## **Abstract:**

This bachelor thesis deals with divorce and the history of divorce situation till the beginning of the 21st century. It describes the essential divorce problem areas, lists both negative and positive divorce consequences, specific effects of divorce on children, historical evolvement of legal regulations of divorce and their present-day form and current development trends in the Czech Republic. Empirical part of the thesis analyses opinion shifts on family and divorce in Czech population between years 1991 and 2008 and social heredity of divorce behaviour and alternative attitudes towards family and marriage based on the data from 2008.