

## WEST POINT 2023 DEER HARVEST SUMMARY

<b>Take by Sex</b>					
	2023 Season	2022 Season	2021 Season	2020 Season	2019 Season
Total Number - All Deer Taken	55	71	59	92	94
Total Number - Antlered Bucks	29	40	33	49	58
Total Number - Adult Does	21	21	24	32	28
Total Number – Sublegal Bucks	2	3	1	3	0
Total Number - Male Fawns	1	1	1	2	4
Total Number - Doe Fawns	2	6	0	6	4

Table 1. Take by Sex data for deer harvested from West Point in 2023 and years 2019 through 2022 for comparison.

<b>Herd Health Indicators</b>					
	2023 Season	2022 Season	2021 Season	2020 Season	2019 Season
Heaviest Antlered Buck Taken	146 lbs.	156 lbs.	151 lbs.	161 lbs.	168 lbs.
Lightest Antlered Buck Taken	80 lbs.*	73 lbs.*	74 lbs.*	73 lbs.*	99 lbs.*
Average Antlered Buck Taken	114 lbs.	119 lbs.*	112 lbs.*	113 lbs.*	124 lbs.*
Heaviest Adult Doe Taken	114 lbs.	109 lbs.	117 lbs.	108 lbs.	115 lbs.
Lightest Adult Doe Taken	78 lbs.	73 lbs.	80 lbs.	67 lbs.	72 lbs.
Average Adult Doe Taken	97 lbs.	90 lbs.	93 lbs.	84 lbs.	92 lbs.
Heaviest Male Fawn Taken	70 lbs.	58 lbs.	52 lbs.	52 lbs.	69 lbs.
Heaviest Female Fawn Taken	57 lbs.	53 lbs.	N/A	57 lbs.	49 lbs.

Table 2. Herd health indicator data for deer harvested from West Point in 2023 and similar data from years 2019 through 2022 for comparison. \* Since 2019, a three-to-one-side antler point restriction has partially restricted the harvest of younger antlered bucks. Note: For accuracy, only Regular Season dressed weights used.

<b>Take By Age</b>						
	2023		2022		2021	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Fawns	1	2	1	6	1	---
Yearlings	8	4	7	4	4	5
2 ½ years	6	3	9	6	5	3
3 ½ years	8	1	6	---	7	4
4 ½ years	2	1	3	1	1	3
5 ½ years +	2	1	5	1	3	2
No Age	---	---	1	---	---	---
Total	27	12	32	18	21	17

Table 3. Take by Age Class data for deer harvested from West Point in 2023 Regular “Firearms” season and from 2022 and 2021 for comparison. Deer taken in Early Bow, Late Bow/Muzzleloader seasons were not aged so data from those deer is unavailable.

<b>Buck Take by Antler Points</b>						
	2023		2022		2021	
Number of Points	Number of Deer	Percentage of Antlered Deer	Number of Deer	Percentage of Antlered Deer	Number of Deer	Percentage of Antlered Deer
1	<b>1</b>	3.5%	<b>1</b>	2.5%	<b>1</b>	3.0%
2	<b>0</b>	0%	<b>2</b>	5.0%	<b>1</b>	3.0%
3	<b>0</b>	0%	<b>1</b>	2.5%	<b>1</b>	3.0%
4	<b>4</b>	13.8%	<b>1</b>	2.5%	<b>5</b>	15.2%
5	<b>3</b>	10.3%	<b>4</b>	10.0%	<b>1</b>	3.0%
6	<b>8</b>	27.6%	<b>6</b>	15.0%	<b>6</b>	18.2%
7	<b>4</b>	13.8%	<b>10</b>	25.0%	<b>5</b>	15.2%
8	<b>8</b>	27.6%	<b>13</b>	32.5%	<b>11</b>	33.3%
9	<b>1</b>	3.5%	<b>0</b>	0%	<b>2</b>	6.1%
10+	<b>0</b>	0%	<b>2</b>	5.0%	<b>0</b>	0%
Total	<b>29</b>		<b>40</b>		<b>33</b>	

Table 4. Buck Take by Antler Points for the 2023 Season and the 2021 and 2022 seasons for comparison. Data represents bucks from all seasons. Since 2019, a three-to-a-side antler point restriction has been in place. Excluded from male data are one male fawn and one sublegal male.

<b>Buck Take – Points By Age</b>										
	1 pts	2 pts	3 pts	4 pts	5 pts	6 pts	7 pts	8 pts	9 pts	10+ pts
Yearling	1	---	---	3	1	1	1	---	---	---
2 ½	---	---	---	---	2	3	---	1	---	---
3 ½	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	4	1	---
4 ½	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	1	---	---
5 ½	---	---	---	---	---	1	---	1	---	---
Total	1	0	0	3	3	5	5	7	1	0

Table 5. Points by Age Class data for deer harvested from West Point in 2023 Regular “Firearms” season. Deer taken in early bow and late bow/muzzleloader seasons were not processed. Data from those deer is unavailable as well as from a few Regular “Firearms” season deer, unable to be aged, is not represented. Excluded from male data are one male fawn and one sublegal male.

<b>Harvest By Season</b>					
	2023 Season	2022 Season	2021 Season	2020 Season	2019 Season
Total Harvest	55	71	59	92	94
Early Bow Season	12	14	17	12	20
Regular (“Firearms”) Season	39	50	38	74	65
Muzzleloader Season	4	7	4	6	9

Table 6. Harvest by Season data for deer harvested from West Point in 2023 and similar data from years 2018 through 2022 for comparison.

Deer By Area 2023												
	<u>A1</u>	<u>A2</u>	<u>A3</u> Bow	<u>B</u>	<u>BUC</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>CS</u>	<u>CS2</u> Bow	<u>D1</u>	<u>D2</u>	<u>D3</u>	
ADULT MALES	---	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	3	---	1	
MALE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	
ADULT DOES	---	---	1	1	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	
DOE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	
TOTAL DEER	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	1	
	<u>E1</u>	<u>E2</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>G1</u>	<u>G2</u> Bow	<u>H</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>J1</u> Bow	<u>J2</u> Bow	<u>J3</u> Bow	<u>J4</u> Bow	<u>J5</u> Bow
ADULT MALES	---	1	---	---	---	---	2	---	3	---	---	---
MALE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ADULT DOES	---	1	---	---	1	1	1	---	2	---	---	1
DOE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL DEER	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	0	5	0	0	1
	<u>K</u> Bow	<u>L</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>Q</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>R</u> Disabled	<u>RP</u> Bow	<u>S</u>	
ADULT MALES	---	3	---	1	---	3	---	1	---	---	1	
MALE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	---	---	---	
ADULT DOES	---	---	---	---	1	---	1	1	---	---	1	
DOE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	
TOTAL DEER	0	3	0	1	1	4	1	3	0	0	3	
	<u>T1</u>	<u>T2</u>	<u>U1</u>	<u>U2</u>	<u>V/W</u> Bow	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z1</u>	<u>Z2</u>	<u>Z4</u>	<u>Z5</u>	<u>Z6</u>
ADULT MALES	2	1	---	1	1	2	3	---	---	---	1	1
MALE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ADULT DOES	---	---	---	1	---	1	1	1	2	---	---	1
DOE FAWNS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL DEER	2	1	0	2	1	3	4	1	3	0	1	2

Table 7. Deer by Area for 2023 Hunting Season. Data from all 2023 seasons is included. Any sublegal bucks taken are included in adult male data set. Areas in green are APR (Antler Point Restricted) Areas. Areas in purple are non-APR areas.

<b>Hunter Days &amp; Catch Per Unit Effort (CPU) Per Season</b>						
	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>	
	Check-Ins	%	Check-Ins	%	Check-Ins	%
APR Areas	664	66.6%	732	72.2%	1169	71.7%
Non-APR Areas	333	33.4%	282	27.8%	391	28.3%

Table 8. Antler Point Restricted (APR) Areas and Non-Antler Point Restricted (non-APR) Regular Season Check-Ins for 2023 and similar data from 2021 and 2022 for comparison. Areas in green are APR Areas. Areas in purple are non-APR areas.

<b>Hunter Days &amp; Catch Per Unit Effort (CPU) Per Season</b>			
	<b>2023 Season*</b>	<b>2022 Season*</b>	<b>2021 Season*</b>
	Opening Weekend	Opening Weekend	Opening Weekend
Total Deer	16	14	12
Hunter Days	151 (158)	117 (123)	180 (198)
CPU*	10.6% (10.1%)	11.9% (11.4%)	6.7% (6.1%)
	Regular Season	Regular Season	Regular Season
Total Deer	39	50	38
Total Hunters*	172	184	201
Hunter Days	710 (761)	607 (670)	920 (1010)
CPU*	5.5% (5.1%)	8.2% (7.5%)	4.1% (3.8%)

Table 9. Hunter Days Per Season. Total Deer Harvest, Hunter Days, Total Numbers of Hunters and Catch per Unit (CPU, percent deer per hunter day) effort for both Opening Weekend of Regular “Firearms” Season and entire Regular “Firearms” Season at West Point in 2023 and similar data for 2021 and 2022 for comparison. In 2021, system upgrades enabled improved tracking of guest hunter days. Paranthesized data includes guest hunters.

<b>2023 Regular Season</b>							
	Antlered Bucks	Button Bucks	Adult Does	Doe Fawns	Sublegal Bucks	No Age Doe	Total Deer
MILITARY	7	---	2	1	---	---	10
CIVILIAN	3	---	3	---	---	---	6
DEPENDENT	2	---	---	---	---	---	2
CADET	---	---	2	---	---	---	2
GUEST	2	---	---	---	---	---	2
RETIRED	7	---	1	---	1	---	9
PUBLIC	4	1	2	1	---	---	8
TOTAL	25	1	10	2	1	0	39

Table 10. Breakdown of what segments of the hunting population took deer at West Point during the 2023 Regular “Firearms” Hunting Season.

<b>2023 Early Bow Season</b>					
	Antlered Bucks	Button Bucks	No Age Doe	Sublegal Bucks	Total Deer
MILITARY	2	---	5	1	8
CIVILIAN	---	---	1	---	1
DEPENDENT	1	---	1	---	2
CADET	1	---	---	---	1
GUEST	---	---	---	---	0
RETIRED	---	---	---	---	0
TOTAL	4	0	7	1	12

Table 11. Breakdown of what segments of the population took deer at West Point during the 2023 Early Bow Deer Season. No deer were aged during Early Bow Deer Season.

<b>2023 Late Bow &amp; Muzzleloader Season</b>				
	Antlered Bucks	Sublegal Bucks	No Age Doe	Total Deer
MILITARY	---	---	3	3
CIVILIAN	1	---	---	1
DEPENDENT	---	---	---	---
CADET	---	---	---	---
GUEST	---	---	---	---
RETIRED	---	---	---	---
TOTAL	1	0	3	4

Table 12. Breakdown of what segments of the population took deer at West Point during the 2023 Late Bow and Muzzleloader Deer Season. No deer were aged during Late Bow and Muzzleloader Deer Season.

<b>2023 All Deer Seasons</b>							
	Antlered Bucks	Button Bucks	Adult Does	Doe Fawns	Sub Bucks	No Age Doe	Total Deer
MILITARY	9	---	2	1	1	8	21
CIVILIAN	4	---	3	---	---	1	8
DEPENDENT	3	---	---	---	---	1	4
CADET	1	---	2	---	---	---	3
GUEST	2	---	---	---	---	---	2
RETIRED	7	---	1	---	1	---	9
PUBLIC	4	1	2	1	---	---	8
TOTAL	30	1	10	2	2	10	55

Table 13. Breakdown of what segments of the population took deer at West Point during all combined deer seasons in 2023.

### TOTAL NUMBER OF DEER HARVESTED, 1976-2023

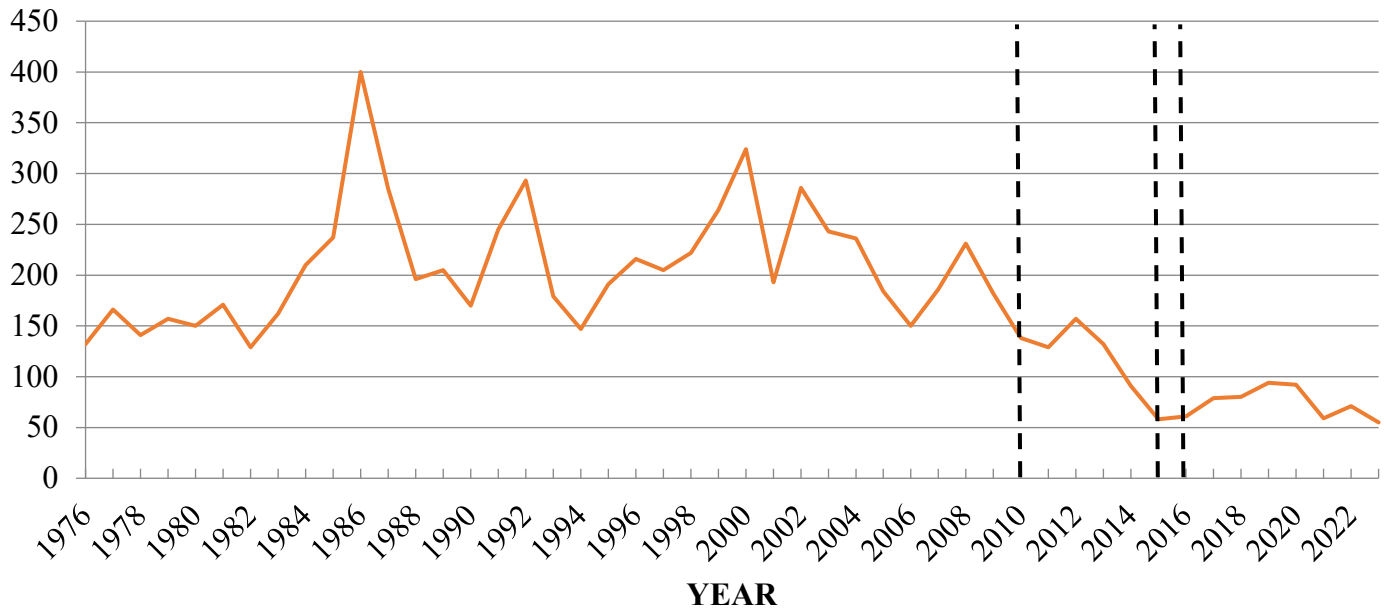


Figure 1. Line graph showing the total number of deer harvested at West Point from 1976 to 2023. Data included represents total deer from all seasons. Doe harvest was restricted by regulations, 2010-2016 including significantly restricted in 2015 and 2016. In 2019, a three-to-a-side antler point restriction was implemented.

### TOTAL MALE & FEMALE DEER HARVESTED, 1976-2023

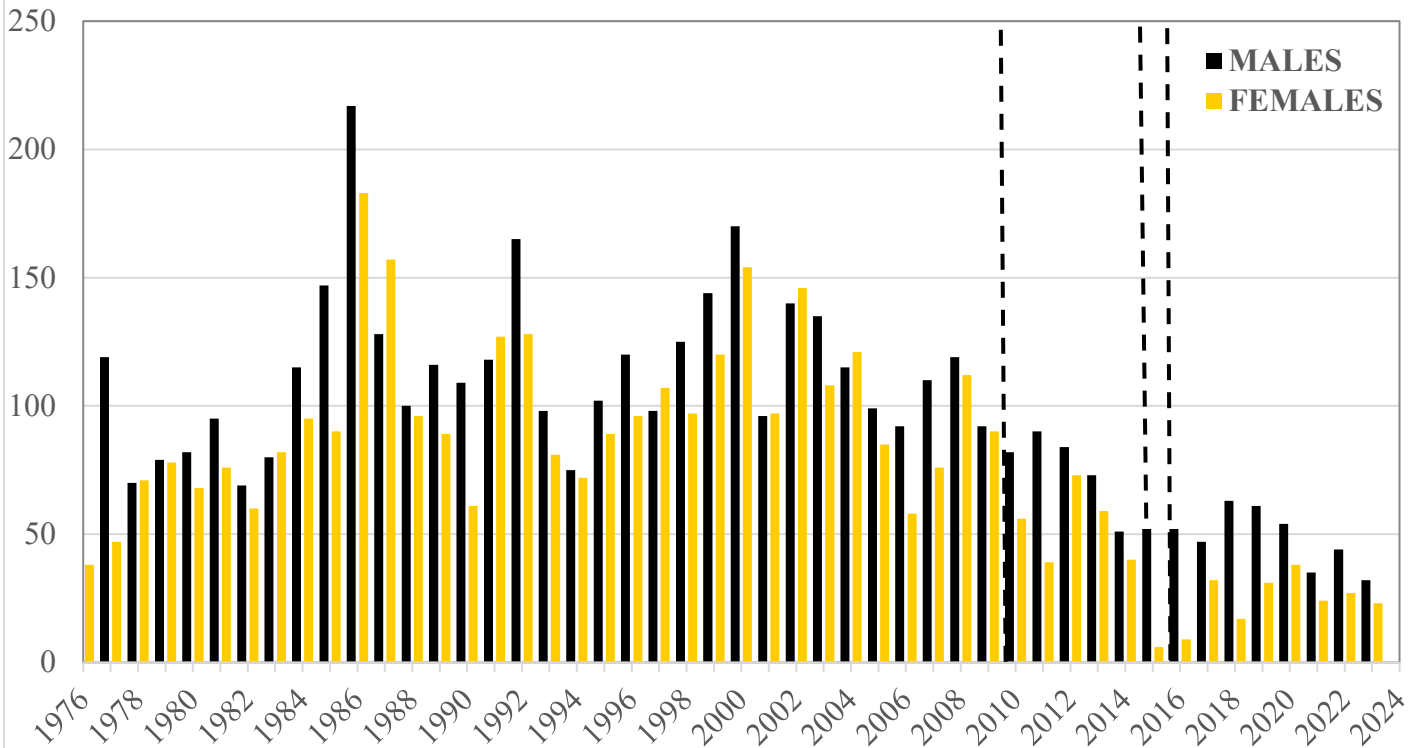


Figure 2. Bar Graph showing total numbers of male and female deer harvested at West Point from 1976 to 2023. Data included is from all seasons. Doe harvest was restricted by regulations, 2010-2016 including significantly restricted in 2015 and 2016. In 2019, a three-to-a-side antler point restriction was implemented.