



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

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 726 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1960

**Record Harvest:** 3,511 (2005)

**Average Harvest (previous 10 years):** 2,636

**Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons):** 3,221

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

**Firearm:** 3400/3400 **Muzzle:** 475/475

**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:** 2014

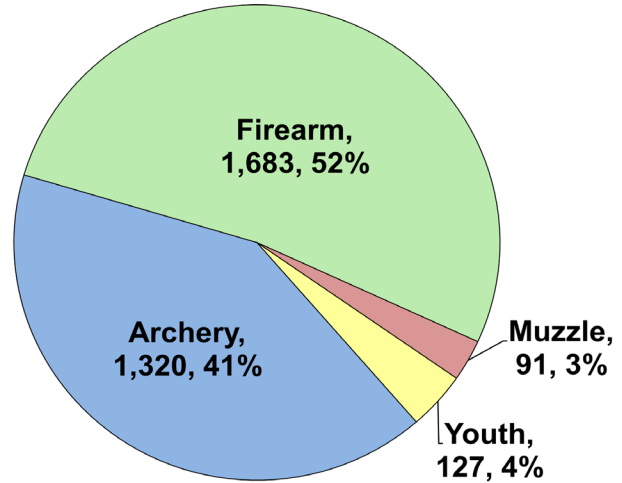
## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	626	658	542	545	633
Crossbow	453	552	542	591	678
Traditional	5	5	5	8	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1084</b>	<b>1215</b>	<b>1089</b>	<b>1144</b>	<b>1320</b>

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

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	29.5	31.2	31.1	27.2	31.9
M - Yearling	19.1	17.1	16.0	17.0	17.5
M - Fawn	8.2	9.0	10.0	10.5	7.2
F - Adult	36.4	35.6	34.4	36.5	36.3
F - Fawn	6.8	7.2	8.4	8.8	7.2

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



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)

