



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: LEE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 729 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1957

**Record Harvest:** 1,542 (2005)

**Average Harvest (2010-2019):** 1,150

**Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons):** 971

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

**Firearm:** 1784/2400 **Muzzle:** 227/435

**Late Winter:** 51

**2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):**

56% M: 44% F;(45% antlered: 55% antlerless)

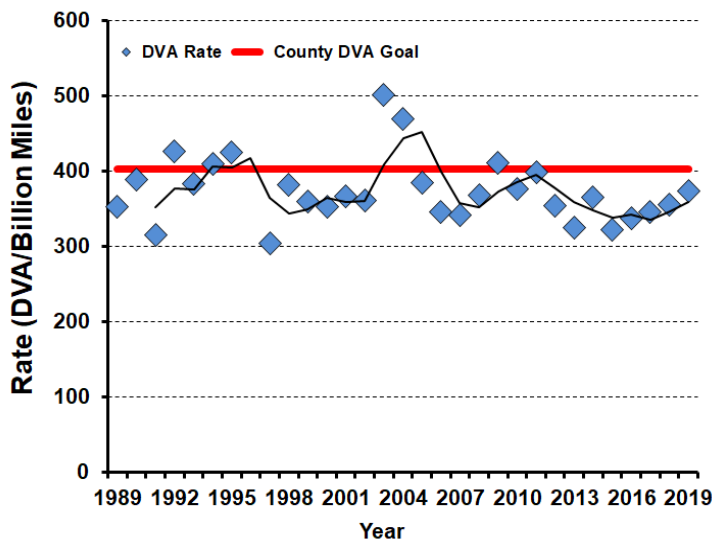
**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** No

**Check Station Location:** N/A

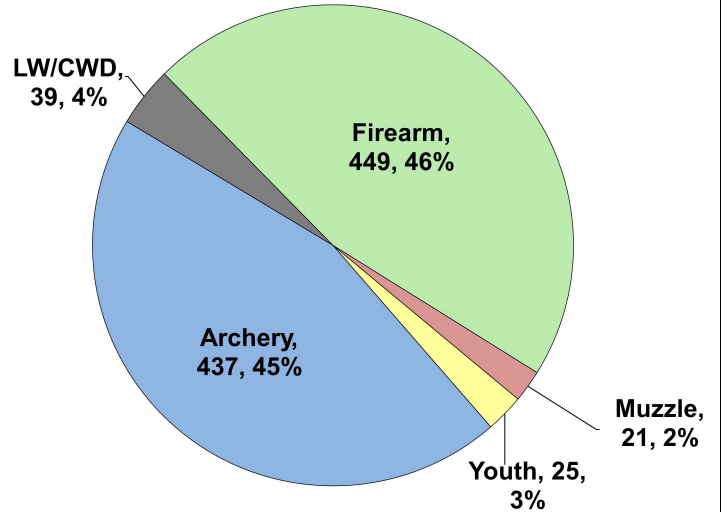
**Late Winter/CWD Season in 2020-2021:** Yes.

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.

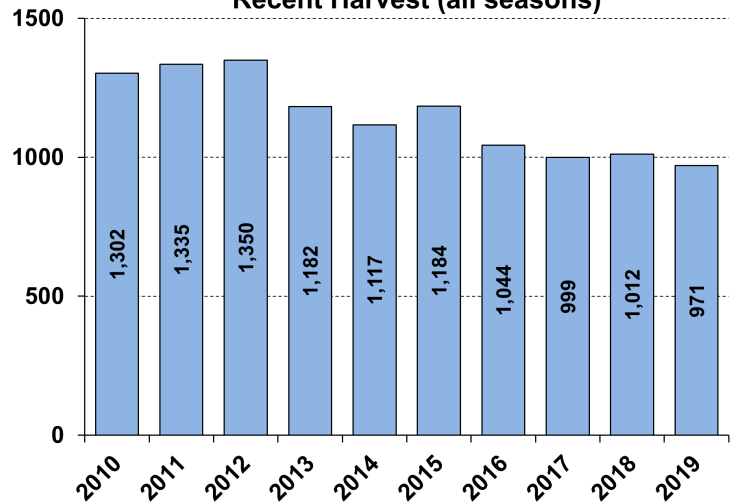
**Time in Late Winter:** 2007 - Present



## 2019-2020 Harvest by Season



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)



## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	382	342	255	219	217
Crossbow	61	65	129	179	218
Traditional	2	1	3	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>437</b>

## Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	22.0	21.1	17.6	21.7	23.2
M - Yearling	18.6	18.7	19.8	20.1	22.2
M - Fawn	12.7	12.5	12.6	11.0	10.6
F - Adult	39.5	39.5	41.8	36.6	37.9
F - Fawn	7.2	5.5	4.9	7.0	6.1

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