

**Question for written answer E-012329/2015**  
**to the Commission**  
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Subject: Dairy sector price crisis

For months, dairy farmers have been having to deal with a price crisis which is endangering their very business. In my country, Spain, and more specifically, in my region, Galicia, thousands of farms have had to deal with farm-gate prices which do not cover their production costs. According to the estimates of agricultural unions, up to 30% of Galician farms could be forced to close if the prices paid do not rise.

Even though the Commission has announced that it will provide aid to the dairy sector due to the Russian veto, what measures will it take to address the dramatic situation of the dairy sector in countries like Spain and regions like Galicia, which is leading to the closure of farms given that it is impossible for them to cover their production costs? Will the possible measures include an increase in intervention prices?