

**Question for written answer P-005376/2012
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Volumes of sugar imports

A continued deficit on the supply side is expected for the sugar sector in the 2012/13 financial year. The reason for this is that the major sugar suppliers report a shortage of imported sugar and are faced with the difficult challenge of meeting the Commission's forecasts, which form the basis for current regulations.

What steps is the Commission planning to take in response to the shortage of imported sugar, particularly in the area of raw sugar, in the 2012/13 financial year?