



Step 5

At step 5 the “burden of proof” shifts to SSA to show that work, other than what the individual performed in the past, exists in significant numbers in the national economy that he or she can make an adjustment to, considering the limiting effects of the individual's impairment, age, education, and work experience.



Step 5: Can the individual make an adjustment to any other work?

- **At the fifth and last step, an individual's RFC and age, education, and work experience are considered to see if he/she can make an adjustment to other work.**
- **If an individual can make an adjustment to other work, he or she is found to be not disabled.**
- **If an individual can not make an adjustment to other work, he or she is found to be disabled.**