



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: STARK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 289 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1962

Record Harvest: 598 (2005)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 334

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 402

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

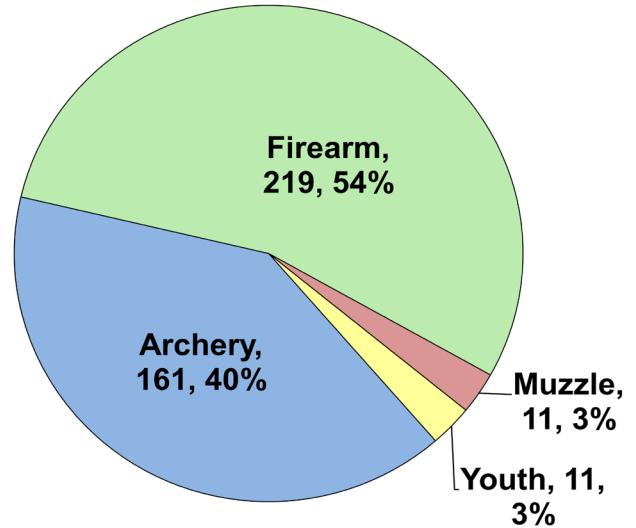
Firearm: 615/675 **Muzzle:** 10/120

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

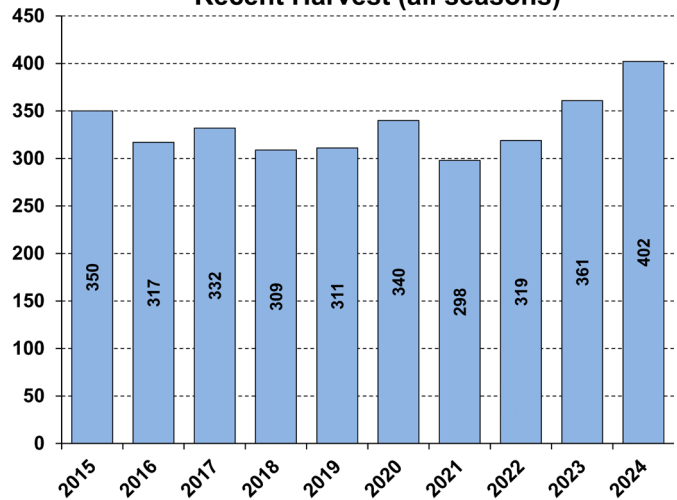
Check Station Location: N/A

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: 2015



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	65	53	47	60	54
Crossbow	80	83	91	93	105
Traditional	0	1	4	3	2
Total	145	137	142	156	161

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	32.4	30.5	32.9	29.6	32.6
M - Yearling	12.4	17.8	19.7	26.0	18.9
M - Fawn	10.0	7.0	5.6	8.0	7.2
F - Adult	37.9	38.6	37.6	31.0	37.1
F - Fawn	7.4	6.0	4.1	5.3	4.2

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

