



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2021-2022: LAKE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 470 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 607 (1995 and 1996)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 364

Total 2021-2022 Harvest (all seasons): 257

Permits issued/quota 2021-2022: No firearm or muzzleloader hunting except at Chain-O-Lakes SP

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

Check Station Location: Use McHenry Co. check station

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2022-2023: Yes.

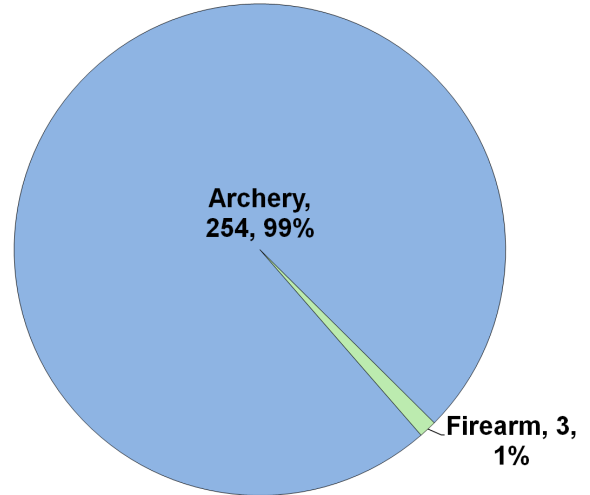
CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD seasons allow for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD 2021-2022: 255

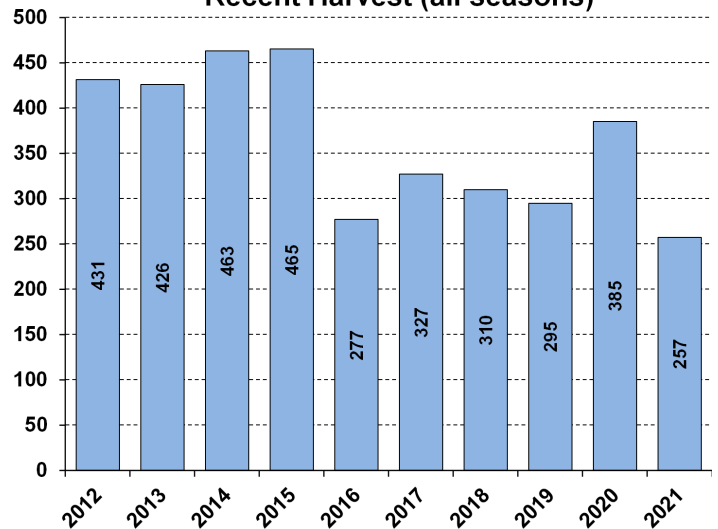
CWD positive deer 2021-2022: 1

IDNR sharpshooting: 16 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination. Through these efforts CWD prevalence has remained low (see below).

2021-2022 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Compound	240	221	182	218	143
Crossbow	84	87	107	163	107
Traditional	3	9	1	3	4
Total	327	317	290	384	254

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
M - Adult	23.0	23.2	37.3	33.0	33.1
M - Yearling	30.1	26.5	29.5	22.3	26.1
M - Fawn	6.7	5.5	3.4	7.5	5.1
F - Adult	27.6	30.7	25.8	33.8	34.2
F - Fawn	2.8	2.3	4.1	3.4	1.6

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

