

**Question for written answer E-000995/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: Improving the incomes of EU farmers

In recent years, the incomes of Spanish farmers have fallen by 7.1% and are now at the same levels as in 2000. This figure is essentially due to a fall in prices and also a certain decrease in the value of agricultural production, according to data from the Spanish Ministry of Agriculture.

One of the main objectives of the Common Agricultural Policy must be precisely to maintain both the incomes of new farmers and the production volume, which is not being achieved according to this data.

1. What measures is the Commission considering to reverse this situation and to ensure that our farmers are again able to improve their production and income levels?
2. What is it doing to compensate for this fall in prices?
3. How is the Commission planning to attract more young people into this sector, which has an increasingly difficult outlook for farmers?