



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2023-2024: WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 444 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 3,358 (2019)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,143

Total 2023-2024 Harvest (all seasons): 3,324

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

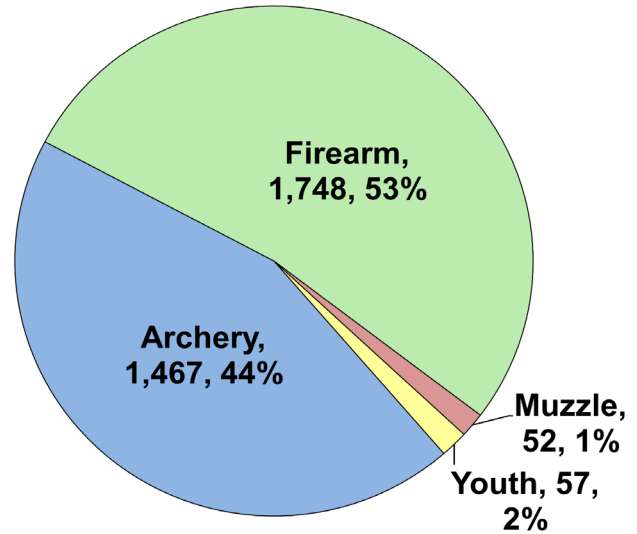
Firearm: 4200/4200 **Muzzle:** 345/395

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

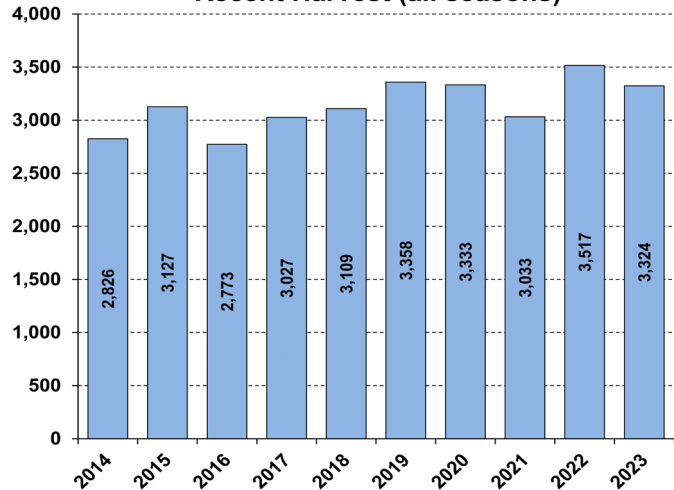
Check Station Location: N/A

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: 2009



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Compound	692	694	530	620	583
Crossbow	698	872	798	832	865
Traditional	13	17	17	18	19
Total	1403	1583	1345	1470	1467

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
M - Adult	25.3	25.2	29.1	26.0	25.0
M - Yearling	20.1	20.2	20.7	19.3	21.0
M - Fawn	8.5	7.8	8.3	8.3	8.5
F - Adult	40.4	40.7	36.7	40.7	39.8
F - Fawn	5.7	6.0	5.1	5.8	5.7

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

