



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: DUPAGE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 336 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1964

**Record Harvest:** 152 (1995)

**Average Harvest (previous 10 years):** 38

**Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons):** 50

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

No firearm hunting in DuPage Co.

**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** Yes

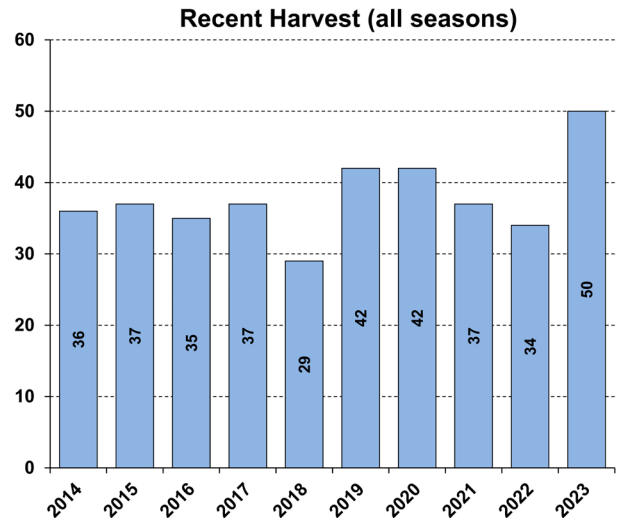
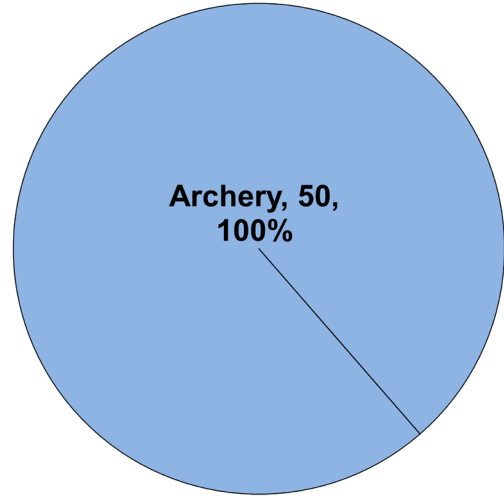
**Check Station Location:** None. Hunters wishing to have their deer tested should take them to participating vendors or head drop off barrels.

**CWD Season in 2024-2025:** No. There is firearm hunting in DuPage Co.

**Number tested for CWD in 2023-24:** 217

**CWD positive deer in 2023-24:** 1

**Special permits:** IDNR provides special permits for municipalities to lower localized deer populations. Through these efforts 194 deer were tested for CWD. No CWD positive deer have been detected via hunter harvest.



## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	20	16	19	18	20
Crossbow	22	26	18	15	30
Traditional	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>50</b>

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

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	40.5	57.1	35.1	32.4	20.0
M - Yearling	21.4	9.5	24.3	29.4	28.0
M - Fawn	2.4	7.1	5.4	5.9	4.0
F - Adult	31.0	21.4	35.1	20.6	32.0
F - Fawn	4.8	4.8	0.0	11.8	16.0

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