

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0534/06  
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to the Commission

Subject: Alcohol and communication

We are all aware of the ill effects of alcohol, which often affect very specific, clearly identified population groups.

In view of this danger, what type of responses does the Commission envisage proposing as a priority in the communication it is preparing on the European strategy on the damage caused by alcohol?

Does it intend to target only at-risk populations (minors, pregnant women, binge drinkers, drink-drivers)? Or is it thinking of putting in place measures aimed at reducing overall consumption, such as increasing indirect duties or limiting the number of sales outlets?

Can it give the reasons for its choice?