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Hunters in Illinois Harvested a Preliminary Total of 144,150 Deer During 2016-17 Seasons *Deer hunting wrapped up on Jan. 15*

SPRINGFIELD, IL – Hunters in Illinois harvested a preliminary total of 144,150 deer during all 2016-17 seasons, which concluded Jan. 15. The total preliminary deer harvest for all seasons compares with a total harvest for all seasons of 155,229 in 2015-16.

During this year's deer seasons, hunters took 44 percent does and 56 percent males.

A breakdown of Illinois deer hunting seasons is as follows:

Archery: Archery deer hunters in Illinois took a preliminary total of 53,479 deer during the season which began on Oct. 1, 2016 and concluded on Jan. 15, 2017. That compares with the harvest of 56,767 during the 2015-16 archery season.

Youth: Young deer hunters harvested 3,259 deer during the 2016 Illinois Youth Deer Season conducted on Oct. 8-10, 2016, compared with 2,850 deer harvested during the 2015 youth hunt.

Traditional Firearm Season: Hunters took a preliminary total of 79,429 deer during the 2016 Illinois Firearm Deer Season on Nov. 18-20 and Dec. 1-4, 2016, compared with 86,847 deer taken during the 2015 firearm season.

Muzzleloader: Hunters using muzzleloading rifles harvested 3,297 deer during the 2016 Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season on Dec. 9-11, 2016, compared with 2,403 in 2015.

Late-Winter Seasons: The 2016-17 Late-Winter Antlerless Only and Special CWD deer seasons concluded on Jan. 15, with a combined preliminary harvest total for both seasons of 4,686 deer, compared with a harvest of 6,362 deer taken during those seasons in 2015-16. Season dates for the Late-Winter and CWD seasons were Dec. 29, 2016-Jan. 1, 2017 and Jan. 13-15, 2017.

There were 14 northern Illinois counties open to the Special CWD Season in 2016-17, the same counties that were open for the 2015-16 seasons. The Special CWD season is used to assist in slowing the spread of chronic wasting disease in the Illinois deer herd.

There were 24 counties open for the Late-Winter Antlerless Season in 2016-17. Four counties open previously for the late-winter season were closed for 2016-17 because they had reached deer population goals, while one county was added to the late-winter hunt. Counties that are at or below their individual goal for two consecutive years may be removed from the late-winter season.

The tables below provide a county-by-county summary of preliminary deer harvest results for 2016-17 and harvest results for 2015-16.

2016-2017 Preliminary Deer Harvest						
County	Archery	Youth	Firearm	Muzzleloader	LW/CWD	Total
Adams	1202	89	2358	105	-	3754
Alexander	166	12	421	28	-	627
Bond	328	28	571	14	-	941
Boone	117	1	121	2	37	278
Brown	821	59	967	57	231	2135
Bureau	634	29	998	64	-	1725
Calhoun	634	53	792	46	-	1525
Carroll	541	26	747	26	103	1443
Cass	530	21	683	27	-	1261
Champaign	295	15	228	15	-	553
Christian	425	42	608	26	-	1101
Clark	756	43	998	51	156	2004
Clay	518	37	1089	31	79	1754
Clinton	315	15	626	7	-	963
Coles	527	17	549	19	-	1112
Cook	108	-	-	-	-	108
Crawford	779	30	950	27	96	1882
Cumberland	363	32	708	24	-	1127
DeKalb	177	6	139	2	29	353
DeWitt	429	17	335	15	-	796
Douglas	133	6	138	7	-	284
Dupage	35	-	-	-	-	35
Edgar	370	27	566	19	86	1068
Edwards	209	18	412	17	-	656
Effingham	422	39	806	26	-	1293
Fayette	654	63	1501	43	-	2261
Ford	43	5	124	4	-	176
Franklin	966	51	1265	60	-	2342
Fulton	1492	86	2010	92	334	4014
Gallatin	254	19	468	22	-	763

2016-2017 Preliminary Deer Harvest						
County	Archery	Youth	Firearm	Muzzleloader	LW/CWD	Total
Greene	652	51	1055	40	-	1798
Grundy	295	6	300	13	72	686
Hamilton	632	37	1166	39	145	2019
Hancock	720	50	1638	76	-	2484
Hardin	397	16	889	44	-	1346
Henderson	254	11	521	25	72	883
Henry	431	17	592	20	-	1060
Iroquois	351	11	516	32	-	910
Jackson	998	98	2243	68	-	3407
Jasper	483	48	969	29	-	1529
Jefferson	1231	93	1875	84	-	3283
Jersey	460	34	669	16	-	1179
JoDaviess	972	74	1862	84	500	3492
Johnson	631	39	1639	45	-	2354
Kane	264	-	30	1	7	302
Kankakee	282	10	204	13	54	563
Kendall	163	6	101	5	25	300
Knox	857	37	1196	52	162	2304
Lake	273	-	5	-	-	278
LaSalle	689	25	753	34	149	1650
Lawrence	476	11	583	37	-	1107
Lee	410	20	510	33	71	1044
Livingston	191	14	423	16	36	680
Logan	247	25	357	19	-	648
Macon	411	17	251	25	-	704
Macoupin	853	68	1400	49	-	2370
Madison	729	26	622	33	46	1456
Marion	869	67	1452	51	138	2577
Marshall	333	27	552	26	-	938
Mason	312	19	438	15	-	784
Massac	338	12	587	23	-	960
McDonough	501	28	848	37	99	1513
McHenry	528	7	294	10	99	938
McLean	460	20	516	25	69	1090
Menard	319	12	368	31	-	730
Mercer	415	33	866	31	145	1490
Monroe	345	31	921	22	99	1418
Montgomery	574	47	769	19	-	1409
Morgan	512	29	774	22	-	1337

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Moultrie	253	23	201	9	-	486
Ogle	690	29	791	41	240	1791
Peoria	805	39	961	37	-	1842
Perry	807	48	1210	40	261	2366
Piatt	129	7	111	6	-	253
Pike	2063	129	2109	158	-	4459
Pope	828	34	1429	48	-	2339
Pulaski	219	20	414	18	-	671
Putnam	236	14	335	19	48	652
Randolph	1006	130	2287	88	-	3511
Richland	384	32	723	29	-	1168
Rock Island	653	27	782	39	100	1601
Saline	457	41	898	37	-	1433
Sangamon	675	28	586	40	-	1329
Schuyler	850	79	1293	50	213	2485
Scott	201	16	384	12	-	613
Shelby	648	34	1085	36	93	1896
Stark	110	4	194	9	-	317
St. Clair	530	32	661	13	-	1236
Stephenson	474	14	853	17	160	1518
Tazewell	478	25	515	14	-	1032
Union	750	61	1557	63	-	2431
Vermilion	745	25	581	46	97	1494
Wabash	206	21	209	19	-	455
Warren	247	12	558	29	-	846
Washington	463	40	948	35	-	1486
Wayne	835	67	1574	46	-	2522
White	508	42	831	37	169	1587
Whiteside	481	18	574	31	-	1104
Will	728	5	244	31	60	1068
Williamson	985	59	1681	45	-	2770
Winnebago	459	10	324	13	106	912
Woodford	475	32	594	22	-	1123
Total	53479	3259	79429	3297	4686	144150

2015-2016 Preliminary Deer Harvest						
County	Archery	Youth	Firearm	Muzzleloader	LW/CWD	Total
Adams	1207	90	2398	67	-	3762
Alexander	224	11	554	12	-	801
Bond	349	15	677	12	-	1053
Boone	147	3	127	2	36	315
Brown	756	51	1089	47	317	2260
Bureau	627	22	1129	46	-	1824
Calhoun	740	43	956	44	-	1783
Carroll	564	18	782	31	136	1531
Cass	605	23	759	20	-	1407
Champaign	306	12	217	11	-	546
Christian	465	19	612	16	-	1112
Clark	704	31	1070	47	174	2026
Clay	491	40	1096	26	130	1783
Clinton	340	22	616	10	-	988
Coles	533	15	564	21	-	1133
Cook	131	-	-	-	-	131
Crawford	796	34	964	22	165	1981
Cumberland	391	17	724	17	-	1149
DeKalb	149	2	127	4	34	316
DeWitt	487	17	389	17	-	910
Douglas	158	4	151	3	-	316
DuPage	37	-	-	-	-	37
Edgar	406	23	637	13	75	1154
Edwards	234	13	462	13	63	785
Effingham	411	29	872	15	-	1327
Fayette	641	52	1661	35	-	2389
Ford	49	3	136	4	-	192
Franklin	1050	58	1350	35	-	2493
Fulton	1622	70	2166	61	459	4378
Gallatin	347	29	518	15	-	909
Greene	661	32	1187	26	-	1906
Grundy	343	4	360	8	96	811
Hamilton	591	46	1181	28	186	2032
Hancock	692	49	1816	79	-	2636
Hardin	438	26	1000	33	-	1497
Henderson	282	10	560	11	115	978
Henry	464	18	748	18	-	1248
Iroquois	383	15	557	23	-	978
Jackson	1083	76	2368	48	-	3575
Jasper	496	44	944	37	-	1521
Jefferson	1264	91	2114	56	-	3525

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County	Archery	Youth	Firearm	Muzzleloader	LW/CWD	Total
Jersey	488	27	663	13	-	1191
JoDaviess	1083	48	2133	46	522	3832
Johnson	670	61	1736	42	-	2509
Kane	324	-	30	-	24	378
Kankakee	275	5	195	9	62	546
Kendall	194	4	85	4	31	318
Knox	948	34	1332	31	190	2535
Lake	461	-	4	-	-	465
LaSalle	722	19	844	12	189	1786
Lawrence	486	14	655	16	-	1171
Lee	449	16	623	17	79	1184
Livingston	244	13	427	12	54	750
Logan	272	29	427	15	-	743
Macon	469	14	262	16	-	761
Macoupin	917	55	1545	45	-	2562
Madison	857	34	736	8	82	1717
Marion	897	70	1552	32	185	2736
Marshall	338	19	611	6	64	1038
Mason	344	19	491	12	-	866
Massac	369	14	671	24	-	1078
McDonough	448	24	836	28	149	1485
McHenry	599	2	321	11	106	1039
McLean	462	17	607	21	62	1169
Menard	334	7	398	13	-	752
Mercer	519	24	900	25	137	1605
Monroe	312	22	958	11	70	1373
Montgomery	602	52	924	20	-	1598
Morgan	508	34	792	17	-	1351
Moultrie	312	13	218	8	-	551
Ogle	740	28	937	19	237	1961
Peoria	875	28	1106	30	-	2039
Perry	804	48	1345	50	-	2247
Piatt	124	4	98	5	-	231
Pike	2144	130	2213	117	473	5077
Pope	829	38	1626	43	-	2536
Pulaski	218	16	534	25	-	793
Putnam	266	5	399	5	73	748
Randolph	972	106	2339	53	-	3470
Richland	384	23	750	13	-	1170
Rock Island	715	19	818	23	143	1718
Saline	527	24	953	20	183	1707

2015-2016 Preliminary Deer Harvest						
County	Archery	Youth	Firearm	Muzzleloader	LW/CWD	Total
Sangamon	726	25	726	33	-	1510
Schuyler	857	49	1416	48	344	2714
Scott	212	8	448	11	-	679
Shelby	675	34	1161	26	113	2009
Stark	110	5	226	9	-	350
St. Clair	605	29	755	17	-	1406
Stephenson	490	8	826	11	218	1553
Tazewell	561	18	555	11	-	1145
Union	793	56	1952	62	-	2863
Vermilion	821	32	649	23	120	1645
Wabash	211	11	250	7	-	479
Warren	279	8	604	18	-	909
Washington	479	27	1001	19	-	1526
Wayne	888	62	1608	46	-	2604
White	588	28	852	29	250	1747
Whiteside	477	13	729	14	-	1233
Will	754	9	321	16	81	1181
Williamson	1095	50	1955	27	-	3127
Winnebago	485	9	382	10	135	1021
Woodford	496	33	699	16	-	1244
Total	56767	2850	86847	2403	6362	155229

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