

The thesis deals with the phenomenon of green widows in today's society. The main goal of the thesis is to identify whether there are women in the Czech Republic which can be considered as green widows. Even though this issue is becoming more and more topical, especially with the increasing suburbanisation of our cities, this problem has not been professionally tackled and described yet. There is no available literature or qualified research concerning this issue in the Czech Republic. The problem of green widows in this thesis is discussed in regard of the process of suburbanisation and the specific lifestyle of people living in satellite towns. One part of the thesis also deals with psychological aspects such as solitude, marriage crisis, cuckoldry and different kinds of addictions connected with these aspects. The thesis also includes an internet questionnaire focused on general awareness about green widows. The goal of the questionnaire is to find out who is a green widow in the opinion of respondents. The problem of green widows is also examined via interpretation of internet discussions and discussions regarding articles published on internet. Furthermore the thesis reveals outcomes of a research conducted by the Department of Social Geography and Regional Development of the Science Faculty at Charles University with emphasis on the part of the research dealing with everyday life in suburbs.