



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: ADAMS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 873 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

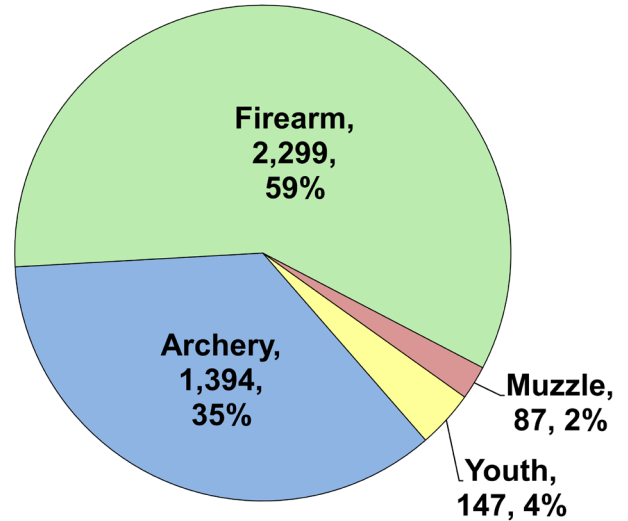
Record Harvest: 5,012 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,798

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 3,927

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

Firearm: 5300/5300 **Muzzle:** 595/595



Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

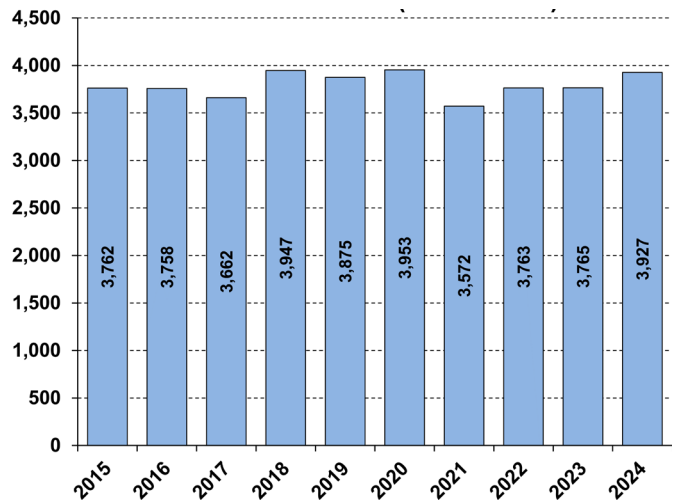
Check Station Location: Twin Oaks Club

CWD Season in 2025-2026: Yes. CWD was detected in this county. CWD season allows for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD in 2024-25: 132

CWD positive deer in 2024-25: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 0 deer were removed via sharpshooting. IDNR does not plan to use sharpshooting as a management tool in Adams County.



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	796	754	685	641	667
Crossbow	723	656	702	690	697
Traditional	23	18	19	25	30
Total	1542	1428	1406	1356	1394

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	28.4	30.7	32.5	32.5	30.3
M - Yearling	14.7	15.3	14.6	16.1	15.1
M - Fawn	8.7	9.0	7.6	8.3	7.9
F - Adult	40.9	37.6	38.9	36.5	39.8
F - Fawn	7.3	7.4	6.4	6.7	7.0

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

