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2024-2025 Deer Harvest Summary

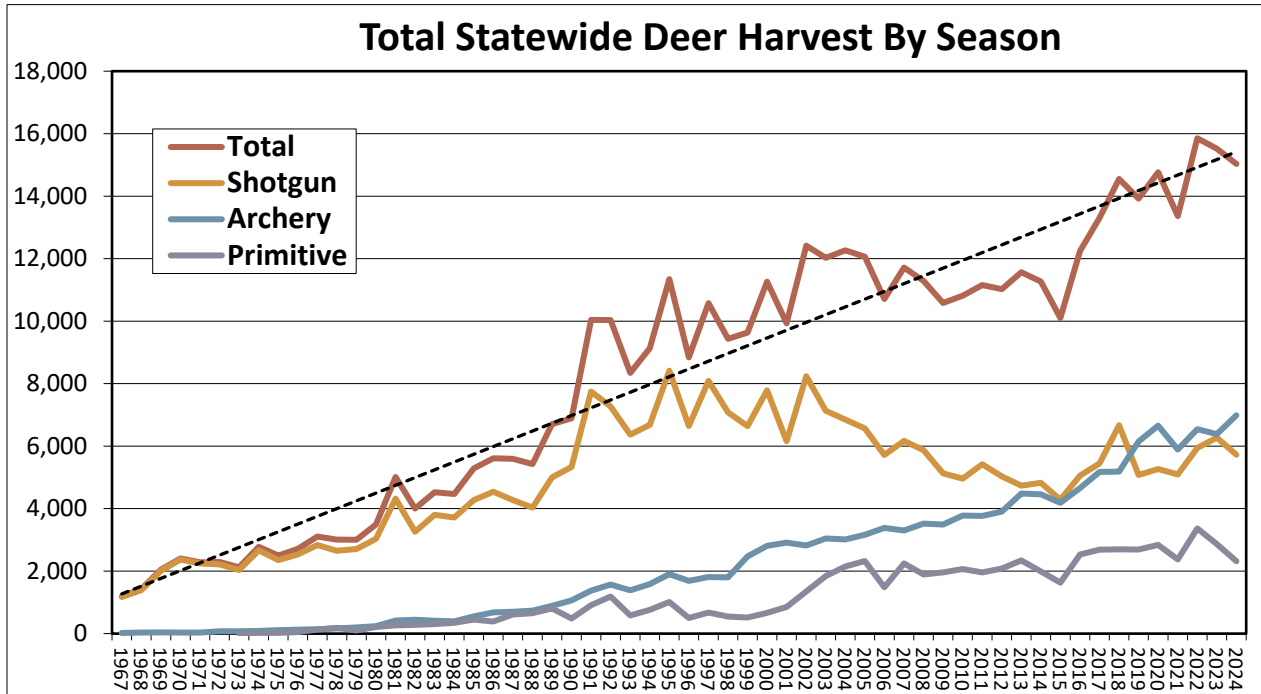
This summary includes deer harvested during the fall 2024 hunting seasons along with deer removed with Deer Damage Permits from May 2024 through April 2025.

The 2024 hunting season had a harvest of 15,064 deer, which was a decline of approximately 3% from 2023 and 5% from the record-setting 2022 season. Archery season had a record high harvest of 6,991 deer, likely due to excellent hunting weather and a two-week longer archery season in Wildlife Management Zones (WMZs) 1-9. This exceeded the previous record of 6,655 set in 2020. The shotgun and primitive season harvests were negatively impacted by poor weather and a 4-day shorter primitive season due to the late Thanksgiving. There was a record antlerless harvest of 7,263 deer exceeding the previous record of 7,146 set in 2022.

Thanks to donations of harvested deer by generous hunters, over 30,000 meals of venison were distributed during the 2024 season through MassWildlife's Hunters Share the Harvest program. Since the program's inception in 2022, over 50,000 meals of venison have been distributed to Massachusetts communities experiencing food insecurity.

Deer Harvest By Hunting Season

- Youth Deer Hunt Day: 114
- Paraplegic Hunt: 3
- Archery Season: 6,991
- Shotgun Season: 5,607
- Primitive Season: 2,321



2024 Deer Harvest by Sex & Season

Season	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total	% Harvest
Para/Youth	50	60	7	117	0.8%
Archery	4,448	2,152	390	6,988	46.4%
Shotgun	2,637	2,484	486	5,607	37.2%
Primitive	947	1,188	185	2,320	15.4%
Damage	9	18	1	28	0.2%
Statewide	8,091	5,903	1,070	15,064	100.0%

2024 Deer Harvest by Season & Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Para/Youth	Archery	Shotgun	Primitive	Damage	Total	% Harvest
1	1	125	163	58	0	347	2%
2	10	200	229	107	0	546	4%
3	10	209	320	111	0	650	4%
4N	17	233	252	110	0	612	4%
4S	10	165	133	51	1	360	2%
5	14	308	348	122	6	798	5%
6	3	79	274	28	0	384	3%
7	3	343	339	130	9	824	5%
8	4	368	377	116	0	865	6%
9	12	672	441	249	0	1374	9%
10	10	1496	493	424	0	2423	16%
11	17	2070	1155	584	4	3830	25%
12	3	124	193	62	0	382	3%
13	1	302	395	100	0	798	5%
14	2	297	495	69	8	871	6%
Statewide	117	6991	5607	2321	28	15064	100%

2024 Deer Harvest by Sex & Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total
1	225	104	18	347
2	459	79	8	546
3	378	234	38	650
4N	394	203	15	612
4S	279	71	10	360
5	502	271	25	798
6	213	153	18	384
7	407	359	58	824
8	578	256	31	865
9	652	595	127	1,374
10	1,276	964	183	2,423
11	1,891	1,633	306	3,830
12	208	147	27	382
13	332	377	89	798
14	297	457	117	871
Statewide	8,081	5,903	1,070	15,064

2024 Para/Youth Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total
1	0	1	0	1
2	3	4	3	10
3	4	6	0	10
4N	8	8	1	17
4S	5	5	0	10
5	3	11	0	14
6	1	2	0	3
7	0	3	0	3
8	1	3	0	4
9	6	4	2	12
10	7	3	0	10
11	9	7	1	17
12	1	2	0	3
13	1	0	0	1
14	1	1	0	2
Statewide	50	60	7	117

2024 Archery Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total
1	89	33	3	125
2	186	12	2	200
3	160	40	9	209
4N	175	52	6	233
4S	142	22	1	165
5	241	59	8	308
6	68	9	2	79
7	220	102	21	343
8	284	72	12	368
9	407	219	46	672
10	923	488	85	1496
11	1206	735	129	2070
12	96	23	5	124
13	153	126	23	302
14	98	160	39	297
Statewide	4448	2152	391	6991

2024 Shotgun Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total
1	107	44	12	163
2	186	40	3	229
3	167	136	17	320
4N	161	86	5	252
4S	98	28	7	133
5	198	140	10	348
6	130	130	14	274
7	145	165	29	339
8	238	126	13	377
9	162	229	50	441
10	195	246	52	493
11	463	558	134	1155
12	83	90	20	193
13	133	211	51	395
14	171	255	69	495
Statewide	2637	2484	486	5607

2024 Primitive Season Harvest by Wildlife Management Zone

Zone	Adult Male	Female	Male Fawn	Total
1	29	26	3	58
2	84	23	0	107
3	47	52	12	111
4N	50	57	3	110
4S	33	16	2	51
5	58	57	7	122
6	14	12	2	28
7	40	82	8	130
8	55	55	6	116
9	77	143	29	249
10	151	227	46	424
11	212	331	41	584
12	28	32	2	62
13	45	40	15	100
14	24	36	9	69
Statewide	947	1189	185	2321