

Abstract

The Diploma thesis called "The system of services for homeless people in Prague" is focused on answering the main research question: „What is the demographic structure of homeless people in Prague using social services?“.

The first chapter is devoted to the theory of homelessness, its development, changes and society's responses in according to this socially pathological phenomenon.

The second part of the Diploma thesis focuses directly on the situation of homeless people. Firstly, the definition of social services is described, I also focus on social prevention services that help solve the problem. I also describe problematic areas of homelessness and their solutions in the context of social services aimed at minimizing the negative effects of homelessness, preventing its development, as well as preventive action.

The third part is focused on explaining the notion of demography, its exploration and interpretation of basic terms, the definition of which is necessary for the understanding of the research part of the Diploma thesis. I present here the results of the first official Census 2011 of homeless people in the Czech Republic.

In the last chapter of my thesis, my own research survey is conducted, in which I try to answer the main and partial research questions. A quantitative survey is used, which, in the form of a questionnaire, maps specific features of the demographic structure of homeless people in social services in Prague. The thesis also compares the results of the demographic data of my own research survey and the official Census 2011.