

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1265/09
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to the Commission

Subject: Product pricing in eurozone countries

The internal market can only function smoothly if product pricing in eurozone countries is transparent. Under the difficult conditions obtaining today in which consumers bear the brunt of the economic crisis and price increases, citizens are demanding comparable prices of basic similar consumer products, owing in part to the introduction of the euro.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

- Does it possess comparative price tables for eurozone countries covering basic consumer goods, based on a common unit of measurement, such as, for instance, bread (by the kilo), milk (by the litre), fruit (by the kilo) and vegetables (by the kilo), etc.?
- If not, will it refer me to the competent authorities?