

Aging in the Modern World

A multimedia resource exploring the shifting attitudes towards aging and the impact of aging populations on societies.

"Population aging is poised to become one of the most significant social transformations of the twenty-first century."

— The United Nations

The world's population is aging. While medical research into aging is long established, research into its societal impact is still underdeveloped. In response to this, **Aging in the Modern World** provides a rich, multi-media exploration of global aging complexities, offering diverse cultural perspectives, personal narratives, and scholarly insights from 1900 to 2020. Through its coverage of government approaches, societal attitudes, and key themes like ageism and technological innovations, it serves as an invaluable resource for understanding and addressing the challenges and opportunities associated with the aging population worldwide.

Key Coverage Includes:

- Government Approaches: Gain in-depth insights into various laws, policies, and provisions for older populations such as The Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) in the US. These resources highlight advocacy efforts against ageism and examines how various governments address the rights and needs of older individuals.
- Societal Perspectives: Explore how different societies approach and perceive aging. Access primary sources and books on age-related topics such as retirement, education, urban planning and housing.
- Cultural and Personal Narratives: Access personal stories from older individuals that cover experiences such as war, migration, and discrimination. These materials offer valuable insights and context on the aging process and the diverse journeys of older adults.
- Aging and Politics: Explore resources that examine the role of the "grey vote" in key election moments.

Benefit from a wide array of primary and secondary sources, including reference materials, policies, videos, and archival government documents. Spanning several decades, these resources offer a comprehensive view of the historical and cultural impacts of aging.



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- Gerontology
- · Healthcare Studies
- History & Cultural Studies
- · Law and Human Rights

- · Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Policy & Administration
- · Social Work
- Sociology
- Urban Studies & Planning







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