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OVERALL SCORE

6.3/10

Serious deviation from the impartiality standard. High degree of deviation

0 = balanced, 10 = strongly biased/manipulative

POLITICAL SPECTRUM

Classification based on Chapel Hill Expert Survey (CHES) 2024

The Chapel Hill Expert Survey (CHES 2024) is an academic survey of 609 political scientists in 31 countries. Each party is rated on a scale from 0 (far left) to 10 (far right).

Party	Piráti	STAN	KDU-ČSL	ANO	TOP 09	ODS	Motoristé	SPD
CHES	2.50	4.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.50	8.50
Spectrum	Left	Center	Center	Center-Right	Center-Right	Right	Right	Right

The overall tendency is presented on a 0–10 scale (0 = strongly left-favoring, 5 = balanced, 10 = strongly right-favoring). The calculation is based on the difference in average favoritism of left vs. right parties (grouping per CHES 2024).

TENDENCY (L – R)

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Left-favoring

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Source: Chapel Hill Expert Survey 2024 — chesdata.eu | [Jolly et al., Electoral Studies, 2022](#) | Thresholds: [Pew Research Center](#)

This section provides political context and does not contribute to the overall score.



POLITICAL LANDSCAPE

The Czech Republic has been governed since January 2025 by a coalition government composed of the ANO 2011 movement (80 seats, 35.0%), SPD (15 seats, 6.2%) and Motoristé sobě/AUTO (13 seats, 5.5%). The Prime Minister is Andrej Babiš. The opposition consists of ODS (27 seats), STAN (22 seats), Piráti (18 seats), KDU-ČSL (16 seats) and TOP 09 (9 seats). Stačilo!/KSČM, SOCDEM and Příklad remain outside parliament.

Party	CHES L-R	Seats	Government/Opposition	Key position
Piráti	2.5	18	Opposition	Digitalisation, civil rights, progressive values
STAN	4.5	22	Opposition	Municipal self-governance, liberal centre
KDU-ČSL	5.5	16	Opposition	Christian-democratic values, traditional family
TOP 09	6.0	9	Opposition	Pro-European, fiscal responsibility
ANO	6.0	80	Government	Centrist populism, Babiš
ODS	7.0	27	Opposition	Right-wing liberalism, low taxes
Motoristé	7.5	13	Government	Drivers' rights, Euroscepticism
SPD	8.5	15	Government	National sovereignty, anti-immigration positions

The dominant contested topics are the stance on the war in Ukraine (the ANO–SPD coalition is more ambivalent than the pro-Ukrainian opposition), migration policy (SPD radically rejecting, ANO restrictive), the independence of public media (political pressure on ČT and ČRo from the ruling coalition) and questions of democratic standards including Babiš's cases (Agrofert, StB, Čapí hnízdo). Value disputes over the form of the family, the rights of LGBT+ persons and the role of religion in the public sphere constitute a persistent cultural-political line of tension.

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CHAPTER 1 — PARTY BIAS

Assessment of party positions

Party	Score (-5..+5)	Portrayal in the programme vs. programmatic position
ANO	0	The party is not directly represented or cited in the programme; the topic of adoption by homosexuals is not part of ANO's programme — does not appear.
ODS	0	The party is not represented or mentioned in the programme — does not appear.
STAN	0	The party is not represented or mentioned in the programme — does not appear.
Piráti	0	The party is not represented or mentioned in the programme — does not appear.
KDU-ČSL	-2	KDU-ČSL's programmatic position emphasises the traditional family as the foundation of society; the programme implicitly ridicules this position with the phrase "mum dad and a mistress is the traditional family" (05:03–05:07) without a counterweight — the position comes across as an atavism.
TOP 09	0	The party is not represented or mentioned in the programme — does not appear.
SPD	-1	SPD is mentioned indirectly: "that Okamura will say refugees clearly those are again artificially created topics" (07:15–07:21) — SPD's programmatic position on migration is presented as manipulative rhetoric without substantive content, without a counterweight.
Motoristé	0	The party is not represented or mentioned in the programme — does not appear.

Summary of party bias

- Most accurate portrayal: ANO, ODS, STAN, Piráti, TOP 09, Motoristé (score 0 — parties do not appear in the programme)
- Strongest distortion: KDU-ČSL (score -2) — the programmatic position of the traditional family is implicitly ridiculed without substantive counterweight
- Average deviation from 0: 0.4
- Conclusion: The programme touches on party politics only marginally and indirectly. Nevertheless, there is an implicit disparagement of the conservative value position (traditional family, KDU-ČSL) and a blanket dismissal of SPD's migration rhetoric as an "artificially created topic". Both assessments are made without substantive argumentation and without representation of the opposing view.

Overall tendency on the left-right axis

TENDENCY SCORE: +2.1

CLASSIFICATION: Left-leaning

Reasoning: The programme consistently frames progressive value positions (adoption by homosexuals, criticism of the traditional family, support for vaccination) as self-evident and rational, while conservative and right-wing positions are either ridiculed or labelled "artificially created problems". No guest or presenter represents the conservative perspective substantively and respectfully. The overall tonality of the programme corresponds to a progressive-liberal worldview without any effort at balance.



CHAPTER 2 — PROGRAMME INFORMATION AND THEMATIC FRAMEWORK

Programme details

- Title: Not established from the transcript (apparently an interview/talk-show format on ČT)
- Date: Not established from the file name (transcript contains no date)
- Presenter/reporter: Not identified by name; from context a man speaks (presenter) and a woman (guest)
- Guests: Dana Drábová (mentioned by name at 07:22 and 07:38) — Chair of the State Office for Nuclear Safety (SÚJB); second voice (woman, probably a specialist in social care or director of a facility — not identified by name)

Actors	Role	Party/Affiliation	Political spectrum
Dana Drábová	Chair of SÚJB	Non-partisan, state official	Centre (expert position)
Unidentified woman	Probably director/worker of a children's home	Unknown	Cannot be determined
Presenter (man)	Programme presenter	ČT	Cannot be determined

Main topic

The programme addresses the conditions of care for children in institutional upbringing and the question of adoption of children by homosexual couples, while marginally mentioning nuclear energy, vaccination and migration.



CHAPTER 3 — 15 CRITERIA: DETAILED ANALYSIS

Hard Facts — 9 techniques that are countable and scientifically verifiable

1. SELECTION OF EXPERTS

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Expert 1: Unidentified woman (probably a worker/director of a children's home)

Timestamp: 02:48

Statement: "those kids don't care as long as they get fair treatment kind treatment enough love it doesn't matter at all whether it's a homosexual or whether it's a heterosexual couple"

Classification: Actors with probable practice in institutional care; her professional qualification, institution and academic background are not introduced to the viewer.

Missing counterweight: Developmental psychologist with a different expert assessment; conservative expert on family policy.

In-depth source check:

(a) FUNDING: Unknown — probably a state or regional institution (children's home); potential dependence on state funding.

(b) MANDATE: A worker in institutional care has direct experience with children, but her mandate is not compatible with the role of an impartial expert on the question of adoption by homosexual couples — this is a value judgement exceeding her area of professional competence.

D1 Conflict of interest: 0 — Direct practice with children, but value judgement exceeds expertise

D2 Personal risk: +1 — Speaks publicly on a sensitive topic

D3 Professional competence: +1 — Practice in child care, but not in adoption law or developmental psychology

D4 Consistency of views: 0 — Cannot be verified

D5 Emotionalisation vs. data: -1 — Statement is predominantly value-based, without reference to data or studies

D6 Source level: 0 — Secondary (personal experience, not primary research)

TOTAL: +1 → SOURCE TRAFFIC LIGHT: YELLOW

(c) PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE: The statement is framed as an expert one, even though it is a value judgement by a person without demonstrated qualification in the field of developmental psychology or adoption law. Technique No. 2 (selection of sources).

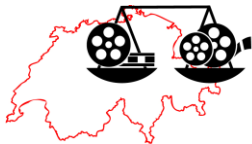
Expert 2: Dana Drábová

Timestamp: 07:22–07:38

Statement: "did Ms Drábová hear about the case in Slovakia with radioactive water at a swimming pool need to replace those giving Dukovany blocks"

Classification: Chair of SÚJB — a recognised expert in nuclear safety; she is mentioned by name in the programme, but her statements on value topics (adoption, traditional family) are not captured in the transcript — she apparently addresses these too, but the transcript is incomplete.

In-depth source check:



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(a) **FUNDING:** State office — funded from the Czech state budget; founder: the state; for topics of nuclear energy, the mandate is compatible with the expert role.

(b) **MANDATE:** Fully competent for nuclear safety; for value topics (adoption, traditional family) the mandate is absent.

D1 Conflict of interest: +1 — State regulator, not an industry lobbyist

D2 Personal risk: +1 — Public office, statements are monitored

D3 Professional competence: +2 — Direct expertise in nuclear safety

D4 Consistency of views: +1 — Long-term consistent expert positions

D5 Emotionalisation vs. data: +1 — Predominantly data-based argumentation in the expert field

D6 Source level: +1 — Primary regulatory authority

TOTAL: +7 → SOURCE TRAFFIC LIGHT: GREEN (for nuclear safety)

Missing groups of experts: Developmental psychologist; lawyer specialising in family law; conservative expert on family policy.

Source Credibility Overview:

Source	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	Total	Signal
Unidentified woman (probably a worker/director of a children's home)	0	+1	+1	0	-1	0	+1	YELLOW
Dana Drábová	+1	+1	+2	+1	+1	+1	+7	GREEN

Summary (matrix result):

- Unidentified woman: YELLOW traffic light — value judgement presented as expert statement
- Dana Drábová: GREEN traffic light for nuclear safety; for value topics the mandate is absent



2. SELECTION OF SOURCES

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Claims without primary source = penalty points (rumour check)

Source 1: Personal experience of the unidentified woman

Timestamp: 02:48–04:17 — Statement: "those kids don't care as long as they get fair treatment kind treatment enough love"

- (a) **Funding and founder:** Probably a regional or state children's home — public funding.
- (b) **Structural conflict of interest:** A worker in institutional care may have an institutional interest in expanding the pool of potential adoptive parents (more adoptions = fewer children in institutional care = less work, or conversely legitimisation of the profession).
- (c) **Missing source documenting the opposing view:** A study or expert challenging the conclusions about the neutral impact of parents' gender on the child.

Source 2: Historical analogy (Grandmother by Božena Němcová)

Timestamp: 05:50–06:06 — Statement: "in the Grandmother by Božena Němcová So those children were raised by grandmother weren't they not mum Because mum had a lot of work"

- (a) **Funding:** Literary work — no funding.
- (b) **Structural conflict of interest:** The analogy is used selectively to support the thesis that the "traditional family" is not historically the norm — this is an argumentative shortcut, not historical research.
- (c) **Missing source:** Historical demography, anthropology or sociology of the family would provide a more accurate picture.

Rumour check (penalty points):

Rumour 1:

Timestamp: 04:21–04:32

Claim: "I don't know how many 60% of families actually In this country get divorced and actually almost half of children grow up with someone other than their biological parent"

Verbal marker: "I don't know how many" — explicit admission of uncertainty

Primary source: Not cited — penalty point +1

Summary: The programme relies exclusively on personal experiences and unverified analogies; no scientific, legal or statistical source is cited. Penalty point for a rumour without a primary source.

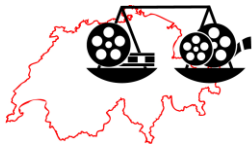


3. TIME ALLOCATION						6/10			
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Estimated speaking time:

- Unidentified woman (guest): approx. 3.5 min. (44%)
- Presenter: approx. 3.0 min. (37%)
- Dana Drábová: approx. 0.5 min. (6%) — minimally captured in the transcript
- Conservative position (represented by the presenter as "an argument I don't share"): approx. 0.3 min. (4%)
- Other/transitions: approx. 0.7 min. (9%)

Summary: The conservative perspective receives less than 4% of the time and is moreover presented by a person who explicitly rejects it — this is a structural asymmetry, not a balanced presentation.



4. SELECTIVE OMISSION

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Omission 1:

Context

The scientific discussion on impacts on children raised by homosexual couples is entirely absent.

Relevant at: 02:48–04:17

Impact

The viewer gains the impression that the scientific consensus unambiguously supports adoption by homosexual couples, without being informed of methodological disputes or minority expert views.

Omission 2:

Context

The legal status of adoption in the Czech Republic and legislative proposals are not mentioned.

Relevant at: 06:09–06:20 — Quote: "it has opened up but the fact that registration and adoption opened up well I'm saying That's been debated round and round for 10 years"

Impact

The viewer does not know what the current legal status is, what specifically is proposed to be changed and what the arguments for and against in the legislative process are.

Omission 3:

Context

The conservative and Christian-democratic perspective is not represented by any actual spokesperson — it is only caricatured by the presenter.

Relevant at: 03:23–05:07

Impact

The viewer hears the conservative argument only from the mouth of a person who rejects it, and never from the mouth of its actual advocate — this is the classic "straw man" technique.

Summary: Systematic omission of the scientific, legal and conservative perspective fundamentally distorts the picture of the topic and prevents the viewer from freely forming an opinion.

Missing Voices

- Conservative expert on family policy: Would bring substantive argumentation for maintaining the current legal regulation without religious framing.
- Developmental psychologist: Would bring a scientific perspective on the available studies on the impacts on children raised by homosexual couples, including methodological limitations.
- Representative of an LGBT+ parental organisation: Would bring specific experiences of homosexual couples caring for children in the Czech Republic.
- Lawyer specialising in family law: Would bring a precise description of the current legal situation and legislative proposals.
- Representative of KDU-ČSL or a conservative civic organisation: Would bring the politically represented conservative position substantively and without ridicule.



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- Social worker from practice: Would bring a perspective on the everyday reality of institutional care and the adoption process.
- Child or adult raised by homosexual parents: Would bring direct personal experience.
- Representative of a church organisation: Would bring the religiously motivated perspective, which is represented in Czech society and is entirely absent from the programme.



5. MANIPULATION WITH NUMBERS

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Complete figures include: absolute value, proportion (%) and trend

Finding 1:

Timestamp 04:21–04:32

Number: "I don't know how many 60% of families actually In this country get divorced and actually almost half of children grow up with someone other than their biological parent"

Dimension: (a) absolute value — not stated; (b) share — stated approximately and imprecisely; (c) trend — not stated

Missing context

Precise data source, current divorce rate in the Czech Republic (according to the Czech Statistical Office approx. 40–45%, not 60%), distinction between divorce and actual cohabitation with a step-parent.

Impact

The number is used as an argument for normalising a non-traditional family structure, but is imprecise and without a source — it creates a false impression of the extent of the phenomenon.

Summary: The only number used is imprecise, without a source and serves as an argumentative tool — all three dimensions of proper statistical presentation are absent.



6. CONTACT GUILT									5/10
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Association 1:	
Timestamp	07:09–07:21
Quote	<i>"Are you vaccinated yes that antivaxers can't even imagine that he that Okamura will say refugees clearly those are again artificially created topics"</i>
Technique: Okamura is associated with "antivaxers" and "artificially created topics" in one brief enumeration — without argumentation, solely by juxtaposition.	
Impact	The viewer is led to the conclusion that Okamura's migration rhetoric is just as irrational as opposition to vaccination — without substantive analysis.

Association 2:	
Timestamp	04:52–05:07
Quote	<i>"it's the same as when we've already ventured into that like traditional family crucifix What is the traditional family [...] mum dad and a mistress is the traditional family"</i>
Technique: The concept of "traditional family" is associated with infidelity and hypocrisy — without distinguishing between an ideal and historical reality.	
Impact	Advocates of the traditional family are implicitly labelled as hypocrites or naive idealists.

Check on persons labelled as "advocates of traditional values":

- Do they work with demonstrable primary sources? NO — they are not represented in the programme at all.
- Are their key claims falsifiable? Cannot be assessed — they are not present.
- RESULT CATEGORY: Cannot be assigned — the conservative position is present in the programme only as a caricature, not as an actual voice.

Association chain: traditional family → crucifix → infidelity → atavism → Okamura → antivaxers → artificially created topics

Summary: The programme builds an association chain linking conservative value positions with irrationality, hypocrisy and political manipulation — without substantive argumentation and without representation of actual spokespersons for these positions.



7. TIMING

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Finding 1:

Position: 00:00–01:44 (beginning)

Content: An emotive story of children in a children's home, their background, friends, clubs — threat of eviction.

Timing effect: The viewer is first emotionally prepared by sympathy for children in institutional care — only then does the question of adoption by homosexual couples arise. The emotional frame is set so that any restriction on adoption appears as a threat to specific children.

Finding 2:

Position: 06:23–07:00 (end of thematic section)

Content: "I didn't really understand president Zeman Why he was commenting out of the blue [...] on transgender people and that was really quite ugly"

Timing effect: Criticism of President Zeman for his remarks about transgender people is placed at the end of the value section — it leaves a strong negative impression without a counterweight or context.

Summary: The emotive opening with children in institutional care and the critical mention of the president at the end of the value section are strategically placed so as to maximise emotional impact in favour of the progressive position.



8. SELECTIVE OUTRAGE

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Outrage = bias. Selective outrage amplifies the finding. Score = outrage level (0–5) + selectivity (0–5)

Methodological principle (v2.2): Before each assessment, the triggering event must be documented. A reaction can only be assessed as selective if comparable triggers in other positions did not produce an analogous reaction.

Finding 1:

Timestamp 06:33–07:00

Triggering event: President Zeman's remarks about transgender people.

Reaction: "that was really quite ugly and even more ugly Well that was really quite ugly I also don't know why he felt the need to [...] this just seemed purely maliciously ugly"

Comparison

An analogous situation — remarks by politicians of the conservative camp about homosexual couples or adoption — does not provoke any critical reaction from the presenter or guest in the programme; on the contrary, they are blanket-dismissed as "artificially created problems" without emotional assessment.

Asymmetry: Demonstrated — Zeman's remarks are assessed as "maliciously ugly", while conservative positions in general are assessed as irrational or atavistic, but without comparable emotional condemnation.

Degree of outrage: 3/5

Selectivity: 3/5

Summary: Outrage over President Zeman's remarks is pronounced and repeated, while comparable value remarks from the conservative camp are rejected more matter-of-factly or with irony — asymmetry is demonstrated, but is not extreme.



9. SELECTIVE OMISSION — OVERALL PICTURE

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Finding 1:

Timestamp 02:48–04:17

Missing perspective/fact: Scientific discussion on impacts on children raised by homosexual couples.

Relevance: This is the key empirical basis of the entire debate — without it, the discussion is purely value-based.

Impact

The viewer has no access to scientific arguments or their limitations; the topic is presented as value-unambiguous.

Finding 2:

Timestamp 06:09–06:20

Missing perspective/fact: Legal status of adoption in the Czech Republic, specific legislative proposals, parliamentary debate.

Relevance: Without legal context, the viewer does not know what is actually being decided.

Impact

The topic is presented as a moral rather than legal and political question — thereby excluding substantive discussion of specific proposals.

Finding 3:

Timestamp 03:23–05:07

Missing perspective/fact: An actual spokesperson for the conservative or Christian-democratic position.

Relevance: Without an actual advocate of the conservative position, the debate is one-sided.

Impact

The viewer hears the conservative argument only from the mouth of its opponent — the classic "straw man" technique.

Summary: The programme systematically omits the scientific, legal and conservative perspective, thereby fundamentally distorting the overall picture of the topic and violating the statutory requirement of balance.

End of hard facts — beginning of soft facts

The topic of adoption of children by homosexual couples has long been controversial in the Czech Republic — registered partnership has existed since 2006, but adoption of children by homosexual couples is not permitted by law. The debate is conducted between advocates of expanding the rights of LGBT+ persons (progressive, liberal camp) and advocates of the traditional definition of the family (conservative, Christian-democratic camp). The scientific discussion on the impacts on children raised by homosexual couples is not closed, even though a number of studies find no negative impacts. The topic is politically sensitive and touches on fundamental value differences in society.

Share of covered perspectives

Inverted: original value measures coverage (higher = better). Shown as deviation (higher = larger gaps).



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- [A] Perspective of advocates of adoption by homosexual couples (LGBT+ organisations, progressive experts)
- [B] Perspective of opponents of adoption by homosexual couples (conservative experts, church organisations, KDU-ČSL)
- [C] Perspective of developmental psychology — scientific consensus and minority expert views
- [D] Perspective of the children themselves from institutional care
- [E] Perspective of foster parents and adoptive parents (heterosexual and homosexual)
- [F] Legal perspective — current state of the law, legislative proposals
- [G] Comparative perspective — experiences from countries where adoption by homosexual couples is permitted
- [H] Perspective of social workers and experts on institutional care
- [I] Perspective of opponents from parental organisations (without a religious basis)
- [J] Demographic and statistical perspective — numbers of children waiting for adoption, length of waiting

[A] ADDRESSED

Timestamp: 02:48–04:17 — Quote: "those kids don't care as long as they get fair treatment kind treatment enough love it doesn't matter at all whether it's a homosexual" — Assessment: The advocates' perspective is presented as self-evident and rational, without critical distance.

[B] INDICATED — INSUFFICIENTLY

Timestamp: 03:23–03:50 — Quote: "now the Argument should be made I don't share it myself but eh I'll put it forward Well but then those children don't have that male or female role model" — Assessment: The conservative argument is put forward by the presenter as "an argument he does not share", immediately challenged by the guest and labelled a "superstition" — without representation of an actual advocate of this view.

[C] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: The scientific discussion on developmental psychology of children raised by homosexual couples is not mentioned at all; there is no reference to studies, meta-analyses or expert dispute.

[D] INDICATED

Timestamp: 01:28–01:43 — Quote: "kids who go to school here are used to it here They have their clubs here They have their friends here" — Assessment: The children's perspective is mentioned indirectly, not through the direct voices of children.

[E] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: No foster parent or adoptive parent (of any orientation) is represented in the programme.

[F] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: The legal status of adoption in the Czech Republic, legislative proposals and parliamentary debate are not mentioned.

[G] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: No comparison with foreign experience is made.

[H] INDICATED

Timestamp: 02:48–04:17 — Quote: (see above) — Assessment: The guest probably works in the field of child care, but her professional qualification is not explicitly introduced.

[I] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: The secular conservative view (without a religious basis) is entirely absent.



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[J] EXCLUDED

Timestamp: — — Quote: — — Assessment: No statistics on the number of children waiting for adoption, the length of waiting or the capacity of institutional care are provided.

Completeness score: 2/10

Reasoning: Of ten relevant perspectives, two are fully addressed (A, D partially), two are indicated insufficiently (B, H) and six are entirely absent (C, E, F, G, I, J). The programme does not provide the viewer with a sufficient basis for the free formation of an opinion on the controversial topic of adoption by homosexual couples. The scientific, legal and comparative dimensions of the topic are entirely absent.



Soft Facts — 6 qualitative techniques

10. SETTING THE FRAME

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Finding 1:

Timestamp	02:48–03:05
Quote	<i>"those kids don't care as long as they get fair treatment kind treatment enough love it doesn't matter at all whether it's a homosexual"</i>
Manipulation	The topic of adoption is framed as a question of "what is best for children" — with the answer given in advance as self-evident. The frame excludes the legitimacy of any other answer.

Why this is problematic: A viewer who would want to consider the conservative argument is implicitly placed in the position of a person who "doesn't care about children".

Finding 2:

Timestamp	04:52–05:07
Quote	<i>"it plays on those atavisticisms a bit or how Right it's the same as when we've already ventured into that like traditional family crucifix What is the traditional family"</i>
Manipulation	The conservative value position is framed as "atavism" — i.e. as a primitive, superseded and irrational remnant.

Why this is problematic: The frame makes substantive discussion impossible — who would want to defend "atavism"?

Finding 3:

Timestamp	07:15–07:21
Quote	<i>"he that Okamura will say refugees clearly those are again artificially created topics"</i>
Manipulation	The migration topic is framed as "artificially created" — i.e. as political manipulation without a real basis.

Why this is problematic: The frame blanket-rejects the legitimacy of the entire topic without substantive argumentation.

Summary: The programme consistently frames progressive positions as rational and humane, while conservative and right-wing positions are framed as atavistic, hypocritical or manipulative — without substantive argumentation.



11. CHOICE OF WORDS AND TERMS

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Finding 1:

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Quote

"it plays on those atavisticisms a bit"

Manipulation

The word "atavism" (a biological term for reversion to a primitive state) is used for conservative value positions.

Why this is problematic: A neutral alternative would be: "traditional value position" or "conservative view of the family".

Finding 2:

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06:33–06:55

Quote

"that was really quite ugly [...] this just seemed purely maliciously ugly"

Manipulation

President Zeman's remarks are repeatedly labelled "ugly" and "malicious" — evaluative language without substantive argumentation.

Why this is problematic: A neutral alternative would be: "remarks that part of the public considers discriminatory" or "controversial remarks".

Finding 3:

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07:15–07:21

Quote

"artificially created topics"

Manipulation

The migration topic is labelled "artificially created" — implying deliberate manipulation by the politicians who raise it.

Why this is problematic: A neutral alternative would be: "politically instrumentalised topic" or "topic that is the subject of political debate".

Summary: The choice of words systematically assigns negative connotations to conservative and right-wing positions, while progressive positions are described in neutral or positive language.



12. PRESENTER BEHAVIOUR							7/10		
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Methodological principle (v2.2): Before each assessment, the triggering event must be documented.

Finding 1:

Timestamp 03:23–03:50

Triggering event: The presenter himself puts forward the conservative argument about male and female role models.

Quote (presenter) *"now the Argument should be made I don't share it myself but eh I'll put it forward Well but then those children don't have that male or female role model"*

Comparison The guest's progressive argument (02:48–03:05) is accepted without challenge or follow-up question.

Asymmetry: Demonstrated — the presenter puts forward the conservative argument with explicit distancing ("I don't share it myself"), while accepting the progressive argument without reservation.

Finding 2:

Timestamp 06:23–07:00

Triggering event: Discussion of President Zeman's remarks about transgender people.

Quote (presenter) *"I didn't really understand president Zeman Why he was commenting out of the blue [...] and that was really quite ugly"*

Comparison Remarks by politicians of the progressive camp are not assessed by the presenter in the programme with similar intensity.

Asymmetry: Demonstrated — the presenter expresses personal outrage over the remarks of a conservative politician without maintaining journalistic neutrality.

Summary: The presenter repeatedly violates journalistic neutrality — explicitly rejecting conservative arguments and expressing personal outrage over the remarks of a conservative politician, while accepting progressive positions without critical distance.



13. QUESTION ASYMMETRY

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Asymmetry 1:

To the guest (unidentified woman), 02:42–02:48: "What is your view on the adoption of children by homosexuals?" — soft, open question without a critical counterweight

To the conservative position (represented by the presenter), 03:23–03:35: "Well but then those children don't have that male or female role model" — presented as an argument the presenter himself rejects

Comparison

The guest's progressive position is accepted without a critical question; the conservative position is presented with the presenter's explicit distancing — fundamental asymmetry.

Asymmetry 2:

To the guest (unidentified woman), 04:17–04:21: "Well and like I don't know how many 60% of families actually..." — the presenter accepts an imprecise number without challenge

To the conservative position: No question that would substantively test the conservative argument is posed.

Comparison

Progressive claims are not verified; the conservative position is not represented by an actual spokesperson, so questions cannot even be posed.

Summary: The presenter poses soft, open questions to the guest with a progressive position and presents the conservative argument himself with explicit rejection — this is a structural asymmetry that makes genuine debate impossible.



14. FALSE BALANCE

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Finding 1:

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03:23–03:50 — Construct: The presenter presents the conservative argument as "an argument that should be heard", thereby creating the appearance of balance.

Analysis

This is pseudo-balance — the conservative argument is present only as a straw man in the mouth of its opponent, not as a genuine counterweight. True false balance (presenting two equally represented sides) does not occur in the programme — the programme is openly one-sided, not falsely balanced.

Summary: The programme does not create false balance in the classical sense — it is openly one-sided. The only attempt at an appearance of balance (the presenter presents the conservative argument) is transparently rejected, not presented as an equal position.



15. SETTING THE AGENDA

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Finding 1:

Agenda element set: Adoption by homosexual couples is presented as self-evidently beneficial for children — the question of "whether" is closed, only the question of why there is resistance is discussed.

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02:48–04:17 — Evidence: "those kids don't care [...] it's worse actually when they then remain in that Institutional care"

Alternative agenda: Scientific discussion on impacts; legal analysis; experience from abroad; conservative arguments substantively represented.

Finding 2:

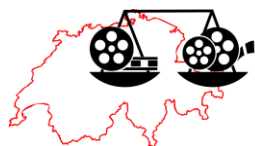
Agenda element set: The traditional family is presented as a historically unsubstantiated myth.

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04:52–05:30 — Evidence: "that model which is promoted As traditional family actually historically is not that traditional"

Alternative agenda: Historical and anthropological discussion of various forms of family without a value judgement.

Summary: The programme sets the agenda such that progressive value positions are presented as scientifically and historically substantiated self-evidences, while conservative positions are presented as myths or atavistic remnants — without substantive argumentation.



CHAPTER 4 — OVERALL EVALUATION

Overview of individual scores

No.	Criterion	Type	Score	Main finding (1 sentence)
1	Selection of experts	H	7	The value judgement of an unidentified person is presented as an expert statement without demonstrated qualification.
2	Selection of sources	H	7	The programme relies exclusively on personal experiences and unverified analogies; no scientific or legal source is cited.
3	Time allocation	H	6	The conservative perspective receives less than 4% of the time and is presented by a person who rejects it.
4	Omissions	H	8	The scientific, legal and conservative perspectives are systematically omitted.
5	Manipulation with numbers	H	4	The only number used is imprecise, without a source and serves as an argumentative tool.
6	Guilt by association	H	5	The conservative position is associated with infidelity, atavism and political manipulation.
7	Timing	H	5	The emotive opening with children and the criticism of Zeman at the end are strategically placed.
8	Selective outrage	H	6	Zeman's remarks are labelled "maliciously ugly"; conservative positions are rejected ironically.
9	Completeness	H	8	Systematic omission of the scientific, legal and conservative perspective distorts the overall picture.
10	Framing	S	8	Progressive positions are framed as rational and humane; conservative ones as atavistic.
11	Choice of words	S	7	The words "atavism", "ugly", "malicious" and "artificially created" are systematically assigned to conservative positions.
12	Presenter behaviour	S	7	The presenter explicitly rejects conservative arguments and expresses personal outrage over the remarks of a conservative politician.
13	Question asymmetry	S	7	Progressive positions are accepted without a critical question; conservative ones are presented with explicit rejection.
14	False balance	S	3	The programme is openly one-sided, not falsely balanced — false balance does not occur.
15	Agenda-setting	S	7	Progressive positions are presented as scientifically substantiated self-evidences; conservative ones as myths.

Results

- HARD FACTS SCORE (average of criteria 1–9): 6.2 / 10
- SOFT FACTS SCORE (average of criteria 10–15): 6.5 / 10



Dominant techniques

- 1. Framing (score 8):** The programme consistently frames progressive value positions as rational, scientifically substantiated and humane, while conservative positions are framed as atavistic, hypocritical or manipulative — without substantive argumentation and without representation of actual spokespersons for the conservative position.
- 2. Omissions (score 8):** The scientific discussion on impacts on children, the legal status of adoption in the Czech Republic and the conservative perspective represented by an actual spokesperson are systematically omitted — the viewer has no access to the information needed for the free formation of an opinion.
- 3. Selection of experts and sources (score 7):** The programme relies exclusively on the personal experiences of an unidentified person whose professional qualification is not demonstrated; no scientific, legal or statistical source is cited; a conservative expert or spokesperson is entirely absent.

Key messages of the programme

****MESSAGE 1 (CONTENT):** ** "Adoption of children by homosexual couples is neutral or beneficial for children and opposition to it is irrational atavism."

Technique: Framing, selection of experts, omissions — Evidence: 02:48, 04:52

****MESSAGE 2 (PERSONAL):** ** "President Zeman is malicious and his remarks about transgender people are ugly and incomprehensible."

Technique: Selective outrage, choice of words — Evidence: 06:33, 06:55

****MESSAGE 3 (SOCIAL):** ** "The traditional family is a historical myth and conservative value positions are artificially created problems serving political manipulation."

Technique: Agenda-setting, guilt by association — Evidence: 04:52, 07:15

Reasoning: The programme achieves an overall score of 6.3/10, which corresponds to clear one-sidedness.

Progressive value positions are presented as self-evident and scientifically substantiated, while conservative positions are systematically ridiculed or omitted. The presenter repeatedly violates journalistic neutrality by expressing personal value judgements. The programme does not meet the requirement of §2(2) of Act No. 483/1991 Coll. for balanced and comprehensive information enabling the free formation of opinions, nor the requirement of §31(3) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. for balanced representation of opposing views on politically controversial topics.

CONCLUSION

The analysed programme addresses the politically and value-controversially charged topic of adoption of children by homosexual couples in a manner that systematically violates the statutory requirements for balance and objectivity in public service broadcasting. The conservative and Christian-democratic perspective is not represented by any actual spokesperson and is present only as a caricature in the mouths of its opponents; the scientific, legal and comparative dimension of the topic is entirely absent. The presenter repeatedly expresses personal value judgements and outrage over the remarks of a conservative politician, thereby violating the obligation to separate evaluative commentary from news reporting pursuant to §31(2) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. The programme does not meet the requirement of §2(2)(a) of Act No. 483/1991 Coll. for the provision of objective, verified, in their entirety balanced and comprehensive information for the free formation of opinions. The overall score of 6.3/10 and clear one-sidedness in favour of a progressive-liberal worldview give rise to reasonable suspicion of a violation of the statutory mandate of Czech Television.



OVERALL EVALUATION OF THE 15 CRITERIA

Individual Scores — All 15 Criteria

No.	Criterion	Score	Rating
1	SELECTION OF EXPERTS	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
2	SELECTION OF SOURCES	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
3	TIME ALLOCATION	6/10	<i>Significant imbalance</i>
4	SELECTIVE OMISSION	8/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
5	MANIPULATION WITH NUMBERS	4/10	<i>Slight imbalance</i>
6	CONTACT GUILT	5/10	<i>Significant imbalance</i>
7	TIMING	5/10	<i>Significant imbalance</i>
8	SELECTIVE OUTRAGE	6/10	<i>Significant imbalance</i>
9	SELECTIVE OMISSION — OVERALL PICTURE	8/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
10	SETTING THE FRAME	8/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
11	CHOICE OF WORDS AND TERMS	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
12	PRESENTER BEHAVIOUR	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
13	QUESTION ASYMMETRY	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>
14	FALSE BALANCE	3/10	<i>Slight imbalance</i>
15	SETTING THE AGENDA	7/10	<i>Pronounced imbalance</i>

HARD FACTS SCORE (1-8)

6.2/10

Serious deviation from the impartiality standard. High degree of deviation

SOFT FACTS SCORE (9-14)

6.5/10

Serious deviation from the impartiality standard. High degree of deviation

OVERALL SCORE

6.3/10

Serious deviation from the impartiality standard. High degree of deviation

Average of Hardfacts and Softfacts



KEY — Score Definitions

Individual Scores per Criterion (0–10)

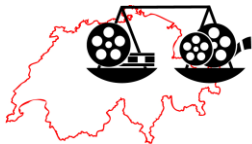
0	No finding	No relevant anomaly detected.
1–2	Weak finding	Minor anomaly without substantial impact on balance.
3–4	Slight to moderate finding	Recognizable tendency; low to moderate impact relevance.
5	Moderate finding with impact	Relevant imbalance affecting the audience's opinion-forming potential.
6	Significant finding (threshold)	Scores of 6 and above are classified as 'significant findings.'
7	Significant finding	Clear, well-documented imbalance with distinct impact relevance.
8–9	Severe finding	Pronounced imbalance; multiple documented individual findings in this criterion.
10	Maximum severity	Systematic, pervasive imbalance in this criterion.

Aggregated Deviation Index — Interpretation Ranges

0.0 – 2.5	Unremarkable	No significant patterns detected; broadcast meets the impartiality standard.
2.6 – 4.0	Slight imbalance	Isolated anomalies; statistically visible but within tolerance range.
4.1 – 6.0	Significant imbalance	Multiple significant findings; relevant impairment of perspective diversity.
6.1 – 8.0	Serious deviation from the impartiality standard. High degree of deviation	Pronounced, cross-broadcast patterns; high impact relevance.
8.1 – 10	Fundamental systemic one-sidedness. Very high bias degree	Maximum severity across nearly all criteria; systematically one-sided reporting.

Party-Political Bias (-5 to +5)

-5 to -3	Strongly disadvantaged	Party is significantly underrepresented in framing, airtime, or presentation.
-2 to -1	Slightly disadvantaged	Recognizable but minor disadvantage.
0	Neutral	No detectable favoritism or disadvantage.
+1 to +2	Slightly favored	Recognizable but minor favoritism.
+3 to +5	Strongly favored	Party is significantly overrepresented in framing, airtime, or presentation.



CHAPTER 5 — LEGAL CLASSIFICATION (§2 of the Czech Television Act / §31 of Act No. 231/2001)

Assessment pursuant to §2 of the Czech Television Act / §31 of Act No. 231/2001

Violation 1:

Standard: §2(2)(a) of Act No. 483/1991 Coll. (Czech Television Act)

Constituent elements: The programme does not provide balanced and comprehensive information — the conservative and Christian-democratic perspective on the topic of adoption by homosexual couples is not represented by any actual spokesperson; the scientific, legal and comparative dimension of the topic is entirely absent.

Evidence: Timestamp 02:48–04:17 — Quote: "those kids don't care as long as they get fair treatment kind treatment enough love it doesn't matter at all whether it's a homosexual" — accepted without critical counterweight or scientific context.

Assessment: The programme does not enable the viewer to form an opinion freely, because it does not provide access to relevant opposing perspectives — violation of §2(2)(a) is demonstrated.

Violation 2:

Standard: §31(2) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. — obligation to separate evaluative commentary from news reporting

Constituent elements: The presenter repeatedly expresses personal value judgements without separating them from news content.

Evidence: Timestamp 06:33–06:55 — Quote: "that was really quite ugly [...] this just seemed purely maliciously ugly" — personal value judgement by the presenter about President Zeman's remarks without journalistic distance.

Assessment: The presenter does not fulfil the obligation to separate evaluative commentary from news reporting — violation of §31(2) is demonstrated.

Violation 3:

Standard: §31(3) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. — balanced representation of opposing views on politically controversial topics

Constituent elements: The topic of adoption by homosexual couples is politically controversial; the programme does not provide balanced representation of opposing views — the conservative position is present only as a caricature.

Evidence: Timestamp 03:23–03:50 — Quote: "now the Argument should be made I don't share it myself but eh I'll put it forward" — the conservative argument is presented by a person who explicitly rejects it, without representation of an actual spokesperson.

Assessment: The programme does not meet the requirement of balanced representation of opposing views — violation of §31(3) is demonstrated.

Overall assessment pursuant to §2 of the Czech Television Act / §31 of Act No. 231/2001

The analysed programme exhibits three demonstrated violations of the statutory requirements for objectivity and balance in public service broadcasting. The most serious violation is the systematic omission of the conservative, scientific and legal perspective on the topic of adoption by homosexual couples, thereby preventing the viewer from freely forming an opinion within the meaning of §2(2)(a) of Act No. 483/1991 Coll. The presenter repeatedly violates the obligation to separate evaluative commentary from news reporting pursuant to §31(2) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. by expressing personal outrage over the remarks of a conservative politician. The programme also does not meet the requirement of §31(3) of Act No. 231/2001 Coll. for balanced representation of opposing views on politically controversial topics, as the conservative position is present only as a caricature in the mouths of its opponents. These findings are sufficiently specific and documented with direct quotes with timestamps for the purposes of a complaint to the Council for Radio and Television Broadcasting or the Council of Czech Television.

IN-DEPTH SOURCE CHECK (mandatory for all cited expert institutions / NGOs / advisory bodies)

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- 1. FUNDING:** State Office for Nuclear Safety — funded from the Czech state budget; founder: the state.
- 2. MANDATE:** Fully compatible with the expert role for the field of nuclear safety; for value topics (adoption, traditional family) the mandate is absent — it is not clear from the programme whether she addresses these topics.
- 3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** On topics of nuclear energy: regulator, not an industry lobbyist — conflict of interest minimal. On value topics: no institutional conflict of interest, but also no professional competence.
- 4. CREDIBILITY MATRIX (for nuclear safety):**
 - D1 Conflict of interest: +1
 - D2 Personal risk: +1
 - D3 Professional competence: +2
 - D4 Consistency: +1
 - D5 Emotionalisation vs. data: +1
 - D6 Source level: +1
 - TOTAL: +7 → TRAFFIC LIGHT: GREEN**
- 5. COUNTERWEIGHT:** For nuclear safety: environmental organisations (Greenpeace, Duha) would provide a critical perspective — not represented in the programme.

Unidentified woman (probably a worker at a children's home)

- 1. FUNDING:** Probably a regional or state children's home — public funding; identity and institution are not introduced in the programme.
- 2. MANDATE:** Practice in child care is relevant for questions of institutional upbringing; for value judgements about adoption by homosexual couples the mandate is absent.
- 3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** Potential institutional interest in expanding the pool of adoptive parents (more adoptions = fewer children in institutional care); the opposite interest (preservation of institutional care as an institution) cannot be excluded either.
- 4. CREDIBILITY MATRIX:**
 - D1 Conflict of interest: 0
 - D2 Personal risk: +1
 - D3 Professional competence: +1 (practice in child care, not in adoption law or developmental psychology)
 - D4 Consistency: 0 (cannot be verified)
 - D5 Emotionalisation vs. data: -1 (predominantly value-based argumentation without data)
 - D6 Source level: 0 (secondary — personal experience)
 - TOTAL: +1 → TRAFFIC LIGHT: YELLOW**
- 5. COUNTERWEIGHT:** Developmental psychologist with a different expert assessment; conservative expert on family policy — entirely absent from the programme.

IMPORTANT: "Recognised expert" is not a substantive qualification. It is a social attribution that itself is subject to verification. In this programme, the professional qualification of the unidentified woman is not introduced to the viewer at all — this is a serious shortcoming.

Legal and Methodological Notes

No factual determination

The results presented do not constitute factual determinations about individual persons, editorial teams, or broadcasts. They are the product of a standardized operationalization, not a finding of individual responsibility.

No legal judgment

The aggregated deviation index does not replace a legal assessment under Zákon o ČT / Zákon č. 231/2001. The determination of whether a specific broadcast violates legal requirements is exclusively the responsibility of the competent authorities (in particular RRTV).



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**No proof of
causation**

Statistical correlations are not to be interpreted as proof of causal relationships or editorial intent. Deviation values may be influenced by topic selection, news environment, political controversy, or format logic.

**No judgment of
intent**

The analysis measures observable structural characteristics of broadcasts. A score of 7 means a significant imbalance was detected — not that the editorial team intended it. The methodology makes no claims about motives or strategic objectives.

**Heuristic
comparison tool**

The index serves comparative pattern recognition across thousands of broadcasts, not precise metric measurement of individual segments. Threshold values serve heuristic orientation, not sharp legal qualification.



APPENDIX 1: NATIONAL BROADCASTING LAW

Legal Framework

Czech public television is governed by the Czech Television Act (Zákon o České televizi, č. 483/1991 Sb.) and the Broadcasting Act (Zákon o provozování rozhlasového a televizního vysílání, č. 231/2001 Sb.). These laws mandate that Česká televize provides objective, verified, balanced and comprehensive information for the free formation of opinions. The Broadcasting Act further requires all broadcasters to ensure objectivity and balance in news programming and to clearly separate factual reporting from evaluative commentary.

Key Provisions

- §2 odst. 2 písm. a) Zákona o ČT: "poskytování objektivních, ověřených, ve svém celku vyvážených a všestranných informací pro svobodné vytváření názorů" — Provision of objective, verified, balanced and comprehensive information for free opinion formation.
- §31 odst. 2 Zákona č. 231/2001 Sb.: Broadcasters must ensure objectivity and balance of information content; evaluative commentary must be clearly separated from factual reporting.
- §31 odst. 3: In programmes dealing with political or economic controversies, the broadcaster must ensure balanced representation of competing views.
- §31 odst. 4: The right of reply must be granted to persons or groups whose reputation or rights may have been affected.
- §2 odst. 2 písm. b) Zákona o ČT: ČT must create and broadcast programmes for all population groups, including minorities and disadvantaged groups.

Regulatory Body

Rada pro rozhlasové a televizní vysílání (RRTV) — Council for Radio and Television Broadcasting. 13 members appointed by the Prime Minister on nomination from the Chamber of Deputies. Complaints can be filed via data box, e-mail (info@rrtv.cz), or in person. Response window: 30 days. Limitation period: 3 years.



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