



UK lags in employment of Older People

A report from the Resolution Foundation claimed that the UK was well below other developed countries when considering the employment of older people.

The UK ranked only 15th out of the 34 countries who are members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development in terms of the percentage of over 50's in employment. We employ about 15% less of our over 50's work force than the countries at the top of the league. Perhaps more worrying was the fact that of those not in employment two thirds said they wanted to work beyond retirement but the opportunities were not there.

A spokesperson for Age UK said "It is vital that employers make it easier for over 50's to find a job or continue working. This means stamping out age discrimination, adopting age friendly recruitment policies or simply allowing more flexible working."