



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: HAMILTON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 436 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1961

Record Harvest: 2,404 (2005)

Average Harvest (2010-2019): 2,016

Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons): 2,171

Permits issued/quota 2019-2020 (excludes landowner; late winter are unlimited):

Firearm: 2391/2400 **Muzzle:** 311/315

Late Winter: 96

2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):

54% M: 46% F;(47% antlered: 53% antlerless)

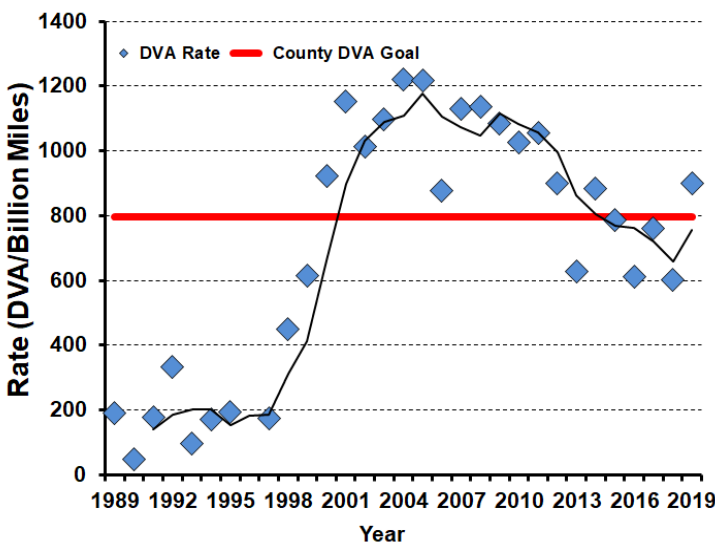
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

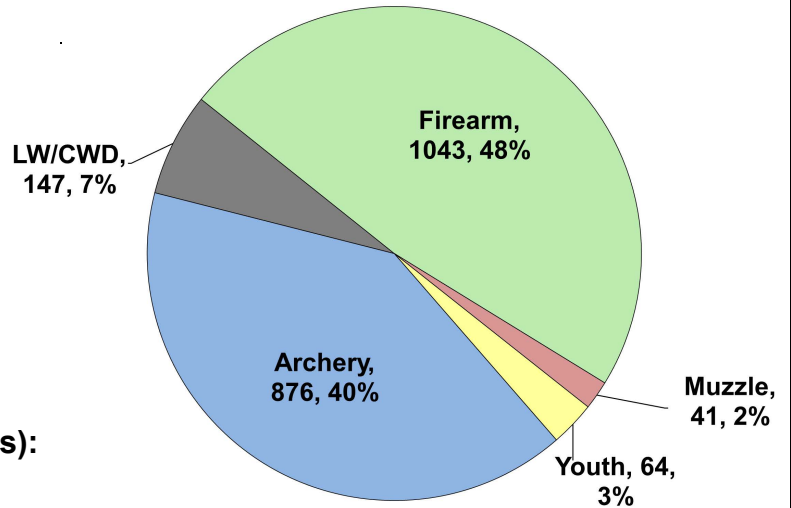
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2020-2021: Yes.

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/CWD season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

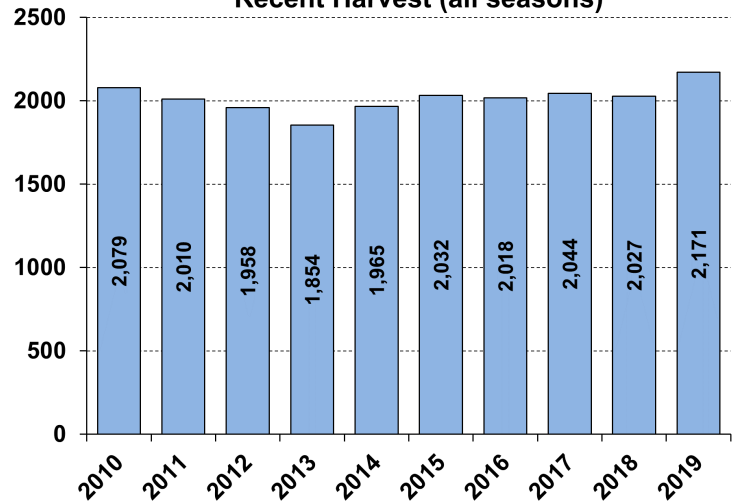
Time in Late Winter: 2005 - Present



2019-2020 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	512	530	446	373	459
Crossbow	69	88	204	301	396
Traditional	7	10	8	11	21
Total	588	628	658	685	876

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	25.2	27.6	27.4	27.6	30.1
M - Yearling	16.5	15.6	17.2	17.8	17.2
M - Fawn	7.1	7.7	8.8	7.3	6.2
F - Adult	42.3	40.9	39.9	41.0	39.4
F - Fawn	8.9	8.1	6.9	6.3	7.0

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