

## **Abstract**

The democratic transformation in the early 1990s has brought Europe to the opening of national borders and has become an impetus for many international migrations. Since then, the Czech Republic has also become part of the very specific migratory flows of the Roma ethnic group. More than 75,000 Roma have already emigrated from the Czech Republic, representing one of the most vulnerable, socially disadvantaged and discriminated ethnic minorities. It is precisely Great Britain that is one of their most sought-after destination countries. The motives leading to the emigration of Czech Roma from the Czech Republic to Great Britain are balancing between "push" motives of deprivation and discrimination and "pull" motives representing an improvement in their standard of living. From an academic point of view, the absence of information on the living conditions of Czech Roma in the UK prevails, especially whether they are integrated in British society and what are the main motives for their return migration to the Czech Republic. The aim of this work is to deepen the existing knowledge about the integration of Czech Roma living in the UK in the context of their migration and to identify the main motives leading to their emigration from Great Britain back to the Czech Republic. This research also seeks to evaluate the impact of the integration of Czech Roma in British society on their return migration to the Czech Republic. Given the objectives of this work, the research is based on a qualitative approach and a case study method. The primary reason for using the qualitative approach in this work is to rely on empiricism by understanding a few cases. Data collection was chosen by the method of semi-structured in-depth interviews. The concept of Entzinger and Biezeveld (2003) is used to measure the integration of Czech Roma in British society. The theoretical basis for the identification of the main motives of the return migration from Great Britain to the Czech Republic are mainly neoclassical economic migration theory, NELM theory, the theory of migration networks and the concept of transnationalism. These theories give us an explanation of the return migration of Czech Roma as a result of success or failure in British society.

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