

**Question for written answer E-003707/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: EU household statistics

According to Eurostat, single-member households were the largest single category of household in the EU-27 in 2011, the most recent data showing an EU average of three out of ten, mainly women or elderly people living alone. The percentage of such households is increasing, those concerned being increasingly vulnerable and exposed to the risk of poverty, particularly in the current economic climate.

Does the Commission have recent data regarding the social and economic situation of single-member households? If not, does it intend to launch an investigation and publish the relevant statistics and analyses in the immediate future?