

ANNUAL HARVEST SUMMARY REPORT

DEER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Lake George WMA

2024-2025 Season



The goal for this club/cooperator based on the most recent Annual DMAP Application completed is as follows:

A description of this goal, as well as other deer herd management goals may be found in Section 8 of the Annual DMAP Application. To view your Annual DMAP Application contact your DMAP Biologist or visit <https://xnet2.mdwfp.com/NRIS/>.

DMAP VISION

To put the landowner/cooperator in a better position to manage their lands for a healthy deer herd, while maintaining habitat integrity.



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Season: 2024	Acres: 8000
Location: Yazoo County, MS	Years on DMAP: 29
Soil Region: Delta	Biologist: Taylor Gibson
	% Data Collected: 83

Table 1. Harvest Summary

	Number Harvested	Acres Per Deer Harvested
Bucks	9	889
Does	20	400
Totals	29	276

Table 2. Harvest History

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	RG 2023	Club Avg
Acres	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	8000	412736	8000
Total Deer	29	56	61	54	48	38	92	152	113	80	2157	72
Buck	9	30	38	28	31	28	42	61	48	49	778	36
Doe	20	26	23	26	17	10	50	91	65	31	1379	36
Acres/Deer	276	143	131	148	167	211	87	53	71	100	191	111
Acres/Buck	889	267	211	286	258	286	190	131	167	163	531	220
Acres/Doe	400	308	348	308	471	800	160	88	123	258	299	223

Table 3. Age Distribution

	Bucks		Does		Management Bucks		Criteria Bucks	
Age	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
0.5	0	0	2	25	0	0	0	0
1.5	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0
2.5	4	27	1	12	0	0	4	27
3.5	5	33	2	25	0	0	5	33
4.5	6	40	0	0	0	0	6	40
5.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7.5	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0
8.5	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0

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Table 4. Statistics for Doe Harvest

Age	Number Harvested	Avg Live Weight	Percent Lactating
0.5	2	62	0
1.5	1	100	0
2.5	1	130	0
3.5	2	125	50
4.5	0	0	0
5.5	0	0	0
6.5	0	0	0
7.5	1	152	100
8.5	1	125	0
Totals	8	116	

Table 5. Doe Harvest History

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	RG 2023	Club Avg
Total Does	8	25	23	26	17	10	50	91	65	31	2012	35
Acres/Doe	1000	320	348	308	471	800	160	88	123	258	205	231
% Harvest By Age												
% 0.5	25	16	30	31	24	20	32	38	31	23	6	30
% 1.5	12	20	13	15	6	20	14	29	12	19	21	18
% 2.5	12	36	17	19	18	10	28	8	12	19	23	17
% 3.5+	50	28	39	35	53	50	26	25	45	39	48	35
Average Weight												
0.5	62	66	67	76	74	82	73	79	81	78	69	76
1.5	100	111	116	114	112	106	111	107	100	100	101	107
2.5	130	112	126	127	118	110	123	115	121	109	114	119
3.5+	132	119	124	123	120	117	127	130	127	134	121	122
% Lactation												
% 1.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	9	2
% 2.5	0	62	67	100	67	0	46	14	75	0	49	48
% 2.5+	40	43	55	58	36	17	60	30	46	22	58	42
% 3.5+	50	17	50	38	25	20	75	35	38	33	62	39

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Table 6. Statistics for Yearling Bucks

	Number	Percent	Avg. Live Weight	Average Points
Spikes	0	0	0	0
Forks	0	0	0	0
Totals	0			

Table 7. Buck Statistics

	Live Weight		Points		Base		Length		Spread	
Age	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average
0.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
1.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
2.5	4	172	4	6.8	4	3.3	4	15.6	2	15.4
3.5	5	183	5	8	5	4.0	5	17.7	5	16.1
4.5	6	216	6	8.3	6	4.6	6	21.0	6	16.3
5.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
6.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
7.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A
8.5	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	N/A

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Table 8. Buck Harvest History (All Bucks)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	RG 2023	Club Avg
Bucks	15	30	38	28	31	28	42	58	47	47	1068	36
Acres/Buck	533	267	211	286	258	286	190	138	170	170	387	220
% .5 Bucks	0	3	0	11	0	0	5	0	17	2	3	4
# .5 Bucks	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	8	1	27	15
Avg Weight	0	76	0	68	0	0	68	0	68	75	71	69
% 1.5 Bucks	0	10	21	21	6	0	21	33	17	23	8	18
# 1.5 Bucks	0	3	8	6	2	0	9	19	8	11	89	6.6
% Spikes	0	67	12	0	0	0	56	58	38	64	60	44
Avg Weight	0	129	142	136	143	0	126	131	138	118	114	131
Avg Points	0	1.33	4.83	5.6	5	0	2.75	2.89	3.88	2.45	2	3
Avg Base	0	1.5	2.7	2.6	2.1	0	1.8	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.2
Avg Length	0	3.4	7.7	9.8	10.5	0	6.0	7.5	8.1	5.9	5.3	7.2
Avg Spread	0	4.2	8.8	8.1	8.2	0	6.0	6.6	6.3	5.3	6.3	6.7
% 2.5 Bucks	27	23	16	7	0	21	29	10	11	11	15	15
# 2.5 Bucks	4	7	6	2	0	6	12	6	5	5	156	5.3
Avg Weight	172	176	181	160	0	182	181	189	145	180	172	176
Avg Points	6.75	8.14	8	6	0	7.17	7	5.67	5	7.4	7	7
Avg Base	3.3	3.0	3.7	3.4	0	3.3	3.2	3.4	2.6	4.0	3.6	3.3
Avg Length	15.6	16.4	17.8	18.5	0	17.3	16.2	17.6	12.9	17.4	16.4	16.6
Avg Spread	15.4	14.9	14.3	14.6	0	15.6	13.8	14.9	9.5	14.4	14.0	14.2
% 3.5 Bucks	33	50	42	36	48	64	26	34	23	17	28	35
# 3.5 Bucks	5	15	16	10	15	18	11	20	11	8	301	12.9
Avg Weight	183	197	185	202	185	184	192	188	184	188	190	189
Avg Points	8	7.79	7.81	7.44	8.31	8.56	8	7.8	7.27	7.62	8	8
Avg Base	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.1	3.4	3.9	3.6	3.5	4.1	3.9
Avg Length	17.7	17.8	18.4	18.8	17.8	18.2	18.8	18.3	18.1	17.8	18.6	18.2
Avg Spread	16.1	15.3	14.5	15.6	15.7	16.2	15.1	15.1	14.8	14.8	15.6	15.3
% 4.5 + Bucks	40	13	21	25	45	14	19	22	32	47	44	28
# 4.5 + Bucks	6	4	8	7	14	4	8	13	15	22	194	10.1
Avg Weight	216	203	207	210	201	192	206	207	204	188	202	201
Avg Points	8.33	7.5	8.38	8.43	8.25	8.75	8.5	8.31	8.13	7.82	8	8
Avg Base	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.6	4.2	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.6	4.6
Avg Length	21.0	19.8	19.1	20.3	18.7	20.0	19.2	20.0	19.5	18.7	20.7	19.4
Avg Spread	16.3	16.3	16.1	17.1	15.8	16.1	15.8	17.1	15.5	16.0	16.7	16.1

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Table 9. Criteria Buck Harvest History

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	RG 2023	Club Avg
Bucks	15	30	38	28	31	28	42	58	47	47	967	36
Acres/Buck	533	267	211	286	258	286	190	138	170	170	427	220
% .5 Bucks	0	3	0	11	0	0	5	0	17	2	2	4
# .5 Bucks	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	8	1	23	15
Avg Weight	0	76	0	68	0	0	68	0	68	75	72	69
% 1.5 Bucks	0	10	21	21	6	0	21	33	17	23	6	18
# 1.5 Bucks	0	3	8	6	2	0	9	19	8	11	57	6.6
% Spikes	0	67	12	0	0	0	56	58	38	64	42	44
Avg Weight	0	129	142	136	143	0	126	131	138	118	112	131
Avg Points	0	1.33	4.83	5.6	5	0	2.75	2.89	3.88	2.45	2	3
Avg Base	0	1.5	2.7	2.6	2.1	0	1.8	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.2
Avg Length	0	3.4	7.7	9.8	10.5	0	6.0	7.5	8.1	5.9	6.5	7.2
Avg Spread	0	4.2	8.8	8.1	8.2	0	6.0	6.6	6.3	5.3	6.7	6.7
% 2.5 Bucks	27	23	16	7	0	21	29	10	11	11	15	15
# 2.5 Bucks	4	7	6	2	0	6	12	6	5	5	145	5.3
Avg Weight	172	176	181	160	0	182	181	189	145	180	173	176
Avg Points	6.75	8.14	8	6	0	7.17	7	5.67	5	7.4	7	7
Avg Base	3.3	3.0	3.7	3.4	0	3.3	3.2	3.4	2.6	4.0	3.6	3.3
Avg Length	15.6	16.4	17.8	18.5	0	17.3	16.2	17.6	12.9	17.4	16.5	16.6
Avg Spread	15.4	14.9	14.3	14.6	0	15.6	13.8	14.9	9.5	14.4	14.1	14.2
% 3.5 Bucks	33	50	42	36	48	64	26	34	23	17	28	35
# 3.5 Bucks	5	15	16	10	15	18	11	20	11	8	271	12.9
Avg Weight	183	197	185	202	185	184	192	188	184	188	191	189
Avg Points	8	7.79	7.81	7.44	8.31	8.56	8	7.8	7.27	7.62	8	8
Avg Base	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.3	3.8	4.1	3.4	3.9	3.6	3.5	4.1	3.9
Avg Length	17.7	17.8	18.4	18.8	17.8	18.2	18.8	18.3	18.1	17.8	18.8	18.2
Avg Spread	16.1	15.3	14.5	15.6	15.7	16.2	15.1	15.1	14.8	14.8	15.6	15.3
% 4.5 + Bucks	40	13	21	25	45	14	19	22	32	47	46	28
# 4.5 + Bucks	6	4	8	7	14	4	8	13	15	22	183	10.1
Avg Weight	216	203	207	210	201	192	206	207	204	188	202	201
Avg Points	8.33	7.5	8.38	8.43	8.25	8.75	8.5	8.31	8.13	7.82	8	8
Avg Base	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.6	4.2	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.6	4.6
Avg Length	21.0	19.8	19.1	20.3	18.7	20.0	19.2	20.0	19.5	18.7	20.7	19.4
Avg Spread	16.3	16.3	16.1	17.1	15.8	16.1	15.8	17.1	15.5	16.0	16.7	16.1

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Table 10. Management Buck Harvest History

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Description of the Data and Glossary of Terms

This report is based on data MDWFP receives from DMAP clubs. The club/cooperator information in the heading, including acres under management and soil region, is based on the Annual DMAP Application. Please contact your DMAP Biologist if any of the information in the heading is incorrect. The “% Data Collected” field is the percentage of deer reported on the DMAP datasheet for which jawbones were received. Harvest totals in Tables 1 and 2 are based on deer harvest reported on the DMAP datasheet (regardless of whether a jawbone was received). All other tables are based on submitted jawbones in adequate condition to age using the tooth wear and replacement technique. For all tables including Soil Region Average data, the regional data column is labeled “RG20xx.” For all tables, Criteria Buck and Management Buck are defined below. Buck designations are made by the DMAP Biologist. If no designations are made, all bucks are classified as Criteria. If you have questions about Management and Criteria bucks, please contact your DMAP Biologist.

Soil Region Average (e.g., Regional Average or RG20xx) – the average of all deer in a specified parameter (i.e., harvest total, lactation, weight, etc.) reported for the year in question is used as an indicator of overall deer herd health by comparing club averages to other DMAP clubs in the same soil region.

Criteria Buck or perhaps a “trophy buck” – a buck deemed to have antler characteristics that satisfy the club’s goals for antler quality. This determination is generally made by the DMAP biologist in collaboration with the DMAP club and considers buck age, antler characteristics, soil region averages, and the goals of the DMAP club.

Management Buck or perhaps a “cull buck” – a harvested buck deemed to have below average antler characteristics compared to other bucks in the same age class and soil region. As with Criteria bucks, this determination is generally made by the DMAP biologist in collaboration with the DMAP club.

Lactation Index – the percentage of does for which a DMAP club recorded “detecting lactation” on the datasheet. Where sample sizes are sufficient, this index is used to determine the number of adult does that successfully raised fawns and is used to help estimate fawn recruitment. These data may be highly variable based on the timing of doe harvest in the annual cycle, as well as how thoroughly club members check for lactation. Generally, a favorable lactation index would be 60% or greater for adult does. A low lactation index (with adequate sample size) may indicate poor habitat, overpopulation, or a significant predation influence. Doe harvest early in the season (Oct- Dec) is generally better in estimating fawn recruitment vs late season harvest (after does finish lactating). For this report, lactation index is adjusted to account for late-season harvest.

Dressed Weights - average weight to the nearest pound of a dressed animal. A dressed animal should have both the forward (heart and lungs and rear (intestines) viscera removed but not any part of the remaining carcass. Comparing club average body weights from year to year or to the coordinating soil region average can be an indicator of overall herd health. Typically, doe carcass condition is a more reliable indicator of herd health than that of bucks due to the drastic fluctuation of buck body weights during the rut. Significant annual changes in carcass condition may indicate changes in habitat, mast crop, herd density, disease influence, or even severe weather conditions.

Age Distribution of Harvest – an estimate of age structure of the population, though generally only the doe segment is assessed, as buck harvest is often biased. Balanced deer herds typically show some harvest across all age classes. However, an age structure with more older animals (>40% 3 years old or greater) may indicate a stockpile of older animals which could signal an overabundant deer herd. Age distribution data is generally best considered in context with other harvest data (i.e., lactation index, doe body weights), as well as observation data (i.e., adult sex ratio, fawn recruitment) and even camera survey data (i.e., deer density, buck age structure).

Fawn Recruitment – a measurement of the number of fawns per adult doe that survive to at least 4-6 months of age. Recruitment tends to improve with increased harvest due to freeing up available resources. Generally fawn recruitment is measured using hunter observation data or camera surveys.

Adult Sex Ratio – ratio of the total number of does to total number of bucks in a deer herd. Typically, adult sex ratio is measured using observation data or camera surveys. Deer are born at nearly a 1:1 ratio of does to bucks. Thus, adult sex ratios closer to 1:1 are ideal. In trophy management scenarios adult sex ratio may be skewed towards more bucks, but most deer herds range from 1.5:1 to 3:1.

Important DMAP Reminders for Each Season

- For more information, visit www.mdwfp.com/DMAP and check out the Deer Managers Toolkit.
- If club acreages are incorrect, they should be updated on your DMAP Application. Contact your DMAP Biologist for help updating your DMAP Application.
- Calibrate your body weight scale(s) each year, especially if your club has multiple scales.
- Don't forget to retrieve jawbones from taxidermy bucks. The mature bucks are the most important to have aged.
- Do your best to collect all data completely. Check udders thoroughly for lactation.
- Hunter observation data can provide useful information, especially in clubs with small harvest data sets. Ask your biologist about hunter observation books.