



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2022-2023: 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):** 1,434

**Total 2022-2023 Harvest (all seasons):** 1,212

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

**Firearm:** 2162/2200 **Muzzle:** 199/235

**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:** Never

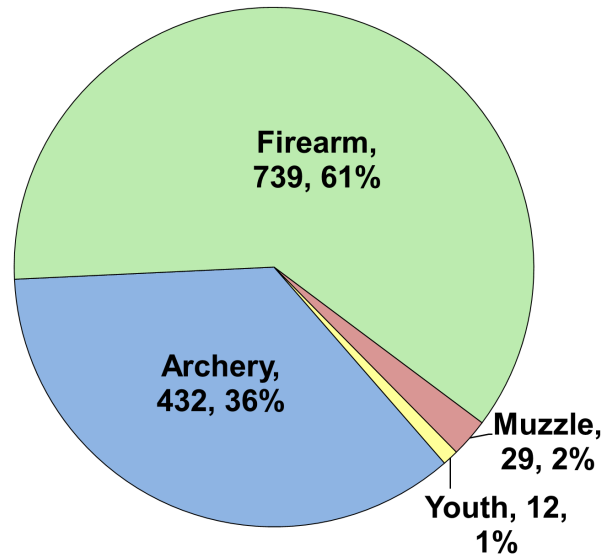
## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

| Type         | 2018       | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Compound     | 240        | 236        | 189        | 183        | 182        |
| Crossbow     | 182        | 250        | 262        | 222        | 241        |
| Traditional  | 4          | 9          | 6          | 3          | 9          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>426</b> | <b>495</b> | <b>457</b> | <b>408</b> | <b>432</b> |

## Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

|              | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| M - Adult    | 20.9 | 24.9 | 26.1 | 24.9 | 22.7 |
| M - Yearling | 22.3 | 18.6 | 19.1 | 21.2 | 22.7 |
| M - Fawn     | 6.6  | 7.8  | 7.6  | 9.7  | 10.7 |
| F - Adult    | 41.1 | 40.9 | 40.3 | 36.2 | 38.9 |
| F - Fawn     | 7.0  | 7.8  | 7.0  | 8.0  | 5.0  |

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



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)

