



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2020-2021: CASS COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 384 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,774 (2005)

Average Harvest (2011-2020): 1,345

Total 2020-2021 Harvest (all seasons): 1,445

Permits issued/quota 2020-2021 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide):

Firearm: 1596/1750 **Youth:** 204/230

2020-2021 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):

54% M:46% F;(45% antlered: 55% antlerless)

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

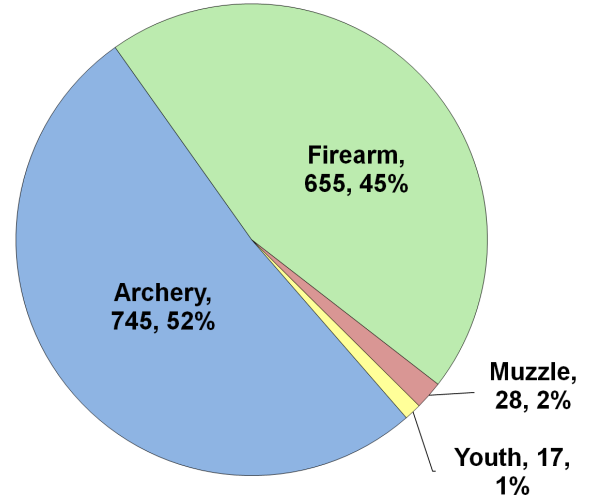
Check Station Location: N/A

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2021-2022: No.

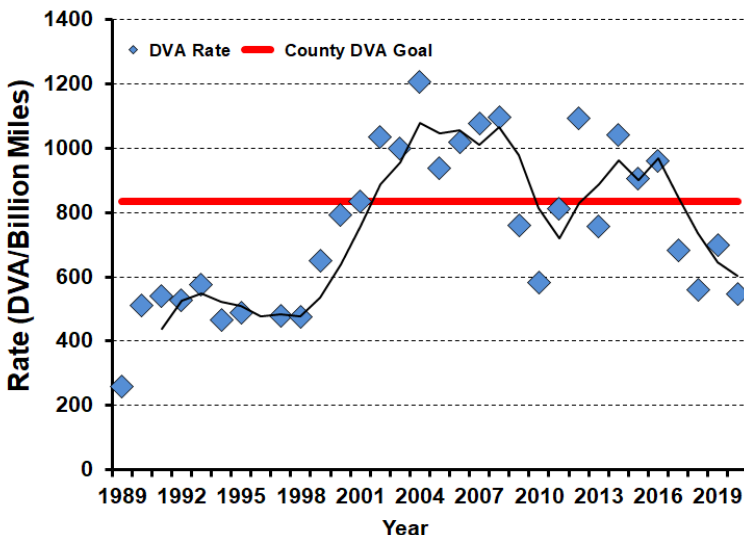
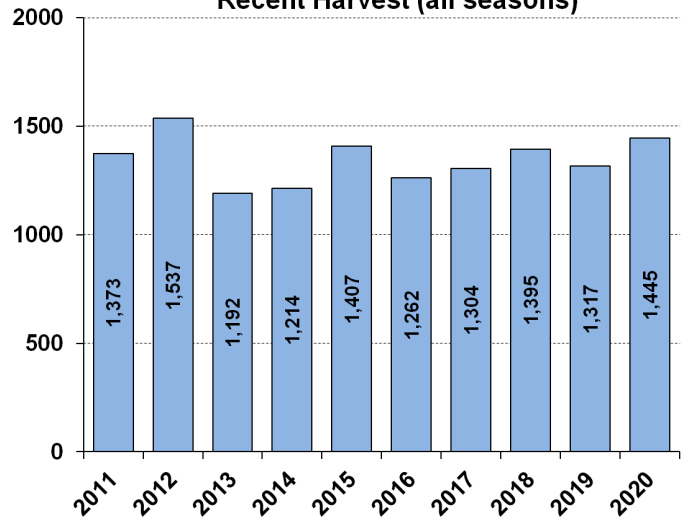
Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties are closed to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates remain below goal, unless other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2013

2020-2021 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Compound	466	443	392	382	429
Crossbow	57	136	244	278	311
Traditional	7	9	7	6	5
Total	530	588	643	666	745

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
M - Adult	26.3	28.4	27.3	29.8	30.2
M - Yearling	14.2	14.6	13.3	14.9	14.1
M - Fawn	9.9	10.8	12.6	9.6	8.9
F - Adult	36.4	35.8	36.3	38.2	38.6
F - Fawn	10.2	8.1	10.3	7.5	8.1

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