

**Question for written answer E-005892/2014
to the Commission**

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Subject: Standardised EU road-toll system

Alongside the plans for a standardised road toll in Germany, unveiled by the Transport Ministry on 7 July 2014, German vehicle tax is apparently to be discounted.

The purchase, ownership and use of vehicles are subject to many different forms of taxation in the EU Member States, and the taxes vary widely in terms of their purpose and the arrangements for paying them. Any attempt to compare the overall tax burden in the various Member States is therefore fraught with complications.

In the interests of equal treatment, is the Commission planning any steps to harmonise vehicle tax and road-toll systems in the EU internal market?