

The thesis concentrates on the critical evaluation of the problematic status that the secondary school graduates hold on the Czech labour market.

Their status on the Czech labour market, nowadays, is becoming always more an important issue within the social sphere. Many social institutions, especially those connected with education and employment policy focus on this issue.

The thesis is orientated on evaluating various fields closely connected to the fulfilment of secondary school graduates on the labour market.

These fields firstly cover the problematics of needs and expectations of the future secondary school graduates, who have not finished their school attendance yet, but are not planning to continue with higher education, instead will start their career on the labour market. Secondly the thesis is focused on the fundamental problems, expectations and requirements related to the unemployed graduates, who are looking for their first jobs and who are registered in the labour offices.

Thirdly the work concentrates on presenting a critical evaluation of various possibilities in cooperation between the educational sphere and the labour market sphere, on its current situation and possible development.

Other topics covered, are the employers' needs, their criteria for choosing employees from the group of secondary school graduates, who do not dispose of practical experiences.

Some institutions, programmes and projects connected to activities of civil or private organizations are well presented as a mean to possibly solving the problematic situation related to the young people's unemployment.

The results of the research made for use of this thesis show that the situation concerning the position of secondary school graduates on the labour market is improving. On the other hand the results show some problematic spheres and imperfections that still remain in the examined course of study.