



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: McDONOUGH COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 591 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1959

Record Harvest: 2,085 (2009)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,549

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 1,651

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

Firearm: 2189/2200 **Muzzle:** 253/350

Late Winter: 36

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

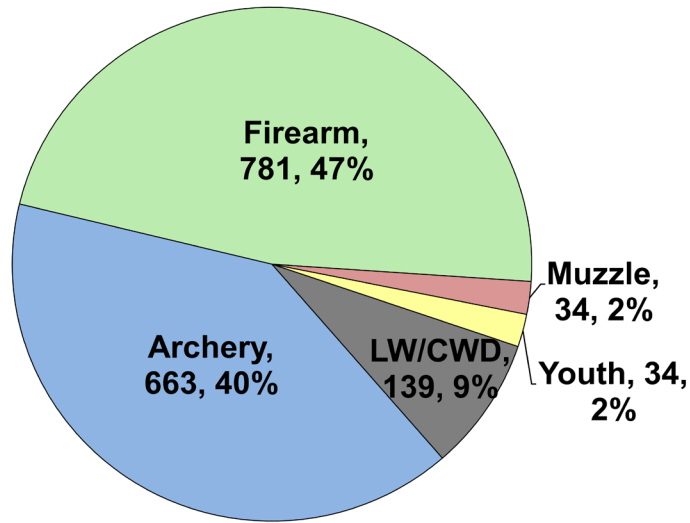
Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	363	331	331	315	309
Crossbow	281	302	296	323	351
Traditional	6	8	4	4	3
Total	650	641	631	642	663

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	29.3	31.3	28.4	32.3	27.8
M - Yearling	13.6	14.5	13.6	14.7	13.9
M - Fawn	8.5	8.6	8.3	9.5	8.0
F - Adult	41.0	38.1	43.2	37.8	43.2
F - Fawn	7.5	7.5	6.4	5.8	7.1

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



Recent Harvest (all seasons)

