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Three counts using a car were carried out in December, January and February. Total length of routes made 1280 km. 5 species of wintering birds of prey were registered. White-tailed Eagle was the most frequent species. There were 33 registrations (54 individuals). Solitary birds were recorded most often – 24 cases (72,7%), pairs were observed in 8 cases (24,2%). Once in February the gathering of 14 birds was found. 36 (66,7%) of eagles were young birds up to 4 years old. The number of wintering White-tailed Eagles is estimated in 45–55 individuals.