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ABSTRACT

A random sample of 3,000 potential hunters was selected from the 2004 Illinois Habitat Stamp stubs and license sales. An eight page questionnaire was mailed to 2,910 of the 3,000 individuals. We received 1,938 (67%) returned questionnaires, 1,911 of which were usable. License sales increased 2.4% from 293,000 sold for the 2003 season to 300,000 sold for the 2004 season. Comparisons of harvest estimates from 2003-2004 season to 2004-2005 season suggest harvest estimates increased for 10 game animal categories (rabbit, quail, pheasant, dove, woodcock, fox squirrel, gray squirrel, raccoon, gray fox, and opossum), decreased for 2 categories (red fox and coyote), and could not be calculated for 1 category (gray partridge). We examined hunter activities, attitudes, and preferences related to dove hunting, upland game hunting within and outside Illinois, and personal characteristics.

OBJECTIVE

To survey resident hunters (18-24 game animal hunting categories) annually to determine their activities and harvests in Illinois.

METHODS

Potential hunters were selected for this survey by a systematic random sampling of individuals who purchased Illinois resident hunting licenses and state habitat stamps. Of the 3,000 hunters selected, 90 were deleted due to lack of a forwarding address, incorrect address, or death, leaving a usable sample of 2,910 hunters. Participants were mailed a self-administered, 8-page questionnaire accompanied by a cover letter and return envelope on March 16, 2005 (Appendices A and B). This mailing was followed 2 weeks later with a thank you/reminder postcard to nonrespondents. On April 13, a second questionnaire, cover letter, and return envelope were mailed to nonrespondents. The second mailing was followed 2 weeks later with a postcard thank you/reminder. A total of 1,938 (67%) respondents returned questionnaires, 1,911 of which were usable (the other 27 questionnaires were not filled out or answers were judged to be insincere). Methods for survey
questionnaire mailings and follow-up reminders followed those of Miller et al. (1999). Data was coded, entered, and analyzed using SPSS 11.5 software. Estimates for species harvests, hunters, and days afield were made using the formulas in Anderson and Campbell (1993). Hunting regulations for the 2004-2005 season in Illinois are presented in Appendix C.

RESULTS

License Sales

Resident Illinois license sales for the 2004-2005 hunting season totaled 300,000, a 2.4% increase from the 2003-2004 sales (Table 1). This is the second straight year license sales have increased, and is the highest sales recorded since 1998.

Harvest

Of the 1,911 respondents to the hunter harvest survey, 1,756 (92%) reported hunting in Illinois during the 2004-2005 season. Harvest estimates represent game species harvested by Illinois resident hunters and do not include harvests by nonresidents. Including harvests by nonresidents for species such as mourning doves may result in larger total harvests. Except for statewide estimates (Table 2), data for big game species (i.e., white-tailed deer and eastern wild turkey) are not included in this report. The reader is directed to Illinois Department of Natural Resources (DNR) publications specific to these species for detailed information.

Statewide estimates of harvests for the 24 game animal species and categories included in this survey are presented in Table 2, and confidence intervals are provided for 13 of these categories in Table 3. Harvest estimates for these same 13 categories are summarized by wildlife management unit, administrative region, and year (1994 to 2004) in Tables 4-34. There were an estimated 91,007 hunters that pursued gray and/or fox squirrels during the 2004-2005 season.

Results suggest harvest increased during the 2004-2005 season compared to the 2003-2004 season for 10 game species: rabbit, quail, pheasant, dove, woodcock, fox squirrel, gray squirrel, raccoon, gray fox, and
opossum. Conversely, decreases occurred for 2 species: red fox and coyote. Change in harvest of gray partridge could not be calculated due to low responses for this species.

Hunting Activities and Opinions

*Dove Hunting* – Five hundred (26%) of the 1,911 survey respondents spent at least part of one day hunting doves in Illinois. Of 488 hunters that reported their dove hunting activities, 473 (97%) reported spending 2,087 days hunting doves during the early segment (September 1-October 21) of the dove season and 74 hunters (15%) spent 196 days hunting doves during the late segment (November 6-14). There were similar trends in doves harvested, with 11,095 taken (95%) during the early segment and 609 doves taken (5%) during the late segment. The majority of all hunters were undecided about the current structure for dove season dates, and dove hunters expressed similar sentiments (Table 35). While pluralities of hunters said they were undecided about dove season dates when asked in Question 4, a majority (58%, n = 651) indicated they would prefer to return to a continuous dove season (September 1-October 30) when asked in Question 5. When considering just dove hunters, an even higher percentage indicated they would prefer returning to a continuous season (60%, n = 279).

Only 20% (n = 276) of hunters reported they were familiar with Eurasian collared-doves (ECD), compared to 49% (n = 684) of hunters that reported they could not distinguish them from mourning doves, and 31% (n = 426) that were not sure. Of those that indicated they could identify an ECD, 144 or 53% reported having seen one in Illinois, and another 4% (n = 11) were not sure. The counties where ECD’s were observed are reported in Table 36. Of 788 respondents to the question, only 37 (5%) reported actually harvesting an ECD in Illinois. Hunters reported harvesting 64 ECD’s in Illinois in 2004 and 60 in all previous years combined. The majority of hunters (51%) had no opinion when asked if ECD’s should be considered separate from mourning doves or part of the normal 15-dove bag limit. However, of those who had an opinion, 31% felt that ECDs should remain as part of the normal dove bag limit, compared to 18% who felt ECDs should be considered separate from mourning doves with an unlimited bag.
Dove hunters spent the greatest number of days hunting on private land compared to state or other public land (Table 37). Most dove hunters have not hunted in staked dove fields or in fields managed with a hunter quota (Table 38). Overall, most hunters didn’t care which method of hunter distribution was used in managed dove hunting fields, and those that had a preference were equally divided between the staked method and hunter quota method (Table 39). Among the few dove hunters who had hunted under both hunter distribution scenarios, there was a slight preference for the staked method (45%, n = 28) compared to the hunter quota method (34%, n = 21), but 21% (n = 13) still had no preference.

Upland Game Hunting – Hunters felt that upland game species, with the exception of squirrels, had declined over the past 5 years in the area they hunt (Table 40). Relatively few upland game hunters hunt one species or species group exclusively, with most hunting whatever species is in season (Table 41). Fifty-four percent of hunters (n = 961) had hunted rabbits in the past 5 years. Of the 46% (n = 807) of hunters that had not hunted rabbits in the past 5 years, the primary reasons given for not hunting rabbits were: there aren’t enough rabbits to hunt, they enjoyed hunting other game species more, and they didn’t have a good place to hunt rabbits (Table 42). Most hunters (81%, n = 1,335) were in favor of extending the rabbit season to close on January 31 statewide.

Hunters strongly supported eliminating the upland game zone boundary 77% (n = 1,265) compared to 24% (n = 388) that did not support eliminating the boundary. The majority of hunters (65%, n = 932) felt the long-term decline in quail numbers warranted a reduction in the daily quail bag limit. Most felt the daily bag limit should be reduced from 8 to 4 quail per day (Table 43). Hunters reported having many different kinds of hunting dogs (Table 44) with non-pointing Labrador retrievers being most common, followed by beagles, pointers and setters. Other hunting dogs reported included golden retriever, Chesapeake Bay retriever, coyote dog (coydog), terriers, and other hounds.

Thirty-seven percent (n = 653) of respondents hunted gray or fox squirrels during the 2004-2005 hunting season. Of those that did not hunt squirrels during the 2004-2005 season, 81% (n = 893) had hunted squirrels in Illinois in the past. Two-thirds of hunters (67%, n = 825) said they would hunt squirrels if there were
opportunities within a “few” miles of their home, and most (80%, n = 1,345) supported extending the squirrel season to end on January 31.

Hunter Participation – Only 7% (n = 118) of respondents reported hunting upland game outside of Illinois during the 2004-2005 season. The state or country and species hunted in each are listed in Table 45. The average expenditure by Illinois hunters to hunt upland game in another state was $553 (n = 355), but the majority of hunters spent less than $100 (including license fees, travel and gasoline, lodging, food and drink, guns, ammunition, and other hunting equipment) (Table 46). Of those that traveled to another state to hunt upland game in 2004-2005, 63% (n = 72) would no longer travel elsewhere if upland game were more abundant and/or they had better access to good upland game hunting areas in Illinois.

General Information

Respondents to this survey were 96% male and 4% female, averaged 48 years of age at the beginning of the hunting season, and had hunted in Illinois for an average of 31 years. They represented 98 of the 102 counties in the state (Table 47). Thirty-three percent (n = 607) of respondents considered themselves “baby-boomers”, and 24% (n = 457) of all those surveyed indicated they were veterans or currently serving in the U.S. military.

REFERENCES


Table 1. Number of resident hunting licenses purchased in Illinois, 1938-2004.

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a Includes Sportsmen’s (combination hunting/fishing) licenses beginning in 1979, which was the 1st year for this license.

b Includes senior citizen (≥ 65 years) hunting licenses beginning in 1994, which was the 1st year for this license.
Table 2. Summary of Statewide Data from the 2004-2005 Hunter Harvest Survey (n = 1,911).

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*a* Regular firearm deer season.
*b* Muzzleloader-only deer season.
*c* Archery deer season.
*d* Late-winter firearm deer season (formerly Handgun deer season).
Table 3. Estimated Number (± 95% confidence interval) of Resident Licensed Hunters and Harvest in Illinois, 2004 (n = 1,911).

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Table 4. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Wildlife Management Units in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

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Table 18. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Administrative Regions in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

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Table 23. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Administrative Regions in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

**WOODCOCK (n = 10)**

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### Table 26. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Administrative Regions in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

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Table 27. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Administrative Regions in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

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Table 29. Summary of 2004 Hunting Effort and Success in Administrative Regions in Illinois for the Species Listed Below.

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Table 31. Percent change in harvest from 2003 to 2004 in Administrative Regions for selected species.

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Note: For Red and Gray Fox, percentage change could not be calculated in certain regions due to no harvest in 2003 in those regions.
Table 32. Distribution of hunting effort and success among resident Illinois hunters in 2004.

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<td>Opossum</td>
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*From 2003, 1999, and 1994, respectively; see also Table 33.
Table 35. Dove hunting activities and opinions related to the split dove season.

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<th>Disagree</th>
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Table 37. How many **days** did you spend hunting doves on each of the following areas in 2004?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>Minimum days</th>
<th>Maximum days</th>
<th>Total days</th>
<th>Mean days</th>
<th>SE days</th>
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<tr>
<td>Private land</td>
<td>430</td>
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<td>31</td>
<td>2,011</td>
<td>4.7</td>
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<tr>
<td>DNR managed dove field</td>
<td>99</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>278</td>
<td>2.8</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>DNR site but not over a managed dove field</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>2.5</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other public land (Federal lands, county parks, etc.)</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>2.3</td>
<td>0.5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 38. Dove hunting over managed fields is organized differently from one DNR site to another. Some fields are staked and hunters are required to remain in their staked area, while in other fields the number of hunters are limited but they can position themselves anywhere within the field. Have you hunted in any of these dove field management scenarios?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Scenario</th>
<th>Number of hunters that have hunted in each scenario</th>
<th>Percentage of dove hunters that have hunted in each scenario</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Staked dove fields</td>
<td>202</td>
<td>29.2% (n = 146)</td>
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<tr>
<td>dove fields with a hunter quota that allow hunters to hunt from anywhere in the field</td>
<td>146</td>
<td>18.0% (n = 90)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No, I haven’t hunted under either scenario</td>
<td>892</td>
<td>56.8% (n = 284)</td>
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Table 39. Which method of hunter distribution do you prefer in managed dove fields?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Method</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>%</th>
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<tr>
<td>Staked dove fields</td>
<td>234</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hunter quotas but allow hunters to position themselves anywhere in the field</td>
<td>227</td>
<td>18.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Don’t care</td>
<td>778</td>
<td>62.8</td>
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</table>

Table 40. Based on your observations how have upland game populations changed in the past 5 years in the areas you hunt?

<table>
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<th>Game</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>Lower</th>
<th>Same</th>
<th>Higher</th>
<th>Not sure</th>
<th>None in my area</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rabbits</td>
<td>1,567</td>
<td>45.1%</td>
<td>25.0</td>
<td>18.4</td>
<td>9.2</td>
<td>2.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pheasants</td>
<td>1,483</td>
<td>41.7%</td>
<td>16.5</td>
<td>9.4</td>
<td>11.5</td>
<td>20.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quail</td>
<td>1,485</td>
<td>50.5%</td>
<td>15.9</td>
<td>8.2</td>
<td>16.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hungarian (Gray) Partridge</td>
<td>1,307</td>
<td>17.9%</td>
<td>6.8</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>33.0</td>
<td>41.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Squirrels</td>
<td>1,551</td>
<td>5.5%</td>
<td>41.2</td>
<td>41.4</td>
<td>10.4</td>
<td>1.4</td>
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</table>
Table 41. Which of the following best describes you as an upland game hunter?

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>n</th>
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<tr>
<td>I primarily hunt game birds</td>
<td>320</td>
<td>22.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I primarily hunt rabbits</td>
<td>173</td>
<td>12.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I exclusively hunt for game birds (never rabbits)</td>
<td>94</td>
<td>6.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I exclusively hunt for rabbits (never game birds)</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>3.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I hunt whatever small game is legal during the upland season, which may include doves or ducks</td>
<td>788</td>
<td>55.6</td>
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Table 42. Reasons hunters gave for not hunting rabbits in the past 5 years.

<table>
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<th>Reason</th>
<th>n</th>
<th>% of hunters who have not hunted rabbits in the past 5 years</th>
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<tr>
<td>I don’t like eating rabbits</td>
<td>114</td>
<td>14.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>I don’t have a good place to hunt rabbits</td>
<td>231</td>
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<tr>
<td>There aren’t enough rabbits to hunt</td>
<td>375</td>
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<td>Not enough time</td>
<td>198</td>
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<td>I don’t like to shoot rabbits over my bird dog(s)</td>
<td>85</td>
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<tr>
<td>I think rabbits have too many diseases</td>
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<td>I don’t enjoy hunting rabbits</td>
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<tr>
<td>I enjoy hunting other game species more</td>
<td>234</td>
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<tr>
<td>I don’t have rabbit dogs</td>
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<td>22.2</td>
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Table 43. What should the quail bag limit be?

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<td>0 quail – close the season</td>
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<td>2 quail</td>
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<td>4 quail</td>
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<td>48.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 quail</td>
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Table 44. How many hunting dogs do you currently own?

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<th>Hunters</th>
<th>Number of dogs</th>
<th>Maximum owned by one owner</th>
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<td>Pointers and setters</td>
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<td>Spaniels</td>
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<td>97</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>Pointing Labrador retrievers</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-pointing Labrador retrievers</td>
<td>220</td>
<td>272</td>
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<td>Beagles</td>
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<td>Coonhounds</td>
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<td>74</td>
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<td>Other hunting breed (please list)</td>
<td>58</td>
<td>103</td>
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Table 45. Hunters that hunted in Illinois and other states and the upland game species they hunted.

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Table 46. Amount Illinois hunters spent preparing for and hunting upland game outside of Illinois during the 2004-2005 season. Responses limited only to those that hunted upland game outside Illinois.

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Table 47. County of residence for respondents to the 2004-2005 Hunter Harvest Survey. (n = 1,911)

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Dear Illinois Hunter,

You are one of a select group of Illinois hunters asked to provide information about your hunting activities during the 2004-2005 hunting season. Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to us as soon as possible. The information you and other selected hunters furnish our biologists is vital for proper wildlife management and allows us to safeguard wildlife populations while maximizing hunting opportunities.

This survey is limited to those hunters selected. Please take a few minutes to complete the enclosed questionnaire even if you were not successful, and answer opinion questions even if you did not hunt. A postage-paid envelope is provided for returning the questionnaire to us.

If you are interested in the summary results of this survey, or other hunter and trapper surveys, please visit http://www.inhs.uiuc.edu/cwe/hd/. For more information about wildlife in Illinois, visit http://dnr.state.il.us/orc/wildliferesources/.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

William L. Anderson
Wildlife Harvest and Human Dimensions Research Program
Dear Illinois Hunter,

As one of a select group of Illinois hunters during the 2004-2005 season, you have been asked to provide information about your hunting activities. We recently mailed you a survey questionnaire regarding your hunting experiences in Illinois during the 2004-2005 season. We have not received your completed questionnaire at this time. Perhaps you recently mailed the questionnaire and it has not yet arrived in our office. If so, we thank you.

**If you have not returned your completed questionnaire to us, please do so as soon as possible. Another copy of the questionnaire is enclosed.** The information you and other selected hunters furnish our biologists is vital for proper wildlife management and allows us to safeguard wildlife populations while maximizing hunting opportunities.

This survey is limited to those hunters selected. Please complete the enclosed questionnaire **even if you were not successful and answer opinion questions even if you did not hunt.** A postage-paid envelope is provided for you to return the questionnaire to us.

If you have questions, please call us at (217) 244-5121. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

William L. Anderson
Wildlife Harvest and Human Dimensions Research Program
Dear Illinois Hunter,

You have been selected to participate in the Illinois Hunter Harvest Survey. A survey questionnaire was recently mailed to you. We have not received your questionnaire at this time. If you have returned the questionnaire, we thank you and please disregard this reminder. If you have not returned the questionnaire, please do so as soon as possible. Your input is very important!

Thank you for your cooperation.
Illinois Hunter Harvest Survey

2004 – 2005 Season

Your comments are welcome but please write them on a separate sheet of paper to receive proper attention.

ALL RESPONSES ARE CONFIDENTIAL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

Postage-paid return envelope provided

The Department of Natural Resources is requesting disclosure of information that is necessary to accomplish the statutory purpose as outlined under the Illinois Compiled Statutes, The Wildlife Code, Chapter 520. Disclosure of information is voluntary.
**Section 1. Hunter Harvest and Days Afield.** Please complete the following questionnaire for the past hunting season (February 2004 - January 2005). Include ONLY the game harvested and days hunted IN ILLINOIS. List only your retrieved kill, not those hit and not found. **DO NOT** list any upland game harvested or days hunted on licensed shooting preserves or controlled hunting areas. Count part of a day as a whole day.

1. Did you hunt in Illinois during the 2004-2005 season?  
   - Yes  
   - No (please go to Section 2)

**Please provide the days hunted, harvest and counties hunted for the following species.**

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\* (previously called handgun season, held January 14-16, 2005)
Section 2. Dove Hunting. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources is evaluating several aspects of the dove hunting season. Please tell us about your dove hunting activities and give your opinions on doves and dove hunting in Illinois.

1. The 2004 dove season was split into 2 segments. The early segment extended from September 1 to October 21, and the late segment coincided with the first 9 days of the upland game season (November 6-14). To help us evaluate hunter effort during each segment, please tell us how many days you hunted doves during each segment. (Count part of a day as a whole day)

   _____ days hunting doves during the early segment (Sept. 1 – Oct. 21)
   _____ days hunting doves the late segment (Nov. 6 – 14)

2. During the late segment of the dove season, how many days did you hunt doves while hunting other upland game like pheasants, quail, or rabbits?

   _____ days hunting doves while hunting other upland game
   _____ days hunting doves only

3. How many doves did you harvest during each segment of the dove hunting season?

   _____ doves harvested during the early segment (Sept. 1 – Oct. 21)
   _____ doves harvested during the late segment (Nov. 6 – 14)

4. The 2004 dove season was open from September 1 to October 21, closed from October 22 to November 5, then open again from November 6 to 14. Please tell us how you feel about the closed segment of the dove season by circling the appropriate numbers below.

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<td>I feel disappointed because I cannot hunt doves in late October.</td>
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<td>I like the closed segment because it allows me to hunt doves while hunting other upland game in November.</td>
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5. Would you prefer to retain a split dove season that provides a dove hunting opportunity while hunting other upland game species or return to a continuous dove season that allows dove hunting in late October?

   _____ retain a split dove season     _____ return to a continuous dove season

6. In the late 1990’s the exotic Eurasian collared-dove was first documented in Illinois. While collared-doves are spreading throughout Illinois, they are not common. Are you familiar enough with Eurasian collared-doves to distinguish them from our native mourning doves?

   _____ Yes  _____ No  _____ Not sure
7. Have you ever seen a Eurasian collared-dove in the wild in Illinois? (If you answer “No” or “Not sure”, please go to Question 9)
   _____ Yes     _____ No     _____ Not sure

7a. If “Yes”, in what county did you see Eurasian collared-doves? _______________________________

8. Currently Eurasian collared-doves can be harvested in Illinois and are counted as part of the normal 15-dove bag limit. Have you ever harvested a Eurasian collared-dove in Illinois?
   _____ Yes     _____ No

8a. If “Yes”, how many Eurasian collared-doves have you harvested?
   In 2004 ______     In previous years ______

9. As stated above, Eurasian collared-doves are currently included as part of the normal 15-dove bag limit in Illinois. Should DNR consider collared-doves separate from mourning doves and implement an unlimited bag for the exotic collared-doves?
   _____ Yes     _____ No     _____ No opinion

10. How many days did you spend hunting doves on each of the following areas in 2004?
    _____ Private land
    _____ DNR managed dove field
    _____ DNR site but not over a managed dove field
    _____ Other public land (Federal lands, county parks, etc.)

11. Dove hunting over managed fields is organized differently from one DNR site to another. Some fields are staked and hunters are required to remain in their staked area, while in other fields the number of hunters are limited but they can position themselves anywhere within the field. Have you hunted in any of these dove field management scenarios? (Check all that apply)
    _____ Staked dove fields
    _____ Dove fields with a hunter quota that allow hunters to hunt from anywhere in the field
    _____ No, I haven’t hunted under either scenario

12. Which method of hunter distribution do you prefer in managed dove fields?
    _____ 1) Staked dove fields
    _____ 2) Hunter quotas but allow hunters to position themselves anywhere in the field
    _____ 3) Don’t care

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Section 3. Upland Game Hunting. Illinois is seeking to simplify upland game hunting regulations. Please tell us about your hunting activities and give us your opinions on the following questions related to upland game hunting in Illinois.

1. Based on your observations how have upland game populations changed in the past 5 years in the areas you hunt? (Circle the appropriate number for each species)

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2. Which of the following best describes you as an upland game hunter? (Check only one)

   _____ 1) I primarily hunt game birds
   _____ 2) I primarily hunt rabbits
   _____ 3) I exclusively hunt for game birds (never rabbits)
   _____ 4) I exclusively hunt for rabbits (never game birds)
   _____ 5) I hunt whatever small game is legal during the upland season, which may include doves or ducks

3. Have you hunted rabbits in the past 5 years?
   _____ Yes   _____ No

3a. If “No”, why not? (Check all that apply)

   _____ I don’t like eating rabbits   _____ I think rabbits have too many diseases
   _____ I don’t have a good place to hunt rabbits   _____ I don’t enjoy hunting rabbits
   _____ There aren’t enough rabbits to hunt   _____ I enjoy hunting other game species more
   _____ Not enough time   _____ I don’t have rabbit dogs
   _____ I don’t like to shoot rabbits over my bird dog(s)

4. Rabbit season currently shares the same season dates with other upland game species like quail and pheasants. In 2004-2005, the season closed on January 8 in the North Zone and January 22 in the South Zone. How do you feel about extending rabbit season so that it closes January 31 statewide?
   _____ Supportive   _____ Unsupportive

5. Illinois is currently divided into 2-zones for the purposes of establishing upland game hunting season dates. How do you feel about eliminating the zone boundary so the entire state of Illinois has the same upland season dates?
   _____ Supportive   _____ Unsupportive

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6. If you hunted quail during the 2004-2005 upland hunting season, how many **days** did you fill your bag limit of 8 birds? (Please list the number of days you harvested your limit of quail, or check in the box if you didn’t hunt quail during the 2004-2005 hunting season)

   _____ days I harvested my limit of quail    OR     [___] I didn’t hunt quail

7. Given the long-term decline in bobwhite quail, do you believe the quail daily bag limit should be reduced?

   _____ Yes    _____ No

7a. If “Yes”, what should the quail bag limit be?

   _____ 0 quail – close the season
   _____ 2 quail
   _____ 4 quail
   _____ 6 quail

8. How many hunting dogs do you currently own?

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9. Did you hunt gray or fox squirrels during the 2004-2005 season?

   _____ Yes (Please go to Question 11)        _____ No

9a. If “No”, have you ever hunted squirrels in Illinois?

   _____ Yes    _____ No

10. If you had good squirrel hunting opportunities within a few miles of your home would you hunt squirrels?

    _____ Yes    _____ No

11. How do you feel about extending the squirrel season so that it ends on January 31 each year?

    _____ Supportive    _____ Unsupportive
Section 4. Hunter Participation. With the decline in popular upland game species like pheasants and quail, some Illinois hunters are traveling to other states to pursue upland game. Please tell us about your upland hunting experience in other states.

1. Did you hunt upland game in another state during the 2004-2005 season?
   ______ Yes ______ No (Please go to Section 5)

2. If “Yes”, please list the state hunted, check which species you hunted, and list other upland game species you hunted.

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3. About how much money do you estimate you spent preparing for and hunting upland game outside of Illinois during the 2004-2005 season? (Including license fees, travel and gasoline, lodging, food and drink, guns, ammunition, and other hunting equipment.)
   _____ 1) Less than $100 _____ 3) $500 to $1,000 _____ 5) $2,000 to $5,000
   _____ 2) $100 to $500 _____ 4) $1,000 to $2,000 _____ 6) more than $5,000

4. If upland game were more abundant in Illinois or you had better access to good upland hunting areas, would you still travel to other states to pursue upland game?
   _____ Yes ______ No

Section 5. General Information. The following questions are important to help us learn more about the people involved in hunting in Illinois. Please tell us something about yourself by completing the following questions. All responses are kept confidential.

1. How many years have you hunted in Illinois? ______ Years

2. What is your county of residence? __________________________County

3. What is your gender? ______ Male ______ Female

4. How old were you at the start of the 2004 fall hunting season (September 1)? ______ Years

4a. Do you consider yourself to be a “baby boomer”?
    _____ Yes ______ No
5. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces or currently serving in the U.S. military?
   _____ I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
   _____ I am currently on active duty in the U.S. military
   _____ I am currently serving in the U.S. military but not on active duty

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ASSISTANCE!
Your input will help us understand more about hunters and hunting in Illinois.

### 2004-2005 Season Dates and Limits Information

#### Small Game

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<td>Woodcock (Groundhog)</td>
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#### Deer & Turkey

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<td>Deer (Archery in Champaign, DeKalb, Macon, Moultrie, and Piatt counties; Restricted Archery Zone)</td>
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<td>Oct. 16 - Nov. 18 (Either Sex)</td>
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<td>Youth Firearm Deer Season</td>
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<td>Turkey (Spring Shotgun or Archery)</td>
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<td>Rail (Lora &amp; Virginia Only)</td>
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<td>Crow</td>
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#### Furbearers - Hunting

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<td>Coyote² and Striped Skunk</td>
<td>Year round (Statewide)</td>
<td>1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hr. after sunset; open 24 hours during red &amp; gray fox season²</td>
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#### Trapping

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¹ On the 2nd day of the hunting season, you may possess no more than twice the daily bag limit.
² 1st season—Nov. 4-14; 2nd season—Nov. 15-25; 3rd season—Nov. 26-Dec. 25; 4th season—Dec. 26-31; 5th season—Jan. 1-10
³ No permits required for September Canada goose seasons. See page 3 for zone information.
⁴ During the Archery Deer Season bow hunting hours for coyote, striped skunk, raccoon, opossum, red fox and gray fox will be 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
⁵ Hunters with unfilled firearm deer permits may take coyotes during firearm deer season by shotgun with slugs, muzzleloader or handgun.
⁶ No hunters, regardless of quantity or type of permits in his/her possession, may harvest more than 2 antlered deer during a year, including the archery, muzzleloader, and firearm seasons. For the purpose of this bag limit, deer seasons are considered to be in the same year if their opening dates are within the same 12-month period that begins July 1.
⁷ TBA (to be announced)
Appendix D. Wildlife Management Units (WMU’s) in Illinois. The size of units in square miles are in parentheses.
Appendix E. Illinois Department of Natural Resources Administrative Regions.