



# Toyota GB Acclaimed as one of Britains Best Employers

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Toyota (GB) PLC has soared in the rankings of Britain's best employers. Results from the 2017 Sunday Times 100 Best Companies to Work For survey show the Surrey-based business, the national sales and marketing operation for Toyota in the UK, has moved up to 27<sup>th</sup> place among medium-size organisations. This is its third consecutive appearance in the annual list, having previously been ranked 94<sup>th</sup> in 2015, then 54<sup>th</sup> in 2016.

The company, which has around 300 full-time employees, has also earned a three-star accreditation, in recognition of "extraordinary levels of employee engagement within the organisation".

The opinions of staff members are central to the survey and the responses from Toyota GB's employees reveal high satisfaction levels. Their positive opinions saw the company placed ninth in the "My Company" category, which looks at how people value and are proud of the business they work for. There was high appreciation too in the "Giving Something Back" section, which explores how businesses invest in the environment, their local community and society in general. This achievement reflects the importance Toyota places globally on working in harmony with nature.

The company's focus is on "doing business the way people want it," supported by the development of an engaged and passionate team. Employee engagement, to ensure people are motivated and satisfied, is a top priority, for both Toyota GB's human resources team, and the company's wider management.

Paul Van der Burgh, Toyota GB President and Managing Director, said: "We are enormously proud of being recognised as a Sunday Times Best Company again, it serves as validation of our success in putting our employees at the heart of what we do and reflects the tremendous efforts we have invested in improving staff engagement.

"It also proves that we have built a team of highly capable managers across the business who recognise the importance of managing and nurturing people. We take care to listen to the opinions of our employees and strive to constantly improve the things they consider important in terms of what they do and how they feel about the business."

Toyota GB celebrated its success by hosting a Best Companies Day with a Japanese-themed lunch for all its staff at its headquarters in Burgh Heath, near Epsom.