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## Deer Hunting Seasons Conclude with Hunters in Illinois Taking Preliminary Total of 162,575 Deer

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. – Hunters in Illinois harvested a preliminary total of 162,575 deer during all 2020-21 archery and firearm seasons, which concluded Jan. 17, 2021. The total preliminary deer harvest for all seasons compares with a total harvest for all seasons of 153,174 deer in 2019-20.

During the 2020-21 deer seasons, hunters took 45.4 percent does and 54.6 percent males.

**Archery:** Archery deer hunters in Illinois took a preliminary total of 75,544 deer (new record) during the season which began on Oct. 1, 2020 and concluded on Jan. 17, 2021. The total archery harvest during the 2019-20 season was 67,743 deer.

**Youth:** Youth deer hunters harvested a preliminary total of 2,321 deer during the three-day Illinois Youth Deer Season (Oct. 10-12, 2020), compared to 3,774 in 2019.

**Traditional Firearm Season:** Hunters took a preliminary total of 76,579 deer during the Illinois Firearm Deer Season on Nov. 20-22, 2020 and Dec. 3-6, 2020, compared with 75,417 deer taken during the 2019 firearm season.

**Muzzleloader:** Hunters using muzzleloading rifles harvested a preliminary total of 3,447 deer during the Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season on Dec. 11-13, 2020, compared with harvest of 3,076 deer in the 2019 muzzleloader season.

**Late-Winter Seasons:** The 2020-21 Late-Winter Antlerless-Only and Special CWD deer seasons concluded on Jan. 17, 2021 with a combined preliminary harvest total for both seasons of 4,684 deer, compared with a harvest of 3,164 deer taken during those seasons in 2019-20. Season dates for the seven-day Late-Winter and CWD seasons were Dec. 31, 2020-Jan. 3, 2021 and Jan. 15-17, 2021.

There were 15 northern Illinois counties open to the Special CWD Season, which is used to assist in slowing the spread of chronic wasting disease in the Illinois deer herd.

There were 20 counties open for the Late-Winter Antlerless Season in 2020-21. Counties that are at or below their individual deer population goal for two consecutive years may be removed from the Late-Winter season.

For more information on Illinois deer harvest in recent years (prior to 2020-21), check the IDNR website at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/hunting/deer/Pages/AnnualDeerHarvestReports.aspx>

The tables below provide a county-by-county summary of preliminary deer harvest results for 2020-21, and final 2019-20 harvest results for comparison.

<b>2020-2021 Preliminary Deer Harvest</b>						
<b>County</b>	<b>Archery</b>	<b>Youth</b>	<b>Firearm</b>	<b>Muzzleloader</b>	<b>LW-CWD</b>	<b>Total</b>
Adams	1549	70	2223	107	0	3949
Alexander	224	12	423	27	0	686
Bond	495	19	664	19	0	1197
Boone	183	2	137	7	33	362
Brown	865	37	947	58	273	2180
Bureau	838	20	1001	49	0	1908
Calhoun	997	24	777	49	0	1847
Carroll	613	4	558	22	105	1302
Cass	745	19	652	28	0	1444
Champaign	429	15	230	16	0	690
Christian	583	23	608	32	0	1246
Clark	966	27	1070	57	0	2120
Clay	759	33	1217	35	134	2178
Clinton	674	18	685	28	0	1405
Coles	839	13	673	20	0	1545
Cook	191	0	0	0	0	191
Crawford	1094	20	932	24	108	2178
Cumberland	602	39	856	29	0	1526
DeKalb	217	2	113	6	27	365
DeWitt	631	10	365	19	0	1025
Douglas	226	9	163	7	0	405
DuPage	42	0	0	0	0	42
Edgar	589	11	542	31	0	1173
Edwards	331	8	383	17	0	739
Effingham	693	51	946	24	117	1831
Fayette	1226	32	1610	59	0	2927
Ford	63	2	123	5	0	193
Franklin	1352	29	1268	64	0	2713
Fulton	1714	54	1914	74	349	4105
Gallatin	352	12	423	15	0	802
Greene	1038	49	1066	53	0	2206

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Grundy	370	7	252	10	71	710
Hamilton	1011	38	1065	47	189	2350
Hancock	1087	48	1778	94	0	3007
Hardin	461	8	684	37	0	1190
Henderson	411	12	454	14	75	966
Henry	583	16	448	23	0	1070
Iroquois	535	11	491	31	0	1068
Jackson	1394	61	2081	61	0	3597
Jasper	860	38	1076	49	0	2023
Jefferson	1949	63	1885	99	0	3996
Jersey	669	24	633	28	0	1354
JoDaviess	1213	28	1544	68	359	3212
Johnson	871	32	1318	41	0	2262
Kane	407	0	31	2	6	446
Kankakee	338	5	193	5	47	588
Kendall	215	0	78	3	25	321
Knox	1111	19	1136	43	188	2497
Lake	384	0	1	0	0	385
LaSalle	858	10	701	25	195	1789
Lawrence	599	11	562	36	0	1208
Lee	509	17	532	20	77	1155
Livingston	248	10	386	15	53	712
Logan	467	21	336	16	0	840
Macon	568	14	267	32	0	881
Macoupin	1296	25	1535	50	215	3121
Madison	1155	24	617	23	73	1892
Marion	1271	51	1472	60	221	3075
Marshall	432	20	592	26	0	1070
Mason	553	18	385	18	0	974
Massac	403	12	391	16	0	822
McDonough	655	16	765	48	119	1603
McHenry	664	5	291	17	66	1043
McLean	629	17	628	33	0	1307
Menard	514	6	382	25	0	927
Mercer	626	16	833	39	93	1607
Monroe	536	33	977	26	114	1686
Montgomery	932	31	811	33	0	1807
Morgan	685	19	627	26	0	1357
Moultrie	489	9	228	12	0	738
Ogle	767	14	680	22	182	1665
Peoria	1117	16	866	39	0	2038

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Perry	1159	36	1254	63	376	2888
Piatt	287	5	133	11	0	436
Pike	2419	115	1871	140	0	4545
Pope	1049	27	1272	55	0	2403
Pulaski	300	19	284	13	0	616
Putnam	290	8	320	18	51	687
Randolph	1426	112	2244	111	0	3893
Richland	579	23	670	25	0	1297
Rock Island	681	8	693	29	120	1531
Saline	740	42	867	41	208	1898
Sangamon	1005	22	555	29	0	1611
Schuyler	1115	44	1283	59	0	2501
Scott	343	12	311	15	0	681
Shelby	1048	42	1240	51	150	2531
St. Clair	889	31	717	18	0	1655
Stark	145	5	182	8	0	340
Stephenson	555	12	614	21	142	1202
Tazewell	803	17	495	16	0	1473
Union	967	37	1236	62	0	2302
Vermilion	1179	15	555	36	0	1785
Wabash	267	4	164	16	0	451
Warren	319	6	471	18	0	814
Washington	700	20	959	36	0	1715
Wayne	1249	43	1441	75	0	2808
White	708	29	806	56	0	1599
Whiteside	579	14	606	22	0	1221
Will	829	10	250	23	61	1173
Williamson	1596	36	1639	57	0	3328
Winnebago	564	5	280	7	62	918
Woodford	792	33	586	23	0	1434
<b>Total</b>	<b>75544</b>	<b>2321</b>	<b>76579</b>	<b>3447</b>	<b>4684</b>	<b>162575</b>

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Adams	1492	125	2178	80	0	3875
Alexander	232	24	453	24	0	733
Bond	420	26	710	13	0	1169
Boone	145	4	109	2	21	281
Brown	876	62	970	39	171	2118
Bureau	719	31	967	44	0	1761

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Calhoun	891	56	849	42	0	1838
Carroll	598	16	641	20	75	1350
Cass	666	24	599	28	0	1317
Champaign	393	17	208	19	0	637
Christian	546	29	564	27	0	1166
Clark	846	35	1042	59	0	1982
Clay	652	61	1098	29	90	1930
Clinton	565	33	631	22	0	1251
Coles	769	20	621	22	0	1432
Cook	145	0	0	0	0	145
Crawford	904	48	885	29	133	1999
Cumberland	584	43	772	31	0	1430
DeKalb	179	3	108	8	23	321
DeWitt	526	21	355	24	0	926
Douglas	180	9	137	9	0	335
DuPage	42	0	0	0	0	42
Edgar	490	20	530	28	0	1068
Edwards	308	22	365	19	0	714
Effingham	620	75	888	28	74	1685
Fayette	1081	58	1514	52	0	2705
Ford	59	5	106	5	0	175
Franklin	1240	42	1376	65	0	2723
Fulton	1747	99	1904	69	209	4028
Gallatin	315	11	399	14	0	739
Greene	913	66	1043	52	0	2074
Grundy	356	10	266	11	39	682
Hamilton	876	64	1043	41	147	2171
Hancock	903	72	1655	83	0	2713
Hardin	494	20	858	44	0	1416
Henderson	312	23	406	17	48	806
Henry	537	27	407	21	0	992
Iroquois	428	25	493	28	0	974
Jackson	1267	92	2109	77	0	3545
Jasper	733	59	1031	37	0	1860
Jefferson	1720	101	1889	99	0	3809
Jersey	638	41	626	21	0	1326
JoDavie	1129	62	1455	37	315	2998
Johnson	784	54	1384	44	0	2266
Kane	327	1	24	2	6	360
Kankakee	305	11	197	11	34	558
Kendall	196	5	65	6	18	290

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Knox	1007	39	1086	45	85	2262
Lake	290	0	5	0	0	295
LaSalle	718	25	703	25	113	1584
Lawrence	559	27	577	30	0	1193
Lee	437	25	449	21	39	971
Livingston	236	12	363	5	37	653
Logan	448	31	359	20	0	858
Macon	495	23	221	31	0	770
Macoupin	1236	79	1557	53	113	3038
Madison	987	47	633	26	36	1729
Marion	1186	77	1470	41	173	2947
Marshall	393	25	572	19	0	1009
Mason	497	25	357	15	0	894
Massac	401	14	435	16	0	866
McDonough	577	44	713	39	56	1429
McHenry	582	2	241	5	43	873
McLean	540	22	524	27	0	1113
Menard	443	23	361	20	0	847
Mercer	538	42	789	26	70	1465
Monroe	473	44	949	20	58	1544
Montgomery	841	50	799	22	0	1712
Morgan	678	30	632	20	0	1360
Moultrie	400	17	238	8	0	663
Ogle	638	27	634	18	118	1435
Peoria	969	38	853	28	0	1888
Perry	1006	67	1319	58	291	2741
Piatt	262	9	116	9	0	396
Pike	2155	171	1929	142	0	4397
Pope	938	35	1431	68	0	2472
Pulaski	299	22	279	10	51	661
Putnam	296	9	337	12	0	654
Randolph	1289	173	2260	72	0	3794
Richland	537	28	685	24	0	1274
Rock Island	682	29	601	22	41	1375
Saline	656	48	880	38	131	1753
Sangamon	937	29	524	27	0	1517
Schuyler	1076	72	1316	55	0	2519
Scott	298	15	319	13	0	645
Shelby	1004	53	1116	45	82	2300
St. Clair	748	39	639	17	0	1443
Stark	144	8	149	10	0	311

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Stephenson	532	17	548	12	107	1216
Tazewell	678	29	494	19	0	1220
Union	944	54	1293	51	0	2342
Vermilion	945	22	510	37	0	1514
Wabash	225	9	147	8	0	389
Warren	281	10	465	13	0	769
Washington	623	43	909	32	0	1607
Wayne	1092	60	1416	50	0	2618
White	576	37	757	50	0	1420
Whiteside	493	27	560	13	0	1093
Will	733	16	238	14	50	1051
Williamson	1402	36	1860	60	0	3358
Winnebago	480	8	265	11	67	831
Woodford	695	59	605	22	0	1381
<b>Total</b>	<b>67743</b>	<b>3774</b>	<b>75417</b>	<b>3076</b>	<b>3164</b>	<b>153174</b>

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