



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: CLAY COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 469 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1970

Record Harvest: 2,560 (2007)

Average Harvest (2010-2019): 1,904

Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons): 1,930

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

Firearm: 2949/3100 **Muzzle:** 337/475

Late Winter: 25

2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):

54% M: 46% F;(44% antlered: 56% antlerless)

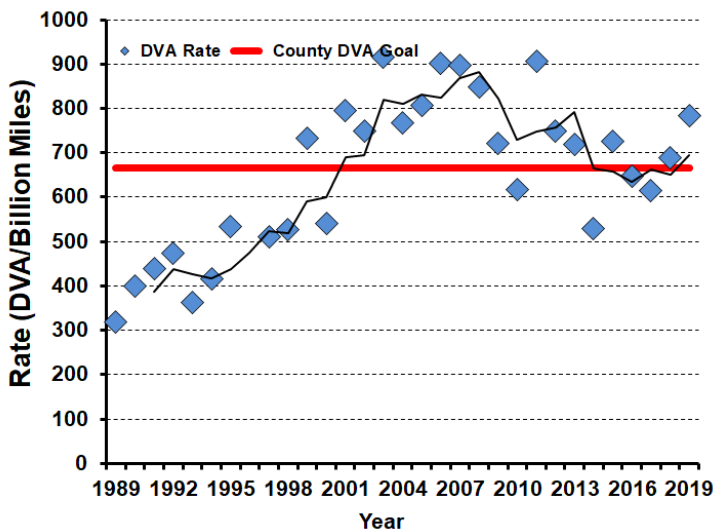
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

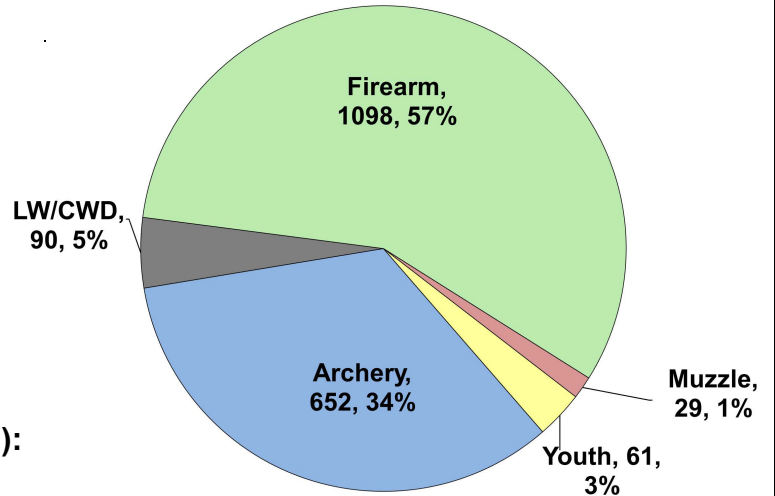
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2020-2021: Yes.

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.

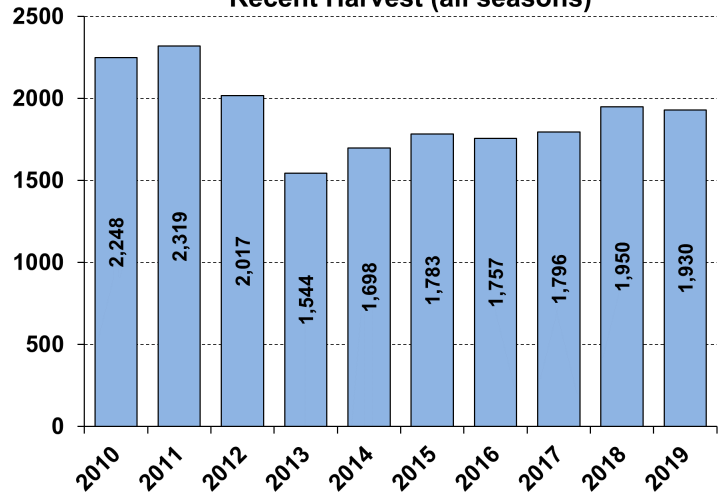
Time in Late Winter: 2005 - Present



2019-2020 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	420	434	368	348	394
Crossbow	65	77	140	203	248
Traditional	6	8	5	11	10
Total	491	519	513	562	652

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	22.0	23.2	25.5	26.5	26.6
M - Yearling	18.1	19.2	18.5	17.4	17.5
M - Fawn	12.5	11.3	12.6	11.9	9.4
F - Adult	38.1	36.0	35.9	35.9	39.0
F - Fawn	9.4	10.0	7.7	10.5	7.5

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