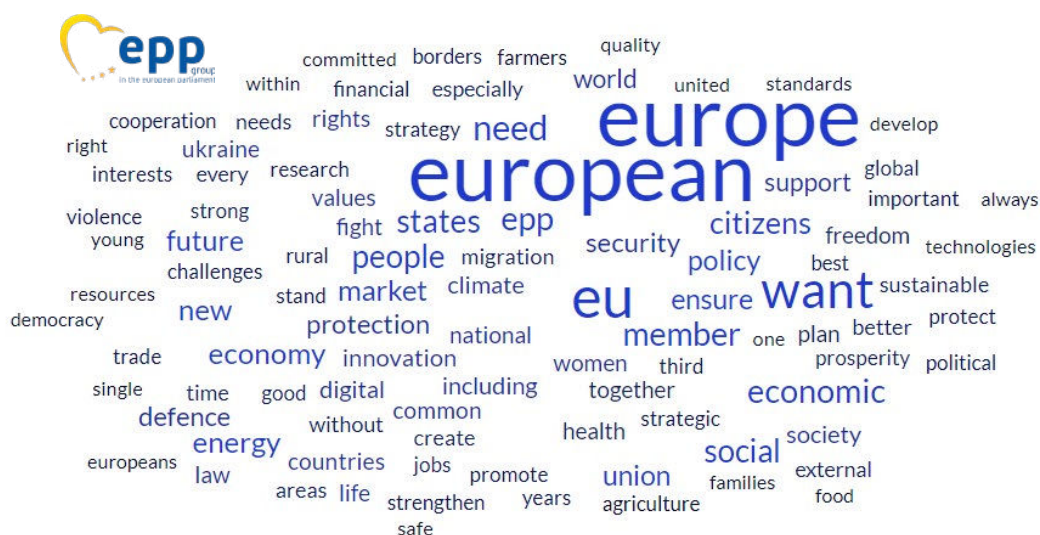


Manifesto Analysis

European People's Party (EPP)



1. Summary



Lacking

While mentioning public health on several occasions, the manifesto fails to make the connection between healthy environment and healthy people, and does not make a reference, nor a hint, to the concept of **health in all policies**. The manifesto also does not address the question of **antimicrobial resistance (AMR)**, nor does it mention the concept of One Health. Although mentioning on several occasions the role of the EU on the global stage, the manifesto does not address the current **commitments of the EU on global and multilateral initiatives**. Current files are also omitted, such as the Pharma Package, the European Health Data Space (EHDS), or the Fit for 55 dimension of the Green Deal.

The manifesto contains elements that could be detrimental to public health. While the **Green Deal** is extensively mentioned, the vision shown could lower the level of ambition needed from the EU regarding climate. Finally, while the manifesto mentions several initiatives that are equity-related, the proposals regarding asylum policy could present a mismatch with the respect of EU values and fundamental rights. Moreover, they could hinder **anti-discriminatory policy measures**.



Insufficient to meet EU goals and commitments

While public health is mentioned in the manifesto, it does not develop a vision that would bring the necessary ambition regarding **disease prevention and health promotion**. The manifesto does not refer to determinants of health, or risk factors of NCDs. The question of **sustainable food systems** is insufficiently addressed, with, a focus on food security instead. **Environment** and **climate** are addressed, without a sufficient link to health, and a focus only on some topics (energy, fossil fuels). The question of **medicines shortages** is briefly mentioned. Similarly, the **health and care workforce** alongside their mobility are mentioned but then not sufficiently addressed. The **resilience of health systems** is hinted at, but not developed enough. The manifesto addresses issues relevant for **access to care**, and on **digital transformation**. However, these two topics lack concrete measures to be implemented.



Addressed

The manifesto provides several insights targeting **public health**, including a mention of an EU Health Union, and several mentions of **wellbeing**. The document also addresses **food security**, from a farming perspective. The question of **non-communicable diseases (NCDs)** is also quite well developed, with several proposals, but lacks a prevention aspect. **Equity** is developed in several aspects, in terms of health, gender, age, but also territorial equity. Particularly, funding for **health research** is extensively covered. The manifesto provides several elements relevant to **pandemic and crisis preparedness**. It also addresses **mental health**. As for **environmental elements**, the manifesto touches upon the issues of circular economy, phasing out of fossil fuels, emissions and the electrification of the transport fleet. It also hints on several occasion to a just transition, by mentioning “leaving no one behind”. Finally, **institutional elements** are significantly addressed, with the EU Health Union mention, and a call for a Vice President tackling the demographic issues in an overarching way.

Key proposals: European plan to address Alzheimer’s disease, dementia and Parkinson’s disease; European Cardiovascular Health Plan; New Pact for intergenerational fairness; European Guarantee for older citizens; EU Action Plan for Mental Health; European Workers’ Guarantee for the Digital Market; implementation of Europe’s Beating Cancer Plan; strengthen the EU strategy for Outermost Regions; strengthen the European Care Strategy: implementation of the Net-Zero Industry Act and the Critical Raw Materials Act.



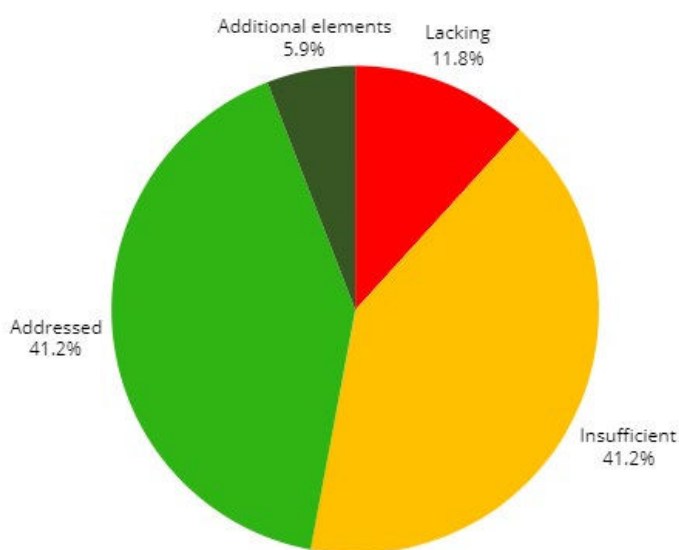
Additional relevant elements to public health

The manifesto provides a proposal in terms of **health equity and inclusion**, that would be relevant to public health, supporting the establishment of a European Guarantee for older citizens. Regarding **crisis preparedness**, the manifesto proposes the creation of a Civil Protection Union force, targeting “strategic reserves of food, water, medicines and medical equipment”. The manifesto mentions EU **enlargement and treaties change** to strengthen the EU, calling for a European Convention.

2. Focus¹

Assessing content related to health

by number of topics



- Global and multilateral initiatives**
Antimicrobial resistance
- Sustainable food systems**
Environment and health
Climate change adaptation/mitigation
Health workforce
Resilience of health systems
Access to care
Digital transformation
- Public health as a priority**
Non-communicable diseases
Mental health
Health equity
Health crisis preparedness
Research in health
Institutional elements
- Treaty changes and institutional tools**

¹ Disclaimer: this visual reflects the coverage of the 16 topics listed in the analyses. Some of the topics comprise more elements than others.

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