

Missouri Disease of Deer Archive

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[MDC reminds deer hunters of changes for upcoming season](#) August 21, 2023, Missouri

Department of Conservation

... “The changes to deer hunting regulations for the 2023-2024 deer season were motivated by increasing deer numbers throughout much of Missouri and in response to changes in the distribution of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in the state,” said MDC Cervid Program Supervisor Jason Isabelle. “With a growing deer population in most Missouri counties, we’re increasing opportunities for hunters to harvest deer both within and outside of the CWD Management Zone this year.” ...

[Slowing the Spread](#) July 29, 2023 Missouri Department of Conservation

... From July 2022 to April 2023, MDC tested more than 33,000 deer and only found 118 positive CWD cases. Most of these were hunter harvested, brought by hunters to mandatory sampling stations in the CWD Management Zone during the opening weekend of the regular firearms season, or to voluntary sampling spots such as freezer drop-offs for deer heads....

[First Deer Discovered in St. Francois County with Chronic Wasting Disease](#) April 12,

2023 Missouri, My Mo Info

... one deer with C.W.D. was discovered in St. Francois County. That was the very first time chronic wasting disease was found in a St. Francois County deer.,

[MDC reports 117 new cases of CWD for 2022 surveillance year](#) April 10, 2023 Missouri,

MDC News

... out of more than 33,000 whitetail deer and other members of the deer family tested for chronic wasting disease (CWD) between July 2022 and April, 117 tested positive,

including four in Perry County. The number of CWD cases found in the state since 2012 — the first year CWD was confirmed in the Show Me State — now stands at 408..,

[MDC reminds residents not to place food attractants in CWD counties](#) March 5, 2023

Missouri, Buffalo Reflex

... Missouri's deer herd has been affected by chronic wasting disease in several counties... One of the ways that the Missouri Department of Conservation tries to slow the spread and frequency of the disease is by restricting feeding of wildlife in counties that have been infected with CWD...

[Chronic wasting disease now in Sullivan County, experts recommend getting all deer tested](#) February 24, 2023 Missouri, KTVO

... After sampling deer that were harvested during the Fall 2022 season, the Missouri Department of Conservation found that three deer in the county tested positive for CWD..,

[Deer culling underway to 'slow the spread' of chronic wasting disease in Missouri](#)

February 4, 2023 Missouri, YAHOO!News

... Targeted culling of Missouri deer is underway in areas where new cases of chronic wasting disease were found following the latest deer harvests... around 29,400 samples with roughly 830 more to go have been tested this year, and, so far, 74 came back positive ...,

[CWD deer culling planned at Prairie State Park](#) January 31, 2023 Missouri, Joplin Globe

... The Missouri Department of Conservation announced a "controlled culling" of deer in February at Prairie State Park, following a positive CWD case on private land near the park last November. It was the first positive for chronic wasting disease in Barton County...

[CWD reported in harvested deer in Barton County for first time](#) January 5, 2023

Missouri, Yahoo! Sports

... A positive was reported in a Barton County deer harvested this fall ... An additional positive also was reported in Barry County this fall, bringing the total in that county to five so far..,

[Missouri Dept. of Conservation advise people not to place food attractants in CWD counties](#) January 2, 2023 KTVO Kirksville/Ottumwa

... MDC has instituted a rule that states that, “grain, salt products, minerals, and other consumable products used to attract deer are prohibited year-round within CWD Management Zone counties. The following exceptions are allowed: Feed placed within 100 feet of any residence or occupied building ...

[Mo. Dept. of Conservation: Dumping deer carcasses is illegal; may spread CWD](#)

November 16, 2022 Missouri, KY3

... ‘We receive and investigate numerous calls about the illegal dumping of deer carcasses this time of year,” Southeast Region Protection Captain Russell Duckworth said in a release. “And those calls are usually from concerned citizens who find a discarded deer carcass along public roadways.” ...

[MDC thanks hunters for submitting samples to track down chronic wasting disease](#)

November 14, 2022 Missouri, KFVS12

... The MDC reports that the November portion of firearms deer season allows hunters to harvest between a quarter to a third of the total deer population in Missouri..,

[State removes CWD testing in some management zone counties](#) October 25, 2022

Missouri, Fulton Sun

... A lack of resources is preventing the Missouri Department of Conservation from opening testing sites in four counties considered to be part of the state's Chronic Wasting Disease Management Zone...There are more than 75 testing stations across the 34 counties in the zone, according to the [interactive map on MDC's website](#)...

[MDC reminds people not to feed deer in CWD management counties](#) September 28, 2022 Missouri, EIN News

... The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is asking residents who live in Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) management counties to help slow the spread and reduce the impact of CWD in Missouri...

[Barton, Vernon. Greene counties added to CWD management zones](#) September 11, 2022 Missouri, Yahoo News

... To date, there have been nearly 300 positive cases of CWD in 21 Missouri counties; there have been more than 1,300 positives in deer and elk in Arkansas, including many in cases along the Missouri border. There have been no positives in Missouri's elk population ...

[Bluetounge virus impacts hunting as deer season nears](#) September 8, 2022 Missouri, Northwest Missourian

... "We had a really bad EHD outbreak, and they modified that regulation to help the population bounce back a little bit," ... Unlike other counties, hunters are only allowed to use one antlerless permit, while most other counties allow hunters to use two...

[Dirty dozen: CWD cases spike in Jefferson County deer](#) May 6, 2022 Missouri, myleaderpaper.com

... From the first discovery of CWD in a deer killed near Meert's Tree Farm in 2016, through June of 2021, only nine deer had tested positive in the county. This fall and winter, 12 new infections were confirmed, all south of Festus and east of De Soto...

[Which Missouri counties showed deer with chronic wasting disease](#) April 27, 2022 Ozarks First

... The Missouri Department of Conservation said 86 deer out of 32,000 tested were positive for chronic wasting disease (CWD) between July 2021 and April 2022... 292 cases of CWD since the first case was detected by conservation officials in 2012 .., [see full report](#)

[CWD expands in deer in Southwest Missouri, Northwest Arkansas](#) January 7, 2022 The Joplin Globe

... For the first time, positives have been reported in Barry County, and additional positives were reported this deer season in Stone and Taney counties ... A positive also was reported for the first time in Howell County, another Missouri county along the Arkansas border...

[Chronic wasting disease found in 28 Missouri deer; testing for COVID-19 continues](#)

December 14, 2021 Columbia Missourian

... 28 cases of chronic wasting disease among deer tested in Missouri since July 1... Almost 19,000 lymph node tissue samples from deer were collected...

[Chronic wasting disease found in 28 Missouri deer; testing for COVID-19 continues](#)

December 14, 2021 Columbia Missourian

... 28 cases of chronic wasting disease among deer tested in Missouri since July 1... Almost 19,000 lymph node tissue samples from deer were collected...

[Some deer hunting still not allowed in area counties](#) December 6, 2021 Missouri, newspressnow.com

... bluetongue disease, which caused several deer to die in 2013, drastically decreased the deer population in the area. "Some of the estimates of deer loss were over 50% in some of the counties. That was the big issue in 2013 ...

[Missouri's November deer harvest was higher](#) December 4, 2021 chillicothenews.com

... Missouri's deer population is obviously recovering from the effects of an EHD outbreak in 2012 which killed a lot of deer in much of the state...

[Missouri Conservationists to Test Deer for COVID This Fall](#) September 27, 2021 KBIA

... White-tailed deer in Illinois, Michigan, New York and Pennsylvania were tested in the federal study. Every sample showed at least 7% of the population having SARS-Cov-2 antibodies...

[Conservation Commission approves CWD regulation changes by MDC](#) May 24, 2021

Missouri, Ozark Radio News

... Hunters who harvest deer in any counties of the CWD Management Zone during the opening weekend of the November portion of the firearms deer season (Nov. 13-14) are required to take their harvested deer (or the head) on the day of harvest to one of MDC's mandatory CWD sampling stations throughout the Zone...

[MDC releases deer Chronic Wasting disease report for 2020-2021](#) April 26, 2021

Missouri, KSDK

... The MDC reported it had collected more than [15,300 tissue samples from mostly harvested deer for CWD testing](#). The Department confirmed 44 new cases of CWD from deer tested...The 44 new cases were found in the following counties: Adair (2), Franklin (5), Linn (6), Macon (5), Oregon (3), Polk (1), Pulaski (1), Putnam (2), St. Clair (1), Ste. Genevieve (12) and Stone (1)...

[Deadly Infection For Deer Is Spreading In Missouri](#) November 1, 2020 KWMU

... chronic wasting disease, an infection that slowly kills deer, is in Pulaski County... It's the 17th county with a confirmed case since the disease was first found in Missouri in 2010... a total of 163 cases confirmed in a state deer population that is more than 1 million...

[MDC shares important information for deer hunting](#) October 29, 2020 Missouri, MDC News

...“Deer populations in much of southern Missouri have been increasing slowly over time and deer numbers in much of central and northern Missouri have rebounded from the severe hemorrhagic disease outbreak in 2012 that caused a significant decline in deer numbers in many counties,” said MDC Cervid Program Supervisor Jason Isabelle...

[Missouri conservation warns against baiting deer in St. Louis region](#) October 28, 2020

KSDK-TV St. Louis

... One of the highest tenants of ethical hunting is the concept of fair chase. Baiting deer goes against fair chase by giving a hunter an unfair advantage. It is also illegal... Problems with deer baiting are amplified due to the presence of Chronic Wasting Disease ...

[MDC reminds hunters of baiting regulations during deer and turkey seasons](#) October 26, 2020 Missouri, Neosho Daily News

... The use of bait, including grain or other feed placed or scattered to attract deer or turkey, while hunting is illegal. The regulations are in place to help limit the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in deer and to ensure fair chase...

[Cape Girardeau urban deer hunting petition may not receive enough signatures before deadline](#) March 24, 2021 Missouri, KFVS

... [Opponents of an urban deer hunting season](#) in Cape Girardeau say they are not going to get enough signatures in time for the petition ... They wanted voters in the city to have the final say ...

[Missouri lifts mandatory CWD testing in deer](#) October 17, 2020 News-Press Now ... the 71 CWD sampling stations located throughout the zone will remain open. The department encourages hunters to have their deer sampled for CWD on the day of harvest.... Social distancing will be practiced by conservation department staff ...

[Missouri Department of Conservation: Hemorrhagic Disease Found in Deer](#) October 5, 2020 Nature World News

... In 2007, the Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study(SCWDS) received hemorrhagic disease incidences in 31 states and an estimated mortality rates of 100 per county. The estimated death totalled 65,000 dears in Illinois, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia that year...

EHD, [Hemorrhagic disease reported in Missouri deer](#) October 2, 2020 KSDK

...Hemorrhagic disease in deer has been recently confirmed through diagnostic testing in Boone, Camden, Cole, Jackson, Linn, and Osage counties. MDC has received at least 100 reports of additional suspected cases from locations throughout the state...

[MDC reminds hunters and others of new CWD regulations for cervid carcasses](#) August 12, 2020 Missouri Department of Conservation

... Deer harvested in CWD Management Zone counties must be telechecked before any parts of the carcass may be transported out of the county of harvest.

Whole carcasses and heads of deer harvested in CWD Management Zone counties may only be transported out of the county of harvest if the carcass is delivered to a licensed meat processor and/or taxidermist within 48 hours of exiting the county of harvest...

[MDC Reports Final CWD Results for 2019-20 Season](#) May 6, 2020 Missouri Department of Conservation

... MDC reports it has confirmed 46 new cases of the deadly deer disease. These new findings bring the total number of CWD cases in the state to 162. MDC has tested more than 137,000 deer since the first cases of CWD were found in free-ranging deer in Missouri in 2012...

[MDC announces Missouri's first elk-hunting season coming this fall!](#) April 8, 2020 Missouri, MDC News

... elk hunt comes after years of restoration efforts of the once-native species by MDC and numerous partners and supporters... five permits will be for bull elk ... will be assigned through a random-lottery drawing... MDC will require a \$10 application fee for those applying for the general permits...

[Nature-loving Missourians should keep an eye on General Assembly](#) April 3, 2020 West Plains Daily Quill

... If approved, HJR 100 would enable legislators ... to set game and fish seasons and limits ... and allow private deer breeders to ignore concerns about the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease ...

[Deer disease 'relatively rare' in Missouri, but Arkansas approaching 800 cases](#) January 5, 2020 Joplin Globe

... The Missouri Department of Conservation said recently that it had confirmed 24 new cases of CWD in Missouri, out of about 27,000 tissue samples collected this season. That brings the state's total to 140 confirmed cases out of the 130,000 deer that Missouri has tested in the last decade. CWD was first confirmed in Missouri in 2012....

[24 new cases of chronic wasting disease found, but disease still rare in Missouri](#)
December 20, 2019 Missouri, KSDK.com

... 24 new cases of chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been found by the Missouri Department of Conversation, from nearly 27,000 tissue samples collected from white-tailed deer and submitted for disease testing this season..,

[11 area counties part of Missouri's mandatory CWD deer testing this weekend](#)

November 11, 2019 Missouri, KY3

... present your harvested deer to be checked for CWD at a sampling station ... Chronic Wasting Disease can wipe out large deer populations ... "We can't find this disease without the cooperation of the hunters," ... The Mo. Dept. of Conservation estimates there are over a million deer in the state and they've sampled about 100,000 since 2002...

[What's up with Christian County CWD deer zone?](#) September 11, 2019 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... No deer have tested positive for chronic wasting disease in Christian County ... "Counties within 10 miles of CWD detections are in the zone this year ... A map of detections can be found [here](#).

[MDC shares CWD info for upcoming deer season](#) September 10, 2019 Missouri, Kirksville Daily Express and Daily News

... MDC has found 116 cases of CWD in Missouri since 2012 out of more than 100,000 deer sampled so the disease remains relatively rare in the state... MDC is offering free voluntary CWD sampling and testing of deer harvested anywhere in Missouri throughout the entire deer hunting season ...

[Missouri Department of Conservation has new rules for deer carcasses in ongoing fight against CWD](#) August 27, 2019 KTTN

... The new regulations, starting in 2020, will: Restrict transportation of whole cervid carcasses into the state; Allow for the importation of cervid heads with attached capes into Missouri if they are taken to a licensed taxidermist ...

[Howell County added to CWD management zone](#) July 30, 2019 Missouri, Ozark Radio News

... added after a deer tested positive for CWD in neighboring Oregon County...

[MDC reduces CWD Management Zone following research findings](#) June 24, 2019 Rolla Daily News

... The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) has reduced the number of counties in its management zone for chronic wasting disease (CWD) from 48 to 29, following recent research that shows the majority of buck's disperse less than 25 miles in Missouri...

[Missouri Department of Conservation proposes new efforts to limit spread of CWD](#) June 4, 2019 kttn

... "Our research shows it is highly unlikely that the spread of CWD to some new areas of the state is from the natural movement of deer ... We have found some new cases of CWD more than 60 miles from any other known cases... we do know that deer rarely

travel that far on their own. That leaves people as the most likely way the disease is spreading that far.” ...

[MDC Finds More Deer with Chronic Wasting Disease](#) April 25, 2019 Missouri, MDC News

... The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports 41 new positive test results for chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been confirmed following its sampling and testing of more than 32,000 free-ranging Missouri deer during its 2018-2019 disease-surveillance efforts. The 41 new positive test results bring Missouri's total CWD detections to 116 since 2012...

[Chronic wasting disease gains more national attention](#) March 23, 2019 Missouri, Lakenewsonline.com

... In Missouri ... the disease was first discovered in a captive deer facility in 2010 ... CWD has progressed slowly here, thanks in large part to the MDC aggressively culling in small, concentrated areas around the discovery sites... Wisconsin ... decided to basically do nothing about the disease and let it spread. They now have CWD in 56 counties with areas where 50 percent of bucks harvested are infected ...

[28 More Cases Of CWD Found In Missouri Deer: Here's How Conservationists Are Responding](#) January 17, 2019 Lake Expo

... 28 more deer from 11 Missouri counties have been found to have chronic wasting disease (CWD). This brings the number of cases of the deadly deer disease in Missouri to 103 since 2012...

[Battle Against Chronic Wasting Disease In County Continues](#) January 15, 2019 Missouri, Ste. Genevieve Herald

... Seven deer had tested positive in the area from mandatory testing in the area from the fall 2018 hunting period ... three more from the culling effort in southern Ste. Genevieve County in the winter of 2018...

[CWD's slow spread in Missouri one of biggest of many outdoor stories in 2018](#) January 2, 2018 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... The disease could potentially threaten Missouri's deer hunting industry, which brings about \$1 billion annually to the state through license and permit sales, equipment purchases, hotel room rentals, taxidermy businesses and meat processing...

[A Taney County deer tests positive for CWD](#) December 5, 2018 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... deer was killed only 2.5 miles away from another deer that tested positive for CWD in Stone County ... 13 new cases of the deadly deer disease have been found so far in 2018 in Missouri ..,

[Another first: A Taney County deer tests positive for CWD Missouri](#) December 5, 2018 Springfield News-Leader

... The Taney County deer was killed only 2.5 miles away from another deer that tested positive for CWD in Stone County, also that county's first positive CWD test...

[11 new cases of chronic wasting disease found in Missouri](#) December 1, 2018 The Republic

... The 11 new positives bring the total number of cases in Missouri to 86...

[Chronic Wasting Disease Found In Southwest Missouri Deer, For The First Time](#)

November 30, 2018 LakeExpo.com

... a young buck harvested in Stone County in early November has tested positive for the deadly deer disease -- chronic wasting disease (CWD). According to MDC, this is the first detection of CWD in Stone County and the first detection in the far southwest region of the state...

[Conservation department Collects 20,000 deer tissue samples](#) November 13, 2018 Missouri, Houston Herald

... The Missouri Department of Conservation thanked Tuesday the thousands of deer hunters who participated in its mandatory CWD sampling efforts last weekend in 31 counties...

[MDC meeting held to discuss spread of deadly deer disease \(CWD\)](#) October 26, 2018

Missouri, Perryville News

... “While it looks like CWD is so widespread in Missouri, we’ve tested over 101 thousand deer since we’ve started our surveillance, and we’ve only had 75 total positives to date,” ... Mandatory sampling during the opening couple days of deer season ...

[Missouri Department of Conservation reports deer tests positive for Chronic Wasting Disease in Oregon County](#) October 25, 2018 KY3

... The nearest confirmed CWD positive is over 70 miles away in Arkansas ... brings the total number of CWD cases detected in free ranging deer in Missouri to 76 since 2012...,

[MDC's targeted culling a voluntary, effective program against CWD, official says](#)

October 14, 2018 Missouri, Southeast Missourian

... Where more than two cases of CWD have been found, landowners who hold more than 5 acres in a 1 to 5 mile radius can work with MDC to have deer harvested on their property ... Limiting the number of deer in an area helps minimize the accumulation of CWD ... Matt Bowyer, wildlife regional supervisor ...

[Chronic wasting disease threatens Missouri's \\$1 billion deer hunting culture](#) October 11,

2018 Missouri, Iran Ship

... CWD began showing up in pockets around the state. Batten said it is unlikely the disease is spreading in Missouri's herd of approximately 1.2 million deer through natural deer dispersal alone. It is likely that humans are helping to spread the disease, potentially through the movement of infected deer carcasses...,

[CWD is Starting to Affect Deer Hunting in Missouri](#) October 8, 2018 KSMU

... there have been 33 new cases of CWD in Missouri over the last year, bringing the total 75... rifle hunters will be required to bring in samples of any deer that they kill on opening weekend to be tested...

[Conservation department hopes to control disease through captive deer regulation](#)

August 5, 2018 Missouri, News Press Now

... "The commission will be working closely and in collaboration with hunting preserves and wildlife-breeding facilities to ensure regulation compliance and to minimize the risk associated with the movement and holding of captive deer," the statement said. "The goal is to help protect Missouri's deer herd, now and into the future, from the 100 percent fatal chronic wasting disease, which has advanced across the Missouri landscape since it was first found in 2010." ...

[Protecting Missouri's deer herd](#) July 18, 2018 Daily Journal Online

... within the CWD management zone ... feeding deer is restricted in an effort to reduce the spread of CWD," Lewis said. "We have reviewed research that shows feeding deer can and does increase the likelihood for CWD to spread in the deer herd."...

Missouri Supreme Court shoots down captive deer hunting operations July 3, 2018 St. Louis Post-Dispatch

... the state government has a right to regulate the companies in order to control a deadly brain disease affecting the animals... the Missouri Department of Conservation in 2014 that attempted to crack down on the [spread of chronic wasting disease](#) ...

[MDC Sets CWS Sampling Efforts for Upcoming Deer Season](#) June 18, 2018 Missouri, MDC News

... MDC confirmed 33 new cases of CWD following the testing of nearly 24,500 free-ranging Missouri deer through its sampling and testing efforts last season...

[3 Southeast Missouri Counties Added To MDC Deer Feeding Ban](#) June 15, 2018

KRCU

... Cape Girardeau, Perry, and Bollinger counties have been added to a list of 7 Missouri counties placed under new restrictions for feeding and giving minerals to deer, and considered to be Chronic Wasting Disease management zones...

[Chronic wasting disease detected in seven more counties](#) June 13, 2018 Missouri,

KMZU

... chronic wasting disease has been found in additional regions of Missouri. ...Since 2012, the MDC has tested over 100,000 deer and only 75 tests have come back positive for CWD, ...

[Feeding deer in Bollinger, Cape and Perry counties prohibited soon to help curb spread of CWD](#) June 13, 2018 Missouri, Southeast Missourian

... to stop the spread of chronic wasting disease, or CWD, in deer populations, by expanding its CWD management zone from 41 to 48 counties... Further prevention efforts will include increased availability of antlerless permits ...

[MDC Reports: Seven Cases Of Chronic Wasting Disease Found In Perry And Sainte Genevieve County Deer](#) April 19, 2018 Missouri, KRCU

... the Missouri Department of Conservation has reported seven positive cases of chronic wasting disease, also known as CWD, in Perry (1) and Ste. Genevieve (6) counties... A total of 33 new cases have been found within Missouri...

[MDC reports 33 CWD positives out of nearly 24500 samples](#) April 11, 2018 Missouri, Three Rivers Publishing

... 33 new cases of chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been found following the testing of 24,486 free-ranging Missouri deer through its 2017-2018 sampling and testing efforts ... total number of free-ranging deer in Missouri confirmed to have CWD to 75...

[Deadly deer disease identified in southeast MO](#) February 8, 2018 Missouri, KFVS

... first known cases of Chronic Wasting Disease have been confirmed in Southeast Missouri ... 20,000 deer were sampled in Missouri last year and the two deer in Ste. Genevieve County are part of the 15 confirmed cases of CWD in the state ...

[State reports 15 cases of CWD in deer](#) January 14, 2018 Missouri, News-Press Now ... The 15 new CWD positives bring the total number of CWD cases detected in free-ranging deer in Missouri to 57 with 10 found in Adair, one in Cedar, one in Cole, seven in Franklin, two in Jefferson, five in Linn, 25 in Macon, one in Polk, three in St. Clair, and two in Ste. Genevieve counties...

[SCOMO to Hear Regulation Case as State Reports Increase in Deer Disease](#) January 9, 2018 OzarksFirst.com

... The state's Conservation Commission first detected chronic wasting disease at a private hunting preserve in 2010... it enacted regulations for importing and handling of the animals... A circuit court in mid Missouri's Gasconade County determined in 2016 that the commission lacked the authority to enforce the regulations. The Missouri Supreme Court will hear arguments in an appeal ...

[Latest deer season better than previous 4; CWD found in new counties](#) January 8, 2018 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... 280,563 and counting... its intensive testing for chronic wasting disease among Missouri deer yielded 15 new confirmed cases out of nearly 18,400 test results...

[Missouri sets 2018 deer seasons](#) December 23, 2017 News-Press Now

... our deer harvest seems to be trending up compared to last year ... “We are definitely seeing a geographic spread of the disease [chronic wasting disease] over time and the confirmed cases are being found a distance from each other,” ...

[Testing deer for chronic wasting disease is mandatory in 25 Missouri counties this weekend](#) November 9, 2017 Springfield News-Leader

... Voluntary testing in those southern Missouri counties last year found no hunter-killed deer with CWD. The 25-county mandatory testing effort this weekend will yield a much larger sample size ...

[Chronic wasting disease looms over deer season](#) November 8, 2017 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... To date, 42 cases of CWD have been confirmed in Missouri. These positive tests came from samples collected in counties in northeast, central, eastern and western Missouri ... Since 2002, more than 76,000 deer have been tested ...

['Captive deer' case goes to high court](#) October 11, 2017 Jefferson City News Tribune

... "Given the highly communicable nature of CWD," Judge Robert Dowd wrote, "the Commission's efforts to restore and conserve free-ranging cervids would be threatened without the authority to regulate all cervids" that could infect the wild ones... Missouri's Conservation Department has the legal and constitutional authority to regulate captive deer as well as those in the wild ...

[Missouri Department of Conservation seeks help from deer hunters in search for chronic wasting disease](#) September 13, 2017 Hannibal.net

... MDC will be conducting mandatory CWD sampling of harvested deer in 25 counties opening weekend of the fall firearms deer season ... During those two days, hunters take about a third of the state's total annual deer harvest of about 275,000 animals...

[Ballot measure aims to curtail CWD](#) August 26, 2017 Missouri, Jefferson City News Tribune

... Hunters for Fair Chase to circulate petitions intended to protect the state's white-tailed deer herd ... If enough signatures are gathered, voters will decide whether to ban transporting live big game in Missouri...

[Chronic Wasting Disease to Impact 2017 Deer Hunting Season](#) July 13, 2017 Missouri, Ozarks First.

... After 2 positive tests in St. Claire county, all counties within a 25 mile radius are now subject to a non-feeding policy, as well as mandatory sampling stations in the fall. Hunters that harvest a deer will be required to bring the carcass to one of those stations ...

[Mineral blocks, salt licks and other deer feed now banned here](#) July 9, 2017 Missouri, Ozark County Times

... The Missouri Department of Conservation has expanded restrictions on feeding deer and placing minerals for deer from 29 to 41 counties throughout the state, effective July 1. The restrictions now include Ozark County ... intended to help limit the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD)...

[Cedar County included in MDC deer feeding, hunting rules](#) July 7, 2017 Missouri, Cedar County Republican

... the placement of grain, salt products, minerals and other consumable natural and manufactured products used to attract deer is prohibited year-round within counties of the disease management zone... "CWD [chronic wasting disease] is spread from deer to deer, and the potential for transmission increases when deer gather in larger, concentrated numbers," ...

[Chronic Wasting Disease Is 'Relatively Rare' In Missouri. Conservation Testing Shows](#) April 21, 2017 Missouri, Lake Expo

... MDC tested more than 25,500 deer during the past season and found nine cases of the deadly disease, as previously reported: one in Adair, three in Franklin, one in Jefferson, two in Macon, and two in St. Clair counties. The two cases in St. Clair County were the first CWD detections found in the western part of the state...

[Two more cases of Chronic Wasting Disease confirmed in Missouri](#) March 10, 2017

Missouri, KMZU

... two hunter-harvested deer in St. Clair County ... 42 free-ranging deer have tested positive for CWD since 2010 ...

[Protect our deer from chronic wasting disease](#) February 15, 2017 Missouri, Springfield

News-Leader... rather than acknowledge the role they play in spreading CWD, the canned hunting industry lobbied their friends in the legislature to simply transfer authority over their facilities to the Department of Agriculture instead through Senate Bill 123...

[MDC reports three new cases chronic wasting disease in deer](#) January 26, 2017

Missouri, Ozark County Times

... final results from the more than 19,200 tissue samples tested for chronic wasting disease (CWD) ... five deer have tested positive ... in southeast Adair County ... in northwest Macon County ... southwest Franklin County... in southeast Jefferson County ...

[How one disease caused a rift between farmers and the Department of Conservation](#)

January 13, 2017 Missouri, The Missouri Times

... Thirty-eight deer have now tested positive for the disease since MDC began monitoring CWD in Missouri... Houghton, R-Martinsburg, and Sen. Brian Munzlinger, R-Williamstown, have both filed legislation changing laws regarding captive cervids, namely changing the definition of livestock to include captive deer and making them easier to sell and transfer ...

[MDC reports three new cases of CWD from mandatory sampling](#) January 10, 2017

Missouri, Klpw

... it has received final results from the more than 19,200 tissue samples tested for chronic wasting disease ... five deer have tested positive ... in southeast Adair County ... in northwest Macon County, and ,,, southwest Franklin County...

[Conservation finds chronic wasting disease in three deer](#) December 31, 2016 Missouri, News-Press Now

... three deer were infected. These included a yearling male deer harvested in southeast Jefferson county, a mature buck harvested in northern Franklin county and a buck in Adair county. ... 10th case of a deer infected with the disease in Adair county...

[MDC finds two positive cases of chronic wasting disease](#) December 23, 2016 Missouri, The Rolla Daily News

... The department also received test results for about 80 percent of the nearly 550 tissue samples collected for CWD testing in seven counties in southwest Missouri. The target counties are close to where more than 100 cases of CWD have been found in Northwest Arkansas. No deer from southern Missouri have tested positive for the disease...

[CWD Test Results are in for Two Missouri Counties](#) December 19, 2016 Capitol Outdoors

... results for more than half of approximately 19,200 tissue samples being tested for chronic wasting disease ... two deer tested positive for CWD; a yearling male harvested in southeast Jefferson County and a mature buck harvested in northern Franklin County...

[Conservation department collects 19,200 deer samples in opening hunting weekend](#) November 16, 2016 Missouri, Columbia Daily Tribune

... thousands of hunters responded to the Missouri Department of Conservation's call for help in combating the deadly chronic wasting disease in deer ... The department collected about 19,200 deer samples Saturday and Sunday at 75 mandatory sampling stations ...

[Deer season opens with Chronic Wasting Disease sampling stations](#) November 12, 2016 Missouri, KSDK

... Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) that has started to infect deer in a 29-county area. Sampling stations have been set up in all 29 counties and it has been made mandatory that all deer taken this weekend have their lymph nodes removed at the stations or by a taxidermist if the deer is going to be mounted...

[For opening weekend, a full-court press on lethal deer disease](#) November 10, 2016 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... best-case scenario: The disease continues to spread slowly. The worst: Chronic wasting disease could kill enough wild deer over time that they will become unable to reproduce at a rate sustainable for hunting... discovered in 2010 in captive deer ranches in Linn and Macon counties...

[Chronic wasting disease affecting November firearms deer season](#) November 9, 2016 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... 33 cases of CWD have been confirmed in Missouri. These positive tests came from samples collected in counties in northeast, central and eastern Missouri — all of which are in the current CWD Management Zone... Since 2002, more than 51,000 deer have been tested from all areas of the state... Voluntary sampling of deer harvested outside the management zone continues ...

[Webcast will focus on chronic wasting diseases in deer](#) October 6, 2016 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... The Department of Conservation is holding a webcast next week to educate Missouri deer hunters about the fight against [chronic wasting disease](#)...

[A Disease You Need to Learn About](#) September 22, 2016 Missouri, Wayne County Journal Banner

... In many ways, the public is being misled about chronic wasting disease in deer. ... It is likely that it exists to some degree in the Ozarks right now... in the Ozarks of north

Arkansas it has been found in whitetail deer and elk in large numbers... What needs to be talked about is what the disease might do to those of us who eat deer meat...

[Court says Missouri can't ban deer imports over fears of disease](#) September 16, 2016

The Kansas City Star

... Missouri's captive deer industry scored a major win over the state Department of Conservation this week when a judge blocked regulators' efforts to stop imports of bucks and does to breeders ... Missouri is home to more than 100 breeding facilities and private hunting preserves with their own deer herds ... Hunters often pay thousands of dollars to hunt ...

[Missouri hunters in nearby counties urged to watch for sick deer](#) September 14, 2016

Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... More than 100 cases of Chronic Wasting Disease found in deer and elk in northwest Arkansas has prompted the Missouri Department of Conservation to continue its increased CWD surveillance efforts in seven southwestern and south-central Missouri counties ... 33 free-ranging deer with CWD have been found in northeast, central and east-central Missouri since 2012...

[MDC Asks Hunters To Get Deer Tested](#) September 14, 2016 Missouri, KTTS

... Officials are asking hunters in Barry, Christian, Douglas, McDonald, Ozark, Stone, and Taney Counties to have their animals tested for the deadly disease. These seven counties are close to where more than 100 deer and elk tested positive in Arkansas ... "Deer harvest and population has been relatively stable in Pettis County ... the county averages 20 to 25 deer per square-mile in the county...

[Deer disease prompts mandatory testing in parts of Missouri](#) September 5, 2016

Missouri, Bradenton Herald

... the state's first-ever mandatory testing for chronic wasting disease ... Since 2001, 33 cases of chronic wasting disease have been confirmed in Missouri's wild deer — 21 in Macon County, 9 in Adair County, and one each in Cole, Franklin and Linn counties ...

[For state agency, it's all hands on deck for mandatory deer testing](#) August 29, 2016

Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... Hunters in Boone and 28 other counties in the state's chronic wasting disease management zone will be required to have their kills sampled on opening weekend of the fall firearms season ... disease hasn't been found in Boone County, but was found in adjacent Cole County in 2015 ...

[State to sample Boone, Callaway county deer kills for disease](#) August 29, 2016

Missouri, Columbia Daily Tribune

... About 1,000 conservation department employees will staff the sampling sites over the weekend and \$420,000 has been budgeted for sampling supplies and testing ... At the sites, conservation staff will cut out the lymph nodes for lab testing ... lymph nodes collect an abundance of the abnormally folded prion protein that causes chronic wasting disease ...

[Captive deer proponent charged in forgery case](#) August 6, 2016 Missouri, Columbia

Daily Tribune

... A Columbia resident and opponent of tougher restrictions on moving deer around the state to combat chronic wasting disease was charged last month in Linn County with conspiracy for allegedly using documents forged by another man to notify state authorities about a deer he purchased in 2014...

Alphabetical order

["Zombie Deer" No Laughing Matter](#) September 25, 2015 Missouri, West End World ... Reports of dreaded "zombie deer" are now being filed with authorities in Sunset Hills and Kirkwood... Deer infected with EHD [Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease] lose their appetites, show excessive salivation, swell at the head and neck, and lose their fear of people... The disease is similar to bluetongue disease, but does not involve the same virus. Both show similar symptoms...

[24 new cases of chronic wasting disease found, but disease still rare in Missouri](#)

December 20, 2019 Missouri, KSDK.com

... 24 new cases of chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been found by the Missouri Department of Conservation, from nearly 27,000 tissue samples collected from white-tailed deer and submitted for disease testing this season..,

[Deer disease 'relatively rare' in Missouri, but Arkansas approaching 800 cases](#) January 5, 2020 Joplin Globe

... The Missouri Department of Conservation said recently that it had confirmed 24 new cases of CWD in Missouri, out of about 27,000 tissue samples collected this season. That brings the state's total to 140 confirmed cases out of the 130,000 deer that Missouri has tested in the last decade. CWD was first confirmed in Missouri in 2012....

[28 More Cases Of CWD Found In Missouri Deer; Here's How Conservationists Are Responding](#) January 17, 2019 Lake Expo

... 28 more deer from 11 Missouri counties have been found to have chronic wasting disease (CWD). This brings the number of cases of the deadly deer disease in Missouri to 103 since 2012..,

[MDC shares CWD info for upcoming deer season](#) September 10, 2019

Missouri, Kirksville Daily Express and Daily News

... MDC has found 116 cases of CWD in Missouri since 2012 out of more than 100,000 deer sampled so the disease remains relatively rare in the state... MDC is offering free voluntary CWD sampling and testing of deer harvested anywhere in Missouri throughout the entire deer hunting season ...,

[A sick deer—harbinger of things to come?](#) October 15, 2014 Missouri, Leader Journal

... A neighbor a few miles away had a sick buck deer, acting tame, come up to his place

... People who know about the mad-deer disease which is spreading in north central Missouri are going to be wondering if any diseased deer they see have that... chronic wasting disease as it is being called. I think it is a few years away in the Ozarks, but it is coming...

[Amendments seek to curb deer disease](#) June 10, 2014 Missouri, Southeast Missourian

... The public comment period on the captive deer regulation issue falls two days after Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon must take action on another piece of legislation that passed through the General Assembly last month, pertaining to deer jurisdiction. That bill would shift management of captive deer from the Department of Conservation to the Missouri Department of Agriculture, classifying captive cervids as livestock. Elk in Missouri have been classified as livestock since 1995...

[Another wild deer harvested in the Heartland tests positive for a fatal illness](#) March 8, 2012

Missouri, KTVO

Matt Wolken, a Supervisor at the Missouri Department of Conservation's Northeast Regional Office, said the tissue samples of one deer found in the wild tested positive for CWD since they began sampling tissues this winter... near the Heartland Wildlife Ranches in Macon County.... That brings the total number of cases of CWD found in deer on their property to three within the past five months.

[Are Mo. Deer & Elk Threatened By Chronic Wasting Disease?](#) July 15, 2013 Missouri, KRCU

... James Kroll, Ph.D.,... "Doctor Deer." ... downplayed the threat before the committee and testified that white tail deer have the ability to adapt to the disease, which could cause it to phase out naturally. "In order for an animal to adapt to any disease, so-called evolve, you got to have two things: you got to have a large population, and you have to have high genetic variability... White tail deer have both ..."

[Battle brewing over effort to curtail deer disease](#) June 15, 2014 Missouri, Columbia

Daily Tribune

... Two bills before Nixon would define captive cervids — a scientific name for deer, elk and moose species — as livestock... Before 2000, CWD existed in a limited area of Wyoming and Colorado. Since then, it has been found in 20 states and two Canadian provinces, with many outbreaks among wild cervids occurring near infected captive herds... 218 breeders and 39 hunting preserves in Missouri with 9,000 captive cervids ...

[Business as usual on Mo. deer opener](#) November 22, 2013 Missouri, Kansas City Star ... "What we're trying to get across is that CWD isn't the end of the world right now," said Jason Sumners, deer biologist for the Missouri Department of Conservation. "But it's something we're very concerned about over the long term." CWD was first discovered in northeast Linn County near the Macon County line in 2010 in a captive-deer operation. ..

[Captive deer reclassification bill passes Senate](#) May 2, 2014 Missouri, News-Press Now

... A bill to change the classification of captive whitetail deer from wildlife to livestock was passed by the Missouri Senate this week... According to MDC, Missouri has 39 permitted big-game hunting preserves and 221 permitted wildlife breeders with whitetail

deer. The department claims less than 70 percent of deer breeders currently participate in the voluntary CWD Herd Certification Program...

[Chronic disease testing becomes mandatory](#) April 30, 2016 Missouri, News-Press Now ...hunters will be required to present their deer for CWD testing at locations in Livingston and Carroll counties during the opening weekend of the fall firearms deer season ... testing is free and hunters also can request the test results ...

[Chronic wasting case hints at new normal for wildlife](#) March 12, 2015 Missouri, News Tribune

... A hunter killed the infected buck near Centertown, about a mile from the Moniteau County line — and more than 40 miles south from the state's chronic wasting disease containment zone, where the other 34 known cases have been found... It's unclear how the disease has spread across the state ...

[11 new cases of CWD discovered](#) March 14, 2015 Missouri, Daily Journal
... These 11 new cases bring the total number of Missouri free-ranging deer that have tested positive for CWD to 14 for this past season and 24 overall since the disease was first discovered in the state in 2010 at a private hunting preserve in Linn County. CWD has also been found in 11 captive deer in Macon and Linn counties...

[Chronic Wasting Disease Continues to Spread in Missouri](#) March 15, 2015 Columbia Daily Tribune

... The always fatal disease was first discovered in a captive deer facility near Macon in 2010. Including 11 captive deer that have tested positive for CWD, 35 cases have now been discovered in Missouri... the CWD-positive Cole County buck will become the catalyst of discussion and argument. How did the disease show up near Centertown?...

[Chronic Wasting Disease a Threat to Missouri Deer](#) April 22, 2014 nwf.org

... In 2010, captive deer at big-game hunting facilities in two Missouri counties were the first diagnosed with the fatal disease. Since then, wild deer near these facilities have also been diagnosed with the disease. ... special interests in Missouri are heavily

pressuring for bills that would undermine the Missouri Department of Conservation's efforts [to manage the disease] —and possibly facilitate the spread of the disease. ...

[SCOMO to Hear Regulation Case as State Reports Increase in Deer Disease](#)

January 9, 2018 OzarksFirst.com

... The state's Conservation Commission first detected chronic wasting disease at a private hunting preserve in 2010... it enacted regulations for importing and handling of the animals... A circuit court in mid Missouri's Gasconade County determined in 2016 that the commission lacked the authority to enforce the regulations. The Missouri Supreme Court will hear arguments in an appeal ...

[Chronic wasting disease gains more national attention](#) March 23, 2019 Missouri, Lakenewsonline.com

... In Missouri ... the disease was first discovered in a captive deer facility in 2010 ... CWD has progressed slowly here, thanks in large part to the MDC aggressively culling in small, concentrated areas around the discovery sites... Wisconsin ... decided to basically do nothing about the disease and let it spread. They now have CWD is 56 counties with areas where 50 percent of bucks harvested are infected ...

[Chronic Wasting Disease Appears in Five Missouri Deer](#) May 31, 2012 OzarksFirst.com

... Jason Sumners, a deer biologist ... CWD likely entered the state when an infected deer, either alive or dead, was brought into the state from Colorado or Wyoming where CWD is much more prevalent. "...it slowly accumulates ... over a number of years, a slow drain on the population."

[Chronic Wasting Disease becoming a larger issue for Missouri deer population](#) February 4, 2015 News & Observer

... Two new cases of CWD have raised the total to 15 wild deer that have been found with the disease in the last four years... The disease was first found in Missouri in 2010 at a private hunting operation in Linn County. Since then, 10 other captive deer have been found with the disease...

[Chronic Wasting Disease Found in Captive Deer](#) October 25, 2011 Missouri, Missouri Ruralist

US Department of Agriculture announced last week that a captive white-tailed deer in Macon County has tested positive for Chronic Wasting Disease. CWD is a neurological disease found in deer, elk and moose. "We have a plan in place and our team is ...The animal that tested positive for CWD was a captive white-tailed deer inspected as part of the State's CWD surveillance and testing program.

[Chronic Wasting Disease found in mid-Missouri](#) July 9, 2012 Moberly Monitor Index

CWD is transmitted through "prions" which are malformed proteins that the deer pick up from deer to deer to soil contact ... CWD was first found in Missouri at a private hunting preserve in northwest Macon County in 2011. Since that initial finding 10 more infected deer were found within the fence and five more were found in the free ranging deer herd.

[Chronic Wasting Disease in Central and Northeast Missouri](#) September 28, 2015

Kansas City infoZine

... MDC implemented two new deer-hunting regulation changes in eight central and five northeast counties starting this fall to reduce or stabilize deer numbers... The changes are an effort to help limit the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in the areas ... eliminate the antler-point restriction (APR) and increase the availability of antlerless permits ...

[Chronic Wasting Disease in deer is a growing concern in Missouri](#) May 29, 2015 Kansas

City Star

... steps proposed by staff wildlife biologist to limit the spread of the disease. A regulation was passed to remove the antler-point restrictions on bucks ... Young bucks are most apt to travel and potentially transmit the disease. By increasing the harvest of those deer, it would be one more preventative step...

[Chronic Wasting Disease](#) July 13, 2014 Missouri, Conservation Federation of Missouri
... Missouri's first cases of CWD were detected in 2010 and 2011 in captive deer at private big-game hunting preserves in Linn and Macon counties. A total of 11 cases of CWD have been confirmed in captive deer at these facilities. CWD has since been found in 10 free-ranging deer within two miles of the captive facility in Macon County... Deer hunting is an important economic driver in Missouri and gives a \$1 billion annual boost to state ...

[Chronic wasting disease looms over deer season](#) November 8, 2017 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... To date, 42 cases of CWD have been confirmed in Missouri. These positive tests came from samples collected in counties in northeast, central, eastern and western Missouri ... Since 2002, more than 76,000 deer have been tested ...

[Latest deer season better than previous 4; CWD found in new counties](#) January 8, 2018 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... 280,563 and counting... its intensive testing for chronic wasting disease among Missouri deer yielded 15 new confirmed cases out of nearly 18,400 test results..,

[State reports 15 cases of CWD in deer](#) January 14, 2018 Missouri, News-Press Now
... The 15 new CWD positives bring the total number of CWD cases detected in free-ranging deer in Missouri to 57 with 10 found in Adair, one in Cedar, one in Cole, seven in Franklin, two in Jefferson, five in Linn, 25 in Macon, one in Polk, three in St. Clair, and two in Ste. Genevieve counties...,

[Chronic wasting disease threatens Missouri's \\$1 billion deer hunting culture](#) October 11, 2018 Missouri, Iran Ship

... CWD began showing up in pockets around the state. Batten said it is unlikely the disease is spreading in Missouri's herd of approximately 1.2 million deer through natural deer dispersal alone. It is likely that humans are helping to spread the disease, potentially through the movement of infected deer carcasses..,

[Chronic Wasting Disease's gradual spread worries wildlife biologists](#) August 16, 2015

Missouri, The Spokesman Review

... Increasing numbers of harvested deer in Missouri have tested positive for CWD. In the 2014-15 season, 15 afflicted deer were taken in the core area. More troubling to officials was the discovery of CWD in one deer taken far from that hot zone...

[Chronic Wasting Disease, New hunting regulations affect north-central Mo.](#) October 31,

2012 Missouri, The Vandalia Leader

... The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) has initiated new regulations and guidelines within a six-county “CWD Management Zone” to help contain the spread of the disease... steps to help halt the spread of the disease start with the removal of antler point restrictions... The department reported bucks are more likely to carry CWD as stags are more likely to interact with potentially infected deer through fall mating activities and their search for territory...

[Chronic Wasting Disease: What you need to know](#) May 17, 2014 Missouri, Lake News Online

... . It is a neurological disease that can be passed from one deer to another. CWD is in the TSE — transmissible spongiform encephalopathy — category of diseases. TSE diseases, which are progressive diseases that affect the brain and nervous system — are not caused by a bacteria or virus and therein lies part of the problem why these diseases are so hard to contain or eliminate once they’re established. TSE diseases are caused by prions – which are, basically, deformed proteins...

[Clouds on the Horizon for Missouri Deer?](#) March 5, 2012, Larry Dablemont

In the early stages of chronic wasting disease, you cannot tell by looking if a deer is sick. Later, it is obvious ... Colorado closed down all pen-raised deer and elk operations because of the chronic wasting disease, in an effort to keep it from spreading to their wild deer and elk.

Because they acted when they did, they don't have a problem with their wild deer today.
Because Missouri wouldn't take the same steps, I think we will have ...

[Conservation Department repeals antler restrictions in Boone County](#) November 1, 2015 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... Since 2004, firearms hunters have been limited to antlered bucks with at least four points on one side of their rack ... The Conservation Department eliminated the antler restriction to allow for the hunting of younger bucks, which is one method to limit the spread of chronic wasting disease into Boone County ...

[Conservation Commission approves changes to 2016-2017 deer regulations](#)
November 1, 2015 Missouri, 921news.com

... Approved changes include shortening November and antlerless portions and expanding late youth portion. Potential changes include allowing crossbows during archery seasons and reducing antlered deer limit...

[Conservation Department to Hold Meeting in Washington](#) January 6, 2016 Missouri, The Missourian

... After detecting CWD in Franklin County, the MDC set a goal of collecting approximately 300 samples from a 78-mile area ...

[Cracking the Mystery Behind Missouri's Year of the Giant Buck](#) December 15, 2020 Missouri, Outdoor Life Magazine

... "Part of the reason is the recovery of Missouri's deer population post 2012." ... the devastating effect Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) had on the State's deer population in 2012. The MDC estimates that some counties in Missouri lost up to 20 percent of their deer herd and that conservatively, statewide mortality from EHD was in excess of 100,000 whitetails..,

[Deadly deer disease identified in southeast MO](#) February 8, 2018 Missouri, KFVS

... first known cases of Chronic Wasting Disease have been confirmed in Southeast Missouri ... 20,000 deer were sampled in Missouri last year and the two deer in Ste. Genevieve County are part of the 15 confirmed cases of CWD in the state ...

[Chronic wasting disease detected in seven more counties](#) June 13, 2018 Missouri, KMZU

... chronic wasting disease has been found in additional regions of Missouri. ... Since 2012, the MDC has tested over 100,000 deer and only 75 tests have come back positive for CWD, ...

[CWD is Starting to Affect Deer Hunting in Missouri](#) October 8, 2018 KSMU
... there have been 33 new cases of CWD in Missouri over the last year, bringing the total 75... rifle hunters will be required to bring in samples of any deer that they kill on opening weekend to be tested...

[Missouri Department of Conservation reports deer tests positive for Chronic Wasting Disease in Oregon County](#) October 25, 2018 KY3
... The nearest confirmed CWD positive is over 70 miles away in Arkansas ... brings the total number of CWD cases detected in free ranging deer in Missouri to 76 since 2012...

[MDC meeting held to discuss spread of deadly deer disease \(CWD\)](#) October 26, 2018 Missouri, Perryville News
... "While it looks like CWD is so widespread in Missouri, we've tested over 101 thousand deer since we've started our surveillance, and we've only had 75 total positives to date," ... Mandatory sampling during the opening couple days of deer season ...

[chronic Wasting Disease Found In Southwest Missouri Deer, For The First Time](#) November 30, 2018 LakeExpo.com
... a young buck harvested in Stone County in early November has tested positive for the deadly deer disease -- chronic wasting disease (CWD). According to MDC, this is the first detection of CWD in Stone County and the first detection in the far southwest region of the state...

[11 new cases of chronic wasting disease found in Missouri](#) December 1, 2018 The Republic

... The 11 new positives bring the total number of cases in Missouri to 86...

[A Taney County deer tests positive for CWD](#) December 5, 2018 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... deer was killed only 2.5 miles away from another deer that tested positive for CWD in Stone County ... 13 new cases of the deadly deer disease have been found so far in 2018 in Missouri ...

[CWD fears overshadow outdoor heritage event in Missouri Deer](#) June 25, 2012 Deer and Deer Hunting

"It's scary because it's something I've heard can't be eliminated or controlled," said Tom Morrow, a Macon resident at the fun day who was milling around the Department of Conservation's chronic wasting disease information table... Hunters spend more than \$1 billion in Missouri each year, supporting 24,500 jobs with \$433 million in wages, according to [Hunting Works for Missouri](#) ... Chronic wasting disease is transmitted through saliva, waste and whole decomposition of animal carcasses ...

[CWD in Central Missouri](#) November 21, 2015 Fulton Sun

... Callaway has this year been added to the list of 19 Missouri counties that are in Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) management zones. When the disease was first discovered in the state in 2010, the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) declared six counties in northeast Missouri a CWD management zone ...

[CWD Infecting Missouri's White-Tail Deer](#) May 9, 2014 KRCU

... slowly killing off Missouri's deer population. The first confirmed case of the disease was in 2010 in a captive deer facility in northern Missouri. Since then 11 cases of CWD in deer have been confirmed.,,,

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[CWD Is in Missouri](#) September 2, 2013 Kansas City infoZine

... The Conservation Department is hosting public meetings around the state to provide information about its plans and to get comments about limiting the spread of CWD among captive and free-ranging deer. People can also post comments online at <http://mdc.mo.gov/deerhealth>

[CWD now is in Missouri](#) March 2, 2012 Chillicothe Constitution Tribune

... Last fall two cases of CWD were detected in a private hunting preserve in Linn and Macon counties and a third captive deer there tested positive for CWD in December ... found CWD in two free-ranging adult bucks, both killed within two miles of the hunting preserve where the other 3 cases were found. CWD has now spread outside the hunting preserve, raising concern that it be gaining a foothold in this part of Missouri ...

[CWD sampling in north-central MO](#) September 18, 2014 Missouri, Moberly Monitor

... The cooperative effort is part of MDC's ongoing work to detect cases of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in Missouri's free-ranging deer. The Conservation Department encourages hunters to take deer harvested in MDC's CWD Containment Zone ... CWD was first found in Missouri in 2010 and remains confined to 21 confirmed cases ...

[Commission approves suspension of issuing permits for new deer breeders and big-game hunting facilities](#) August 24, 2012 Missouri, Missouri Department of Conservation

... the Missouri Conservation Commission approved changes to the Wildlife Code of Missouri that indefinitely suspend issuing permits for new big-game hunting facilities and new wildlife breeding facilities in Missouri that hold white-tailed deer or mule deer... “The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is responsible for managing and protecting the wildlife resources of the state and we take that responsibility very seriously,” says MDC Deputy Director Tom Draper. “With Chronic Wasting Disease now in Missouri, this suspension of issuing permits for new deer breeders and hunting ranches is one of several actions we are taking to help protect free-ranging deer from CWD, and to help ensure the health of captive deer and other cervids.” MDC permit records show there are 27 permitted big-game hunting preserves in Missouri with white-tailed deer, and 277 permitted wildlife breeders with white-tailed deer...

[Deer disease shrouds hunting future in Macon County](#) June 21, 2012 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

[Chronic wasting disease](#), first found in a captive deer in Colorado in 1967, has now been documented in 18 states, including Missouri.... Hunters spend more than \$1 billion

in Missouri each year, supporting 24,500 jobs with \$433 million in wages, according to [Hunting Works for Missouri](#). ... Chronic wasting disease was first discovered in Missouri [in 2010 in captive deer](#) on two Heartland Wildlife hunting ranches in Linn and Macon counties

[Department of Agriculture ends funding for chronic wasting disease](#) June 22, 2012

Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... Jay Brasher of Utah, who owns the Linn County ranch where the disease was detected [in Missouri] ... Captive game at the commercial hunting ranch include red deer, white-tailed deer, Rocky Mountain elk, American bison and sheep, according to [the ranch's website](#). ... it took nearly a year from the time the disease was confirmed at the commercial hunting operation for officials to move in and start killing all the game, according to a 2011 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service report

[Disease impacts deer population in Missouri](#) October 3, 2012 Missouri, Northwest

Missourian

... Since February 2010, at least 11 cases of CWD were reported in Missouri. All deer carrying the disease were found in Macon and Linn counties ... CWD is caused by an irregular protein that attacks a deer, elk or moose's nervous system, eventually killing the animal. The disease can be spread deer-to-deer through contact with a living or deceased infected animal.

[MDC to hold open house on CWD\[Chronic Wasting Disease\] in Macon County](#) May 25, 2012 Missouri, KTVO

MDC's disease-management steps to help contain the spread of CWD include ... Restriction on Feeding ... Removal of Antler-Point Restriction ... According to MDC Deer Biologist Jason Sumners ... feeding and placement of minerals/salts that artificially concentrate deer greatly increase the likelihood of disease ... yearling and adult male deer have been found to exhibit CWD at much higher rates than yearling and adult females so a reduction in the number of male deer can help reduce the spread of CWD.

[Missouri deer hunters face new regulations](#) August 20, 2012 ConnectTriStates.com

... The ban on the placement of grain, salt products, minerals, and other consumable natural or manufactured products is limited to the area where CWD has been found in Macon County, and surrounding areas ... The Department of Conservation has also

removed the antler point restriction ... because CWD spreads amongst yearling and bucks at higher rates...

[State seeks hunter's help](#) [with Chronic Wasting Disease] June 1, 2012 Missouri, KMAland

... 16 deer have tested positive for CWD in the state. 5 of those have been free-ranging deer and the rest captive, all in or within a few miles of a hunting preserve in northwest Macon County.... a regulation prohibiting feeding deer ... discouraging the moving of whole carcasses or certain parts out of that containment zone... “The brain, the spinal cords contain the highest concentrations of infectious material and so that presents some opportunity to introduce the disease.”

[Deadly deer disease reported in northern Missouri](#) December 9, 2014 KY3

... an adult buck killed by a hunter in Adair County tested positive for chronic wasting disease... first case of the disease in Missouri since early 2013 ...

[Dealing with Chronic Wasting Disease in Missouri](#) October 23, 2012 KTTN

... the Missouri Conservation Commission approved issuing special no-cost “CWD Management Seals” to landowners in the core area where Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been detected in Linn and Macon counties... All deer harvested using a seal must be checked using the Telecheck system, and a tissue sample must be submitted to MDC for CWD testing...

[Deer deaths rise \[EHD\], but cold weather could slow death rate](#) October 10, 2012, Columbia Missourian

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[Deer disease a hot topic at agency's open house](#) June 25, 2014 Missouri, Southeast Missourian

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[Deer disease affects hunting regulations](#) September 12, 2012 Missouri, Truman Index ... Confirmed cases of Chronic Wasting Disease in deer near Adair County have caused regulation changes for the 2012 hunting season... it will be illegal within the six county containment zone to have feeders for deer and to put out mineral blocks known as "salt licks." ... The "Four Point Rule" ... prohibits hunters from shooting a deer with antlers unless the antlers have four visible points. This regulation is being eliminated to contain the disease since adult male deer can wander to territories up to 100 miles ...

[Deer diseases of concern](#) May 15, 2014 Missouri, Liberty Tribune

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[Deer meetings set for June 17](#) June 12, 2014 Missouri, Neosho Daily News

... the severity and frequency over the last several years of hemorrhagic disease outbreaks have significantly impacted the population in some parts of the state. Sumners said feedback received from hunters and others interested in the state's deer herd will help with the decision-making process... [Meeting information and schedules](#)

[Deer population face diseases in Missouri](#) May 21, 2014 The Marshall Democrat-News

... it is highly unlikely CWD was in Missouri before its recent discovery in north-central Missouri... A total of 11 cases of CWD have been confirmed in captive deer ... the Department is considering closing Missouri to interstate movement of captive deer. This

will help minimize potential disease risks from moving infected captive deer. A recent example is Florida and New York closing their borders. ...

[Deer season several months away. CWD vigilance still needed](#) May 9, 2014 Missouri, South County Mail

... Missouri Department of Conservation biologists want to remind turkey hunters, spring hikers, floaters and whoever else is outdoors at this time of year that if they see sick deer, they should contact their nearest conservation office. CWD is a disease that infects deer and other members of the family Cervidae...

[Deer with Chronic Wasting Disease Found in Missouri](#) October 19, 2011 KMOX.com

...The Missouri Departments of Agriculture, Conservation and Health and Senior Services and the US Department of Agriculture announced today that a captive white-tailed deer in Macon County, Missouri has tested positive for Chronic Wasting ... In February 2010 a case of CWD was confirmed in Linn County on a captive hunting preserve operated by the same entity, Heartland Wildlife Ranches, LLC. The Linn County facility was depopulated and no further infection was identified at that facility.

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[Deer with Chronic Wasting Disease Found in Missouri](#) October 19, 2011 KMOX.com

...The Missouri Departments of Agriculture, Conservation and Health and Senior Services and the US Department of Agriculture announced today that a captive white-tailed deer in Macon

County, Missouri has tested positive for Chronic Wasting ... In February 2010 a case of CWD was confirmed in Linn County on a captive hunting preserve operated by the same entity, Heartland Wildlife Ranches, LLC. The Linn County facility was depopulated and no further infection was identified at that facility.

[Department of Conservation calls on Adair County hunters to help attack chronic wasting disease](#) January 5, 2015 Missouri, Kirksville Daily Express

... The first cases of CWD was detected in 2010 and 2011 in captive deer at a private game hunting preserve near the Lynn and Macon county line, with the first positive case in free ranging herd in 2011. The newest positive case has been found in Adair County and is the 11th deer in the free ranging herd...

[Depopulation Plan Being Developed for Captive Deer Facility in Macon County](#) December 30, 2011 Missouri, Missouri.gov

... The Missouri Department of Agriculture is finalizing a depopulation and management plan for an approximately 3,000 acre captive wildlife hunting facility in northern Missouri following two positive tests for Chronic Wasting Disease. The facility, operated by Heartland Wildlife Ranches, LLC, is home to white-tail deer, elk and red deer. The plan includes a requirement to depopulate and test all remaining animals for CWD [chronic wasting disease] ... In February 2010 a case of CWD was confirmed in Linn County on a captive hunting preserve operated by the same entity, Heartland Wildlife Ranches, LLC. ... The disease was first recognized in 1967 in captive mule deer in the Colorado Division of Wildlife captive wildlife research facility

[Disease regulations for Missouri's white-tailed deer could be expensive](#) May 13, 2014 Southeast Missourian

... The key to keeping Chronic Wasting Disease at bay in Missouri's white-tailed deer population is prevention The proposed regulation changes include closing Missouri's borders to importing deer; new fencing standards; mandatory enrollment of all captive herds in the CWD monitoring program ...

[Disease threatening Missouri deer](#) January 2, 2014 KCTV5 News

... chronic wasting disease ... The state has just 20 confirmed cases since 2010 ... The Department of Conservation is proposing double fencing around deer farms and hunting ranches ...

[Don't transfer management of captive deer](#) June 10, 2014 Missouri, Columbia Daily Tribune

... Two bills passed in the recent session of the Missouri General Assembly seriously threaten the health of Missouri's deer population. House Bill 1326 and Senate Bill 506 both contain language that forces the Department of Conservation to transfer management of captive deer to the Department of Agriculture... The captive cervid industry selectively breeds bucks for abnormally large antler racks and allows people to enter fenced enclosures to shoot the trophy buck of their choice...

[Drought increases risk of disease spread among the state's deer](#) August 7, 2012 Missouri, Missourinet.com

... Biologist Lonnie Hansen says drought conditions are also good for midge flies, that spread EHD ... "You've got a deer that has hemorrhagic disease, or has the virus, the fly bites that one and then goes and bites another, healthy deer and the disease is transmitted that way..." ...we can lose locally up to 50 percent of the deer ...

[Efforts to stop a fatal deer disease in Missouri splits hunters](#) December 26, 2013 Lakeexpo.com

... fatal illness afflicting deer and elk called chronic wasting disease ... The first case was on a private hunting ranch in Linn County. The next 10 were confirmed on an affiliated hunting ranch in adjoining Macon County. The remainder were wild deer taken by hunters within a few miles of the Macon ranch. The proximity of the cases has sharpened the disagreement between conservationists and owners of fenced hunting ranches ...

EHD, [Disease From Biting Midge Flies Causing Deer Deaths Around State](#) September 20, 2012 Missouri, Wayne County Journal Banner

“If you find a dead deer and the cause of death is not apparent, report it to your local conservation office or agent,” [MDC Deer Biologist Emily Flinn] ... “Significant outbreaks have mainly happened during droughts, with past ones being in 1980, 1988, 1998 and 2007 ... Outbreaks tend to occur in larger numbers during droughts because deer, and the biting flies, congregate near the fewer water spots... Freezing temperatures will mean an end to the biting fly and the disease outbreak.”

[Drought has led to deer hemorrhaging disease](#) August 22, 2012 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

Not much can be done to stop the disease from running its course through local whitetail populations, but positive identification of EHD-infected deer can help biologists determine the impact the disease has had on deer numbers in specific areas... EHD has similarities to bluetongue, but the two are from genetically distinct viruses. Bluetongue is a hemorrhagic disease that has several variations ...

[Fatal Disease Impacts Local Deer Population, EHD](#) October 24, 2012 Missouri, The Missourian

Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) biologist John Vogel said the disease normally only affects states in the southeast, such as Kentucky, Tennessee and the Carolinas, but this year the drought cases are being reported as far north as South Dakota and Michigan... Missouri hasn't seen this many cases of hemorrhagic disease since 2007.

[MDC Biologists Looking for Tissue Samples from Sick Deer in Southwest Missouri](#)

August 23, 2012

By Francis Skalicky, Missouri Dept. of Conservation

... Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) is present in deer populations throughout the central and southeastern U.S. and periodically appears in Missouri. EHD can be fatal to deer and can have a significant impact on local deer populations. Not much can be done to stop the disease from running its course through local whitetail populations, but positive identification of EHD-infected deer can help biologists determine impacts the disease has had on deer numbers in specific areas. EHD is transmitted by biting flies, known as midges ... Biologists speculate that as much as 20 percent of some localized deer populations were lost during past outbreaks in Missouri.

... MDC wildlife officials need to hear reports of the sick or dead deer as soon as possible. Consequently, people who observe sick deer or find dead deer that are still

fresh should report the sightings to MDC's Southwest Regional Office in Springfield at 417-895-6880. Reports can also be e-mailed to Tim.Russell@mdc.mo.gov.

[Thousands of White-Tailed Deer Killed by Horrible-Sounding Disease](#) September 19, 2012 Missouri, Riverfront Times (blog)

... Most deer infected with EHD tend to die within one to three days. Typical symptoms include fever, excessive salivation, swollen neck, swollen tongue or swollen eyelids ... Since 1980, Missouri sees a severe outbreak about every ten years (though the last one was only five years ago, in 2007)...

[Fear for the future, CWD](#) March 30, 2014 Missouri, News Tribune

... Since CWD was first discovered in Missouri in 2010, the Missouri Department of Conservation has taken action to drastically reduce the number of deer on the landscape in the CWD Containment Zone ... Deer numbers in the area are now only a fraction of what they were a few years ago and that has many residents furious...

[Four New Cases of Chronic Wasting Confirmed Among Missouri Deer](#) March 26, 2013, OzarksFirst

... The four deer were among 102 harvested in January and February in the CWD Core Area of Linn and Macon counties. The Core Area is comprised of a 29-square-mile block along the northern part of the Linn- and Macon-county border where CWD was first detected in free-ranging deer in early 2012...

[How Chronic Wasting Disease is affecting deer population and what's the risk to humans and pets?, Elk Reintroduction ...](#) July 3, 2014 Missouri, Missouri.net

... As Kelly explains, CWD infects deer and other members of the deer family, called cervids. CWD is transmitted through abnormal proteins that attack the nervous systems of these species. CWD is spread both directly from deer to deer and indirectly to deer from infected soil and other surfaces. Animals with signs of CWD show changes in natural behavior and can exhibit extreme weight loss ... [YouTube Video](#)

[Hunters clash with Dept. of Conservation over Chronic Wasting Disease](#) October 30, 2012 Missouri, KBIA

... Many free-range hunters support the actions, yet some breeders and preserve operators say they are being unnecessarily targeted for the spread of CWD. .. the Department of Conservation is attempting to pass legislation that bans any new game preserves in Missouri in an attempt to combat CWD. Most agree CWD needs to be monitored, but not everyone can agree on how to do so...

[Hunters Wary of Deer Numbers](#) November 17, 2012 Missouri, KOMU-TV

The department has focused their attention this season on limiting the spread of chronic wasting disease (CWD), a disease that has killed 16 deer in Missouri since 2010. But it's hemorrhagic disease (HD) that has hunters worried. There have been 6,100 deer deaths in the state related to EHD in 2012 alone. ...

[Infected wild Missouri deer prompt protocol to contain chronic wasting disease](#) January 24, 2012 Missouri, Columbia Missourian, BY John McLaughlin

The two bucks infected with Missouri's first cases of chronic wasting disease in the wild were killed near a private hunting preserve where the disease was previously found in captive white-tailed deer ... in Macon County ... The first case in captive white-tailed deer... in February 2010 at the Heartland Wildlife Ranch in adjacent Linn County.

[Infectious disease threatens state deer population](#) October 1, 2013 Missouri, newspressnow.com

... a public meeting on the regional incidence of Chronic Wasting Disease, a transmissible infection of deer and elk that degenerates brains and nervous systems. Dr. Michael W. Hubbard, resource division chief for the Missouri Department of Conservation, said a more mobile 21st-century society is a culprit in the way such diseases move so swiftly among populations... The department is working on a program to reduce the number of animals arriving and departing captive facilities, and is testing all animals brought into hunting preserves...

[Kelly leads charge to scuttle bill altering regulation of captive deer](#) September 11, 2014

Missouri, Columbia Daily Tribune

... Conservation department scientists believe the disease, also known as CWD, travels across state lines as breeders buy and sell animals and hunting preserves stock their property... “Wildlife biologists in the 10 most affected states say that is the most likely way it is spread,” Kelly said. “I cannot understand the contempt for the finest wildlife agency in the U.S.” ..

[Kill or Contain: How Should Missouri Manage Chronic Wasting Disease](#) August 14,

2013 Outdoor Life Magazine

... Since the disease was first detected in Wisconsin in 2002, the state has conducted what can best be described as an eradication campaign ... A report issued in 2010 concluded that: “.. controlling CWD in free-ranging whitetails will be extremely challenging.” ... Wyoming’s Game and Fish Department has written that “... eradication is not a realistic disease management objective.” So instead of gunning all animals down in the disease area ... liberalizing harvest quotas in the areas where the disease shows up...

[Latest Missouri CWD case could lead to another 'management zone'](#) December 9, 2015

Missouri, St. Joseph Post

... Franklin County is the fourth county in Missouri from which a deer has tested positive for chronic wasting disease ... We will ramp up our testing in Franklin County and neighboring counties... All Missourians are encouraged to report sick deer...

[Disease Deadly To Deer Found In Fifth Missouri County](#) December 4, 2015 Ozarks First

... The latest deer to test positive for Chronic Wasting Disease was shot by a hunter in Franklin County, just west of St. Louis. Since 2012 ... As of June, CWD had been found in 26 free-ranging deer and 11 captive deer...

[State considers mandatory testing of deer for chronic wasting disease](#) December 15, 2015 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

... Recommendations for mandatory testing for the disease were approved Friday by the Missouri Conservation Commission for counties in chronic wasting management zones... it was first detected in captive deer in Linn County in 2010...

[Lawmakers Confident of Veto Overturns on Ag, Captive Deer Bills](#) August 29, 2014

Missouri, OzarksFirst.com

... Nixon vetoed the legislation because it would remove control of captive deer in private hunting operations from the Department of Conservation and put it under the control of the Department of Agriculture. [Nixon says that would “clearly” violate the state Constitution](#)...

[Lawmakers hear conflicting testimony on deer disease in Missouri](#) July 16, 2013

Missouri, Missourinet.com

... The House Interim Committee on Cause and Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease in the Elk and White Tail Deer Population has heard two very different sets of information from those who do, and don't, think captive breeders are to blame ... the main question it will consider is whether captive breeders should be subject to tighter regulations... The first positive tests for the disease from deer in Missouri were found in 2010 in captive deer on private hunting preserves ...

[Legislative committee formed to examine disease in deer and elk](#) June 6, 2013

Missouri, Springfield News

... House Speaker Tim Jones, R-Eureka, appointed the committee today to examine Chronic Wasting Disease, which was first documented in Missouri in 2010. The disease, which causes a degeneration in the brain of elk, deer and moose, is fatal...

[Let MDC manage Missouri deer](#) May 10, 2014 travtalk.net

... The Missouri Senate has voted (SB964) to give responsibility for captive deer management (including captive elk) to the Missouri Department of Agriculture. The Missouri House has inserted such language into three bills: HB1326, SB506 and SB591. If any of these bills pass, the captive cervid bill will go to the Governor for his signature... some believe the lack of regulation is responsible for Chronic Wasting Disease now in our wild deer herd...

[Let's protect these things we hold dear](#), Chronic Wasting Disease March 16, 2014
Missouri, Columbia Daily Tribune

... The worlds of wildlife conservation and deer farming are on a collision course. There is powerful evidence from other states suggesting the movement of CWD within and between states has been expedited by the movement of captive deer between facilities. There is concern about how this disease can rapidly spread to other deer while in the unnatural conditions of confinement. ...

[Local Efforts to Reduce Long-term Effects of Chronic Wasting Disease in the White Tail Deer](#) Septembet 4, 2013 Missouri

... "The distribution is pretty limited, although it's indicated in most other states over time it slowly progress and expands its range of distribution. So we're really concerned. The white-tailed deer is \$1.1 billion industry in Missouri ... Missouri does not restrict hunters from importing whole deer carcasses into the state ... Arkansas, on the other hand, completely restricts the transport of outside whole deer into the state..

[Making an unwise move](#) May 4, 2014 Missouri, Jefferson City News Tribune

... As states across the country increase regulations on captive cervid facilities in efforts to curb the spread of deadly wildlife diseases, specifically Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), your Missouri Senate has voted to transfer the control of captive cervids from the Department of Conservation to the Department of Agriculture under the precise

premise of relaxing captive cervid control... Missouri public deer hunting licenses generated \$15,016,430...

[MDC continues testing for CWD, asks for hunters' help](#) December 19 2014 Missouri, KTVO

... Recently, one case of Chronic Wasting Disease was found in an adult buck harvested by a hunter in eastern Adair County...

MDC FINDS MORE DEER WITH CWD, BUT DISEASE REMAINS RARE IN STATE

Joe Jerek

Apr 25, 2019

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports 41 new positive test results for chronic wasting disease (CWD) have been confirmed following its sampling and testing of more than 32,000 free-ranging Missouri deer during its 2018-2019 disease-surveillance efforts. The 41 new positive test results bring Missouri's total CWD detections to 116 since 2012. The new positives were from the following counties:

- Adair: 3
- Crawford: 1
- Franklin: 5
- Jefferson: 1
- Linn: 3
- Macon: 8
- Mercer: 1
- Oregon: 5
- Polk: 3

- St. Clair: 2
- Ste. Genevieve: 7
- Stone: 1
- Taney: 1

MDC's disease-surveillance efforts included collecting more than 20,000 tissue samples from hunter-harvested deer during its mandatory CWD sampling over the opening weekend of the fall firearms deer season and collecting more than 8,000 tissue samples from hunter-harvested deer through its statewide voluntary CWD sampling during the entire past deer season. The voluntary statewide effort was possible through a partnership with numerous meat processors and taxidermists who helped collect tissue samples for testing through MDC. MDC also collected tissue samples from a small number of road-killed deer and "sick-looking" deer reported to the Department over the past season.

In addition, MDC worked with landowners around the state to manage CWD by removing additional deer from areas where CWD has been found. These efforts help minimize the spread of the disease to more deer in more areas. MDC collected about 2,200 tissue samples during these targeted culling efforts after the close of deer season. Learn more at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under Post-Season Targeted Culling.

Of the 41 new CWD positives, 15 were found through mandatory sampling; 12 through voluntary sampling; 12 through targeted culling; and 2 from road-killed, sick, or found dead deer. For more information, visit mdc.mo.gov/cwd under CWD in Missouri.

"These efforts would not be possible without the participation of thousands of deer hunters who brought their harvested deer to be sampled and tested, the help of more than 140 participating taxidermists and meat processors, and the participation of numerous landowners who worked with us on post-season targeted culling," said MDC Wildlife Disease Coordinator Jasmine Batten.

"THANK YOU!"

Batten noted that in new areas where CWD was found, the number of CWD positives was low, indicating the disease was likely recently introduced in those locations.

“Overall, where CWD occurs throughout the state, the number of infected deer remains low, which indicates that CWD is relatively rare in the state – and we want to keep it that way,” she said. “If left unchecked, CWD could decrease the overall health of deer and numbers of deer in Missouri over time.”

MDC will again require mandatory sampling of deer harvested during the opening weekend of the fall firearms deer season, Nov. 16 and 17, in and around counties where the disease has been recently found. MDC will again also offer statewide voluntary CWD sampling during the entire fall and winter deer hunting season. More information on specific counties, sampling locations, and requirements will be published in MDC’s “2019 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information” booklet, available where permits are sold starting in July.

CWD is a deadly illness in white-tailed deer and other members of the deer family, called cervids. CWD is spread from deer to deer through direct contact and through contact with soil, food, and water that have been contaminated through feces, urine, saliva, or carcasses of infected deer. CWD kills all deer and other cervids it infects. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends hunters in areas known to have CWD have their deer tested for the disease before consuming the meat and not eating meat from infected animals. Learn more at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under Human Health Risks.

[MDC finds new CWD cases during past-season testing](#) April 22, 2016 Missouri, Missouri Department of Conservation

... The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) received final results from its 2015-2016 fall and winter testing of nearly 7,700 free-ranging deer for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD). Seven were confirmed to be positive for the fatal deer-disease. Three were from Adair County, two from Macon County, one from Linn County, and one from Franklin County (reported earlier in the year). The new cases bring the total number of Missouri free-ranging deer that have tested positive for CWD to 33 since the disease was first discovered in the state in 2010...

[MDC leads efforts to protect deer](#) July 7, 2014 Missouri, CDEACF

... The conservation commission voted to approve proposed amendments to regulations regarding the operation of hunting preserves and wildlife breeding facilities holding

white-tailed deer, mule deer, their hybrids and other members of the deer family ... There will be a 30-day public comment period beginning July 16 ... To comment go to www.mdc.mo.gov/deerhealth.

[MDC Leads Efforts To Protect Deer Proposed Regulations Are Designed To Prevent The Spread Of CWD](#) June 17, 2014 Missouri, The Sullivan Independent News

... These proposed amendments work to reduce the risk of this fatal disease (CWD) from spreading beyond the limited area where it has been found, while minimizing the economic impact on the captive-cervid industry and the communities and businesses that benefit from deer hunting and deer-related activities....

[MDC public meeting at West Plains seeks input on threat to deer](#) September 11, 2013 Missouri, thecaboolenterprise.com

... Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) will host a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 16, at West Plains Civic Center in West Plains. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information on Missouri deer and chronic wasting disease (CWD) and to get comments about limiting the spread of CWD among captive and free-ranging deer... There are 47 big-game hunting preserves and 253 wildlife breeders in the state that have captive deer and other captive cervids...

MDC reports CWD results for 2020-2021 season

April 26, 2021 MDC News

CWD testing efforts continued despite COVID-19 challenges with MDC confirming 44 new cases of the deadly deer disease. Learn more at mdc.mo.gov/CWD.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports it has completed its monitoring, management, and testing efforts for its 2020-2021 chronic wasting disease (CWD) surveillance year. From those efforts, MDC reports it collected more than 15,300 tissue samples

from mostly hunter-harvested deer for CWD testing. MDC has confirmed 44 new cases of CWD from the deer tested.

The new findings bring the total number of CWD cases in the state to 206. MDC has tested more than 152,300 deer since the first cases of CWD were found in free-ranging deer in Missouri in 2012.

Of the 44 new cases, two were found in Putnam County and one in Pulaski County, both of which had no previously known cases of CWD.

The 44 new cases of CWD were found in the following counties: Adair (2), Franklin (5), Jefferson (5), Linn (6), Macon (5), Oregon (3), Polk (1), Pulaski (1), Putnam (2), St Clair (1), Ste Genevieve (12), and Stone (1). One confirmed case came from a deer in Ste. Genevieve County that was found exhibiting signs of CWD infection. The sick deer was observed by several people, and MDC was notified. The sick deer was humanely shot by MDC staff and a tissue sample was submitted for CWD testing. MDC staff properly disposed of the carcass.

It typically takes an average 18-24 months from the time a deer is infected with CWD until it looks visibly sick. Deer can spread CWD long before they look or act sick. In Missouri, most deer that test CWD-positive do not show signs of the disease. Deer showing signs of CWD may present a variety of symptoms, including dramatic weight loss, abnormal behavior, and excessive thirst, drooling, or urination.

MDC Wildlife Health Program Supervisor Jasmine Batten noted that the 15,300 deer tested during the past season decreased significantly from the year before due to the effects of COVID-19 on MDC's surveillance efforts.

"We tested about 16,000 fewer deer last season compared to the 2019-2020 testing period," Batten said. "The lower number of deer tested this season was mostly due to MDC suspending our mandatory sampling requirements during the opening weekend due to concerns about human health and safety related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Thankfully, the hard work of taxidermists and meat processors who provided samples and the hunters who voluntarily had their deer sampled at a variety of locations allowed us to still adequately monitor and detect CWD throughout the state."

MDC thanks the thousands of hunters who brought their harvested deer to MDC locations for CWD sampling and testing. MDC also thanks the more than 150 partnering taxidermists and meat processors throughout the state who sampled over 9,300 hunter-harvested deer this year for CWD testing.

MDC also thanks the more than 1,500 landowners in areas where CWD has been found who voluntarily signed up to participate in MDC's post-deer season CWD management efforts. Cooperatively, landowners and MDC staff in these areas harvested an additional 2,713 deer after the close of the deer season, removing an additional 18 CWD-positive deer.

All deer harvested through the post-deer season CWD management efforts that did not test positive for CWD were either returned to the landowner or donated to local food pantries through the Share the Harvest venison-donation program. More than 80,000 pounds of venison were donated to Share the Harvest from last season's efforts.

According to MDC, post-deer season targeted culling efforts can help decrease CWD transmission by reducing the number of potentially infected deer within areas where the disease has been detected. Long-term, sustained, targeted culling has been shown to slow the spread of CWD, and MDC is committed to using this management tool to protect the state's deer herd from the effects of CWD.

CWD is a deadly disease in white-tailed deer and other members of the deer family. The purpose of MDC's CWD sampling efforts is to find cases as early as possible so the Department can limit the spread of the disease by implementing management actions such as targeted culling. For more information on MDC's 2020-2021 CWD surveillance results, visit mdc.mo.gov/cwd under CWD Surveillance.



[MDC reminds public to not feed deer in CWD counties](#) May 25, 2016 Missouri, houstonherald.com

... a regulation banning the feeding of deer becomes effective at the end of the month in 29 Missouri counties... Exceptions to the regulation include feeding wildlife within 100 feet of any residence or occupied building, feed placed in a manner that excludes access by deer ...

MDC REPORTS FINAL CWD RESULTS FOR 2019-2020 SEASON

May 06, 2020 Missouri Department of Conservation

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports it has completed its monitoring and testing efforts for the 2019-2020 chronic wasting disease (CWD) surveillance year. From those efforts, MDC reports it has confirmed 46 new cases of the deadly deer disease.

These new findings bring the total number of CWD cases in the state to 162. MDC has tested more than 137,000 deer since the first cases of CWD were found in free-ranging deer in Missouri in 2012.

The 46 new cases were found in the following counties: 3 in Adair, 6 in Franklin, 1 in Jefferson, 8 in Linn, 8 in Macon, 2 in Oregon, 2 in Perry, 1 in Polk, 10 in Ste Genevieve, 2 in Stone, and 3 in Taney.

Previously this season, MDC confirmed 25 of the 46 new cases of CWD in Missouri from nearly 29,000 tissue samples collected from white-tailed deer and submitted for disease testing. Most of the tissue samples were taken from hunter-harvested deer.

MDC has also confirmed an additional 21 of the 46 new cases of CWD through its post-season targeted culling efforts in January, February, and early March in areas where previous cases of CWD have been found. MDC thanks the 1,390 participating landowners who helped MDC staff remove nearly 2,400 deer in those areas to manage CWD.

All deer harvested through targeted culling that did not test positive for the disease were either returned to the landowner or donated to local food pantries through the Share the Harvest venison-donation program.

According to MDC, post-season targeted culling can help decrease CWD transmission by reducing the number of potentially infected deer within infected areas. Missouri and other states, such as Illinois, have successfully limited the percent of deer infected with CWD by sustaining a long-term, targeted-culling management program. For more information on MDC targeted culling efforts, visit mdc.mo.gov/cwd under “Post Season Targeted Culling.”

CWD is a deadly disease in white-tailed deer and other members of the deer family. The purpose of MDC’s CWD sampling and testing efforts is to find cases early so the Department

can limit the spread of the disease by implementing management actions such as targeted culling.

[MDC seeking public comments on protecting Missouri deer](#) August 16, 2013

... Missouri's first cases of CWD were detected in 2010 and 2011 in captive deer at private big-game hunting preserves in Linn and Macon counties. A total of 11 cases of CWD have been confirmed in captive deer at the facilities. CWD has since been found in 10 free-ranging deer within two miles of the captive facility in Macon County... People can post comments online at mdc.mo.gov/deerhealth

MDC SETS CWD SAMPLING EFFORTS FOR UPCOMING DEER SEASON

MDC News, June 18, 2018

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri Conservation Commission recently approved recommendations by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) for its fall and winter efforts to find cases of chronic wasting disease (CWD) and help limit the spread of the deadly deer disease to more deer and more areas.

MDC confirmed 33 new cases of CWD following the testing of nearly 24,500 free-ranging Missouri deer through its sampling and testing efforts last season. The new cases were found in Adair, Cedar, Franklin, Jefferson, Linn, Macon, Perry, Polk, St. Clair, and Ste. Genevieve counties. These new cases bring the total number of free-ranging deer in Missouri confirmed to have CWD to 75.

NEW COUNTIES ADDED TO CWD MANAGEMENT ZONE

Based on the findings from the past season, MDC has added seven new counties to its CWD Management Zone: Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Grundy, Madison, McDonald, Mercer, and Perry.

These seven new counties join 41 existing counties of the Department's CWD Management Zone. The Zone consists of counties in or near where cases of the disease have been found. Mercer County was added because of the proximity of a CWD-positive deer found in southern Iowa. McDonald County was added because of CWD detection in northwest Arkansas.

The 48 counties are: Adair, Barry, Benton, Bollinger, Boone, Callaway, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cedar, Chariton, Cole, Cooper, Crawford, Dade, Franklin, Gasconade, Grundy, Hickory, Jefferson, Knox, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Madison, McDonald, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Morgan, Osage, Ozark, Perry, Polk, Putnam, Randolph, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, St. Charles, St. Clair, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, St. Louis, Stone, Sullivan, Taney, Warren, and Washington.

MDC has increased the availability of antlerless permits in the seven new counties and expanded the firearms antlerless portion to help harvest more deer in the counties and limit the spread of the disease.

MDC has also removed the antler-point restriction for Grundy and Mercer counties, which are included in the Zone.

To help limit the possible spread of CWD, MDC encourages hunters to process deer as close as possible to where harvested and to properly dispose of carcass parts by leaving or burying parts on site, or bagging parts and placing them in trash containers.

NEW COUNTIES PART OF DEER FEEDING BAN

The seven new counties added to the CWD Management Zone are also now included in MDC's ban on feeding deer and providing mineral supplements, effective July 1.

According to the Wildlife Code of Missouri, the placement of grain, salt products, minerals, and other consumable natural and manufactured products used to attract deer is prohibited year-round within counties of the CWD Management Zone. Exceptions are feed placed within 100 feet of any residence or occupied building, feed placed in such a manner to reasonably exclude access by deer, and feed and minerals present solely as a result of normal agricultural or forest management, or crop and wildlife food production practices.

The feeding ban does not apply to food plots or other agricultural practices.

MANDATORY CWD SAMPLING

MDC will require hunters who harvest deer in 31 counties of its CWD Management Zone during the opening weekend of firearms deer season, Nov. 10 and 11, to present their deer – or the head with at least six inches of neck attached -- for CWD sampling at one of 61 sampling stations throughout the counties.

The 31 counties include those where CWD has previously been detected, those within approximately five miles of a positive, select counties along the Missouri-Arkansas border near where cases of CWD have been found in Arkansas, and the seven counties added to the CWD Management Zone.

The 31 counties for mandatory sampling are: Adair, Barry, Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Cedar, Cole, Crawford, Franklin, Grundy, Hickory, Jefferson, Knox, Linn, Macon, Madison, McDonald, Mercer, Moniteau, Ozark, Perry, Polk, Putnam, St. Charles, St. Clair, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stone, Sullivan, Taney, Warren, and Washington.

MDC asks hunters to field dress and Telecheck their deer before taking them to a CWD sampling station. Hunters can get test results for their CWD-sampled deer online at mdc.mo.gov/CWDTestResults.

Get more information at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under "Mandatory Sampling," and from MDC's "2018 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information" booklet, available starting in July where permits are sold.

“MDC is trying to limit the spread of CWD in Missouri by finding cases and slowing the spread to more deer and more areas,” said MDC Cervid Program Supervisor Barbara Keller. “Mandatory sampling is a powerful surveillance tool we use to monitor the levels of CWD in areas known to have the disease, but more importantly, to detect any ‘sparks’ or new areas of infection so we can begin managing for the disease in those areas without delay. With 75 confirmed cases of CWD in wild deer since 2012, the disease is still relatively rare in the state and we want to keep it that way.”

VOLUNTARY CWD SAMPLING

MDC will again offer voluntary CWD sampling for deer harvested in any of the 48 counties of the CWD Management Zone during the entire deer season from Sept. 15 through Jan. 15, 2019. Get more information on MDC’s voluntary sampling efforts, including locations, later this summer at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under “Voluntary Sampling.”

MDC asks hunters to field dress and Telecheck their deer before taking them to a CWD sampling station. Hunters can get test results for their CWD-sampled deer online at mdc.mo.gov/CWDTestResults.

There have been no cases of CWD infecting people, but the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) strongly recommends having deer tested for CWD if harvested in an area known to have cases of the disease. The CDC also recommends not eating meat from animals that test positive for CWD.

ADDITIONAL EFFORTS

MDC will again contact landowners of five acres or more in areas very near to where multiple infected deer have been found to offer no-cost “CWD Management Seals” to further reduce deer numbers and help limit the spread of the disease.

MDC will again also work with landowners on a voluntary basis to harvest more deer in immediate areas where CWD has been found through post-season targeted culling. These efforts help limit the spread of the disease by removing more infected deer from the areas.

MORE INFORMATION

The Missouri Conservation Commission also recently approved several recommendations by MDC for the upcoming deer hunting season.

Growing deer numbers led MDC to allow unlimited archery antlerless permits in Butler, Iron, and Reynolds counties and to include Howell County in the antlerless portion of the fall firearms season.

[MDC shares CWD info for upcoming deer season](#) September 10, 2019 Missouri, Kirksville Daily Express and Daily News

... MDC has found 116 cases of CWD in Missouri since 2012 out of more than 100,000 deer sampled so the disease remains relatively rare in the state... MDC is offering free voluntary CWD sampling and testing of deer harvested anywhere in Missouri throughout the entire deer hunting season ..,

[MDC taking action on CWD](#) June 11, 2014 Missouri, NixaXPress

... The Conservation Commission recently voted to approve proposed amendments to regulations regarding the operation of hunting preserves and wildlife breeding facilities ... they will be published in the Missouri Register. There will be a 30-day public comment period beginning July 16 ... To comment [or to read the details] go to www.mdc.mo.gov/deerhealth...

[MDC working with local landowners to limit CWD spread](#) January 16, 2013 Missouri, Macon Chronicle-Herald

... The targeted reduction effort will focus on a core area around northwest Macon County ... The effort will involve MDC staff working with cooperating landowners to shoot deer on their properties beginning in mid-January and ending by mid-March...

[Missouri approves special permits to slow down chronic wasting disease](#) October 19, 2012 Columbia Missourian

Special permits will be issued to 80 landowners in northwest Macon and northeast Linn counties as part of ongoing efforts to slow the spread of chronic wasting disease in white-tailed deer. [widespread killing of deer to reduce CWD has been criticized as ineffective in states such as Wisconsin] ... The disease is more prevalent in bucks, or male deer...

[Missouri Conservation Commission Suspends Deer Breeding Permits](#) August 29, 2012 komu.com

... Officials say it's to help protect deer from coming down with fatal chronic wasting disease, a contagious illness that attacks the nervous system. "They believe that deer farms pose a threat to the wild deer population," deer farmer Charles James said. "We totally disagree with that theory. I think our deer are much more healthier than free-ranging deer in the state."

[Missouri Department of Conservation looks to tame Chronic Wasting Disease](#) September 17, 2015 KBIA

... Since 2010, Chronic Wasting Disease has been found in four of 114 Missouri counties... for Springfield County blue tongue has taken a toll on its deer population...

[Missouri Department of Conservation works to protect deer population](#) June 7, 2014

Heartland Connection

... Actions recommended by the Commission include: Banning the importation of live white-tailed deer, mule deer, and their hybrids from other states, improving fencing requirements for captive-cervid facilities, requiring all deer 6 months or older that die in a Conservation Department-licensed facility to be tested for CWD...

[Missouri Drops Antler Point Restriction \(APR\) in CWD Area](#) June 7, 2012, Field & Stream

... part of the MDC's response to the discovery of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in two hunter-killed whitetails from Macon County last fall.... the department killed and tested 657 deer this winter ... That sampling produced three additional CWD-positive deer ... Missouri state deer biologist Jason Sumners: "APR's protect yearling males and promote older bucks ... And bucks, both yearlings and adults, exhibit CWD at much higher rates than yearling and adult females.

[Missouri House committee to examine ways to prevent the spread of CWD](#) June 8, 2013 Columbia Missourian

... In Missouri, there have been 10 confirmed cases of chronic wasting disease in free-ranging deer, all from a 29-square-mile area along the northern border ...

[strategies include:](#) Banning the placement of grain, salt products, mineral and other consumable products ... Creating a special harvest provision that rescinds the four-point antler restriction in the containment zone. Male deer have been found to exhibit chronic wasting disease at higher rates. [reducing deer density shown to be ineffective in some [recent research](#)] ...

[Missouri House debates bill that would change how captive deer are managed](#) May 13, 2014 The Kansas City Star

... the House bill would designate captive deer as livestock, not wildlife, and would give the Department of Agriculture sole management responsibilities. In the

process, the move would bypass some of the Department of Conservation's stringent proposed regulations...

[Missouri Needs Hunter Help with CWD Sampling of Harvested Deer](#) October 29, 2011

Missouri, Kansas City infoZine

Conservation Department asks deer hunters to allow MDC to collect tissue samples from deer harvested in north-central Missouri area for chronic-wasting-disease testing.... "Adult deer have no widespread natural predators in Missouri so hunting is the primary way to control the population," Sumners said. "Deer hunters spend more than \$750 million directly related to deer hunting each year. This adds up to over \$1 billion in overall business activity and supports more than 11,000 jobs."

[Missouri officials seek states' advice on chronic wasting disease in deer](#) March 29, 2012

Columbia Missourian

... The outbreak in Wisconsin, which began with three deer in 2002, continues to spread despite aggressive strategies to keep it in check ... about 1,800 wild deer have tested positive for the neurological disease out of about 177,000 samples collected ... Missouri announced it had found the disease in the wild for the first time when two bucks tested positive in Macon County — within two miles of Heartland Wildlife Ranches LLC, the commercial hunting operation where captive deer previously tested positive.

[Missouri Public Will Be Better If Different Agencies Oversee Deer And Cattle](#) September

4, 2014 St. Louis Public Radio

... The good news is that the Missouri Department of Conservation has so far been successful in containing the spread of CWD after finding cases of the disease at a captive deer breeding operation in 2010. The bad news is that the Missouri General Assembly recently voted to strip the Department of Conservation of much of its ability to control CWD and to transfer this authority to the Department of Agriculture...

[Missouri Reports 11 New Cases of Chronic Wasting Disease](#) March 11, 2015 Missouri,

Kansas City infoZine

... These 11 new cases bring the total number of Missouri free-ranging deer that have tested positive for CWD to 14 for this past season and 24 overall since the disease was first discovered in the state in 2010 at a private hunting preserve in Linn County. ..

[CWD found in Cole County deer](#) March 11, 2015 Missouri, News Tribune

... A buck killed in Cole County has tested positive for chronic wasting disease (CWD) ... marking the first time the fatal deer sickness has surfaced outside the state's northern containment zone. The deer, harvested in Centertown, was one of 14 free-range specimens to test positive for the disease last season ...

[Missouri to increase CWD surveillance in six Southwest Missouri counties](#) May 22, 2016
Joplin Globe

... given that 88 cases have been found so far this year in deer and elk in four northern Arkansas counties... signs of the disease could be emaciation, lack of coordination or even paralysis ... drinking a lot of water, foaming at the mouth or excess salivation ...

[Missouri's MDC Needs Hunter Help with CWD Sampling of Harvested Deer](#) September 5, 2012 Outdoorhub.com

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) is working with hunters, taxidermy shops and deer processors to collect tissue samples from adult deer harvested during the fall archery and firearms deer seasons. ... It is limited to deer harvested in MDC's CWD Containment Zone of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan counties... A list of cooperating taxidermy and processing locations can be found on page 2 of this [online hunting booklet](#).

[Missouri's fenced deer farms are under fire as state tries to contain deadly disease](#)
December 7, 2013 Kansas City Star

... The Westfalls' fenced operation isn't for hunting. The deer are there for their enjoyment... Ever since the agency discovered Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in 11 deer in captive operations in northeast Missouri in 2010 and 2011 and 10 deer in the nearby free-ranging herd, deer farms have been under fire...

[MO deer breeders meet with state reps to ask for no more MDC Regulation](#) August 19, 2013 Missouri, KSPR

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[Conservation officials warn public not to feed deer](#) May 16, 2016 Missouri, ABC17News.com

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[Mo. governor vetoes change to deer oversight](#) July 8, 2014 Missouri, KSDK

... Gov. Jay Nixon has vetoed legislation that would have shifted responsibility for regulating Missouri deer ranches to the Department of Agriculture instead of the Department of Conservation...

Moberly, [Deer management program to begin](#) December 11, 2012 Missouri, Moberly Monitor-Index & Democrat ·

... will involve the selective management of the deer population within the city limits by use of certified sharpshooters. The program, which was initiated in Moberly during 2008 ... Individuals living within the city limits of Moberly that are having or have had problems with deer causing property damage and desire to have deer removed from their property should contact Executive Assistant Shirley Olney at City Hall. After a request is received, representatives will come to the area to conduct a site inspection and determine if deer can be safely removed.... *

[Morris opposes veto override of captive deer bill](#) September 9, 2014 Missouri, The Springfield News-Leader

... Bass Pro Shops founder Johnny Morris is urging lawmakers to sustain Gov. Jay Nixon's veto of legislation that would classify captive deer as livestock. The General Assembly will meet beginning Wednesday for its annual veto session ...

[NADeFA Opposes Missouri's Harsh New Farming](#) May 1, 2014 nadeffa.org

... On April 28, 2014, the regulations committee for the Missouri Department of Conservation approved nearly 25 pages of new, stricter regulations concerning farm-raised whitetail deer, mule deer, and hybrids... of the estimated 1.4 million whitetail deer in Missouri, there have only been 10 reported cases of CWD in the wild and 11 cases within fenced hunting preserves ... hemorrhagic diseases such as Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD) and Blue Tongue Virus (BTV) have killed more than 200,000 deer in Missouri ...

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[New rules for CWD management zones proposed](#) December 17, 2015 Missouri, The Fulton Sun

... would prohibit the feeding of deer and use of deer attractants such as grain, salt, and mineral products in MDC's CWD management zones. Feeding deer unnaturally concentrates deer in a small area, which can help spread the disease...

[Conservation Considerations](#), Chronic Wasting Disease December 22, 2015 Missouri, Memphis Democrat

... As of June 2015, CWD has been detected in 26 free-ranging deer in Macon (19), Adair (6), and Cole (1) counties, and 11 captive deer in Linn (1) and Macon (10) counties...

[MDC proposes new regulations for CWD management zones](#) December 23, 2015
Missouri, The Smith Herald

... The proposed regulations would require mandatory sampling and testing for CWD of harvested deer taken in MDC's CWD management zones during the opening weekend of the November portion of the 2016 fall firearms deer season, Nov. 12 and 13...

[Nixon should veto HB 1326](#) June 28, 2014 Missouri, Springfield News-Leader

... Thanks to hard lobbying by special interests, captive hunt operators and deer breeders snuck language into two bills that would classify whitetailed deer and other cervids as livestock... Both the MDC and the Department of Agriculture have opposed this change...

[Oh, deer: will we hunt 'livestock'?](#) June 18, 2014 Missouri, News Tribune

... reclassify captive deer as livestock overseen by the state Agriculture department... approved by Missouri lawmakers and awaits action by Gov. Jay Nixon.... The captive deer industry, which lobbied for the legislation, complains their livelihood is threatened by new Conservation regulations — notably a double-fencing rule designed to prevent the spread of chronic wasting disease ...

[Oppose bills that would redefine white-tailed deer as livestock](#) April 24, 2014 Missouri, St. Louis Post-Dispatch

... House Bill 2031 and Senate Bill 964. These proposed pieces of legislation are intended to redefine white-tailed deer as livestock in Missouri ... Scientists agree there is compelling circumstantial evidence that captive deer breeders and high fence shooting operations have brought chronic wasting disease to our wild deer herd...

[Our Voice: Veto deer-farm legislation](#) June 25, 2014 Missouri, The Springfield News-Leader, News-Leader Editorial Board

... Of the seven states — including neighboring Kansas, Oklahoma and Iowa — that regulate farmed deer as livestock under their agriculture departments, five are listed among those where CWD is found... The governor should veto this bill ...

[Private deer operations find new life in ruling by circuit court](#) August 19, 2015 Missouri, The Kansas City Star

... a Missouri circuit court issued late last week blocked enforcement of new regulations ... including prohibiting the importation of captive deer and other cervids into the state ... campaign to control the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) ...

[Protect Missouri's deer from disease with reasonable rules](#) June 19, 2014 Kansas City Star

... the General Assembly wants to reclassify captive deer as livestock, not wildlife, and enable owners to evade sensible health regulations... Missouri should not be promoting an industry that selectively breeds deer with freakishly large antlers, then drugs the animals and transports them to a preserve, where they are offered up to shooters willing to pay tens of thousands of dollars for the privilege of bagging a trophy kill...

[Senate committee endorses task force on disease threatening Missouri deer](#) March 18, 2015 Missouri

... Munzlinger claims the Department of Conservation has thinned out the herd in some areas and it has caused land prices to go down. Munzlinger said CWD is growing in certain areas... The 14 member task force would consist of lawmakers, landowners, and wildlife group members...

[Show Me the Money: Corporate Ag Bankrolling Missouri's Amendment 1](#) July 29, 2014 Missouri, Huffington Post

... The state could not restrict captive shooting of deer on hundreds of cervid ranches in the state. That should concern every sportsman, since deer farming ranches are at odds with the North American Wildlife Management Model and it is documented that these deer farms have been major incubators for Chronic Wasting Disease, a progressive, fatal disease that threatens wild deer populations...

[Sixth Deer Tests Positive for Chronic Wasting Disease in Missouri](#) January 23, 2013

OzarksFirst.com

... On Wednesday, the department reported the case brings the statewide total to six among free-ranging deer -- all of which were located in northwest Macon County since early 2012...

[State records show gaps in oversight of captive deer farms, ranches](#) September 20,

2013 Missouri, Columbia Missourian

...Owners not maintaining up-to-date records. Good record keeping can be critical in tracing the source of diseased deer. Unknown numbers of deer at facilities and unreported and untested deaths ... The program allows deer breeders to ship deer across state lines ... 11 deer were infected in 2010 Since then, 10 wild deer have tested positive for chronic wasting — all within a 29-square-mile area surrounding the two contaminated ranches ...

[Stop Legislature from classifying captive deer as livestock](#) May 8, 2014 Missouri, St.

Louis Post-Dispatch

... Missouri has been known as the “conservation state” since 1936, the year citizens passed a constitutional amendment that removed control of fish, wildlife and forests from the Legislature and gave it to a four-person, nonpartisan Conservation Commission. The Legislature had done a terrible job of managing natural resources. Only about 2,000 white-tailed deer and 3,500 wild turkeys remained in the state...

[Testing of deer shows no new cases of chronic wasting disease](#) March 12, 2014

Missouri, Southeast Missourian

... testing of 3,666 deer ... The total number of confirmed cases in Missouri deer remains limited to 10 found in 2012 and early 2013. All were from a small area of northwest Macon County near the area the disease was confirmed in 10 captive deer in 2012 at a private hunting preserve...

[The Shame of Missouri Deer Hunters](#) June 19, 2014 Missouri, Outdoor Guide Magazine

... last month, Missouri's position as a nationally respected leader in wildlife conservation took a big blow, and the future of our wild deer herd was put at risk... Senate Bill 506 and House Bill 1326, two collections of tweaks to agricultural law, were amended at the last minute with language which reclassifies all confined deer from wildlife to livestock...

[Threat to deer Persists, Chronic Wasting Disease](#) November 8, 2014 Missouri, News-Press Now

... Chronic Wasting Disease was first detected in the state in 2010 in captive deer herds in north central Missouri... a containment zone comprised of Adair, Chariton, Linn, Macon, Randolph and Sullivan counties in north central Missouri. Anyone who harvests a deer within the zone should bring samples to a cooperating taxidermist or meat processor to be tested for the disease...

[To Slow CWD, Missouri Changes Deer Hunting Regulations](#) June 13, 2015 Kansas City infoZin

...Lifting antler-point restriction and increasing availability of antlerless permits in key central and northeastern counties aim to slow the spread of deadly deer disease [chronic wasting disease] ... Young bucks can also potentially spread the disease to new areas as they search for territories and mates... "The challenge with CWD is that there

is no way to fully eradicate the disease from an area once it has become established,”

...

[Two more white-tailed deer test positive for chronic wasting disease](#) March 23, 2012 Missouri, Columbia Missourian, John McLaughlin

„, A total of five wild deer have tested positive for the syndrome in Missouri ... samples from a 163-square-mile area surrounding the infected private hunting ranch in Macon County ... All five infected wild white-tailed deer were killed within two miles of the Macon County ranch ...

[Two New Cases of CWD Found in Missouri](#) January 27, 2015 Kansas City infoZine

... New cases bring statewide total of deer testing positive for Chronic Wasting Disease to 26... CWD (chronic wasting disease) was first discovered in Missouri in 2010 at a private hunting preserve in Linn County. All cases of CWD in Missouri have been limited to Macon, Linn, and Adair counties ...

[What do Missourians Think about Protecting Deer?](#) July 16, 2014 Missouri, Kansas City infoZine

... The Missouri Conservation Commission recently approved proposed regulation changes to the Missouri Wildlife Code regarding the operations of hunting preserves ... Share your comments on limiting the spread of CWD among captive and free-ranging deer... [Survey Here](#)

[Wildlife Conservationists Tracking Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease](#) February 25, 2016 Missouri, Ozarks First.

... Missouri's Department of Conservation has tested around 4,300 deer this year... the state's first confirmed case of CWD was in the deer population in 2012. Since then a total of 31 cases have been confirmed. "At this time, the disease appears to be relatively rare ...

