

# Distribution and abundance

After the significant fall in the Bohemia - Bavaria lynx population observed in 1970's, the reintroductions were commenced in this region in order to reconstruct it.

18 lynxes from the Carpathian Mountains were reintroduced in this region in 1980's. The clear increase in the population of this carnivore and an increase in the area inhabited by lynxes have been observed in this region since the half of 1990's.

The more frequent observations of the species in the Sudetes, the Elbe Sandstone Mountains (Labe-Sandstone area), Rudawy (the Krušné hory Mts) and the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands may indicate an increase in the permanent range of the species population in the Czech Republic.

The Lynx inhabits two main regions in the Czech Republic - the south-west of country and the Beskids Mountains. It can also be found in the Jeseniky area, in the northern and eastern parts of the Czech Republic or the Moravian mountain range. The better studied lynx population from the Beskids is estimated at 10 adult individuals living in the area of the Czech-Slovakian border (Kutal et al., 2014a), while the population on the Czech-Bavarian-Hungarian border is said to consist of about 50 adult lynxes (Kaczensky et al., 2013).