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HALF OF BRITS Sleeping On Secondhand Mattresses, According to SILENTNIGHT

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Silentnight's Sleep Expert Dr Nerina Ramlakhan believes the worrying Findings could be contributing to Chronic Sleep Deprivation, with 25 per cent of People in the UK getting less than Five Hours Sleep a Night.

The Research from Bed Maker Silentnight revealed that 22 per cent of People keep their Old or Secondhand Mattresses for Two Decades - causing Major Sleep Deprivation due to Sagging, not to mention Bed Bug Infestation. This is despite Industry Guidelines saying we should replace Mattresses every Seven Years.

The Average Person sheds one pound or nearly half a kilogram of Skin and Hair every year onto their Mattresses and the Research warns Failure to replace them regularly can lead to the Spread of Dangerous Infections like Staphylococcus, Norovirus and even MRSA.

The Research said Half of Britons sleep on a Secondhand Mattress with 37 per cent sleeping on a Mattress that's more than 10 Years Old. Twelve per cent of People believe Mattresses last for Life.

Liverpudlians were revealed as the Worst Offenders in the UK, with 68 per cent sleeping on a Bed bought for someone else and 72 per cent not thinking to change their Mattress until it's at least 15 Years Old.

Angela Moran of Silentnight said : "It's clear that People find the Mattress Buying Process confusing and often get stuck in a Rut sleeping on the same Old Mattress for many years. But it is so important to change your Mattress regularly, not least because of the Unpleasant Build Up of Skin and Hair Cells. Mattress Fillings will also settle over time providing less push back, which can lead to feeling Stiff and Achy in the Morning. Likewise Mattresses with Open Coil Springs will also start to sag causing even more Aches and Pains. We understand from our Rigorous Testing and Research that Everyone is Different and has Different Sleep Needs. It's so important to really invest Time into choosing the Right Bed for you. It's definitely not a One Size fits All Approach."

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