

**Question for written answer E-012519/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Data collection on hate crime in Member States

The EU and its Member States should combat hate crime by addressing the related fundamental rights violations, making these acts more visible and holding perpetrators accountable. Such action requires expanding the scope of official data collection on hate crime, both to make hate crime visible across the EU and to ensure that Member States effectively respond to hate crime as an abuse of fundamental rights.

What is the Commission doing to encourage Member States to implement policies that will lead to the collection of reliable data on hate crime?

Is the Commission going to propose legislation obliging the Member States to collect and publish data pertaining to hate crime?