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This issue of *Retraite & Société* deals with employment and retirement in Europe by using data from the first two waves (2004-05 and 2006-07) of SHARE – the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe.

These longitudinal data from several European countries comprise more than 30,000 respondents in each wave, aged 50 years old at least. During the interview, respondents are asked to answer questions about many dimensions of ageing, including employment, health and retirement.

How do older workers apprehend Exit from the Labour Force in Europe?

To what extent do social security and pension arrangements play a role as retirement incentives? Do working conditions have an impact on the decision to retire? Do the retired people stay “active” after they went out of the labour market?

Researchers from IRDES, CNAV, INSEE and French universities give answers to these interesting questions related to the current debate about older workers.

... A second issue based on SHARE data that will focus on Health and Family in Europe is to be published in autumn 2009.