

# Situation in spruce bark beetle calamity in Czechia in 2021-2022



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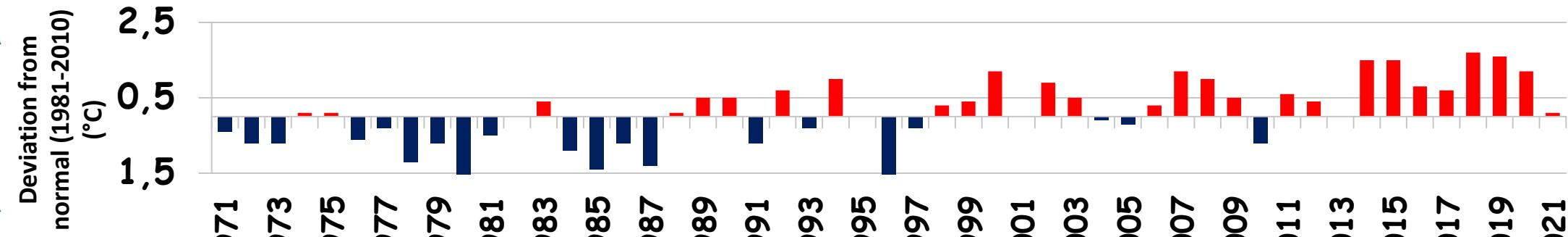


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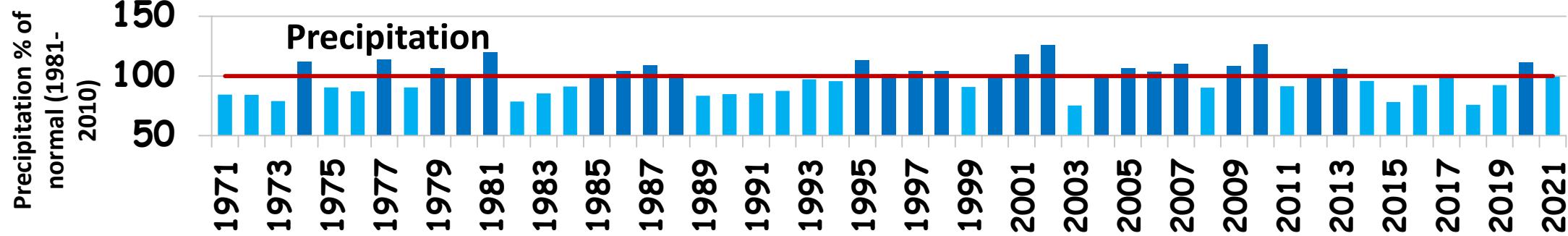
Forest area  
in Czechia:  
2.614 mio. ha

Spruce  
forests area:  
1.285 mio. ha

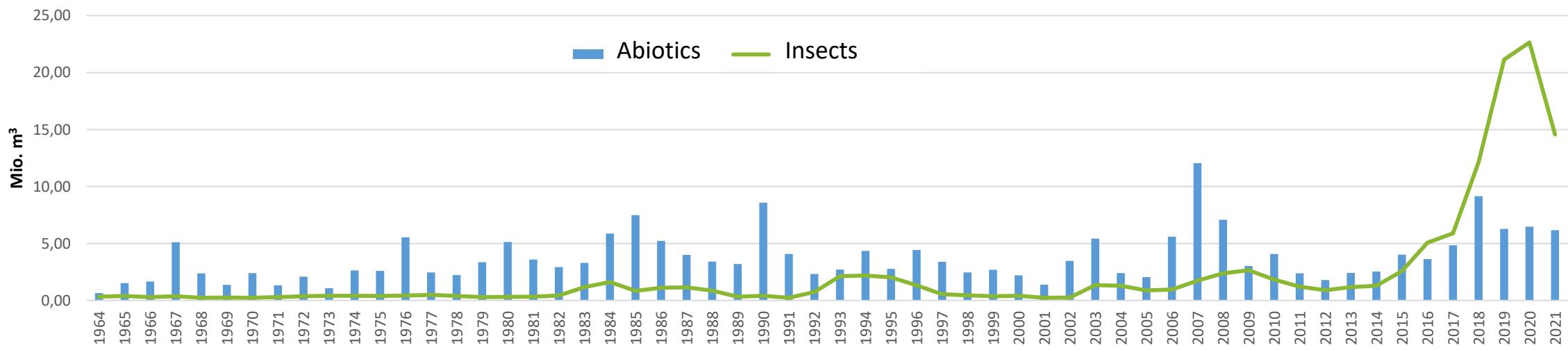
## Temperature



## Precipitation



## Sanitary cutting

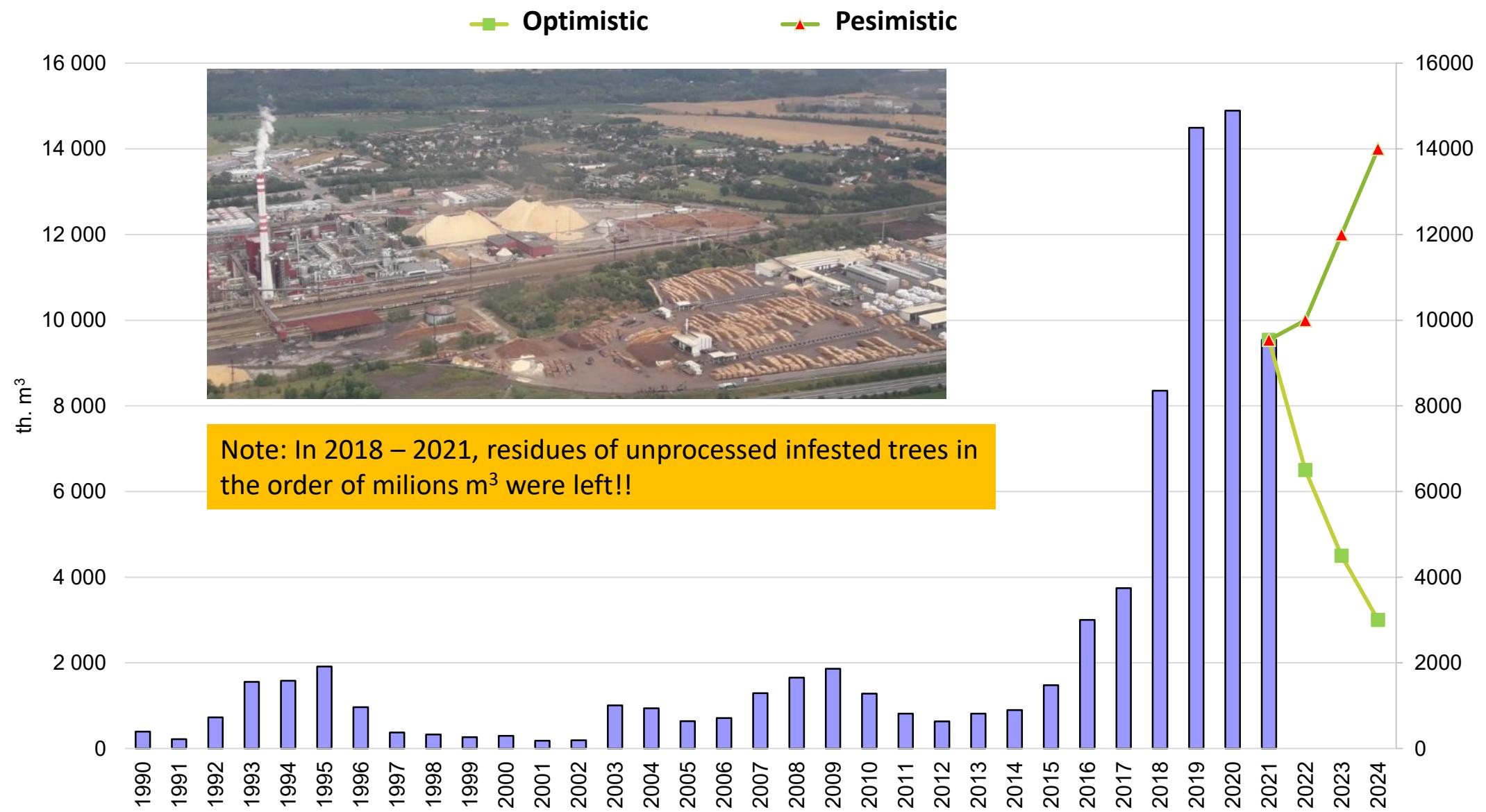


# The most harmful bark and wood boring insect in Czechia

- Dominant role of bark beetles,  
approx. 95 % of biotic damage
- Main damaged host: Norway spruce
- Main insect species: *Ips typographus*, *Ips duplicatus*,  
*Pityogenes chalcographus* in their combination
- Increasing role of *Ips duplicatus*
- Serious damages also in pine stands



# Recorded volume of spruce BB infested wood since 1990

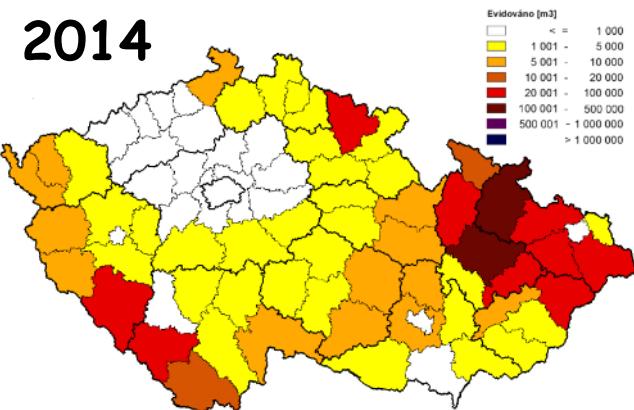


# Recorded volume of BB spruce wood in Czechia

1951-1960	2 mio m <sup>3</sup>
1961-1970	3 mio m <sup>3</sup>
1971-1980	4 mio m <sup>3</sup>
1981-1990	8 mio m <sup>3</sup>
1991-2000	9 mio m <sup>3</sup>
2001-2010	13 mio m <sup>3</sup>
2011-2020	71 mio m <sup>3</sup>
2021	9,5 mio m <sup>3</sup>

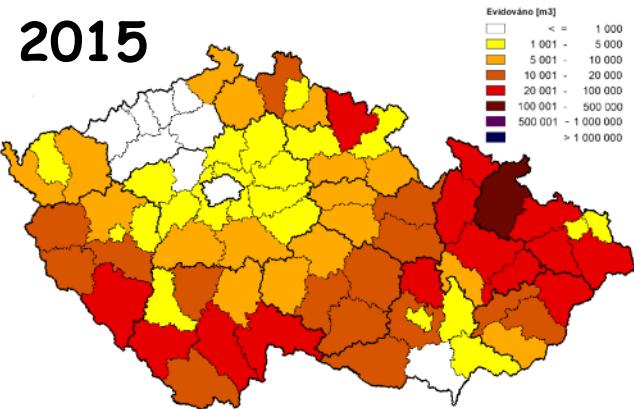


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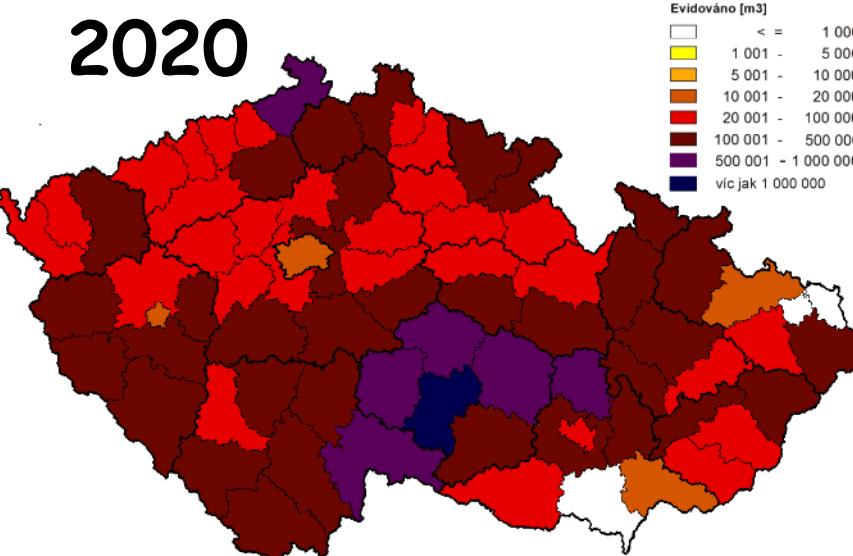


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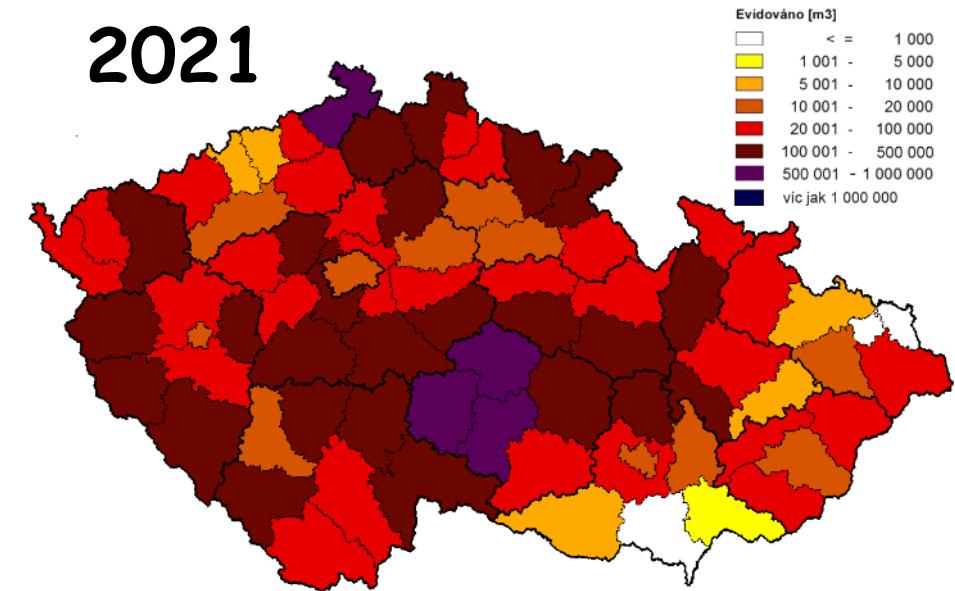
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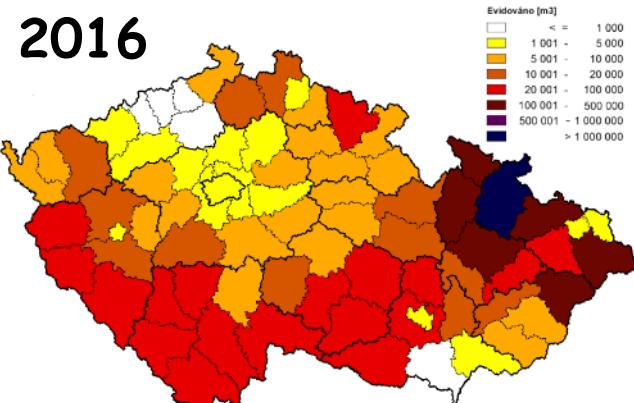
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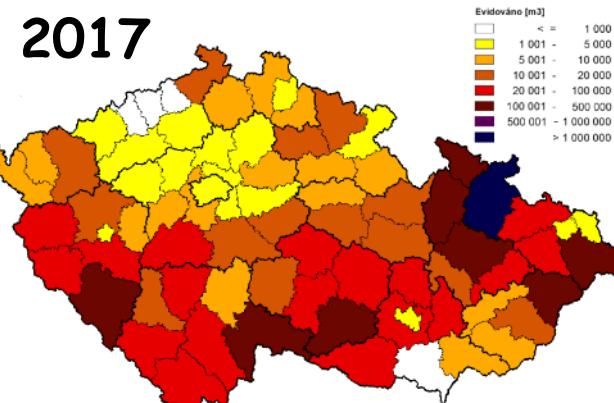
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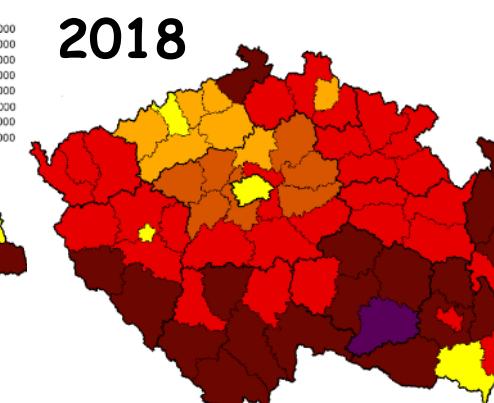
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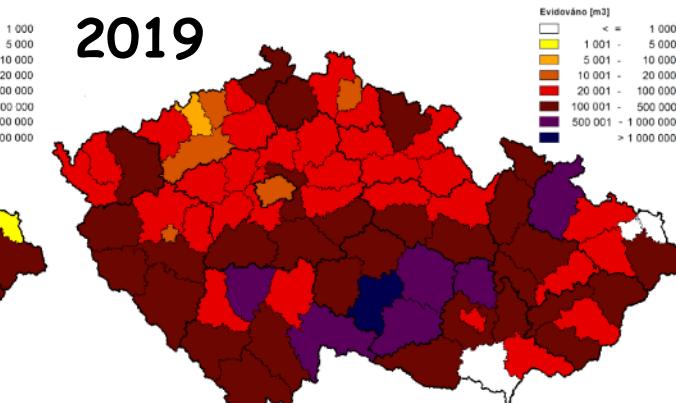
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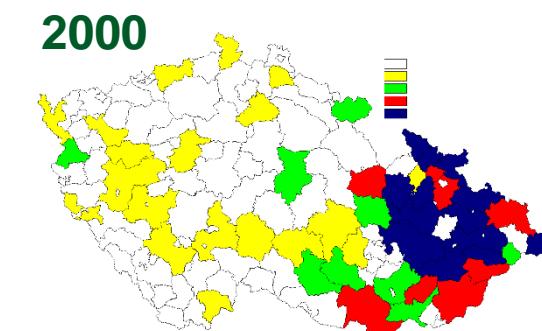
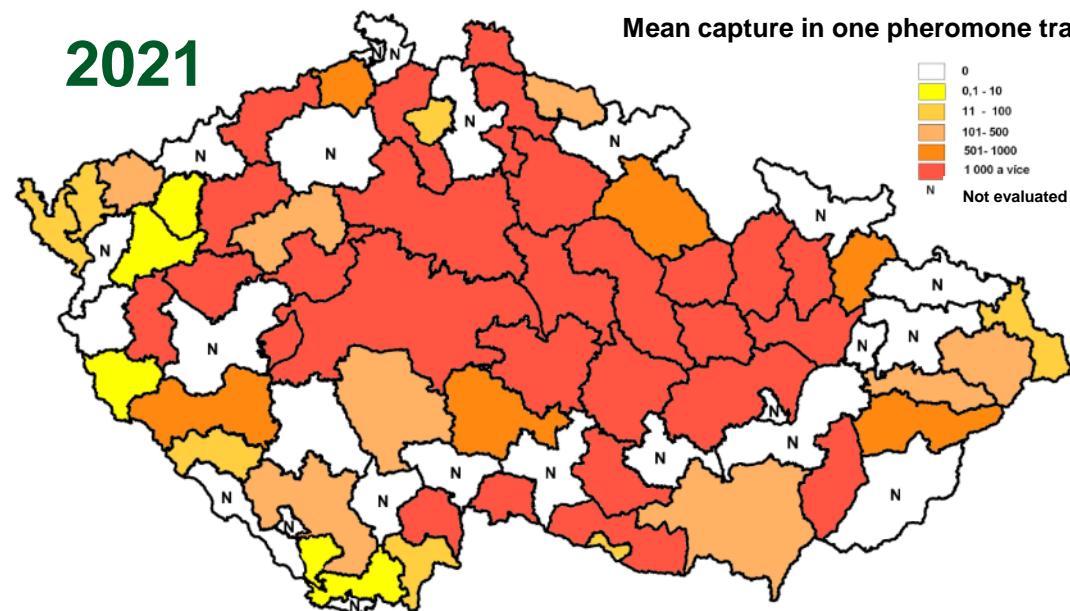
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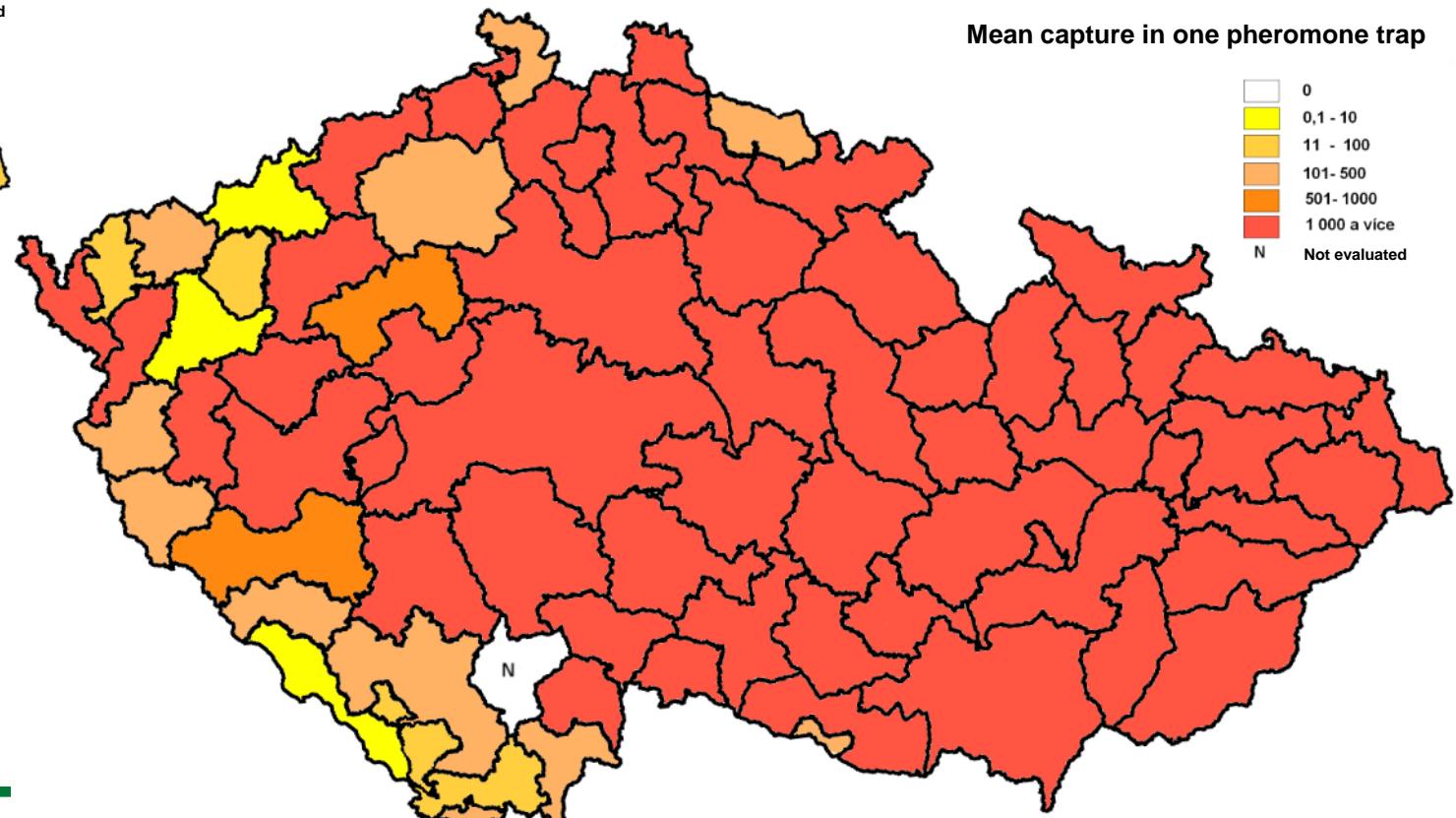
2019



# Monitoring of *Ips duplicatus* in 2021 and cumulative map 1997 - 2021



**Cumulative 1997 - 2021**



# Protection measurements

- 2021:

- cca 290 th. m<sup>3</sup> trap trees
- cca 42 th. pheromone traps
- barked ca 266 th. m<sup>3</sup>
- chemically treated ca 1 146 th. m<sup>3</sup>



- 2020:

- cca 246 th. m<sup>3</sup> trap trees
- cca 55 th. pheromone traps
- barked ca 319 th. m<sup>3</sup>
- chemically treated ca 2 046 th. m<sup>3</sup>



- 2019:

- cca 250 th. m<sup>3</sup> trap trees
- cca 69 th. pheromone traps
- barked ca 183 th. m<sup>3</sup>
- chemically treated ca 2 209 th. m<sup>3</sup>



- 2018:

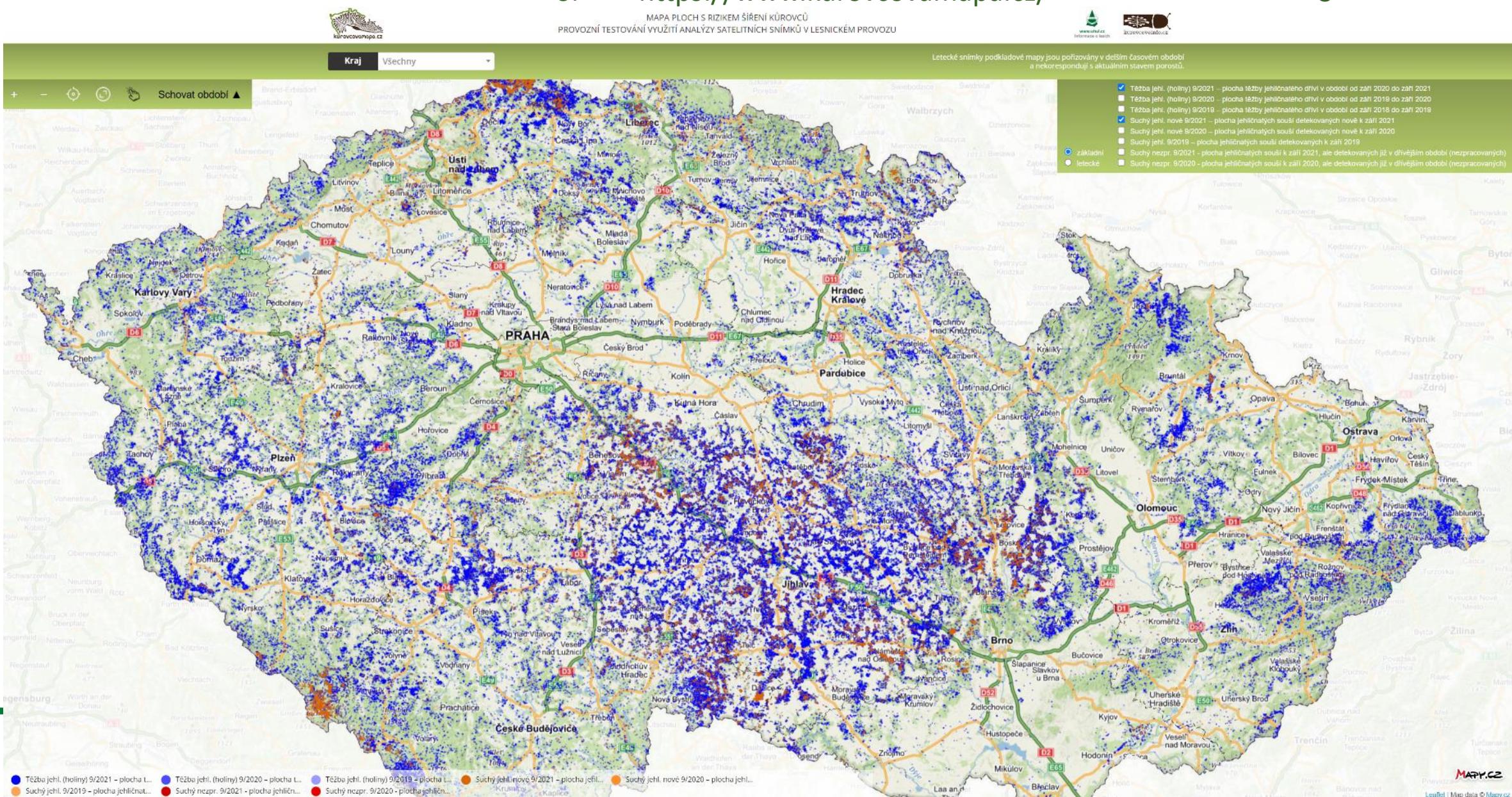
- cca 282 th. m<sup>3</sup> trap trees (2017 - 461 th. m<sup>3</sup>)
- cca 71,5 th. pheromone traps (2017 - 53 th.)
- barked ca 106 th. m<sup>3</sup> (2017 - 30 th. m<sup>3</sup>)
- chemically treated ca 1 265 th. m<sup>3</sup> (2017 - 486 th. m<sup>3</sup>)



# Kůrovcová mapa (BB map):

<http://geoportal.uhul.cz/mapy/MapyDpz.html>

or <https://www.kurovcovamapa.cz/>



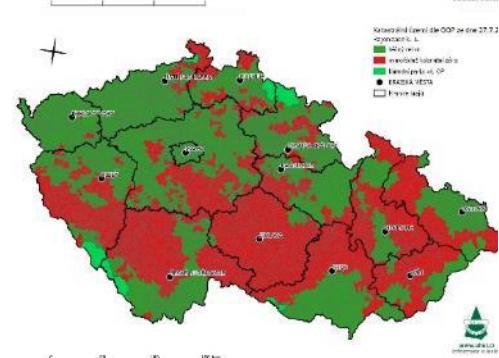
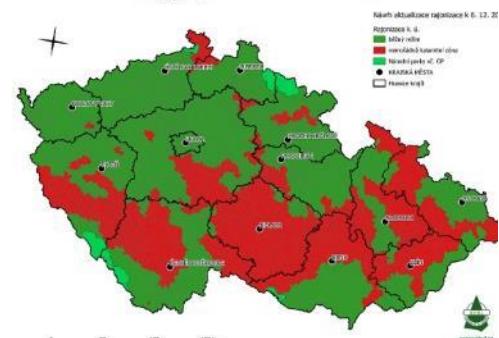
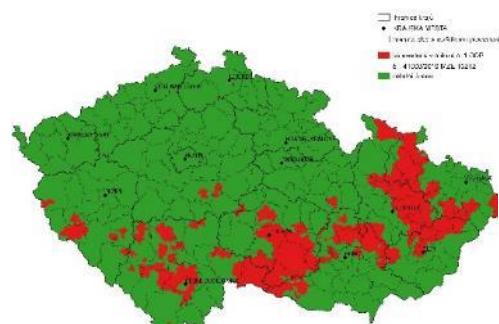
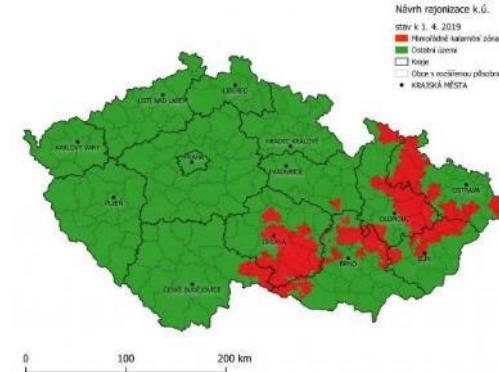
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## For the whole country:

1. Possibility to postpone logging until 31. 12. 2022.
2. Extension of afforestation on clearcuts to **5 years** and to **10 years** respectively.
3. Possibility to use reproductive material (except spruce) from different areas and elevation until 31. 12. 2022.

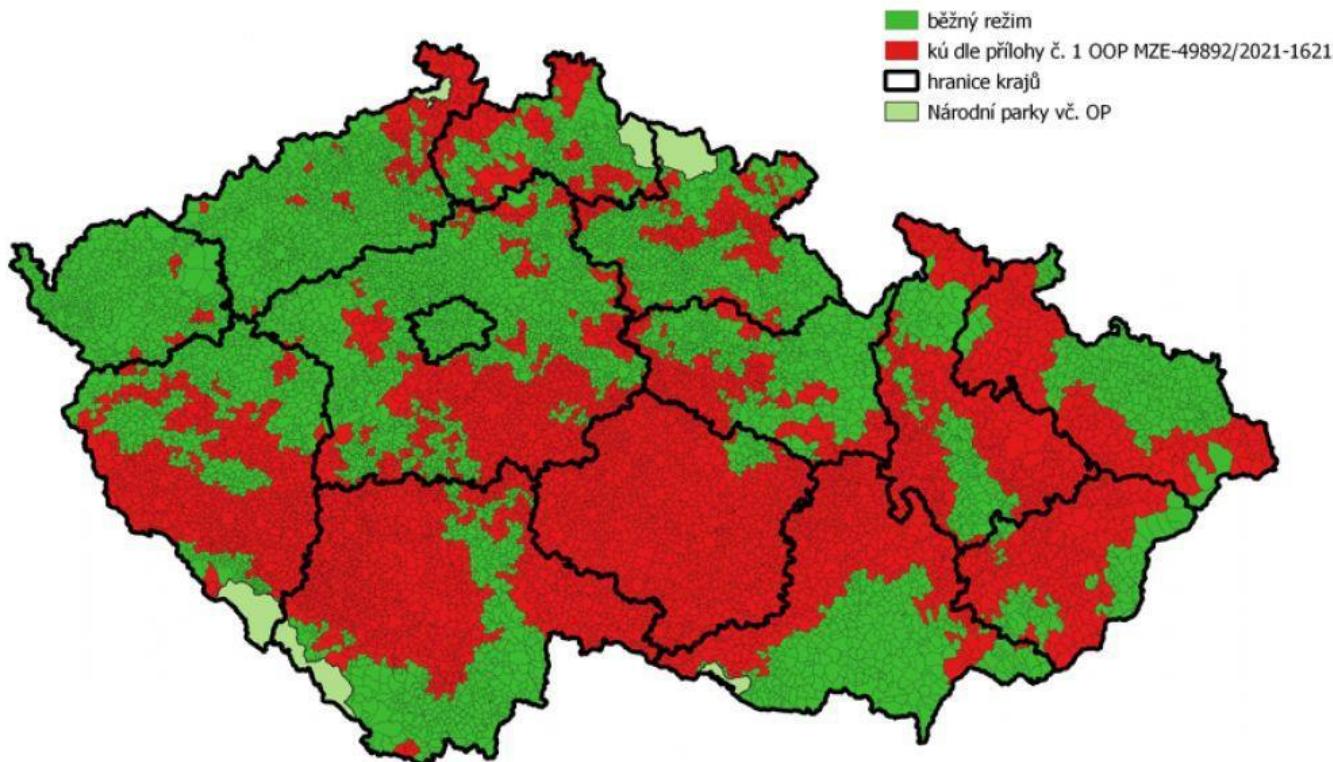
## Calamity zone:

4. Use of traps and trap tress voluntary.
5. Leaving of 5 m wide non afforested lanes on clearcuts and their edges

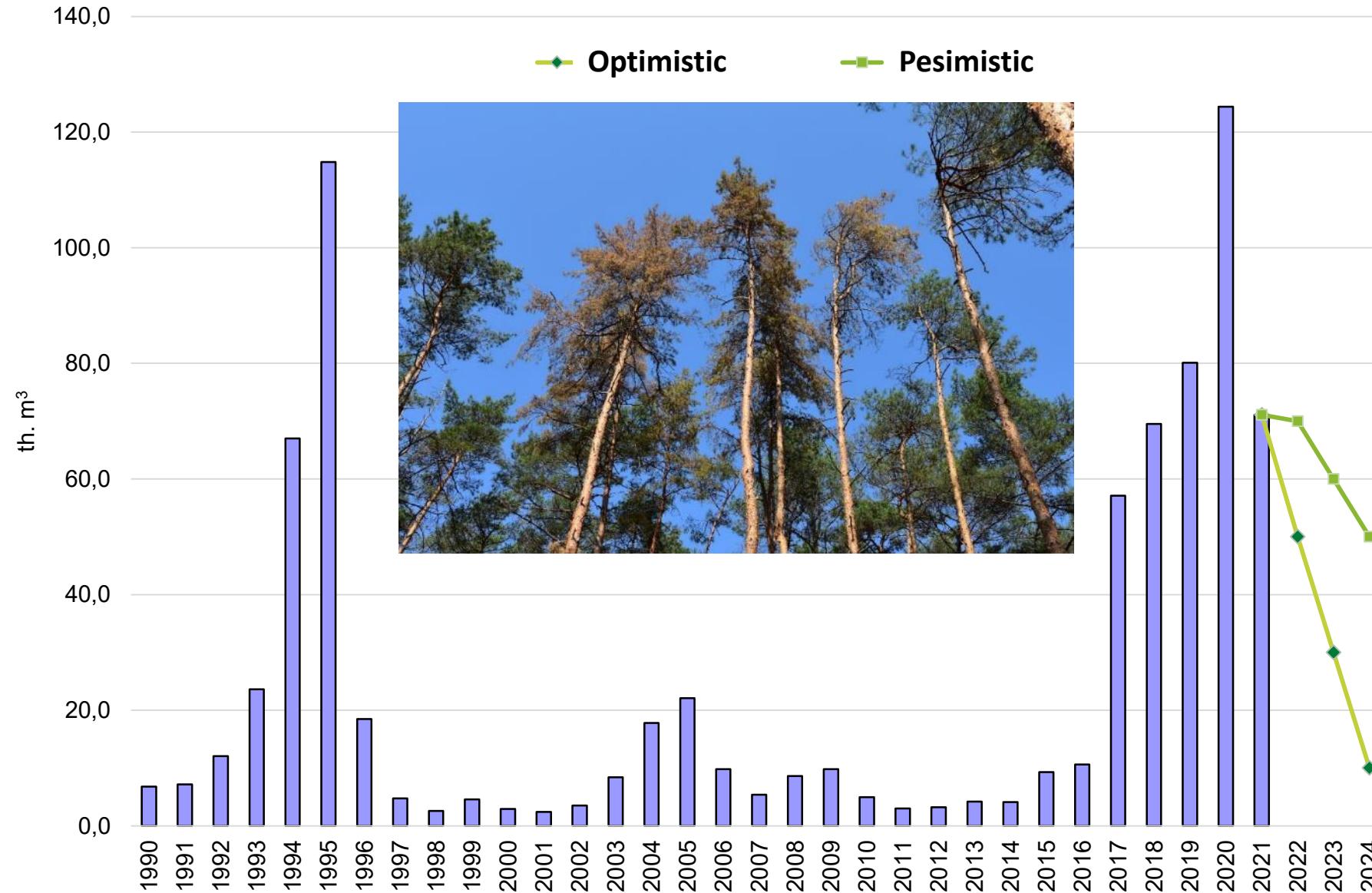


# Regionalization of extraordinary calamity zones according to General regulation of measures— valid since 3.4. 2019 (actualization 30.8.2019, 6.12.2019, 2.4.2020 a 27.7.2020 and 14.9.2021)

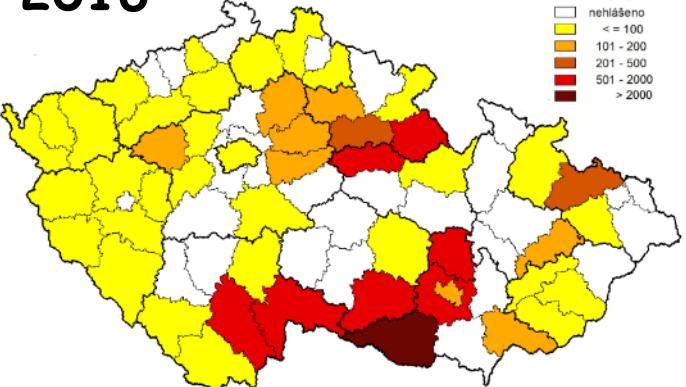
Mapa katastrálních území zařazených dle přílohy č.1 OOP MZE-49892/2021-16212



# Recorded volume of pine BB infested wood since 1990

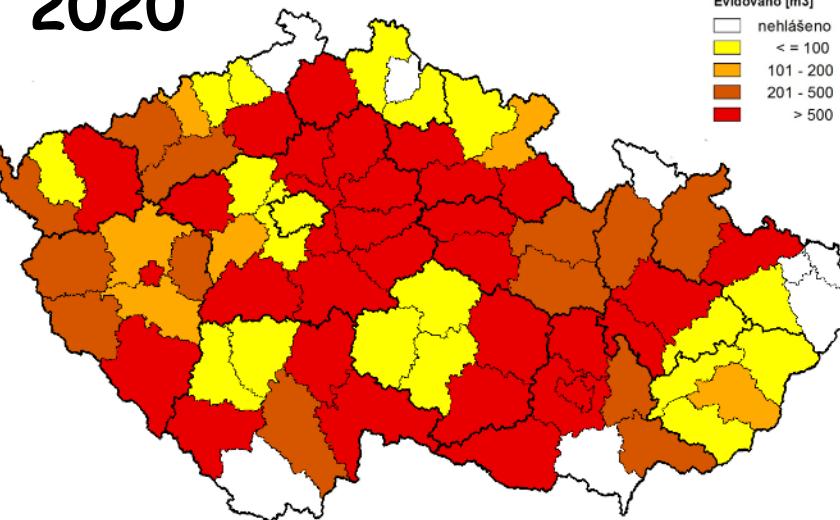


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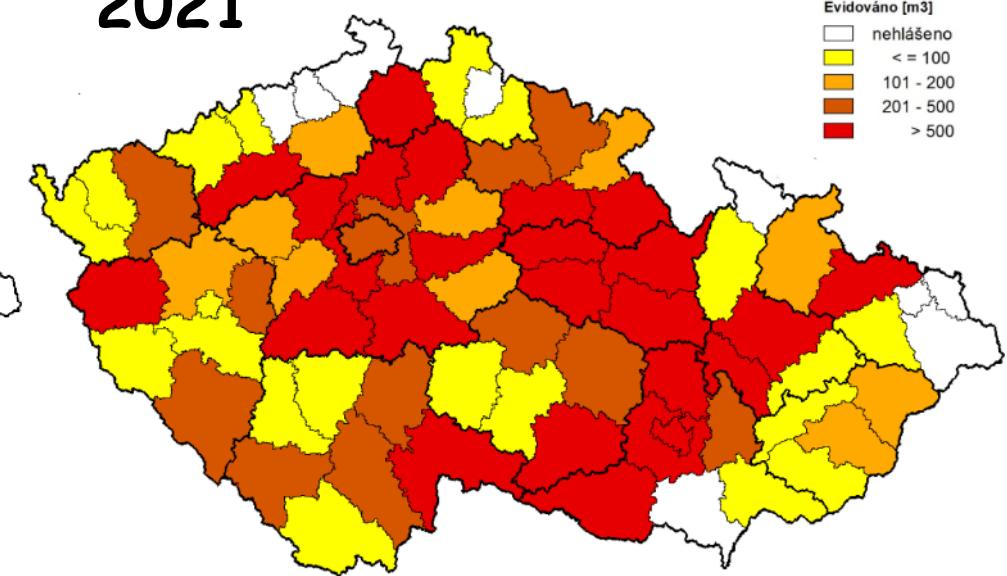


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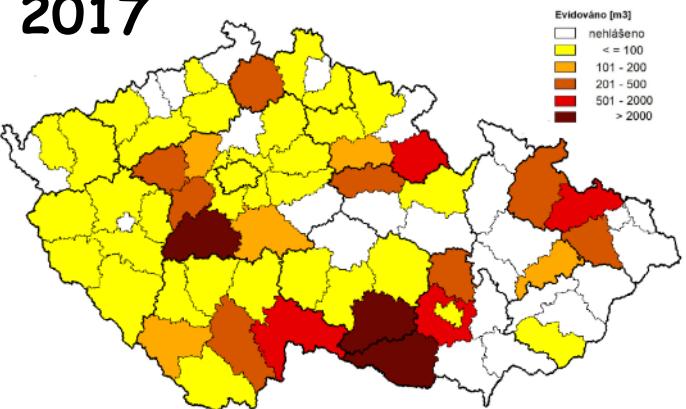
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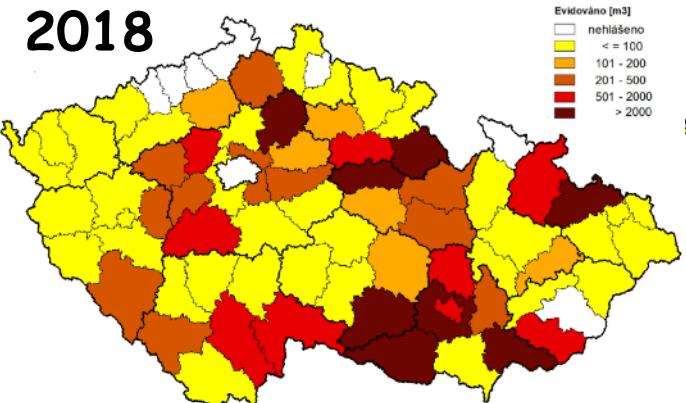
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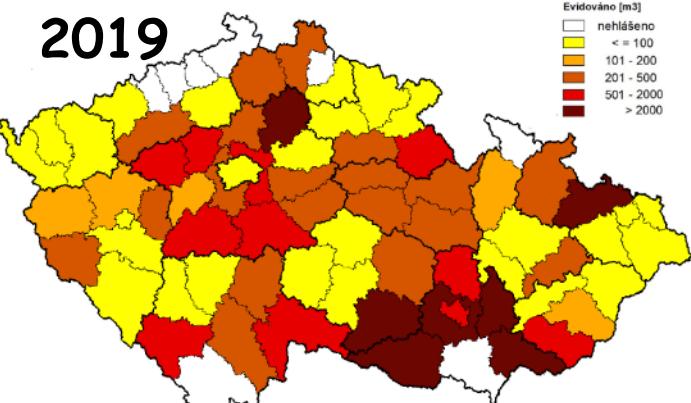
2017



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2019



Main species on pine: *Ips acuminatus*,  
*Ips sexdentatus*, *Orthotomicus* spp.,  
*Phaenops cyanea*, *Sirex noctilio*

## General reasons:

Weather conditions  
mentioned above  
(since 2014)



## Human reasons:

### General causes

- Permanent loss of qualified workforce
- Inactivity of a number of owners
- Inflexible system of public procurement

### Related impacts

- Late processing of bark beetles and other infested wood
- Insufficient processing of bark beetles infested wood

# Conclusions and forecast

- **ca 62 mio m<sup>3</sup> spruce BB infested wood cut in between 2003 and 2019 in Czechia!!**
- **ca 22 mio m<sup>3</sup>** in 2020, while the total infestation was approx. **25 – 30 mio m<sup>3</sup>** = ca 2x balanced annual amount
- Estimated stock of „living“ spruce wood still about ca 380 mil. m<sup>3</sup>
- In 2021 estimated ca **14,3 mio m<sup>3</sup>** spruce wood infested
  - Decrease of infestation in Moravia and Silesia
  - Deterioration in Bohemia and infestation on new locations
- **2020 – culmination!**
- In general - stagnation or hopefully improving of the stage in 2022 , but still high calamity situation  
=> **Do not resign from the implementation of forest protection measures - draught in 2021/2022!!**
- Dramatically influenced static stability of spruce stands – high risk of windstorms...
- The issue of recovery of clearcuts under the pressure of overpopulated game...





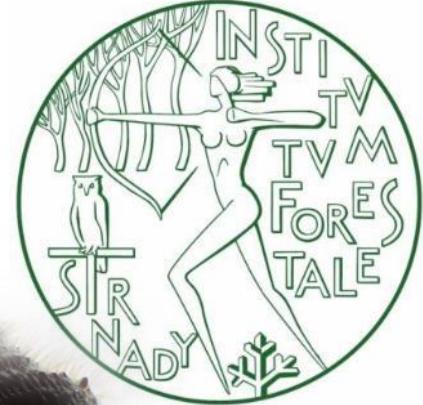
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