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Great expectations: America and the baby boom generation

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Source: Coward, McCann and Geoghegan, New York, N.Y., United States, 1980. xii, 380 p.

Abstract: The generation of the baby boom is the subject of this book. It is the tale of the group of Americans who have changed the society more than any other. The change began after World War 2, when the 1st boom baby was born. It will continue until sometime after the middle of the 21st century. The baby boom is and will continue to be history's decisive generation. The baby boom generation is the biggest, richest, and the best-educated that America has ever produced. The boom generation has simultaneously shaped the lives of all of the individuals within it. Born into the biggest generation in history, they have been forever affected, and often adversely, by that fact. The attempt is made in this volume to determine what the baby boom is doing to America and to itself. In essence, this is a generational biography. It examines history from the perspective of a single generation as it ages. What it reveals is an America since World War 2 dealing with the growth strains of a single generation. Almost every social and economic issue facing America at this time has a population dimension and every population dimension has a baby-boom dimension. This argument rests on 3 different notions about generations: 1) the idea of a "generation" is a useful way of looking at history; 2) a generation is the primary agent of social change; and 3) the impact of a generation, whether on the individuals within it or on the larger culture, is directly related to its size. These assumptions--that a generation is worth study, that a generation is the carrier of social change, and that the size of a generation is its most crucial characteristic--are the ideas that set this book in motion.

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