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### Residential Care for the Elderly - UK

"Alongside restrictive operating margins, care homes face an ongoing challenge to recruit and retain staff, with many operators reporting that they are increasingly competing with other low-pay sectors, such as supermarkets, who are actively recruiting and offering attractive pay rates."

– Lewis Cone, B2B Analyst

### Public Expenditure - UK

"The UK government's strategy remains focused on reducing the national deficit, with a desire to maintain public expenditure while reducing borrowing and boosting economic growth. The government further reduced borrowing in 2018, with this trend set to continue in the coming years, assuming no political change. However, the UK is ...

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### Domiciliary Care - UK

"Independent care providers are already well-established in the market and are expected to offer services to those with 'substantial' care needs, as well as all other care clients. However, the ever-widening gap between the fees paid by LAs and the actual cost of service provision means some providers could refuse ...