This dissertation concerns the concept of basic income. It explains what basic income is, how the idea to introduce it came about and describes its position in the world throughout history. It addresses the arguments in favour of and against introducing it. It deals with concepts that are related to basic income such as negative income tax, participatory income, partial basic income or participatory capital, and compares them to the basic income concept. It presents the experimental introduction of basic income, as it has already been seen across the world, or will be in the future. It also deals with the parameters of current social policy in the Czech Republic. It describes the current benefits that would be affected by the introduction of basic income. And finally it focuses on steps that could lead to the introduction of basic or partial income in the Czech Republic.