ANNUAL HARVEST SUMMARY REPORT

DEER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Canal Section WMA

2025-2026 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.

DMAP REPORT

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Season: 2025		Acres: 29762
Location: Itawamba County, MS		Years on DMAP: 27
Soil Region: Upper Coastal Plain	Biologist: Justin Hughes	% Data Collected: 100

Table 1. Harvest Summary

	Number Harvested	Acres Per Deer Harvested
Bucks	23	1294
Does	7	4252
Totals	30	992

Table 2. Harvest History

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	RG 2024	Club Avg
Acres	29762	29762	29762	29762	29762	29762	29672	29672	29672	27500	339268	29509
Total Deer	30	34	19	15	22	24	27	48	58	31	1814	31
Buck	23	17	13	12	12	16	16	30	33	17	733	19
Doe	7	17	6	3	10	8	11	18	25	14	1081	12
Acres/Deer	992	875	1566	1984	1353	1240	1099	618	512	887	187	958
Acres/Buck	1294	1751	2289	2480	2480	1860	1854	989	899	1618	463	1561
Acres/Doe	4252	1751	4960	9921	2976	3720	2697	1648	1187	1964	314	2480

Table 3. Age Distribution

	Bucks		Does		Management Bucks		Criteria Bucks	
Age	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
0.5	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0
1.5	2	9	1	14	0	0	2	9
2.5	4	17	2	29	0	0	4	17
3.5	5	22	1	14	0	0	5	22
4.5	4	17	1	14	0	0	4	17
5.5	5	22	0	0	0	0	5	22
6.5	2	9	0	0	0	0	2	9
7.5	1	4	0	0	0	0	1	4
8.5	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0

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Table 4. Statistics for Doe Harvest

Age	Number Harvested	Avg Live Weight	Percent Lactating
0.5	1	90	0
1.5	1	0	0
2.5	2	114	50
3.5	1	127	0
4.5	1	100	0
5.5	0	0	0
6.5	0	0	0
7.5	0	0	0
8.5	1	127	0
Totals	7	93	

Table 5. Doe Harvest History

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	RG 2024	Club Avg
Total Does	7	17	6	3	10	8	11	18	16	16	1117	11
Acres/Doe	4252	1751	4960	9921	2976	3720	2697	1648	1854	1719	300	2635
% Harvest By Age												
% 0.5	14	6	0	0	10	12	18	17	12	25	9	13
% 1.5	14	24	0	0	30	25	0	17	19	6	19	15
% 2.5	29	18	50	33	0	25	9	17	12	19	12	18
% 3.5+	43	53	50	67	60	38	73	50	56	50	55	54
Average Weight												
0.5	90	80	0	0	65	70	52	61	0	56	58	63
1.5	0	99	0	0	82	90	0	96	83	75	90	90
2.5	114	101	95	139	0	98	89	103	98	110	98	104
3.5+	118	115	91	80	109	112	95	101	109	104	103	105
% Lactation												
% 1.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
% 2.5	50	0	0	0	0	50	100	33	0	0	43	21
% 2.5+	20	18	20	50	0	75	67	27	9	36	54	30
% 3.5+	0	25	33	100	0	100	62	25	11	50	56	33

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Lactation Sample Size (2.5+ does checked for lactation)

2025: 5 does checked. Sample size is too small. Using 10 or fewer samples to estimate lactation rate could generate inaccurate conclusions.

Season	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Does checked	4	4	2	5	11	5
Raw rate	0.75	0.00	0.50	0.20	0.18	0.20
Avg harvest date	Nov 20	Dec 26	Nov 15	Dec 15	Dec 13	Dec 18
Days past parturition	114	150	109	139	137	142
Adjusted rate	1.00	0.38	0.78	0.56	0.53	0.56

Change in Lactation Rate Needed to Indicate a Trend in Recruitment

N	Earlier rate	Change
30-39	LR >= 0.9	0.10
30-39	0.9 > LR >= 0.8	0.14
30-39	0.8 > LR	0.18
40-49	LR >= 0.9	0.08
40-49	0.9 > LR >= 0.7	0.13
40-49	0.7 > LR	0.16
50-69	LR >= 0.9	0.08
50-69	0.9 > LR >= 0.8	0.10
50-69	0.8 > LR	0.14
70-89	LR >= 0.9	0.06
70-89	0.9 > LR >= 0.7	0.10
70-89	0.7 > LR	0.12
90+	LR >= 0.9	0.06
90+	0.9 > LR >= 0.8	0.08
90+	0.8 > LR	0.10

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Table 6. Statistics for Yearling Bucks

	Number	Percent	Avg. Live Weight	Average Points
Spikes	1	50	100	2
Forks	1	50	139	4
Totals	2			

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	2	120	2	3	1	1.0	1	14.5	1	12.5
2.5	4	146	4	7	4	3.1	4	14.1	4	11.2
3.5	5	158	5	7.4	5	3.6	5	14.9	5	13.6
4.5	2	170	4	7.2	4	3.7	4	16.2	4	14.2
5.5	4	164	5	7.6	5	3.5	4	15.0	5	15.8
6.5	2	180	2	7.5	1	3.5	2	18.2	2	15.2
7.5	0	0	1	10	1	4.6	1	20.6	1	13.6
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)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	RG 2024	Club Avg
Bucks	23	17	13	12	12	16	16	30	35	12	752	19
Acres/Buck	1294	1751	2289	2480	2480	1860	1854	989	848	2292	445	1586
% .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3	3	0	4	2
# .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	27	3
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	90	0	59	75
% 1.5 Bucks	9	6	15	8	0	0	0	3	3	25	9	6
# 1.5 Bucks	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	67	1.1
% Spikes	50	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	0	100	54	55
Avg Weight	120	150	125	110	0	0	0	108	120	100	97	116
Avg Points	3	4	4.5	2	0	0	0	2	4	2	2	3
Avg Base	1.0	0	1.5	0	0	0	0	2.0	2.5	1.0	1.7	1.5
Avg Length	14.5	0	11.3	0	0	0	0	1.0	9.2	5.0	5.5	7.8
Avg Spread	12.5	0	11.5	0	0	0	0	4.0	8.0	5.2	6.0	8.3
% 2.5 Bucks	17	24	31	17	17	31	25	33	49	17	12	29
# 2.5 Bucks	4	4	4	2	2	5	4	10	17	2	93	5.4
Avg Weight	146	142	151	120	150	144	161	152	175	137	135	155
Avg Points	7	7	7	7	7	7	7.75	7.3	6.94	7	7	8
Avg Base	3.1	3.0	1.8	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.9	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.9	3.2
Avg Length	14.1	14.2	15.2	13.9	17.2	13.8	16.2	14.9	15.8	14.7	13.3	15.1
Avg Spread	11.2	11.1	11.6	12.4	13.6	12.3	13.3	12.9	13.4	12.8	11.1	12.7
% 3.5 Bucks	22	47	38	58	33	31	44	17	26	17	26	31
# 3.5 Bucks	5	8	5	7	4	5	7	5	9	2	198	5.7
Avg Weight	158	165	145	173	160	158	168	148	151	149	147	159
Avg Points	7.4	7.57	6.8	7.6	8	8.2	7.57	8.4	6.44	7	7	8
Avg Base	3.6	4.3	3.1	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.4	3.6	3.1	3.5	3.7
Avg Length	14.9	14.7	14.1	17.9	16.8	16.6	17.2	16.8	15.7	14.9	15.5	16.0
Avg Spread	13.6	11.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	14.0	14.4	13.1	14.2	11.0	12.4	13.2
% 4.5 + Bucks	52	24	15	17	50	31	31	43	20	42	38	33
# 4.5 + Bucks	12	4	2	2	6	5	5	13	7	5	154	6.1
Avg Weight	170	179	133	170	150	192	142	157	172	169	161	164
Avg Points	7.67	9.75	8.5	9.5	7.17	9	7.2	8.23	8.86	8.4	8	9
Avg Base	3.7	4.2	3.4	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	4.5	3.5	4.0	4.0
Avg Length	16.5	19.8	18.0	17.2	16.8	18.8	16.6	17.3	19.0	16.5	17.7	17.5
Avg Spread	15.0	16.6	13.6	12.8	14.5	14.8	14.0	14.5	15.1	13.6	14.3	14.6

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Table 9. Criteria Buck Harvest History

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	RG 2024	Club Avg
Bucks	23	17	13	12	12	16	16	30	35	12	696	19
Acres/Buck	1294	1751	2289	2480	2480	1860	1854	989	848	2292	481	1586
% .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3	3	0	4	2
# .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	27	3
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	90	0	59	75
% 1.5 Bucks	9	6	15	8	0	0	0	3	3	25	9	6
# 1.5 Bucks	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	64	1.1
% Spikes	50	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	0	100	52	55
Avg Weight	120	150	125	110	0	0	0	108	120	100	98	116
Avg Points	3	4	4.5	2	0	0	0	2	4	2	2	3
Avg Base	1.0	0	1.5	0	0	0	0	2.0	2.5	1.0	1.7	1.5
Avg Length	14.5	0	11.3	0	0	0	0	1.0	9.2	5.0	5.8	7.8
Avg Spread	12.5	0	11.5	0	0	0	0	4.0	8.0	5.2	6.0	8.3
% 2.5 Bucks	17	24	31	17	17	31	25	33	49	17	13	29
# 2.5 Bucks	4	4	4	2	2	5	4	10	17	2	88	5.4
Avg Weight	146	142	151	120	150	144	161	152	175	137	136	155
Avg Points	7	7	7	7	7	7	7.75	7.3	6.94	7	7	8
Avg Base	3.1	3.0	1.8	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.9	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.9	3.2
Avg Length	14.1	14.2	15.2	13.9	17.2	13.8	16.2	14.9	15.8	14.7	13.4	15.1
Avg Spread	11.2	11.1	11.6	12.4	13.6	12.3	13.3	12.9	13.4	12.8	11.2	12.7
% 3.5 Bucks	22	47	38	58	33	31	44	17	26	17	26	31
# 3.5 Bucks	5	8	5	7	4	5	7	5	9	2	182	5.7
Avg Weight	158	165	145	173	160	158	168	148	151	149	148	159
Avg Points	7.4	7.57	6.8	7.6	8	8.2	7.57	8.4	6.44	7	7	8
Avg Base	3.6	4.3	3.1	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.4	3.6	3.1	3.5	3.7
Avg Length	14.9	14.7	14.1	17.9	16.8	16.6	17.2	16.8	15.7	14.9	15.5	16.0
Avg Spread	13.6	11.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	14.0	14.4	13.1	14.2	11.0	12.4	13.2
% 4.5 + Bucks	52	24	15	17	50	31	31	43	20	42	36	33
# 4.5 + Bucks	12	4	2	2	6	5	5	13	7	5	140	6.1
Avg Weight	170	179	133	170	150	192	142	157	172	169	162	164
Avg Points	7.67	9.75	8.5	9.5	7.17	9	7.2	8.23	8.86	8.4	8	9
Avg Base	3.7	4.2	3.4	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	4.5	3.5	4.1	4.1
Avg Length	16.5	19.8	18.0	17.2	16.8	18.8	16.6	17.3	19.0	16.5	18.0	17.5
Avg Spread	15.0	16.6	13.6	12.8	14.5	14.8	14.0	14.5	15.1	13.6	14.2	14.6

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Table 10. Management Buck Harvest History

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	RG 2024	Club Avg
Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Acres/Buck	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0
% .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# .5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% 1.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# 1.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% Spikes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Base	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Length	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Spread	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% 2.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# 2.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Base	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Length	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Spread	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% 3.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# 3.5 Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Base	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Length	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Spread	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
% 4.5 + Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# 4.5 + Bucks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Weight	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Points	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Base	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Length	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg Spread	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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.