



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: CASS COUNTY



Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources

County Size: 384 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,774 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,344

Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons): 1,396

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

Firearm: 1500/1500 **Muzzle:** 202/230

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: 2013

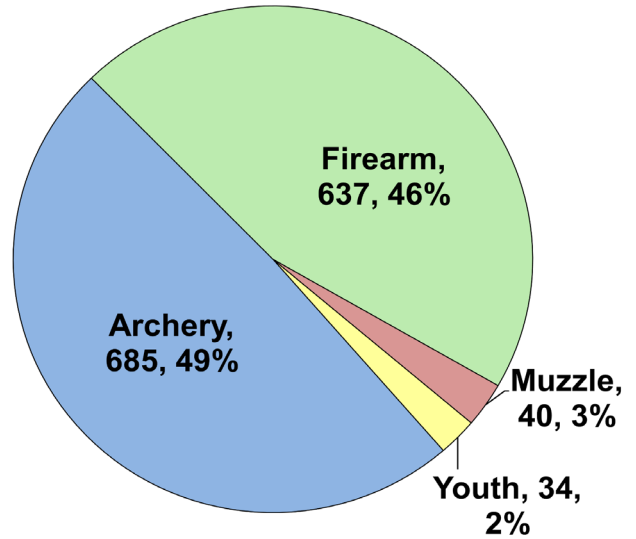
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	382	429	354	356	356
Crossbow	278	311	312	321	321
Traditional	6	5	3	4	8
Total	666	745	669	681	685

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	29.8	30.2	32.1	31.0	34.0
M - Yearling	14.9	14.1	14.6	14.0	15.2
M - Fawn	9.6	8.9	9.5	7.1	8.7
F - Adult	38.2	38.6	36.9	41.7	35.2
F - Fawn	7.5	8.1	6.8	6.1	6.9

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



Recent Harvest (all seasons)

