1. Record Nr. UNISA996339110503316 **Autore** Russell Cheryl Titolo The baby boom: Americans born 1946 to 1964 / / by Cheryl Russell Pubbl/distr/stampa Ithaca, N.Y.:,: New Strategist Publications, Inc.,, 2009 **ISBN** 1-282-76744-5 9786612767449 1-935114-48-4 Edizione [6th ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xiii, 308 pages): illustrations Collana The American generations series Disciplina 305.2 Soggetti Baby boom generation - United States Baby boom generation - United States - Economic conditions Consumers - United States Consumer behavior - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Cover -- Table of Contents -- List of Tables -- Illustrations --Introduction -- Chap. 1 Attitudes -- Older Americans Are the Happiest -- Table 1.1 General Happiness, 2008 -- Table 1.2 Happiness of Marriage, 2008 -- Table 1.3 Is Life Exciting, Routine, or Dull, 2008 --Table 1.4 Trust in Others, 2008 -- Belief in Hard Work Is Strong among Younger Generations -- Table 1.5 How People Get Ahead, 2008 --Table 1.6 Geographic Mobility Since Age 16, 2008 -- Table 1.7 Business Ownership, 2008 -- More than One-Third of Gen Xers Are Dissatisfied with Their Finances -- Table 1.8 Social Class Membership, 2008 -- Table 1.9 Family Income Relative to Others, 2008 -- Table 1.10 Satisfaction with Financial Situation, 2008 -- Table 1.11 How Has Pay Changed, 2008 -- The American Standard of Living May Be Falling -- Table 1.12 Parents' Standard of Living, 2008 -- Table 1.13 Standard of Living Will Improve, 2008 -- Table 1.14 Children's Standard of Living, 2008 -- Two Children Are Most Popular -- Table 1.15 Ideal Number of Children, 2008 -- Table 1.16 Spanking Children, 2008 --Table 1.17 Better for Man to Work, Woman to Tend Home, 2008 --

Table 1.18 Working Mother's Relationship with Children, 2008 -- Table 1.19 Should Government Help the Sick, 2008 -- Religious Diversity Is

on the Rise -- Table 1.20 Attitude toward Science, 2008 -- Table 1.21 Attitude toward Evolution, 2008 -- Table 1.22 Religious Preference. 2008 -- Table 1.23 Degree of Religiosity, 2008 -- Table 1.24 Belief in the Bible, 2008 -- Table 1.25 Bible in the Public Schools, 2008 --Growing Tolerance of Sexual Behavior -- Table 1.26 Premarital Sex, 2008 -- Table 1.27 Homosexual Relations, 2008 -- Television News Is Most Important -- Table 1.28 Main Source of Information about Events in the News, 2008 -- Table 1.29 Political Leanings, 2008 -- Millennials and Gen Xers Are at Odds over Death Penalty. Table 1.30 Favor or Oppose Death Penalty for Murder, 2008 -- Table 1.31 Favor or Oppose Gun Permits, 2008 -- Table 1.32 Support for Legal Abortion by Reason, 2008 -- Table 1.33 Doctor-Assisted Suicide, 2008 -- Chap. 2 Education -- Boomers Rank Second in Educational Attainment -- Table 2.1 Educational Attainment by Generation, 2008 -- Most Boomers Have Been to College -- Table 2.2 Educational Attainment of Baby Boomers, 2008 -- Boomer Men Are among the Best Educated -- Table 2.3 Educational Attainment of Baby-Boom Men, 2008 -- Most Boomer Women Have Been to College -- Table 2.4 Educational Attainment of Baby-Boom Women, 2008 -- Among Boomer Men, Asians Are the Best Educated -- Table 2.5 Educational Attainment of Baby-Boom Men by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2008 -- Among Boomer Women, Hispanics Lag in Education -- Table 2.6 Educational Attainment of Baby-Boom Women by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2008 -- Few Boomers Are Still in School -- Table 2.7 School Enrollment by Sex and Age, 2007 -- Nearly 1.2 Million Boomers Are Still in College --Table 2.8 College Students by Age and Enrollment Level, 2007 -- Many Adults Participate in Education for Job-Related Reasons -- Table 2.9 Participation in Adult Education by Age, 2005 -- Chap. 3 Health --Most 45-to-54-Year-Olds Feel Excellent or Very Good -- Table 3.1 Health Status by Age, 2008 -- Weight Problems Are the Norm for Boomers -- Table 3.2 Average Measured Weight by Age and Sex, 2003-06 -- Table 3.3 Weight Status by Sex and Age, 2003-06 -- Table 3.4 Leisure-Time Physical Activity Level by Sex and Age, 2006 -- More than 20 Percent of 45-to-54-Year-Olds Smoke Cigarettes -- Table 3.5 Cigarette Smoking Status by Age, 2008 -- Table 3.6 Alcohol Use by Age, 2008 -- Table 3.7 Illicit Drug Use by People Aged 12 or Older, 2007 -- Table 3.8 Marijuana Use by People Aged 12 or Older, 2007. Many Middle-Aged Americans Lack Health Insurance -- Table 3.9 Health Insurance Coverage by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.10 Private Health Insurance Coverage by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.11 Government Health Insurance Coverage by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.12 Spending on Health Care by Age, 2006 -- Health Problems Increase in the 45-to-64 Age Group -- Table 3.13 Number of Adults with Health Conditions by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.14 Distribution of Health Conditions among Adults by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.15 Percent of Adults with Health Conditions by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.16 Hypertension by Sex and Age, 1988-94 and 2003-06 -- Table 3.17 High Cholesterol by Sex and Age, 1988-94 and 2003-06 -- Prescription Drug Use Is Increasing -- Table 3.18 Prescription Drug Use by Sex and Age, 1988-94 and 2001-04 -- Table 3.19 Spending on Prescription Medications by Age, 2006 -- Millions of Middle-Aged Americans Are Disabled -- Table 3.20 Difficulties in Physical Functioning among Adults by Age, 2007 -- Table 3.21 Cumulative Number of AIDS Cases by Sex and Age, through 2006 --Boomers Are Filling Physician Waiting Rooms -- Table 3.22 Physician Office Visits by Sex and Age, 2006 -- Table 3.23 Hospital Outpatient Department Visits by Age and Reason, 2006 -- Table 3.24 Emergency Department Visits by Age and Urgency of Problem, 2006 -- Table 3.25 Rating of Health Care Received from Doctor's Office or Clinic, 2006 --

Table 3.26 Number of Overnight Hospital Stays by Age, 2007 -- Many Americans Turn to Alternative Medicine -- Table 3.27 Adults Who Use Complementary and Alternative Medicine by Age, 2007 -- Causes of Death Shift in Middle Age -- Table 3.28 Leading Causes of Death for People Aged 45 to 54, 2006 -- Table 3.29 Leading Causes of Death for People Aged 55 to 64, 2006 -- Table 3.30 Life Expectancy by Age and Sex, 2006 -- Chap. 4 Housing -- Homeownership Rate Has Declined. Table 4.1 Homeownership by Age of Householder, 2000 to 2008 --Homeownership Rises with Age -- Table 4.2 Owners and Renters by Age of Householder, 2008 -- Married Couples Are Most Likely to Be Homeowners -- Table 4.3 Homeownership Rate by Age of Householder and Type of Household, 2008 -- Most Middle-Aged Blacks and Hispanics Are Homeowners -- Table 4.4 Black and Hispanic Homeownership Rate by Age, 2007 -- Middle Aged Are Most Likely to Live in Single-Family Homes -- Table 4.5 Number of Units in Structure by Age of Householder, 2007 -- Few Middle-Aged Householders Own New Homes -- Table 4.6 Owners and Renters of New Homes by Age of Householder, 2007 -- Housing Costs Are Highest for Homeowner Couples Aged 35 to 44 -- Table 4.7 Median Monthly Housing Costs by Household Type and Age of Householder, 2007 -- Married Couples Aged 45 to 64 Own Costly Homes -- Table 4.8 Value of Owner-Occupied Homes by Type of Household and Age of Householder, 2007 -- Mobility Rate Falls Steeply in Middle Age -- Table 4.9 Geographic Mobility by Age and Type of Move, 2007-08 -- Table 4.10 Reason for Moving among People Aged 45 to 64, 2007-08 -- Chap. 5 Income --Median Income Is Declining for Households Headed by the Middle Aged -- Table 5.1 Median Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 1990 to 2007 -- Household Income Peaks around Age 50 --Table 5.2 Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Total Households -- Among Boomers, Asians and Non-Hispanic Whites Have the Highest Incomes -- Table 5.3 Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Asian Households -- Table 5.4 Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Black Households -- Table 5.5 Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Hispanic Households -- Table 5.6 Income of Households Headed by People Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Non-Hispanic White Households.

Married Couples Have the Highest Incomes -- Table 5.7 Income of Households by Household Type, 2007: Aged 45 to 64 -- Table 5.8 Income of Households by Household Type, 2007: Aged 45 to 49 --Table 5.9 Income of Households by Household Type, 2007: Aged 50 to 54 -- Table 5.10 Income of Households by Household Type, 2007: Aged 55 to 59 -- Table 5.11 Income of Households by Household Type, 2007: Aged 60 to 64 -- Median Income of Middle-Aged Men Has Declined -- Table 5.12 Median Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 1990 to 2007 -- Table 5.13 Median Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 1990 to 2007 -- Men Aged 50 to 54 Have the Highest Incomes -- Table 5.14 Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Total Men -- Table 5.15 Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Asian Men -- Table 5.16 Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Black Men -- Table 5.17 Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Hispanic Men -- Table 5.18 Income of Men Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Non-Hispanic White Men -- Women's Incomes Are Flat through Middle Age -- Table 5.19 Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Total Women -- Table 5.20 Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Asian Women -- Table 5.21 Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Black Women -- Table 5.22 Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Hispanic Women -- Table 5.23 Income of Women Aged 45 to 64, 2007: Non-Hispanic White Women -- Earnings Rise with Education -- Table

5.24 Earnings of Men by Education, 2007: Aged 45 to 54 -- Table 5.25 Earnings of Men by Education, 2007: Aged 55 to 64 -- Table 5.26 Earnings of Women by Education, 2007: Aged 45 to 54 -- Table 5.27 Earnings of Women by Education, 2007: Aged 55 to 64 -- Poverty Rate among Boomers Is below Average -- Table 5.28 People below Poverty Level by Age, Race, and Hispanic Origin, 2007 -- Chap. 6 Labor Force -- Labor Force Participation among Older Boomers Has Risen. Table 6.1 Labor Force Participation Rate by Sex and Age, 2000 and 2008.

## Sommario/riassunto

The sixth edition of The Baby Boom: Americans Born 1946 to 1964 is a definitive reference by a nationally recognized authority on the Baby Boom. In it Russell analyzes the demographic and spending data you need to fully understand this huge and influential generation whose top concerns are financial security and health care. New to this edition is a chapter on attitudes that is based on data from the recently released 2008 General Social Survey. You also get the latest statistics on the labor force participation, living arrangements, incomes, health (including new data on the use of alternative medicine), spending, and wealth of the Baby Boom generation. The Baby Boom: Americans Born 1946 to 1964 is designed for easy use. It is divided into 11 chapters. organized alphabetically-Attitudes, Education, Health, Housing, Income, Labor Force, Living Arrangements, Population, Spending, Time Use, and Wealth. The Baby Boomers are in their peak earning years and they spend more than any other age group on most products and services. At the same time, the economic downturn has driven home the fact that Boomers may have to endure an old age with inadequate health care and meager incomes. The Baby Boom is your guide to this all-important but beleaguered generation.