The Retirement Expectations Gap

The age at which workers expect to retire is slowly rising—but the realities of retirement suggest that those expectations may not be fulfilled.

A sizable proportion of retirees report each year that they retired sooner than they had planned (47 percent in 2013, according to the 2013 Retirement Confidence Survey), in many cases for reasons beyond their control such as health or changes at work.

More information about the 2013 Retirement Confidence Survey can be found online at [www.ebri.org/surveys/rcs/](http://www.ebri.org/surveys/rcs/)

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