



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: LASALLE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 1,148 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 3,170 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,655

Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons): 1,713

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

Firearm: 2538/4025 **Muzzle:** 261/825

CWD: 139

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

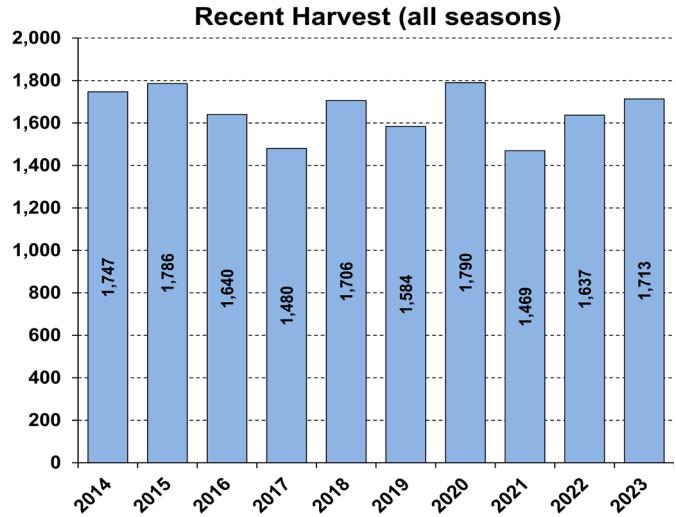
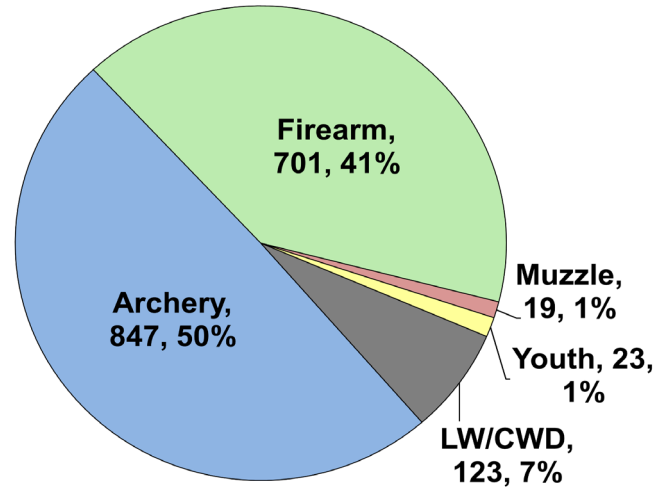
Check Station Location: Buffalo Rock SP

CWD Season in 2024-2025: Yes. CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2023-24: 536

CWD positive deer in 2023-24: 60

IDNR sharpshooting: 117 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination.



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	369	375	315	351	378
Crossbow	342	462	389	410	463
Traditional	7	13	8	9	6
Total	718	850	712	770	847

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	27.0	24.4	25.5	27.6	32.9
M - Yearling	20.6	21.1	20.0	18.9	21.7
M - Fawn	8.0	9.5	9.5	8.6	7.2
F - Adult	36.9	38.2	37.7	38.5	32.0
F - Fawn	7.4	6.9	7.3	6.4	6.1

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

