

Violent crime and its prevention

Abstract

Violent crime has been a part of our society since its inception. Nevertheless, just like our society, it keeps changing and evolving and for that reason its research remains relevant. As violent crime raises serious concerns for one's safety, the police, the media and the public pay close attention to it. The topic of violent crime is very extensive and it is difficult to grasp within the limited scope of the diploma thesis. With regard to this fact, the aim of this diploma thesis is to provide in six chapters at least a basic overview not only of violent crime, but also its prevention.

The first chapter explains the concepts related to violent crime, and the attached overview table also lists the crimes that are classified as a violent crime. The second chapter provides information, based on the analysis of data from police statistics, on the share of violent crime in the total crime numbers, the state of violent crime in individual regions and throughout the Czech Republic and the structure of violent crime in 2020. It also discusses the development and evolution of violent crime up until 2020. The third chapter deals with the characteristics of violent crime with emphasis on the crime of robbery, its typology and international comparison. The fourth chapter focuses on perpetrators of violent crime, perpetrators of robberies and their typology, the influence of alcohol and other addictive substances on crime and criminal recidivism. This chapter is also devoted to victims of violent crime and victims of robbery, victimity and victimization of individual victims. In the fifth chapter, criminological theories are introduced and the causes of violent crime are explained on the examples of etiological factors. The subject of interest of the sixth chapter is the prevention of violent crime, its division and specific examples of projects and programs from the Czech Republic and abroad.