

**Question for written answer P-003098/2019
to the Commission
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Subject: Cardiovascular diseases

In the European Union, 49 million people live with cardiovascular disease (CVD). Every year, more than 1.8 million people die from CVD, mainly from heart disease and strokes, making it by far the leading cause of death, as proven by the latest Eurostat data. Apart from the human cost, CVD is a significant financial burden, costing the EU economy an estimated EUR 210 billion each year.

How does the Commission intend to reduce the burden of the leading cause of death in the EU and improve quality of life for the 49 million people living with CVD?