



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2021-2022: MASON COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 564 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,320 (2004)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 863

Total 2021-2022 Harvest (all seasons): 882

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

Firearm: 600/600 **Muzzle:** 150/150

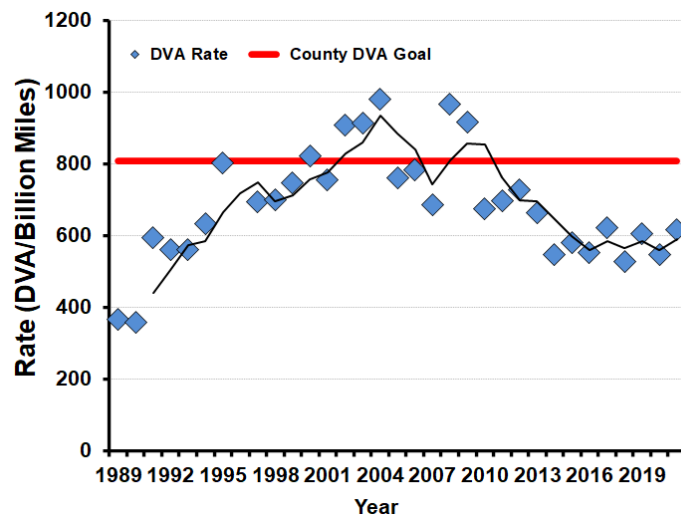
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

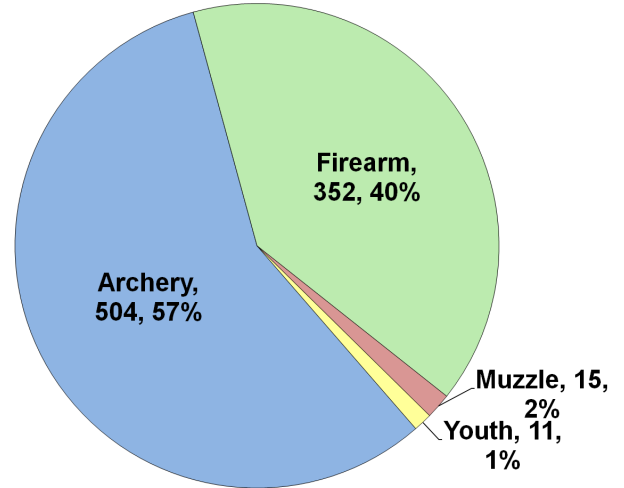
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2022-2023: No.

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.

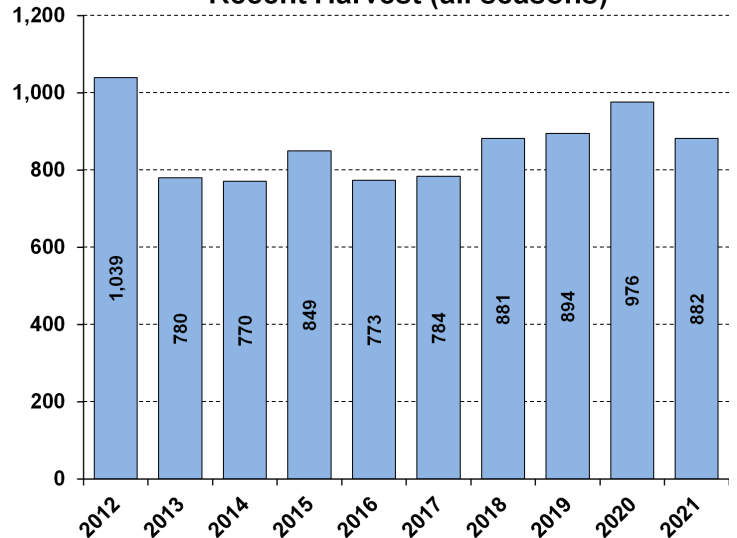
Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012



2021-2022 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Compound	224	235	240	262	220
Crossbow	142	174	249	280	276
Traditional	9	4	8	9	8
Total	375	413	497	551	504

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
M - Adult	24.2	26.7	30.1	33.0	33.2
M - Yearling	20.0	19.3	19.4	18.5	18.7
M - Fawn	12.3	10.1	8.6	8.3	9.8
F - Adult	33.9	36.7	35.9	34.1	31.4
F - Fawn	7.3	7.9	6.0	6.0	6.9

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