



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2021-2022: COOK COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 957 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1964

Record Harvest: 234 (2007)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 140

Total 2021-2022 Harvest (all seasons): 133

Permits issued/quota 2021-2022 (excludes landowner; archery and youth are statewide)

No firearm hunting in Cook Co.

Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes

Check Station Location: N/A. Hunters wishing to have their deer tested should take them to participating vendors or head drop off barrels.

Late Winter/CWD Season in 2022-2023: No. there is no firearm hunting in Cook Co.

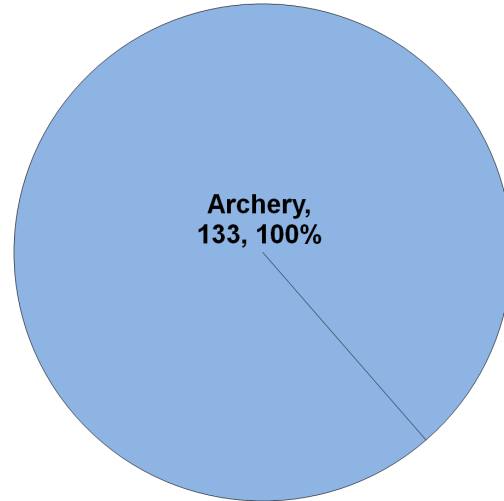
Last year in Late Winter/CWD: Never

Number tested for CWD 2021-2022: 301

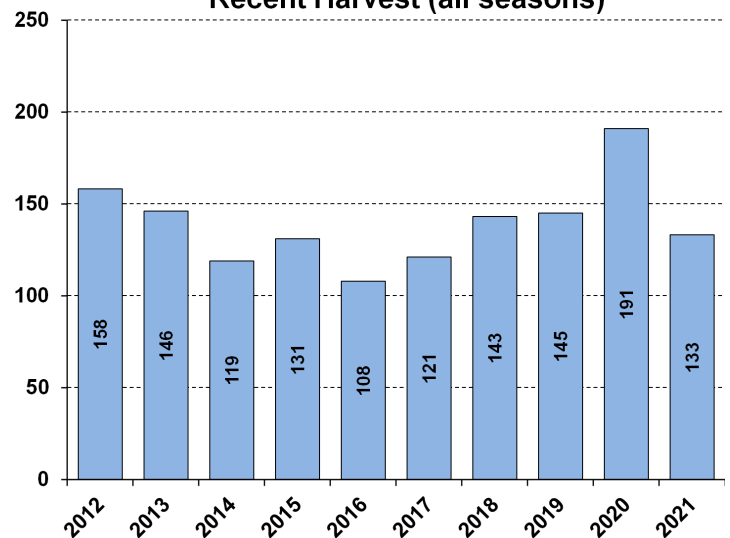
CWD positive deer 2021-2022: 0

Special permits: IDNR provides special permits for municipalities to lower localized deer populations. Through these efforts 291 deer were tested for CWD and 0 positives were detected. Only hunter harvested deer shown below.

2021-2022 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Compound	79	87	81	87	75
Crossbow	39	52	59	101	55
Traditional	3	4	5	3	3
Total	121	143	145	191	133

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
M - Adult	38.2	42.7	48.0	38.7	42.1
M - Yearling	19.0	27.3	27.0	24.1	25.6
M - Fawn	9.1	5.6	1.4	5.8	4.5
F - Adult	28.1	25.9	21.6	27.7	23.3
F - Fawn	2.5	2.1	2.0	3.7	4.5

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

