



WHITE-TAILED DEER SUMMARY 2021-2022: CHRISTIAN COUNTY

Forest Wildlife Program, Illinois Department of Natural Resources



County Size: 715 square miles

Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1966

Record Harvest: 1,337 (2011)

Average Harvest (previous 10 years): 1,127

Total 2021-2022 Harvest (all seasons): 1,130

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

Firearm: 1550/1550 **Muzzle:** 270/270

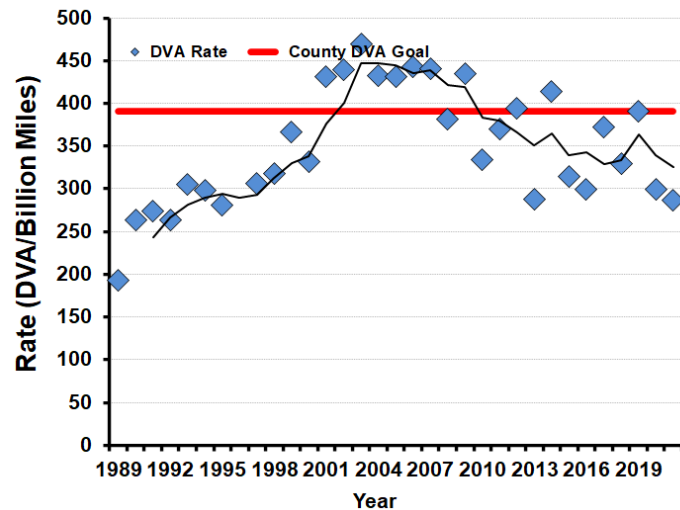
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: No

Check Station Location: N/A

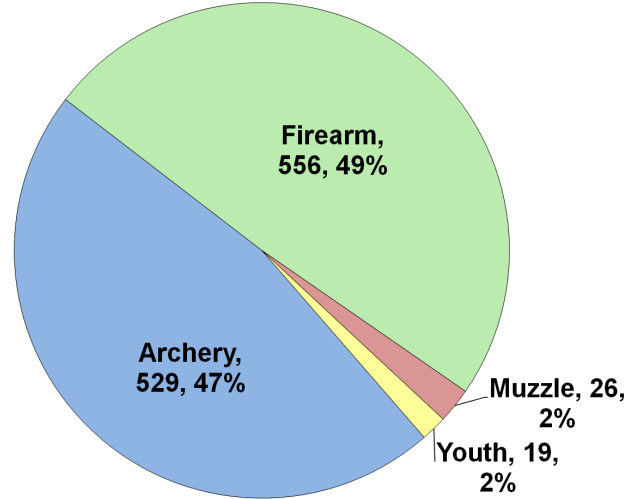
Late Winter/CWD Season in 2022-2023: No.

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.

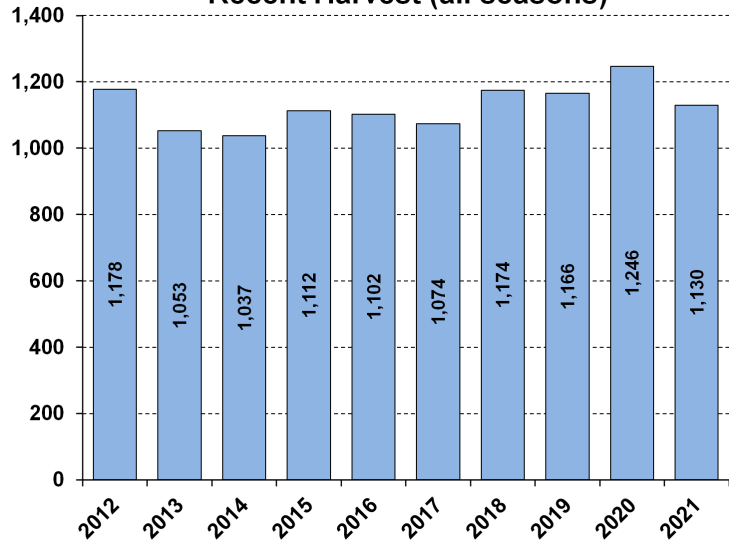
Last year in Late Winter/CWD: 2012



2021-2022 Harvest by Season



Recent Harvest (all seasons)



Recent Archery Harvest by Bow Type

| Type | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Compound | 290 | 283 | 245 | 229 | 226 |
| Crossbow | 176 | 243 | 301 | 341 | 302 |
| Traditional | 4 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 1 |
| Total | 470 | 529 | 546 | 577 | 529 |

Age/Sex Composition of Recent Harvest (%)

| | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| M - Adult | 27.4 | 29.7 | 27.3 | 28.3 | 30.1 |
| M - Yearling | 20.8 | 18.7 | 20.2 | 17.5 | 19.4 |
| M - Fawn | 7.5 | 10.7 | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.7 |
| F - Adult | 36.5 | 36.5 | 38.2 | 40.6 | 36.3 |
| F - Fawn | 6.8 | 6.0 | 6.9 | 5.5 | 5.6 |

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