

**Question for written answer E-004005/2017
to the Commission**

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Subject: Mental health in France and financial support from the Commission

Depression is the main mental health issue among people of working age¹.

Depression in the workplace is the main reason for productivity loss, sick leave and early retirement. One employee in ten has taken leave as a result of depression. It is estimated that some 350 million working days are lost each year in the Member States as a result of stress and depression.

According to the World Health Organization, 50% of sick days taken for chronic illnesses are the result of depression and anxiety, and the cost of mood disorders and anxiety in the EU is about EUR 170 billion per year².

Does the Commission grant financial support to projects carried out in France in the area of mental health and combating depression? If so, which projects does it support?

How many patients are concerned, and what is the budget?

¹ <http://www.slate.fr/lien/62647/depression-employes-europe-travail>

² <http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics/noncommunicable-diseases/mental-health/news/news/2012/10/depression-in-europe/depression-in-europe-facts-and-figures>