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... the current minimum population estimate of 500,000 ... Over the last five years the [deer population] trend is down ... less timber being cut down in Louisiana's commercial forests, resulting in less deer browse and cover... Drought this summer and last summer ... Mississippi River floods of April and May 2011 killed or displaced untold numbers of Louisiana deer. And, wild hogs are an increasing problem...