



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2024-2025: WAYNE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 715 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 3,540 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 2,701

Total 2024-2025 Harvest (all seasons): 3,266

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

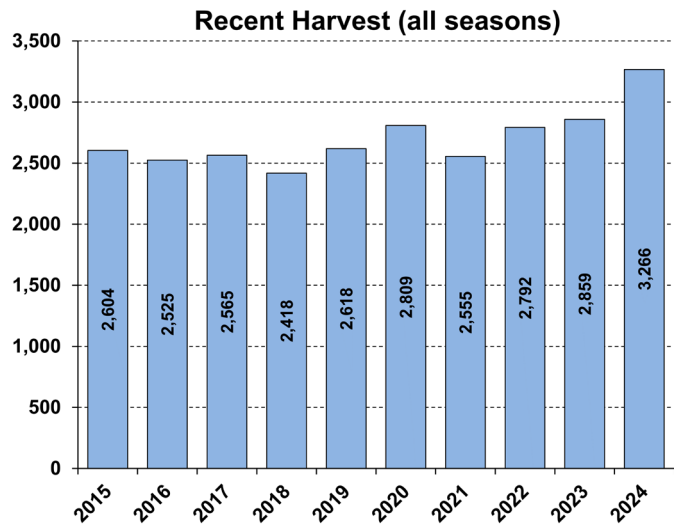
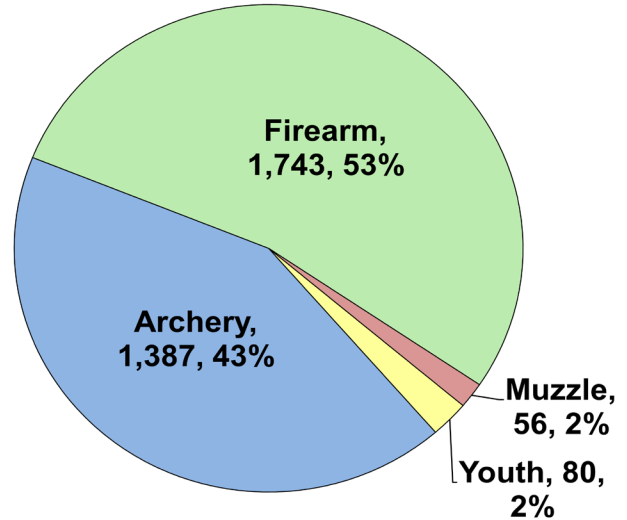
Firearm: 2797/2800 **Muzzle:** 350/350

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 Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Compound	604	517	514	600	610
Crossbow	627	570	601	677	766
Traditional	14	15	15	13	11
Total	1245	1102	1130	1290	1387

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
M - Adult	30.4	30.5	29.9	32.6	30.7
M - Yearling	15.5	15.7	15.0	14.9	15.0
M - Fawn	8.3	9.6	8.4	7.9	8.3
F - Adult	38.0	35.9	39.4	37.6	39.2
F - Fawn	7.8	8.3	7.3	7.0	6.7

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

