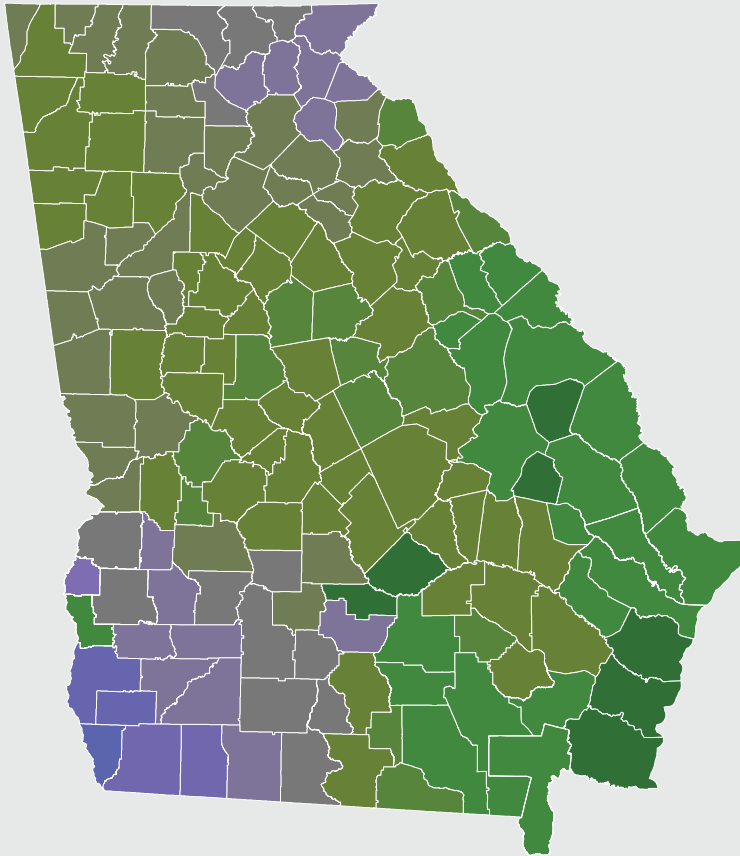


Peak Deer Movement in Georgia



The timing of the *rut*, or breeding season, for white-tailed deer varies locally, especially in southern climates like Georgia's. During the rut, the desire to breed causes deer to become more active compared to the rest of the year. Bucks move more and become less secretive, making them easier to hunt and more susceptible to being hit by motor vehicles.

Researchers at the UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA and biologists with the WILDLIFE RESOURCES DIVISION found a strong correlation between peak deer-vehicle collision timeframes, deer conception dates and the hourly movement rates of deer tracked by GPS. Based on that information, deer-vehicle collision data provided by the GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION was used to map the timing of peak deer movement in Georgia.

Counties marked with an asterisk (*) had fewer than 100 deer-vehicle collisions for the sample period, too few to determine meaningful results. Accuracy of the dates shown for these counties will be low.

County	Peak Dates	Jeff Davis	11/03-11/09
Appling	11/03-11/09	Jefferson	10/20-10/26
Atkinson	10/20-10/26	Jenkins	10/13-10/19
Bacon	10/27-11/02	Johnson	11/03-11/09
Baker	11/24-11/30	Jones	11/03-11/09
Baldwin	10/27-11/02	Lamar	11/03-11/09
Banks	11/24-11/30	Lanier	10/27-11/02
Barrow	11/10-11/16	Laurens	11/03-11/09
Bartow	11/03-11/09	Lee	11/17-11/23
Ben Hill	10/13-10/19	Liberty	10/20-10/26
Berrien	11/03-11/09	Lincoln	10/27-11/02
Bibb	11/03-11/09	Long	10/20-10/26
Bleckley	11/03-11/09	Lowndes	11/03-11/09
Brantley	10/20-10/26	Lumpkin	11/24-11/30
Brooks	11/17-11/23	Macon	11/03-11/09
Bryan	10/20-10/26	Madison	11/10-11/16
Bulloch	10/20-10/26	Marion	11/03-11/09
Burke	10/20-10/26	McDuffie	10/20-10/26
Butts	11/03-11/09	McIntosh	10/13-10/19
Calhoun	11/24-11/30	Meriwether	11/03-11/09
Camden	10/13-10/19	Miller	12/15-12/21
Candler	10/13-10/19	Mitchell	11/24-11/30
Carroll	11/10-11/16	Monroe	10/27-11/02
Catoosa	11/10-11/16	Montgomery	11/03-11/09
Charlton	10/20-10/26	Morgan	11/03-11/09
Chatham	10/20-10/26	Murray	11/10-11/16
Chattahoochee	11/10-11/16	Muscogee	11/10-11/16
Chattooga	11/03-11/09	Newton	11/03-11/09
Cherokee	11/10-11/16	Oconee	11/10-11/16
Clarke	11/10-11/16	Oglethorpe	11/03-11/09
Clay	10/20-10/26	Paulding	11/03-11/09
Clayton	11/03-11/09	Peach	11/03-11/09
Clinch	10/20-10/26	Pickens	11/10-11/16
Cobb	11/03-11/09	Pierce	11/03-11/09
Coffee	10/20-10/26	Pike	11/03-11/09
Colquitt	11/17-11/23	Polk	11/03-11/09
Columbia	10/20-10/26	Pulaski	11/03-11/09
Cook	11/17-11/23	Putnam	10/27-11/02
Coweta	11/10-11/16	Quitman	12/01-12/07
Crawford	11/03-11/09	Rabun	11/24-11/30
Crisp	11/17-11/23	Randolph	11/17-11/23
Dade	11/10-11/16	Richmond	10/20-10/26
Dawson	11/17-11/23	Rockdale	11/03-11/09
Decatur	12/08-12/14	Schley	10/27-11/02
DeKalb	11/03-11/09	Screven	10/20-10/26
Dodge	11/03-11/09	Seminole	12/22-12/28
Dooly	11/03-11/09	Spalding	11/03-11/09
Dougherty	11/24-11/30	Stephens	11/24-11/30
Douglas	11/10-11/16	Stewart	11/17-11/23
Early	12/15-12/21	Sumter	11/10-11/16
Echols	10/27-11/02	Talbot	11/10-11/16
Effingham	10/20-10/26	Taliaferro	11/03-11/09
Elbert	11/03-11/09	Tattnall	11/03-11/09
Emanuel	10/20-10/26	Taylor	10/27-11/02
Evans	10/20-10/26	Telfair	10/13-10/19
Fannin	11/17-11/23	Terrell	11/24-11/30
Fayette	11/10-11/16	Thomas	11/24-11/30
Floyd	11/03-11/09	Tift	11/17-11/23
Forsyth	11/10-11/16	Toombs	11/03-11/09
Franklin	11/10-11/16	Towns	11/17-11/23
Fulton	11/10-11/16	Treutlen	11/03-11/09
Gilmer	11/10-11/16	Troup	11/10-11/16
Glascok	10/20-10/26	Turner	11/10-11/16
Glynn	10/13-10/19	Twiggs	11/03-11/09
Gordon	11/03-11/09	Union	11/17-11/23
Grady	12/08-12/14	Upson	11/03-11/09
Greene	11/03-11/09	Walker	11/03-11/09
Gwinnett	11/10-11/16	Walton	11/03-11/09
Habersham	11/24-11/30	Ware	10/20-10/26
Hall	11/10-11/16	Warren	10/27-11/02
Hancock	11/03-11/09	Washington	10/27-11/02
Haralson	11/03-11/09	Wayne	11/03-11/09
Harris	11/10-11/16	Webster	11/24-11/30
Hart	10/27-11/02	Wheeler	11/03-11/09
Heard	11/10-11/16	White	11/24-11/30
Henry	11/03-11/09	Whitfield	11/10-11/16
Houston	11/03-11/09	Wilcox	11/10-11/16
Irwin	11/24-11/30	Wilkes	11/03-11/09
Jackson	11/10-11/16	Wilkinson	10/27-11/02
Jasper	10/27-11/02	Worth	11/17-11/23