



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: MENARD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 316 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 1,035 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 799

Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons): 874

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

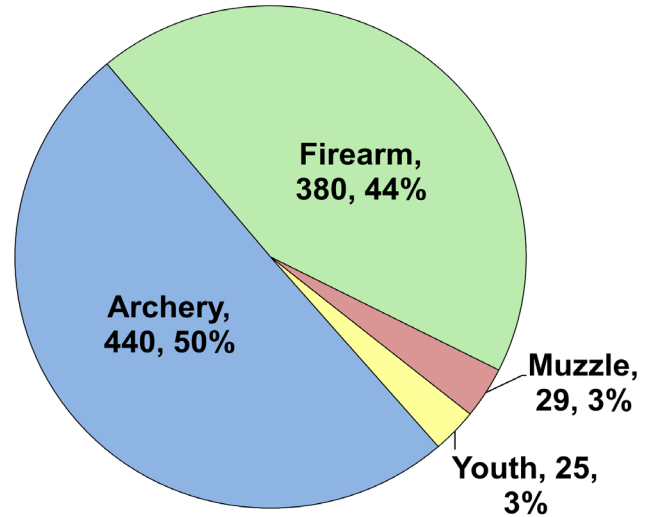
Firearm: 1000/1000 **Muzzle:** 160/160

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

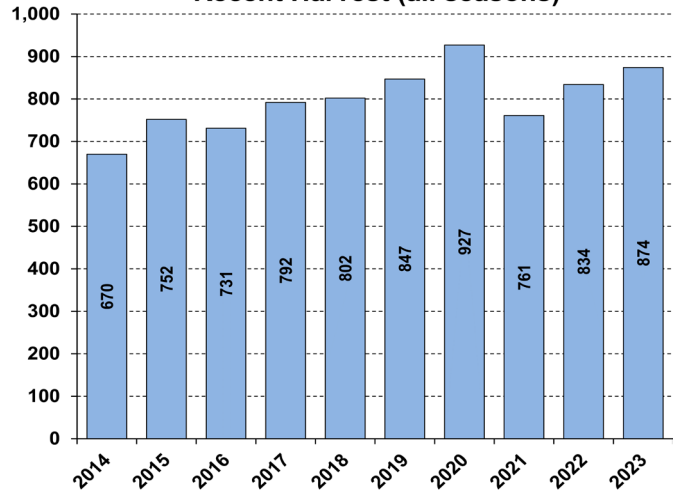
Check Station Location: N/A

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 Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	219	241	195	207	195
Crossbow	222	266	201	228	244
Traditional	2	1	4	3	1
Total	443	508	400	438	440

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	31.8	33.5	33.5	33.1	37.6
M - Yearling	15.6	12.1	14.1	13.4	13.3
M - Fawn	6.7	6.6	7.2	7.4	6.8
F - Adult	41.0	42.2	39.6	41.0	38.0
F - Fawn	5.0	5.6	5.7	5.0	4.3

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

