

Report on Bachelor / Master Thesis

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Title of the thesis:	Analýza bytového fondu v regionech ČR

OVERALL ASSESSMENT (provided in English, Czech, or Slovak):

The thesis analyses in detail the housing and residential capacity of the Czech Republic, and provides a global view on the issue, mainly based on the Population and Housing Census conducted regularly by the Czech Statistical Office. The author focuses on financing of the housing needs as a key factor for further development of the housing capacity, individual parameters characterizing apartments and houses and examines the factors that influence the number of dwellings completed in the Czech Republic. Regression analysis provided in the last section of the document demonstrates the expected effect of variables such as average gross monthly wages and gross domestic product. The author concludes that net migration and natural increase of population is significant, which confirms the influence of socioeconomic factors in the development and expansion of the housing capacity.

The thesis is well structured and it is written in good Czech. The manuscript includes all the formal requirements such as lists of tables and figures and outputs in appendices. The figures and tables are clear and properly titled. The model is very basic but on the other hand the author shows the essential understanding I would expect for a bachelor level.

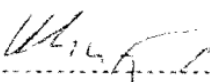
I appreciate mainly the amount of research in the first few chapters, which paints a complete picture of the characteristics of the Czech housing market. The second part of the thesis (regression analysis) received less effort and is not really well integrated into the rest of the document. I would expect more elaboration motivation (i.e. why we are focusing at this specific research question), what the results imply and how they are linked to results of similar analyses in the literature (e.g. for different countries). I would also ask these questions at the thesis' defense. Overall, the thesis is a very nice report that could be used in a business setting, but its academic contribution is limited. This is also clear from the list of references. I consider this thesis as **borderline between good and excellent**, depending on how well the author manages to defend the motivation and results of the technical part.

SUMMARY OF POINTS AWARDED (for details, see below):

CATEGORY	POINTS
<i>Literature</i> (max. 20 points)	15
<i>Methods</i> (max. 30 points)	20
<i>Contribution</i> (max. 30 points)	25
<i>Manuscript Form</i> (max. 20 points)	19
TOTAL POINTS (max. 100 points)	79
GRADE (1 – 2 – 3 – 4)	2

NAME OF THE REFEREE: *Tomas Klinger*

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