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### **Illinois Deer Hunting Closes with Preliminary Overall Harvest of 189,277**

#### *Archery Deer Harvest Down Slightly; Late-Winter/Special CWD Harvest Increases with Expanded Season*

SPRINGFIELD – Hunters in Illinois completed the 2009-2010 deer hunting seasons by taking a preliminary total of 189,277 deer during all seasons. Deer hunting closed on Jan. 17 with the end of the 2009-2010 Archery, Late-Winter, and Special CWD deer hunting seasons.

“Illinois deer hunters taking to the field for the last three days of hunting last weekend enjoyed some excellent conditions,” said Illinois Department of Natural Resources Forest Wildlife Program Manager Paul Shelton. “For mid-January weather, this was about as good as it gets – and a good way to close out another successful season.”

Hunters in Illinois took a preliminary total of 64,845 deer during the 2009-10 Archery Deer Season (Oct. 1, 2009-Jan. 17, 2010), compared with the archery deer harvest of 64,920 in 2008-09.

The combined preliminary harvest total of both the Late-Winter Antlerless-Only and the Special Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) deer seasons was 17,826, compared with a harvest of 12,552 deer taken during those seasons last year. The Late-Winter and Special CWD seasons were expanded to a seven-day split season for 2009-10 (Dec. 31, 2009-Jan.3, 2010 and Jan. 15-17, 2010). Hunters in Boone, DeKalb, McHenry, and Winnebago counties and Kane County west of Ill. Rt. 47 participated in the Special CWD season, while another 70 counties were open for the Late-Winter Antlerless-Only Deer Season. The Special CWD season is used to assist in controlling the spread of chronic wasting disease in the Illinois deer herd, while the Late-Winter season provides additional harvest opportunities as a deer population management tool.

Hunters took a preliminary total of 99,493 deer during the 2009 Illinois Firearm Deer Season (Nov. 20-22 and Dec. 3-6), 4,704 deer during the 2009 Muzzleloader-Only Deer Season (Dec. 11-13), and 2,409 deer during the 2009 Illinois Youth Deer Season.

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(Oct. 10-11).

The total preliminary deer harvest for all seasons of 189,277 compares with a total harvest for all seasons of 188,901 in 2008-09. In this year's deer harvest, hunters took 50.5 percent does and 49.5 percent males. Illinois' record deer harvest occurred in 2005-06, when 201,301 deer were taken.

Preliminary county harvest totals for all the 2009-10 Illinois deer seasons are detailed below, followed by a table of comparable figures for the 2008-09 seasons.

#### Illinois Deer Harvest Summary for 2009-2010 Season

County	2009 Youth	2009 Firearm	2009 Muzzleloader	2009 LW-CWD	2009 Archery	2009 Total
Adams	81	2480	81	560	1411	4613
Alexander	4	560	33		275	872
Bond	23	842	30	105	429	1429
Boone	8	155	7	47	169	386
Brown	34	1478	72	392	890	2866
Bureau	25	1285	97	444	895	2746
Calhoun	42	1385	91	366	1081	2965
Carroll	21	1027	56	233	636	1973
Cass	17	731	39	138	637	1562
Champaign	11	286	44		410	751
Christian	18	606	27	122	498	1271
Clark	29	1328	62	192	812	2423
Clay	36	1318	46	211	632	2243
Clinton	28	809	24	77	408	1346
Coles	12	703	16	90	636	1457
Cook					221	221
Crawford	24	1161	40	188	838	2251
Cumberland	13	889	26	110	402	1440
DeKalb	4	215	17	82	225	543
DeWitt	9	391	29		576	1005
Douglas	2	188	12		164	366
DuPage					70	70
Edgar	20	771	43	106	442	1382
Edwards	6	510	25	80	220	841
Effingham	34	1028	23	105	489	1679
Fayette	61	1909	60	329	815	3174
Ford	5	113	7		73	198
Franklin	31	1206	48		796	2081
Fulton	79	2616	124	709	1816	5344
Gallatin	14	644	42		388	1088
Greene	32	1385	57	285	765	2524
Grundy	9	398	23	132	432	994
Hamilton	27	1307	54	178	550	2116
Hancock	37	1953	109	466	808	3373
Hardin	26	1062	67		340	1495

<b>Henderson</b>	4	601	27	134	255	1021
<b>Henry</b>	12	698	56	193	547	1506
<b>Iroquois</b>	20	654	47		489	1210
<b>Jackson</b>	33	2154	82		748	3017
<b>Jasper</b>	35	1246	62		656	1999
<b>Jefferson</b>	81	2381	103	492	1555	4612
<b>Jersey</b>	26	938	34	174	589	1761
<b>JoDaviess</b>	50	2282	114	640	1061	4147
<b>Johnson</b>	31	1771	67	219	614	2702
<b>Kane</b>	1	55	3	29	410	498
<b>Kankakee</b>	4	207	14		345	570
<b>Kendall</b>	3	97	14		273	387
<b>Knox</b>	37	1431	85	409	1004	2966
<b>Lake</b>		10			487	497
<b>LaSalle</b>	30	1140	71	421	1291	2953
<b>Lawrence</b>	7	670	28	108	437	1250
<b>Lee</b>	18	668	47		514	1247
<b>Livingston</b>	8	483	30		333	854
<b>Logan</b>	4	395	19	112	266	796
<b>Macon</b>	11	318	32		580	941
<b>Macoupin</b>	47	1737	56	272	952	3064
<b>Madison</b>	26	941	33	135	1037	2172
<b>Marion</b>	68	1998	68	332	1154	3620
<b>Marshall</b>	23	761	35	145	396	1360
<b>Mason</b>	28	644	34	106	417	1229
<b>Massac</b>	11	657	41		332	1041
<b>McDonough</b>	22	1109	64	277	610	2082
<b>McHenry</b>	4	376	18	121	621	1140
<b>McLean</b>	20	673	49	193	585	1520
<b>Menard</b>	8	449	26	115	364	962
<b>Mercer</b>	12	871	50	180	410	1523
<b>Monroe</b>	20	1088	24	94	278	1504
<b>Montgomery</b>	27	1191	36	175	737	2166
<b>Morgan</b>	23	1093	39	169	641	1965
<b>Moultrie</b>	17	292	28		353	690
<b>Ogle</b>	21	1105	58	333	831	2348
<b>Peoria</b>	43	1514	68	432	1307	3364
<b>Perry</b>	31	1345	37	285	606	2304
<b>Piatt</b>	6	194	10		234	444
<b>Pike</b>	120	3266	221	945	3579	8131
<b>Pope</b>	7	1769	63		763	2602
<b>Pulaski</b>	7	726	36		279	1048
<b>Putnam</b>	9	563	37	174	363	1146
<b>Randolph</b>	77	2259	82	381	879	3678
<b>Richland</b>	18	879	22	130	427	1476
<b>Rock Island</b>	20	914	43	271	673	1921
<b>Saline</b>	25	965	56	179	501	1726
<b>Sangamon</b>	30	831	45	172	816	1894
<b>Schuyler</b>	36	1687	93	431	988	3235

<b>Scott</b>	10	560	27	92	245	934
<b>Shelby</b>	34	1443	53	210	749	2489
<b>St. Clair</b>	25	922	40	130	711	1828
<b>Stark</b>	9	306	22	64	153	554
<b>Stephenson</b>	17	935	37	262	527	1778
<b>Tazewell</b>	21	736	31	177	748	1713
<b>Union</b>	32	1761	79	309	768	2949
<b>Vermilion</b>	26	824	52	290	1160	2352
<b>Wabash</b>	6	310	11	38	222	587
<b>Warren</b>	3	612	29	128	298	1070
<b>Washington</b>	13	1172	37		405	1627
<b>Wayne</b>	42	1890	82	483	1007	3504
<b>White</b>	27	1043	61	278	656	2065
<b>Whiteside</b>	18	771	50	193	524	1556
<b>Will</b>	9	362	27		956	1354
<b>Williamson</b>	39	1626	50		753	2468
<b>Winnebago</b>	10	447	23	192	442	1114
<b>Woodford</b>	25	938	55	255	685	1958
<b>Total</b>	2409	99493	4704	17826	64845	189277

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<b>County</b>	<b>2008 Youth</b>	<b>2008 Firearm</b>	<b>2008 Muzzleloader</b>	<b>2008 LW/CWD</b>	<b>2008 Archery</b>	<b>2008 Total</b>
<b>Adams</b>	34	2651	70	352	1404	4511
<b>Alexander</b>	1	543	34	0	250	828
<b>Bond</b>	4	914	19	104	441	1482
<b>Boone</b>	3	160	10	30	126	329
<b>Brown</b>	28	1477	83	273	990	2851
<b>Bureau</b>	19	1623	79	219	842	2782
<b>Calhoun</b>	16	1343	66	240	1116	2781
<b>Carroll</b>	8	1131	51	116	613	1919
<b>Cass</b>	10	757	29	85	572	1453
<b>Champaign</b>	3	320	22	0	410	755
<b>Christian</b>	4	670	30	58	451	1213
<b>Clark</b>	15	1304	54	169	787	2329
<b>Clay</b>	11	1434	51	177	604	2277
<b>Clinton</b>	4	876	19	70	426	1395
<b>Coles</b>	5	749	24	55	626	1459
<b>Cook</b>	0	0	0	0	201	201
<b>Crawford</b>	8	1195	57	162	799	2221
<b>Cumberland</b>	6	921	24	80	385	1416
<b>DeKalb</b>	4	245	8	68	235	560
<b>DeWitt</b>	5	487	30	0	537	1059
<b>Douglas</b>	1	205	6	0	143	355
<b>DuPage</b>	0	0	0	0	78	78
<b>Edgar</b>	12	785	35	54	430	1316
<b>Edwards</b>	4	515	16	68	214	817
<b>Effingham</b>	10	1059	35	110	441	1655
<b>Fayette</b>	33	2115	70	292	830	3340

<b>Ford</b>	1	162	7	0	74	244
<b>Franklin</b>	8	1206	43	137	772	2166
<b>Fulton</b>	31	2699	93	428	1820	5071
<b>Gallatin</b>	3	624	49	0	306	982
<b>Greene</b>	7	1485	60	190	857	2599
<b>Grundy</b>	0	409	18	83	462	972
<b>Hamilton</b>	10	1347	45	172	614	2188
<b>Hancock</b>	24	2358	85	337	857	3661
<b>Hardin</b>	13	1107	55	0	419	1594
<b>Henderson</b>	7	676	22	58	229	992
<b>Henry</b>	7	894	39	96	542	1578
<b>Iroquois</b>	5	823	49	0	460	1337
<b>Jackson</b>	20	2209	64	235	888	3416
<b>Jasper</b>	17	1291	55	164	650	2177
<b>Jefferson</b>	41	2456	137	378	1459	4471
<b>Jersey</b>	13	1024	24	133	696	1890
<b>JoDavie</b>	28	2373	113	342	864	3720
<b>Johnson</b>	19	1851	68	163	661	2762
<b>Kane</b>	1	63	5	12	402	483
<b>Kankakee</b>	1	242	12	0	324	579
<b>Kendall</b>	0	106	11	0	225	342
<b>Knox</b>	8	1623	66	229	1054	2980
<b>Lake</b>	0	9	0	0	444	453
<b>LaSalle</b>	11	1436	55	207	1171	2880
<b>Lawrence</b>	2	609	21	68	422	1122
<b>Lee</b>	10	700	21	91	476	1298
<b>Livingston</b>	5	597	24	0	313	939
<b>Logan</b>	3	459	21	35	278	796
<b>Macon</b>	8	341	37	0	548	934
<b>Macoupin</b>	26	1847	65	207	1026	3171
<b>Madison</b>	17	924	40	108	1067	2156
<b>Marion</b>	23	2037	103	266	1143	3572
<b>Marshall</b>	7	836	27	78	384	1332
<b>Mason</b>	8	683	52	0	423	1166
<b>Massac</b>	3	630	15	72	439	1159
<b>McDonough</b>	7	1155	38	128	617	1945
<b>McHenry</b>	3	374	20	88	585	1070
<b>McLean</b>	11	731	38	119	675	1574
<b>Menard</b>	2	431	24	62	370	889
<b>Mercer</b>	6	982	28	112	387	1515
<b>Monroe</b>	5	1104	25	80	312	1526
<b>Montgomery</b>	20	1231	32	130	712	2125
<b>Morgan</b>	7	1007	43	128	647	1832
<b>Moultrie</b>	2	339	32	0	304	677
<b>Ogle</b>	14	1184	46	143	730	2117
<b>Peoria</b>	23	1653	57	296	1324	3353
<b>Perry</b>	16	1386	37	238	642	2319
<b>Piatt</b>	2	206	7	0	226	441
<b>Pike</b>	55	3356	257	638	3754	8060

<b>Pope</b>	7	1841	48	0	943	2839
<b>Pulaski</b>	1	819	37	0	266	1123
<b>Putnam</b>	1	538	37	94	330	1000
<b>Randolph</b>	40	2494	72	309	941	3856
<b>Richland</b>	8	883	25	94	441	1451
<b>Rock Island</b>	8	985	38	157	602	1790
<b>Saline</b>	5	1036	44	107	533	1725
<b>Sangamon</b>	14	887	46	120	841	1908
<b>Schuyler</b>	16	1783	95	261	957	3112
<b>Scott</b>	5	578	20	90	260	953
<b>Shelby</b>	10	1436	71	134	746	2397
<b>St. Clair</b>	12	988	21	90	705	1816
<b>Stark</b>	5	361	17	44	153	580
<b>Stephenson</b>	7	1088	44	133	465	1737
<b>Tazewell</b>	10	765	20	116	780	1691
<b>Union</b>	7	1898	80	179	799	2963
<b>Vermilion</b>	11	967	50	135	1060	2223
<b>Wabash</b>	1	312	12	35	263	623
<b>Warren</b>	1	740	26	60	265	1092
<b>Washington</b>	3	1183	28	109	495	1818
<b>Wayne</b>	11	1989	81	343	957	3381
<b>White</b>	14	1041	69	228	697	2049
<b>Whiteside</b>	10	832	34	105	523	1504
<b>Will</b>	3	417	22	0	916	1358
<b>Williamson</b>	15	1794	44	154	825	2832
<b>Winnebago</b>	1	509	29	81	418	1038
<b>Woodford</b>	11	1100	49	141	734	2035
<b>Totals</b>	1045	106018	4366	12552	64920	188901