



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: FRANKLIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 432 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1962

**Record Harvest:** 2,778 (2024)

**Average Harvest (previous 10 years):** 2,586

**Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons):** 2,778

**Permits issued/quota 2024-2025** (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

**Firearm:** 3000/3000 **Muzzle:** 374/400

**Late Winter:** 156

**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** No

**Check Station Location:** N/A

**Late Winter/CWD Season in 2025-2026:** Yes. Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

**Last year in Late Winter/CWD:** 2024-Present

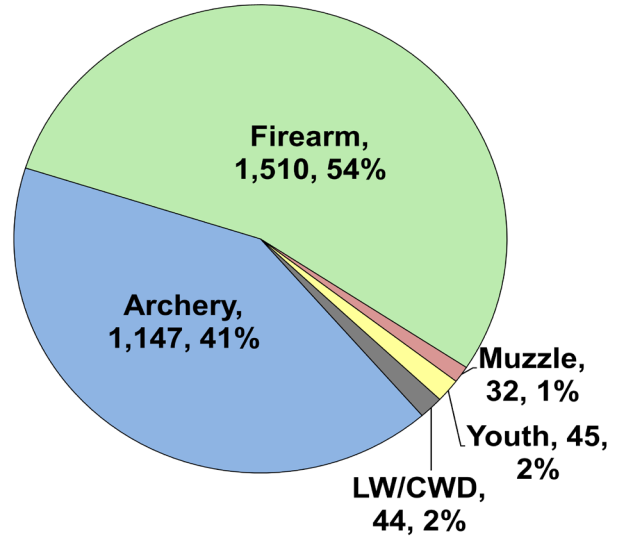
## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	693	534	558	559	573
Crossbow	641	584	604	610	558
Traditional	10	6	15	13	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>1124</b>	<b>1177</b>	<b>1182</b>	<b>1147</b>

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

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	26.4	26.5	25.8	29.3	28.4
M - Yearling	17.3	16.4	16.0	17.4	15.9
M - Fawn	7.8	7.9	8.8	7.1	6.9
F - Adult	42.2	42.2	43.2	40.5	42.7
F - Fawn	6.4	6.9	6.2	5.7	6.1

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



Recent Harvest (all seasons)

