

Red Squirrel Statistics



Physical characteristics

Adult length – head and body	19cm to 23cm
Adult length – tail	15cm to 20cm
Adult weight	250g to 340g
Weight at birth	10g to 15g
Gestation period	38 to 39 days
Average life expectancy	3 to 6 years (can survive up to 10 in captivity)

Fewer than 140,000 red squirrels are thought to remain in the British Isles (compared to 2.5 million greys). Approximate distribution is as follows:

Scotland	120000
England	15000
Wales	3000

Sources:

Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Red_squirrels

Forestry Commission Great Britain: <http://www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/redsquirrel>