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to the Commission**

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Subject: Addressing the problem of drug use by young people in Europe

Drug use among young people in Europe continues to produce alarming statistics, according to the most recent report by the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs.

Although numbers have dropped considerably over the last few years in comparison with the peak values reached in 2008, there are still millions of young people using drugs, particularly cocaine and cannabis. The increased consumption of new designer drugs is also a major cause for concern.

Consuming these drugs gives rise to a host of health-related issues, including mental health problems, and can lead to drug-induced deaths in the most extreme cases.

What measures is the Commission taking to decrease drug use by young people in Europe?

What is the EU's strategy for tackling the spread of so-called designer drugs?