

[Assessment of a Declining White-tailed Deer Population in the Southern Appalachians of Norther Georgia](#). September, 2023. A. Edge. University of Georgia

... Long-term harvest data collected from eight wildlife management areas in northern Georgia from 1979–2015 have suggested white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) populations are declining throughout the Chattahoochee National Forest... expanding predator populations and increasingly homogenous forest structure of the Southern Appalachian region suggest low fawn recruitment as a potential cause of declines...

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... populations in Georgia are stable, according to harvest data from hunting season. Other research shows the number of deer in North Georgia has actually gone down, due to habitat changes, and more bears and coyotes. Charlie Killmaster is the deer biologist for the state of Georgia. While he recognizes that it's possible deer populations have grown slightly in Southwest Georgia ..,