

# Shortage of workers result of cost-cutting and austerity



**GMB Union has responded to reports thousands of new job adverts are posted as the shortage of workers grows.**

**Gary Smith, GMB General Secretary, said:**

"The growing labour market crisis is a result of years of cost-cutting and austerity by employers and government, there is no getting away from this.

"But you cannot cut your way out of a crisis, you need to invest and if the country is to avoid prolonged and crippling shortages across industries and supply chains, then employers must start paying people properly for their labour.



"It's time to end the UK's race-to-the-bottom on pay and conditions – that's why GMB will be organising and campaigning for significant pay increases across our membership in our drive to make work better."

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