



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: 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):** 674

**Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons):** 538

**Permits issued/quota 2023-2024** (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

**Firearm:** 800/800 **Muzzle:** 173/200

**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** No

**Check Station Location:** N/A

**Late Winter/CWD Season in 2024-2025:** 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	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	127	128	86	109	86
Crossbow	104	92	99	133	116
Traditional	1	3	4	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>204</b>

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

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	28.8	31.8	33.3	33.8	36.8
M - Yearling	22.6	24.3	23.7	23.7	23.6
M - Fawn	8.0	6.1	7.5	7.3	5.6
F - Adult	34.1	32.9	30.5	31.4	28.4
F - Fawn	6.4	4.9	5.0	3.8	5.6

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

