In my diploma thesis I deal with social failure of adolescent boys. The work is divided into theoretic and practical part. In the theoretic part I describe in detail the term of adolescence, the identity of juveniles, socializing of these adolescents and social failure. The chapter Adolescence is focused on the development of this period, talks on physical change, emotional development etc. In the chapter Identity we can find the definition of identity and relation features of adolescents. In the chapter Socializing the standards of behaviour, incorporation of individuals into coeval groups and the danger of extremist groups are presented. The chapter Social Failure deals with defects of personality, behaviour disorders, then with the negative influence of alcohol and drugs on young people and finally with delinquency, criminality of boys and their path to educational institutes. In the practical part we can find analysis of factors influencing social failure of adolescent boys. There are three charts showing the circumstances that bring the adolescent boys into a custody centre. Also the illustrative casuistry of the centre's typical client is presented in this part.