

**Question for written answer E-000429/2017  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Shorter working hours

There are many studies proving that shorter working hours make for improved productivity and benefit workers' health. The studies also show that a six-hour working day, compared with a 'normal' day, does much to reduce the number of days accounted for by sick-leave.

Has the Commission conducted specialised research to gauge the impact that shorter working hours have on employers and workers? In other words, is it aware of the beneficial effects described above?

Is it taking steps to help establish a procedure for applying the above-mentioned research findings?