



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: FORD COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 486 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1974

Record Harvest: 260 (2005)

Average Harvest (2010-2019): 188

Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons): 175

Permits issued/quota 2019-2020 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 325/325 **Muzzle:** 80/100

2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):
65% M:35% F;(55% antlered: 45% antlerless)

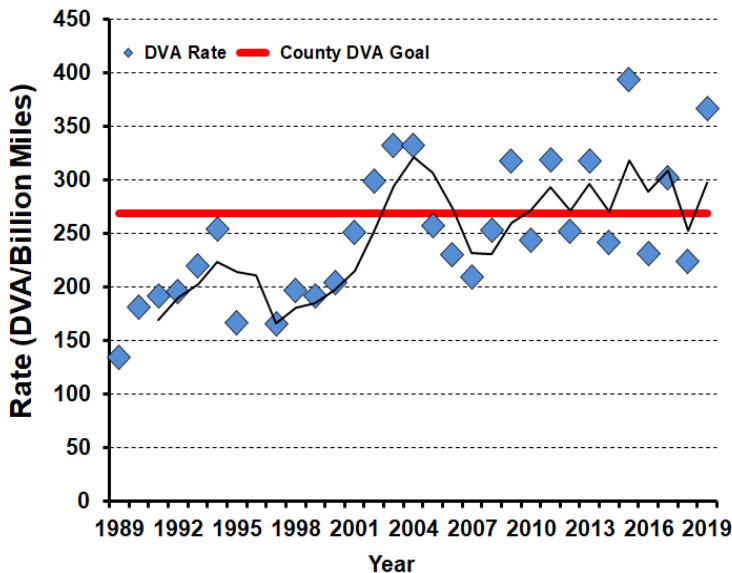
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

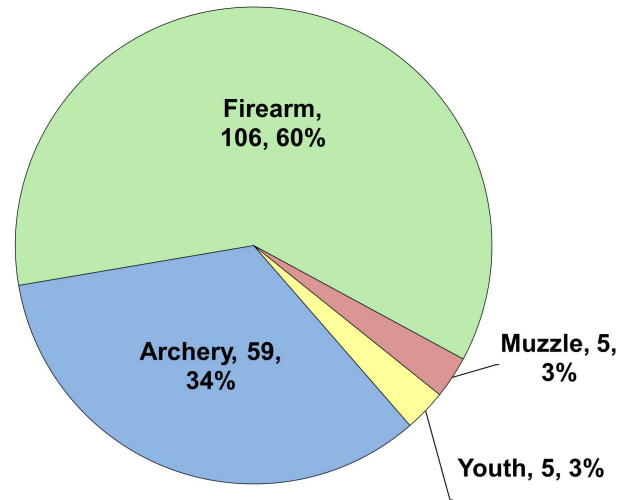
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2020-2021: No.

Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

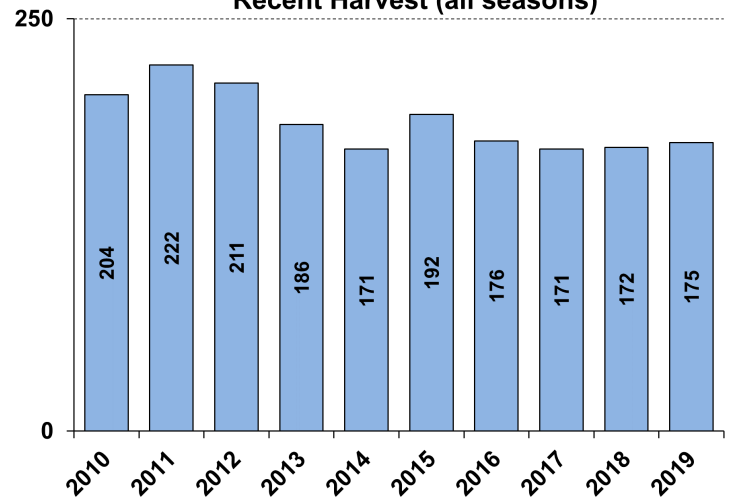
Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never



2019-2020 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	40	40	39	27	32
Crossbow	9	2	14	23	27
Traditional	6	4	4	2	0
Total	55	46	57	52	59

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	32.3	27.6	26.0	31.3	32.6
M - Yearling	24.0	19.3	26.5	18.6	22.9
M - Fawn	7.3	10.2	8.2	4.7	9.7
F - Adult	29.7	34.1	32.4	35.5	29.1
F - Fawn	6.8	6.3	3.5	6.4	5.7

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