



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2022-2023: 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):** 1,153

**Total 2022-2023 Harvest (all seasons):** 1,178

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

**Firearm:** 1877/2025 **Muzzle:** 246/260

**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:** 2014

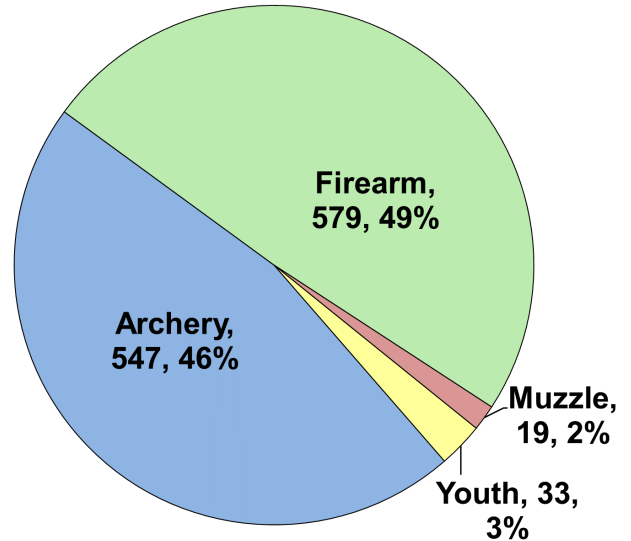
## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Compound	300	250	257	229	228
Crossbow	186	232	310	283	311
Traditional	3	11	7	6	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>547</b>

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

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
M - Adult	21.0	26.6	24.1	24.2	28.0
M - Yearling	20.7	20.9	16.0	19.6	17.8
M - Fawn	11.1	9.4	12.1	11.2	9.4
F - Adult	38.3	36.5	40.0	36.9	39.0
F - Fawn	7.4	6.6	7.7	8.2	5.7

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



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)

