



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: MARION COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 576 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1965

Record Harvest: 3,897 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 3,036

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 3,832

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

Firearm: 4200/4200 **Muzzle:** 581/645

Late Winter: 138

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter 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: 2005 - Present

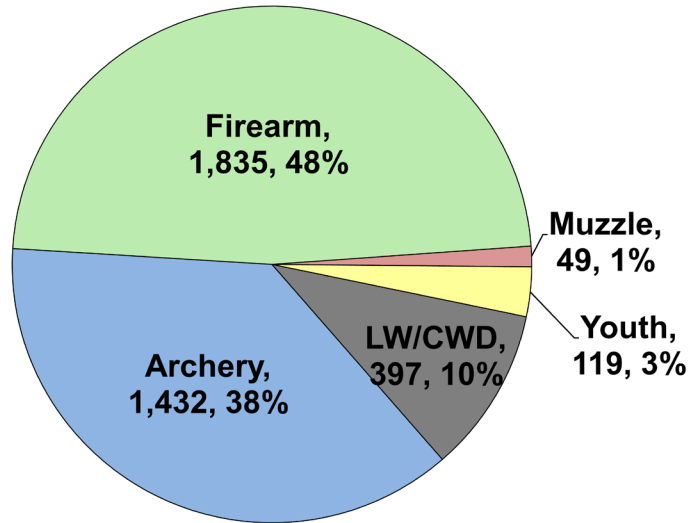
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	563	557	499	597	579
Crossbow	680	639	635	746	838
Traditional	16	11	7	11	15
Total	1259	1207	1141	1354	1432

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	28.4	29.5	28.3	32.0	29.7
M - Yearling	16.6	15.2	16.2	16.1	15.2
M - Fawn	9.1	10.6	9.4	8.4	8.9
F - Adult	39.3	38.0	38.0	37.3	39.9
F - Fawn	6.6	6.7	8.1	6.1	6.2

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



Recent Harvest (all seasons)

