

**Question for written answer E-002033/2020  
to the Commission**

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Subject: COVID-19 testing

According to expert advice, one of the most important measures that states need to take to combat the spread of COVID-19 and to better understand the epidemic is to conduct large-scale testing to determine who has been infected with the virus and who has recovered from it. Unfortunately, Member States' capacity to carry out COVID-19 testing is limited and often insufficient.

With many companies preparing to release COVID-19 tests onto the market once their availability and rapidity improve, does the Commission plan to encourage increased testing activities in all Member States?