



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: HARDIN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 181 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,667 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,268

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 977

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

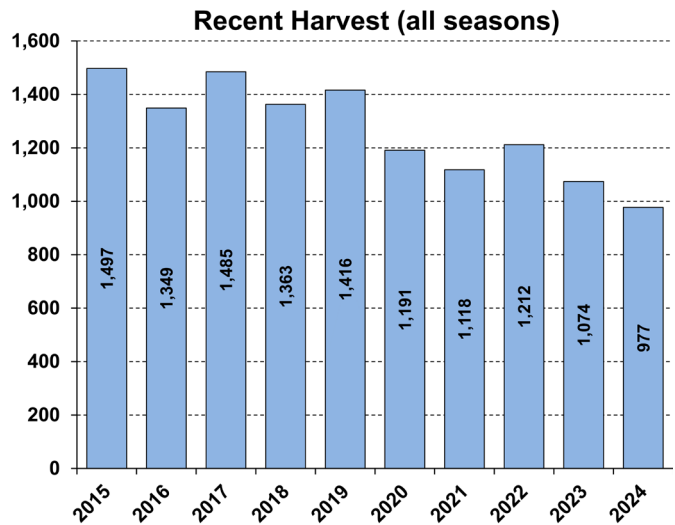
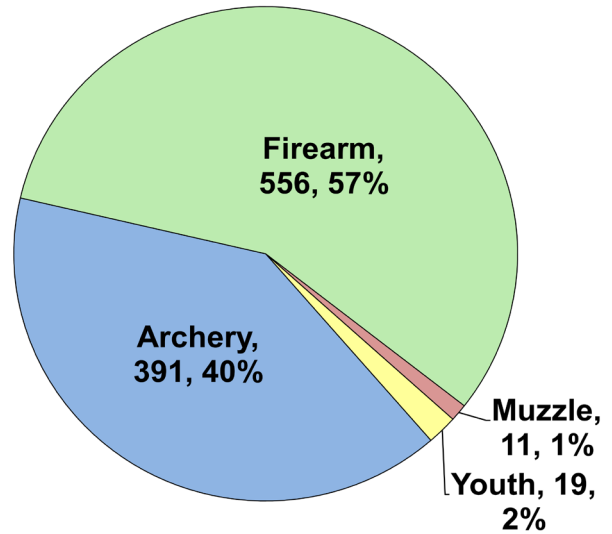
Firearm: 1997/2000 **Muzzle:** 190/235

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	189	183	182	182	164
Crossbow	262	222	241	210	225
Traditional	6	3	9	5	2
Total	457	408	432	397	391

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	26.1	24.9	22.7	25.8	25.8
M - Yearling	19.1	21.2	22.7	23.1	22.1
M - Fawn	7.6	9.7	10.7	9.1	8.1
F - Adult	40.3	36.2	38.9	37.3	36.5
F - Fawn	7.0	8.0	5.0	4.7	7.5

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

