

SECOND HOUSING IN THE PÍSEK REGION

This study deals with the second housing phenomena that has been typical for the Czech Republic, mostly from the 1960s of the 20th century. This subject has been investigated in the long term at the Department of social geography and regional development, Faculty of science, Charles University in Prague. This study attempts to contribute to the research by evaluating the state of the second home phenomena in a so far unexplored area – in the region of Písek, from which, based on preset criteria, two microregions were chosen. The data compatibility with previous investigations from other parts of the Czech Republic is secured by using a slightly modified standardized questionnaire for the field survey. Due to the questionnaire, the differences between users of a primarily recreational cottage and users of a cottage originally built for a residential function as well as between second home users in the Písek and Orlik microregions became obvious. The data from both microregions were subsequently compared with other Czech republic regions. It was found out that the Orlik microregion characteristics correspond better with the rest of the South

Bohemia regions than the Písek microregion data which rather resemble the Chrudim or Prostějov regions. But it is of course necessary to take into account a certain data misrepresentation caused by the time span of the research data from each compared regions.