

WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2022-2023: CASS COUNTY



Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,774 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,323

Total 2022-2023 Harvest (all seasons): 1,406

Permits issued/quota 2022-2023 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1484/1500 Muzzle: 202/230

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2023-2024: 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	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Compound	392	382	429	354	356
Crossbow	244	278	311	312	321
Traditional	7	6	5	3	4
Total	643	666	745	669	681
Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)					
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
M - Adult	27.3	29.8	30.2	32.1	31.0
M - Yearling	13.3	14.9	14.1	14.6	14.0
M - Fawn	12.6	9.6	8.9	9.5	7.1
F - Adult	36.3	38.2	38.6	36.9	41.7
F - Fawn	10.3	7.5	8.1	6.8	6.1
M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older					



