

**Question for written answer E-000605/2023
to the Commission**

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Subject: Regulation of front-of-pack labelling (FOPL) systems

The implementation in several EU countries of front-of-pack labelling (FOPL) systems, which in some way summarise the nutrition and health claims made on foods, as laid down by Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006, raises questions about the methods used to summarise, interpret and report that information in the various FOPL systems. Current systems range from WHO's 'Nutri-Score' labelling system, which has only 17 food categories, to the NOVA system, which groups foods according to the extent of each product's processing. This variety of criteria and methods means that the same food can be assessed in very different ways, making it advisable to regulate FOPL systems. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 already requires nutrient profiles to be established, which can be used for making the claims referred to by said Regulation, and even sets a date of 19 January 2009 for that purpose.

In view of this:

1. Is the Commission monitoring the implementation of different FOPL systems in the Member States?
2. Is it satisfied with compliance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006?
3. Does it plan to take any steps to prevent the proliferation of different systems?

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