

**Question for written answer E-002034/2020**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: COVID-19 and the economy

The COVID-19 pandemic is a test for the health systems of the Member States as well as the entire EU economy. Many employers have already been forced to cut jobs, and the uncertainty is reinforced by the fact that no one knows how long the new circumstances will last.

Are there any indications of the extent to which the epidemic will have a negative impact on the GDP of the Member States and the EU economy as a whole?

Are there any indications, given the data and research available to us, of the timeline in which the situation can be expected to stabilise and regular economic activities can be resumed?