

WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2020-2021: PUTNAM COUNTY



Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources

County Size: 172 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1957

Record Harvest: 1,146 (2009)

Average Harvest (2011-2020): 730

Total 2020-2021 Harvest (all seasons): 687
Permits issued/quota 2020-2021 (excludes

landowner; late winter are unlimited):

Firearm: 1000/1000 Muzzle: 177/195

Late Winter: 25

2020-2021 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):

52% M: 48% F;(45% antlered: 55% antlerless)

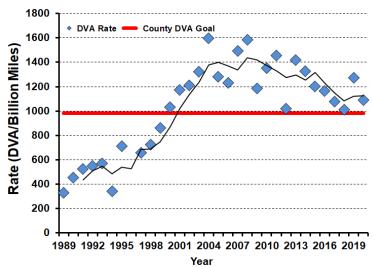
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

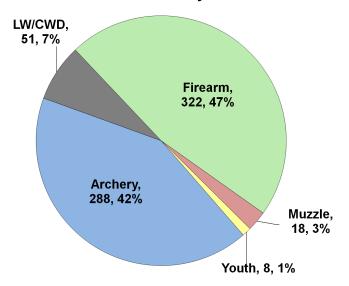
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2021-2022: Yes.

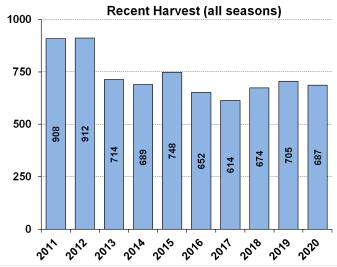
Deer Vehicle Accident (DVA) rates (accidents per billion miles driven) are used as an index of deer population size. Counties remain or are added to Late Winter/CWD season if DVA rates are above goal, or other factors (excessive crop damage and/or disease issues) are present.

Time in Late Winter: 2008 - Present



2020-2021 Harvest by Season





Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type								
Type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020			
Compound	188	138	144	147	122			
Crossbow	44	72	108	148	164			
Traditional	11	6	5	1	2			
Total	243	216	257	296	288			

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020			
M - Adult	21.0	22.1	22.2	27.5	27.8			
M - Yearling	16.7	18.9	17.1	17.7	14.8			
M - Fawn	8.3	9.8	9.2	7.2	9.6			
F - Adult	41.9	36.5	40.7	42.1	40.9			
F - Fawn	9.0	7.8	8.5	5.4	6.8			
M - Adult = 2.5 and older; F - Adult = 1.5 and older								