



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2019-2020: WINNEBAGO COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 519 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,480 (1995)

Average Harvest (2010-2019): 930

Total 2019-2020 Harvest (all seasons): 831

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

Firearm: 1378/3000 **Muzzle:** 175/450 **CWD:** 40

2019-2020 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):

62% M: 38% F;(52% antlered: 48% antlerless)

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

Check Station Location: Rock Cut State Park

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

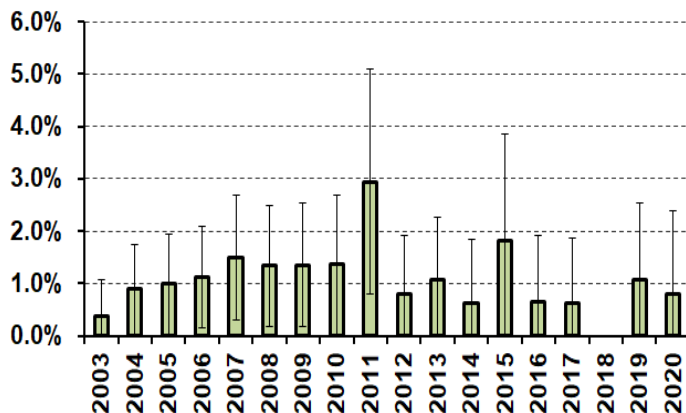
CWD has and continues to be detected in this county. CWD seasons allow for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

Number tested for CWD 2019-2020: 227

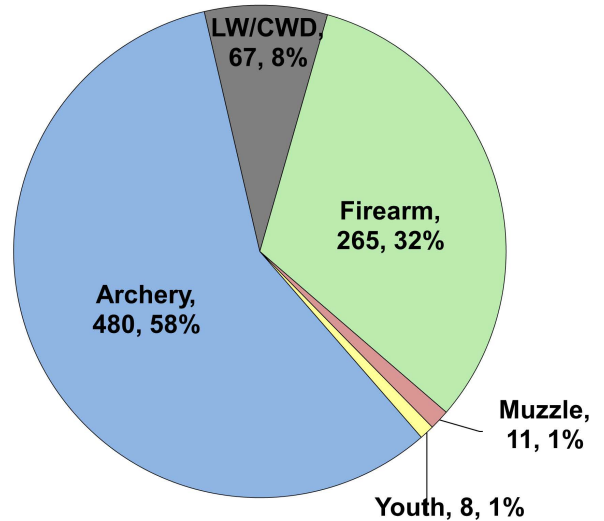
CWD positive deer 2019-2020: 7

IDNR sharpshooting: 43 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known

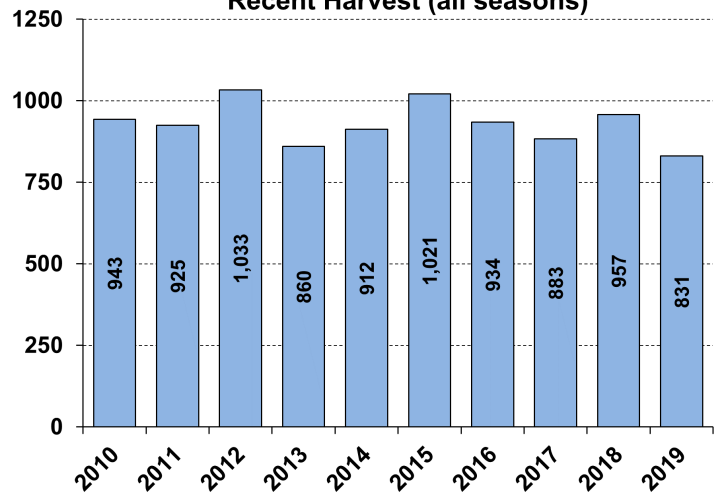
CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination. Through these efforts CWD prevalence has remained low (see below).



2019-2020 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Compound	396	359	307	278	263
Crossbow	84	98	140	180	212
Traditional	2	3	6	3	5
Total	482	460	453	461	480

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
M - Adult	23.8	24.5	21.9	24.4	31.0
M - Yearling	23.7	24.8	28.1	24.0	20.7
M - Fawn	12.3	10.5	7.4	7.1	9.9
F - Adult	34.0	31.8	33.8	38.6	33.7
F - Fawn	6.2	6.4	4.7	3.4	4.7

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