



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: MACON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 586 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 1,025 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 761

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 696

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

Firearm: 600/600 **Muzzle:** 189/200

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2025-2026: 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: Never

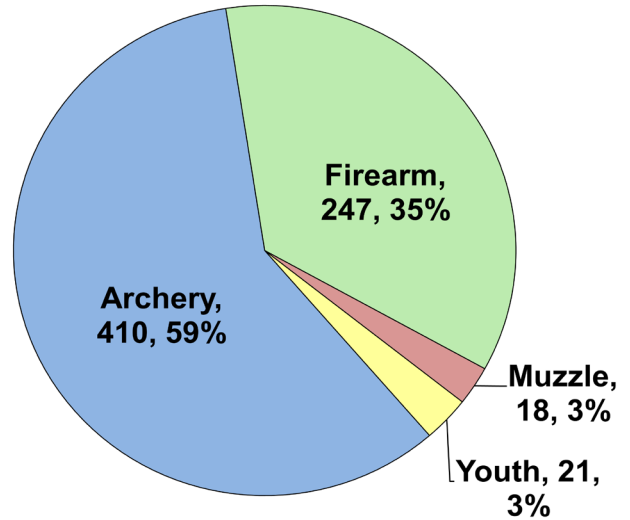
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	257	207	189	187	155
Crossbow	303	271	234	263	253
Traditional	8	6	6	4	2
Total	568	484	429	454	410

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	28.6	28.9	32.0	31.6	32.2
M - Yearling	21.2	22.2	16.7	19.7	19.3
M - Fawn	8.2	8.0	11.4	7.1	8.6
F - Adult	36.1	36.6	33.6	35.1	33.5
F - Fawn	6.0	4.3	6.3	6.4	6.5

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



Recent Harvest (all seasons)

