



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

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 328 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1957

**Record Harvest:** 1,091 (2009)

**Average Harvest (previous 10 years):** 773

**Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons):** 737

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

**Firearm:** 1321/1450 **Muzzle:** 115/125

**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

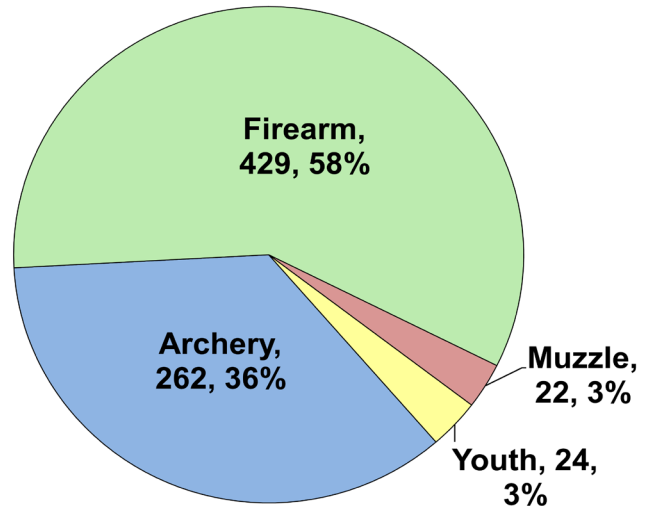
## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

| Type         | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2022       | 2023       |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Compound     | 202        | 190        | 156        | 156        | 131        |
| Crossbow     | 111        | 153        | 126        | 164        | 128        |
| Traditional  | 2          | 6          | 4          | 6          | 3          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>315</b> | <b>349</b> | <b>286</b> | <b>326</b> | <b>262</b> |

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

|              | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| M - Adult    | 34.8 | 36.4 | 35.6 | 36.9 | 37.4 |
| M - Yearling | 17.3 | 15.6 | 16.7 | 16.6 | 17.2 |
| M - Fawn     | 7.0  | 6.2  | 8.6  | 5.9  | 6.4  |
| F - Adult    | 34.4 | 37.5 | 32.8 | 35.9 | 33.6 |
| F - Fawn     | 6.5  | 4.2  | 6.4  | 4.8  | 5.3  |

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



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)

