Abstract

The dissertation presents a view to the personality of women offenders of various types of crime. It examines the development of their criminal careers, the social environment in which they developed, their personality characteristics and it maps the risk factors of committing crime. The study is divided into theoretical and empirical part. The main topics of the theoretical part are female crime, criminogenic factors and female aggression. Next important part of the study is the women offenders personality typologies mentioned in the literature of forensic psychology. The last topic of the theoretical part is the personality theory of C. R. Cloninger, which for its biopsychosocial basis seems to be a suitable model for the description of the prison population and for this meaning it is used both in domestic and foreign studies.

The aim of the empirical part was to obtain quantitative data on criminogenic factors of convicted women and their basic characteristics with regard to the type of crime. In research we use anamnestic questionnaire, SARPO report, Vídeňský maticový test of intellitence and Cloninger's personality questionnaire of temperament and character TCI-R. A total of 286 convicted women from prison Světlá nad Sázavou were included in the study. We confirmed six ten hypotheses from ten: the relationship between a) age and the role of the offenders in the crime; b) positive L-score of the TCI-R questionnaire and low IQ levels; c) the personality dimensions nowelty seeking (NS), reward dependence (RD) and self-directedness (SD) and the age of the offenders in which they were first convicted; d) the difference between the female criminal and non-criminal population in the character dimension of self-directedness (SD); e) the type of crime and the aggressivity during imprisonment; f) the type of violent crime and the age of the offenders in which they were first convicted.

Key words: female crime; criminogenic factors; female aggression; the personality of convicted women; Cloninger's theory of personality; temperament; character; questionnaire of temperament and character TCI-R.