



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2022-2023: KANKAKEE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 681 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1975

Record Harvest: 633 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 553

Total 2022-2023 Harvest (all seasons): 553

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

Firearm: 1083/1300 **Muzzle:** 190/325

CWD: 52

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

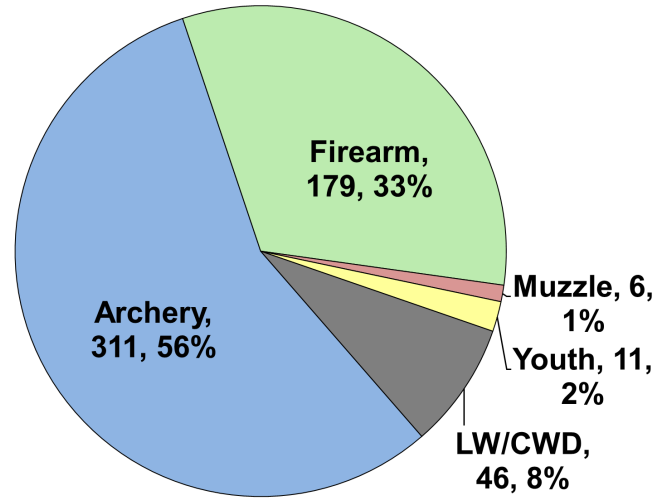
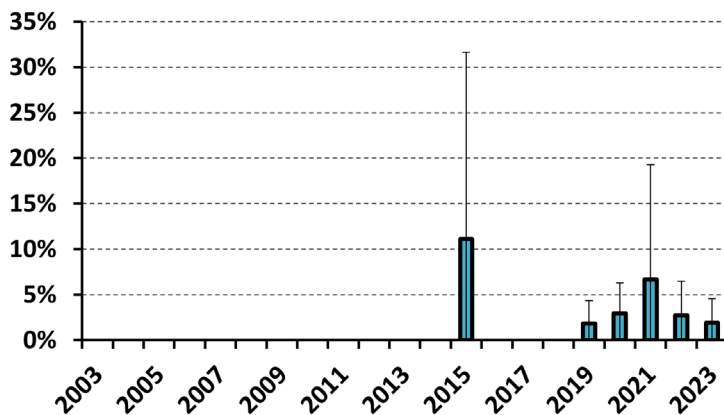
Check Station Location: Kankakee River SP Visitor Center

CWD Season in 2023-2024: 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.

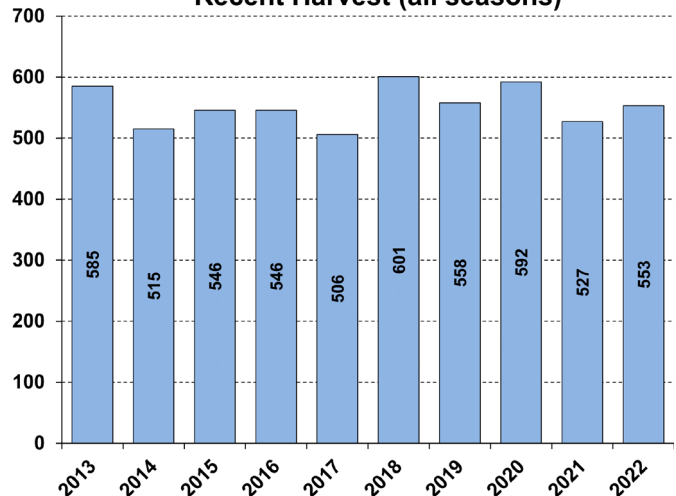
Number tested for CWD in 2022-23: 180

CWD positive deer in 2022-23: 3

IDNR sharpshooting: 70 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 Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Compound	176	163	155	114	118
Crossbow	136	140	179	161	186
Traditional	6	2	2	2	7
Total	318	305	336	277	311

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
M - Adult	18.5	26.3	23.6	28.5	30.3
M - Yearling	24.6	24.7	22.3	20.9	17.8
M - Fawn	10.1	6.3	9.6	10.5	9.2
F - Adult	36.6	36.6	39.9	35.6	36.2
F - Fawn	6.9	6.1	4.6	4.6	6.5

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