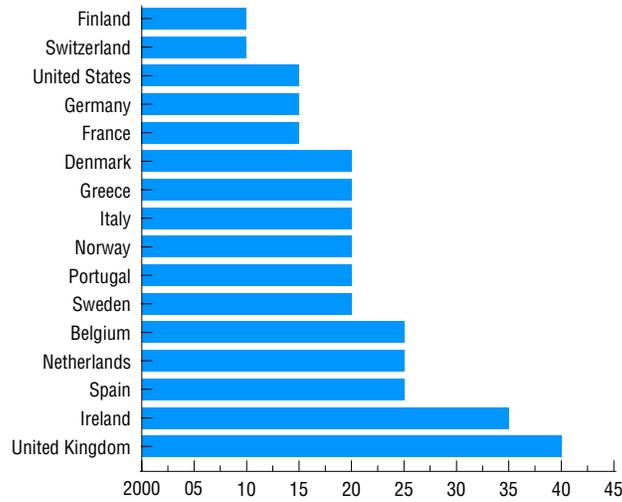


Figure 3.12. The Last Train for Pension Reform Departs in . . .¹

(Year in which voters aged 50 and older comprise at least 50.1 percent of all voters)

In many countries the elderly may soon represent the majority of the voting public, making it harder to implement reforms that adversely affect them.



Sources: Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, *Youth Voter Participation* (1999); Statistisches Bundesamt, *Voter Behavior in the Federal Elections 2002 by Gender and Age* (2003); United States Census Bureau (2003); and United Nations, *World Population Prospects: The 2002 Revision* (2003).

¹Share of voters determined by voter participation rates for adults 50 years and older times projected 50 and older population divided by overall voter participation rate times voting age population for each projection year.