Green County Deer Metrics Report

Spring of 2024

Management Unit:



Manager's Note:

The Green County Deer Management Unit (DMU) is located in the Southern Farmland Zone, encompassing 584 square miles in south-central Wisconsin along the Illinois border. The current deer herd management objective is to MAINTAIN the population. Approximately 24 percent of the unit is considered suitable deer range (139 square miles), including shrubby grasslands, woodland and field edges. Green County is intensively farmed with cropland, scattered woodlots and wooded ridges framed between bottomlands of the Sugar and Pecatonica River basins. Historically, it was a very open landscape dominated by prairie and savanna vegetation. As a transition zone between the glaciated outwash plains and the unglaciated Driftless Area, the terrain becomes hillier and wooded as you travel northwest through the unit. Public land available for deer hunting is at a premium with Brooklyn Wildlife Area, Albany Wildlife Area, Liberty Creek Wildlife Area and Browntown-Cadiz Springs Recreation Area comprising the majority of approximately 7,000 acres (2% of total land ownership). For the latest information on CWD in this unit, please visit the DNR webpage: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/cwd.html

Deer Management Unit Harvest History

Fawn to doe ratios collected in late summer give information on fawn recruitment and survival and are used as an input into the formula for annual deer herd abundance estimation. Fawn to doe ratios were summarized using groups of county deer management units. County deer management units were grouped based on location, habitat characteristics, and deer demography.

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