



# WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: KANKAKEE COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



**County Size:** 681 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1975

**Record Harvest:** 633 (2005)

**Average Harvest (2010-2019):** 559

**Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons):** 558

**Permits issued/quota 2019-2020** (excludes landowner; CWD are unlimited):

**Firearm:** 1085/1300 **Muzzle:** 247/325 **CWD:** 49

**2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):**

57% M: 43% F; (51% antlered: 49% antlerless)

**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** Yes

**Check Station Location:** Kankakee River State Park Visitor Center

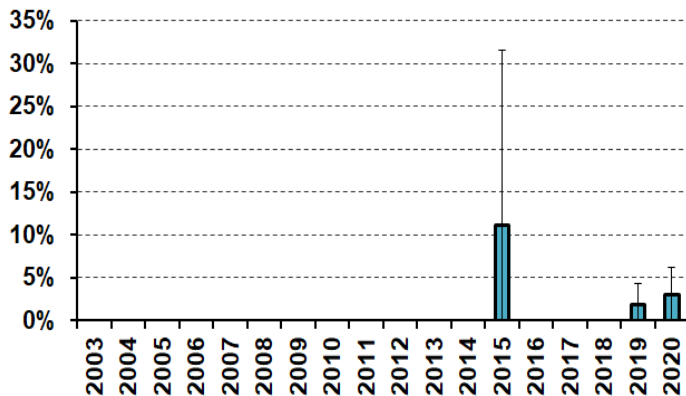
**Late Winter/CWD Season in 2020-2021:** Yes.

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

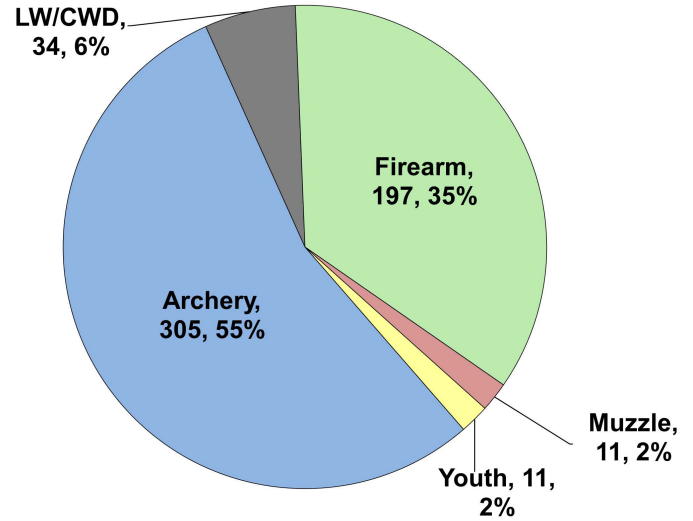
**Number tested for CWD 2019-2020:** 139

**CWD positive deer 2019-2020:** 3

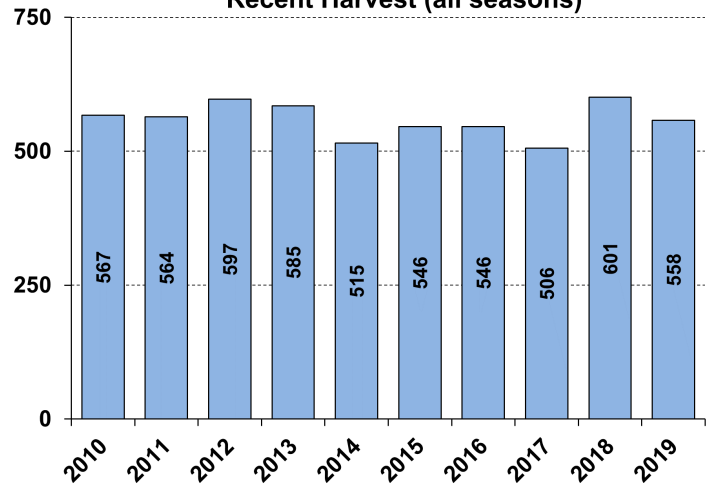
**IDNR sharpshooting:** 35 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination. Through these efforts CWD prevalence has remained low (see below).



## 2019-2020 Harvest by Season



## Recent Harvest (all seasons)



## Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	225	214	166	176	163
Crossbow	47	65	93	136	140
Traditional	2	2	1	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>305</b>

## Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	22.4	14.5	15.2	18.5	26.3
M - Yearling	18.0	21.5	22.8	24.6	24.7
M - Fawn	11.4	12.2	9.3	10.1	6.3
F - Adult	42.0	41.9	39.8	36.6	36.6
F - Fawn	6.2	5.5	6.1	6.9	6.1

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