



Are Czech men in crisis? What do Czech women expect from them? And what does it really mean to "be a man" today? Solvo releases a unique study - *The Crisis of Masculinity*

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The Solvo institute, founded by Ivana Tykač, releases the study *The Crisis of Masculinity*. In it, the think tank explored, for example, what "being a man" means to men and women, what women actually expect from men, and how both genders view household chores.

Ivana Tykač described the purpose of the study as follows:

"Today we measure a lot of formalities and issues that affect us only indirectly or feel distant to most people. We measure who would get into Parliament next year, how Czechs view EU membership — but here at Solvo, that's not enough. This doesn't really tell you anything essential about the mood of Czechs, about their character, their soul, and what they are going through right now. That's why we measure how people feel and why we are building our expertise in a socio-psychological view of the nation, which fundamentally shapes the economic condition of our country."

The research shows that the biggest difference between men and women in their idea of today's man is whether he should be tolerant and empathetic (26% of women vs. 14% of men) and whether he should be good-looking and likable (23% of women vs. 16% of men). Men and women, however, agree that a man should be capable, hardworking, and helpful. After the age of forty, both men and women strongly reassess their expectations of a partner — though they still differ on certain attributes.

The director of Solvo, Michaela Marksová, adds:

"How productive, innovative, and prosperous the Czech Republic will be starts right at home — in relationships, in how we live together. We can measure GDP, inflation, debt levels — all of these indicators. But whether the Czech Republic will be a land of opportunity and a pleasant place to live is rooted in how men and women communicate with each other and what expectations they have of each other. This is linked to satisfaction in both private life and work."

The *Crisis of Masculinity* study was conducted for Solvo by the agency SC&C between June 4–10, 2024, on a sample of 627 respondents aged 18–64. The survey was carried out using CAPI (536 respondents), CAWI (131), and CATI (40) methods.

Solvo has previously collaborated with SC&C on large-scale studies exploring how Czech women and children feel. *Crisis of Masculinity* is now available on the website www.solvo.institute.

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