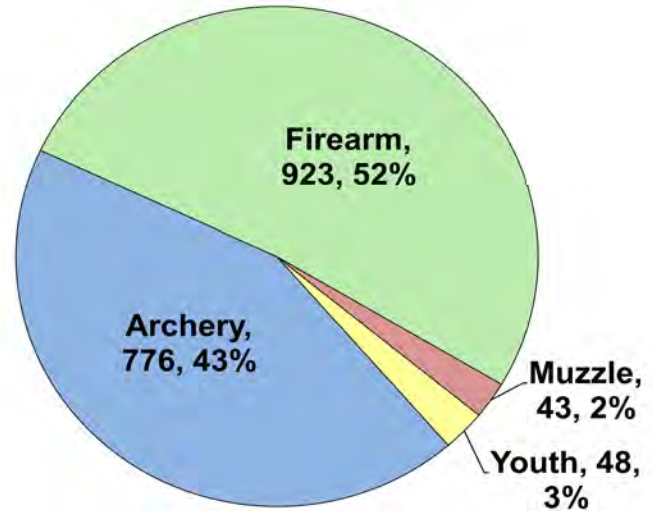
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	327	337	315	349	361
Crossbow	300	343	356	380	406
Traditional	6	3	7	8	9
Total	633	683	678	737	776

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	34.0	37.7	40.4	38.0	37.9
M - Yearling	14.5	14.8	13.6	14.0	12.6
M - Fawn	5.7	4.7	4.8	4.8	5.2
F - Adult	40.9	38.5	36.1	38.9	40.1
F - Fawn	4.9	4.4	5.0	4.3	4.2

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WHITESIDE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 698 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,704 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,209

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,496

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2120/2250 **Muzzle:** 249/260

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: No. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2014

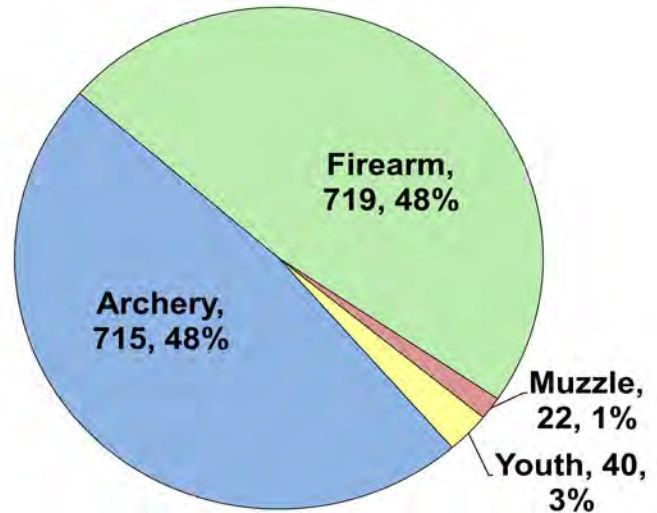
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	229	228	247	275	299
Crossbow	283	311	375	386	410
Traditional	6	8	11	6	6
Total	518	547	633	667	715

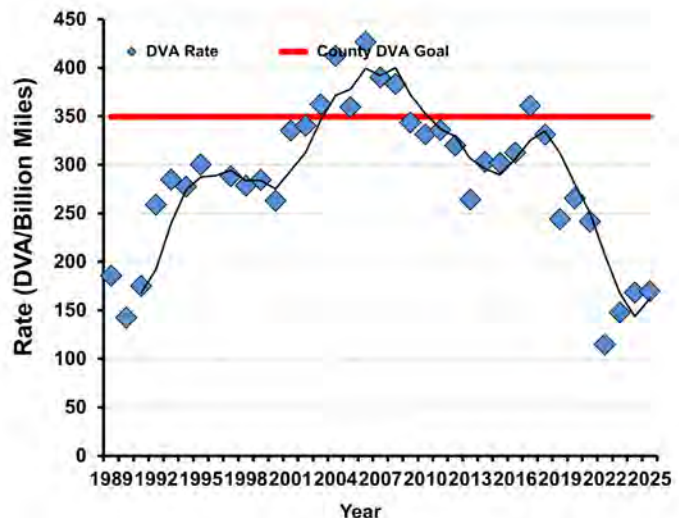
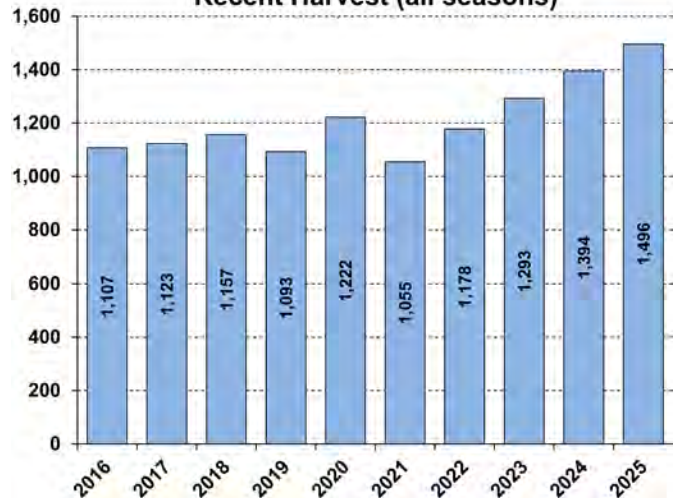
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	24.2	28.0	28.9	26.7	30.9
M - Yearling	19.6	17.8	19.5	19.4	16.9
M - Fawn	11.2	9.4	9.7	7.7	8.3
F - Adult	36.9	39.0	35.3	39.8	37.6
F - Fawn	8.2	5.7	6.6	6.3	6.3

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older



Recent Harvest (all seasons)





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WILL COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 849 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1976

Record Harvest: 1,435 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,057

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,063

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1186/1500 **Muzzle:** 188/350

CWD: 50

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

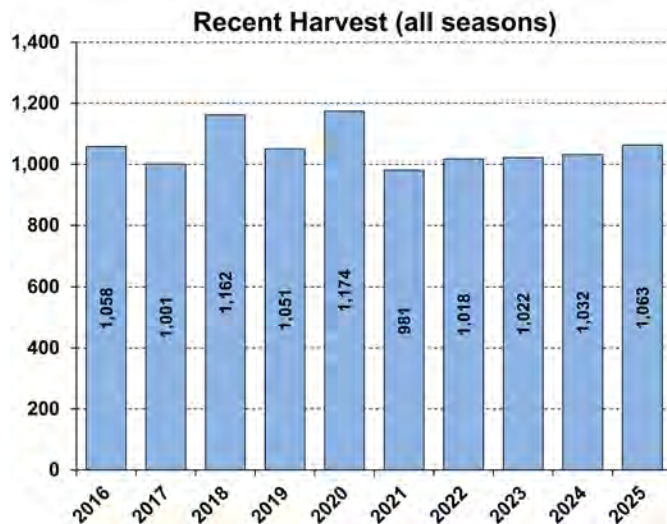
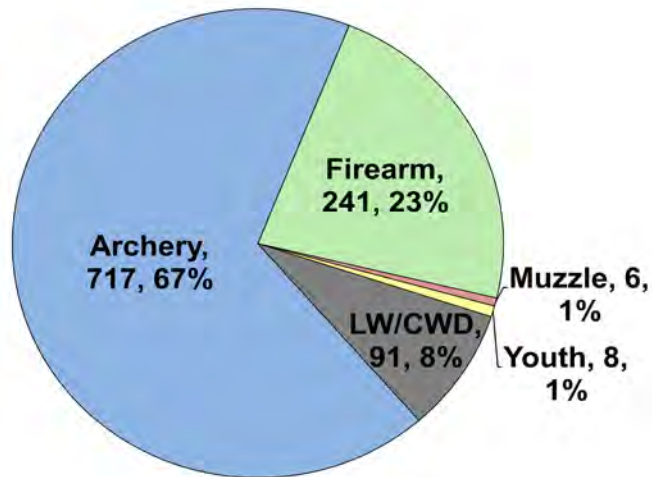
Check Station Location: Des Plaines Game Propagation Center

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 553

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 21

IDNR sharpshooting: 132 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



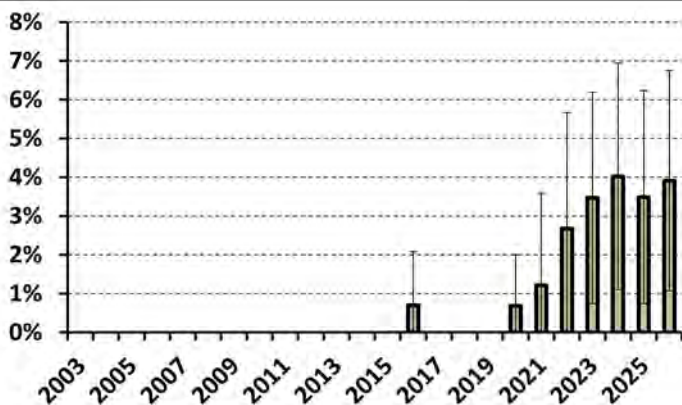
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	352	316	337	322	348
Crossbow	371	379	373	388	365
Traditional	7	7	8	10	4
Total	730	702	718	720	717

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.2	31.4	33.4	27.9	30.1
M - Yearling	20.4	19.6	18.7	18.6	21.6
M - Fawn	7.4	8.3	7.7	9.6	6.7
F - Adult	36.3	34.1	34.2	36.0	35.7
F - Fawn	6.6	6.6	6.0	8.0	5.9

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 444 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,517 (2022)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,228

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 3,400

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 4200/4200 **Muzzle:** 363/395

Late Winter: 115

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2024-Present

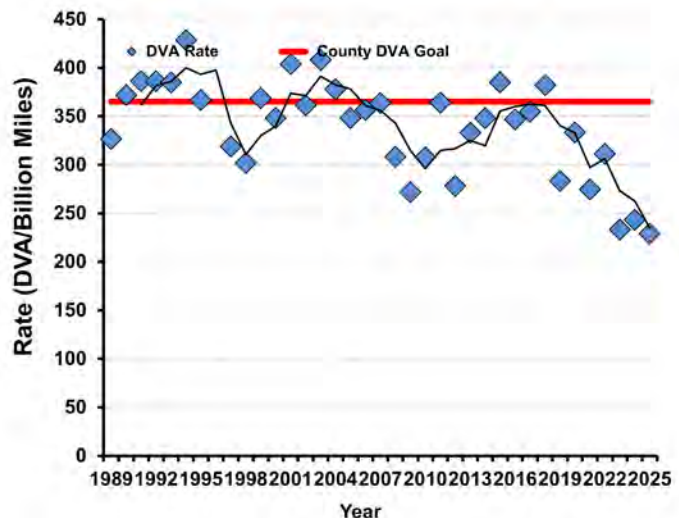
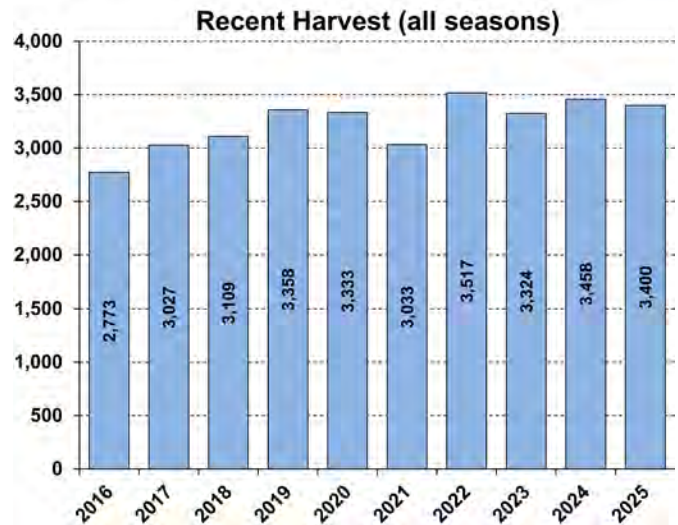
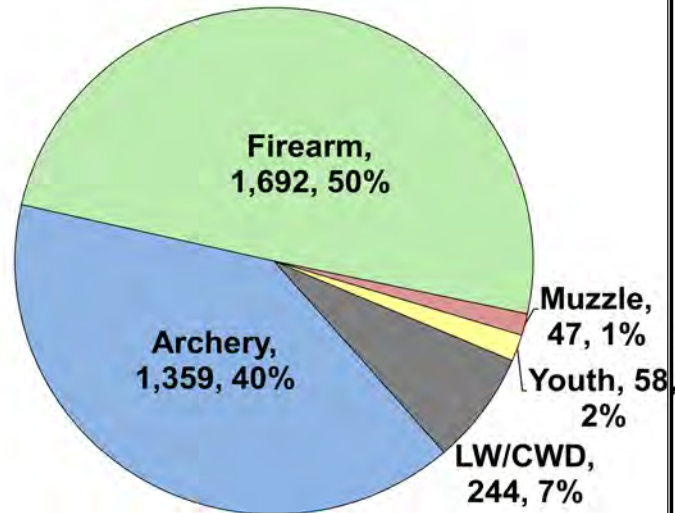
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	530	620	583	597	566
Crossbow	798	832	865	786	780
Traditional	17	18	19	17	13
Total	1345	1470	1467	1400	1359

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	29.1	26.0	25.0	24.6	25.3
M - Yearling	20.7	19.3	21.0	19.9	19.5
M - Fawn	8.3	8.3	8.5	8.2	7.2
F - Adult	36.7	40.7	39.8	42.2	43.5
F - Fawn	5.1	5.8	5.7	5.0	4.5

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WINNEBAGO COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 519 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,480 (1995)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 893

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 997

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1375/3000 **Muzzle:** 151/450

CWD: 101

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

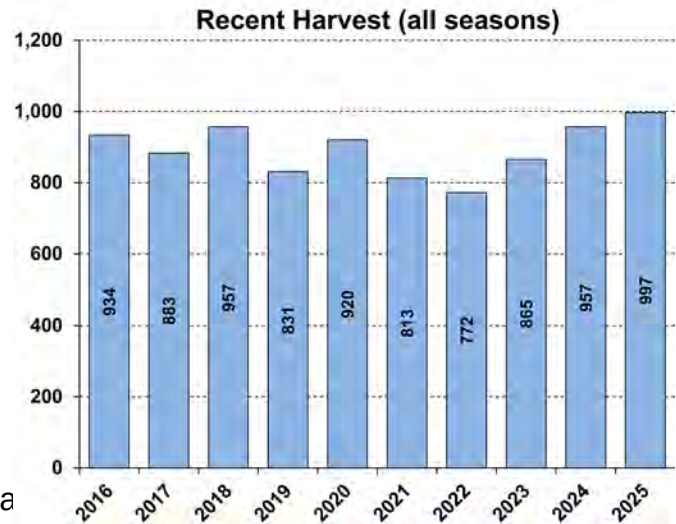
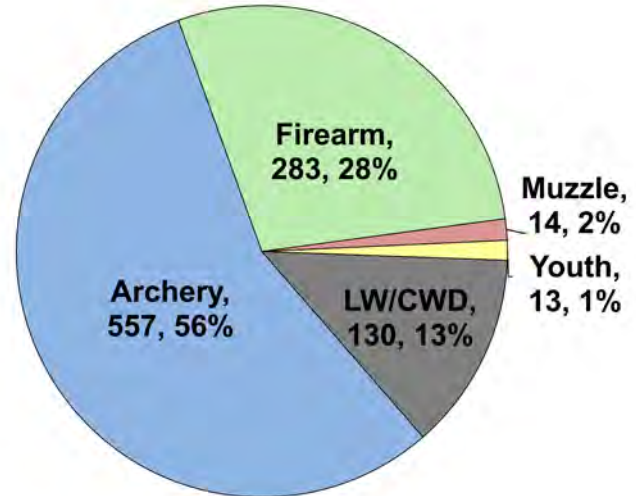
Check Station Location: Rock Cut State Park

CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2025-26: 362

CWD positive deer in 2025-26: 28

IDNR sharpshooting: 146 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



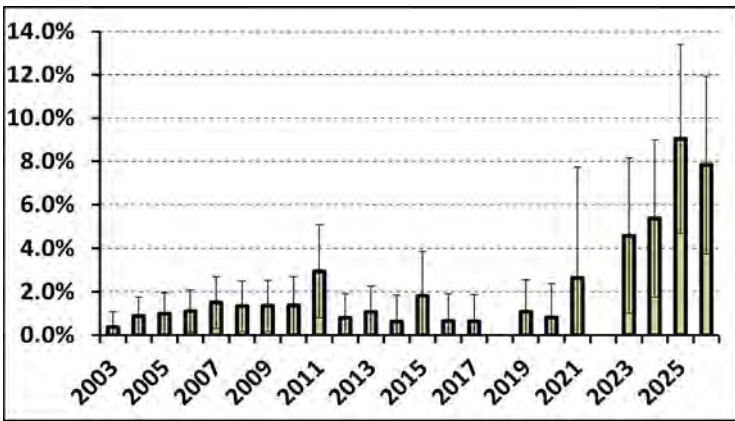
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	205	219	235	242	247
Crossbow	255	215	274	287	307
Traditional	8	2	5	10	3
Total	468	436	514	539	557

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	31.8	32.1	34.1	34.4	36.5
M - Yearling	22.0	21.4	22.3	20.0	19.7
M - Fawn	9.9	7.9	8.8	7.7	5.9
F - Adult	31.3	34.8	29.6	32.7	33.2
F - Fawn	5.0	3.8	5.2	5.2	4.7

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older





WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2025-2026: WOODFORD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 543 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1963

Record Harvest: 2,035 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,436

Total 2025-2026 Harvest (all seasons): 1,722

Permits issued/quota 2025-2026 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 2113/2250 **Muzzle:** 425/450

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2026-2027: Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2026 - Present

Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Compound	354	374	393	407	381
Crossbow	388	436	435	418	406
Traditional	10	18	11	8	4
Total	752	828	839	833	791

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
M - Adult	27.6	24.4	28.7	24.2	25.9
M - Yearling	15.1	16.1	14.0	14.1	14.9
M - Fawn	8.5	10.8	9.3	11.1	8.8
F - Adult	39.3	40.7	41.4	41.3	44.4
F - Fawn	9.5	8.0	6.5	9.3	6.0

M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older

