

# Entering The World Of Work: Some Sociological Perspectives

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## Sociological Perspectives on the Baby Boomers: an exploration of social change

### Abstract

The 'baby boom' generation has emerged as a significant group in debates focusing on population change. The demographic context concerns the increase in the birth rate across industrialised countries from the mid-1940s through to the mid-1960s. From a sociological perspective, boomers have been viewed as a group with distinctive experiences that set them apart from previous generations. In the UK context, however, there have been relatively few detailed studies of the characteristics of the boomer generation, and in particular that of first wave boomers (born between 1945 and 1964) now entering retirement. This article draws on a research project exploring changes in consumption and identity affecting this cohort. The paper reviews some of the key social and demographic changes affecting this group, highlighting a mixture of continuities and discontinuities over previous cohorts. The article concludes with an assessment of the value of sociological research for furthering understanding of the baby boomer generation.

Keywords: Baby boomers, family change, housing, consumption, leisure and retirement

### Introduction

The 'baby boom' cohort has emerged as a significant group in debates around population change. The demographic context concerns the increase in the birth rate across industrialised countries from the mid-1940s through to the mid-1960s. This trend was in reality highly variable. Some countries (e.g. Finland) had a relatively compressed surge in birth rates following demobilization, this coming to an end at the beginning of the 1950s (Karisto, 2005). Others (Australia, France and the USA) experienced a longer period of increasing birth rates – from the mid-1940s through to the mid-1960s. The UK had a distinctive pattern of two separate peaks – in 1947 and 1964 – this creating so-called 'first wave' (roughly 1945-64) and 'second wave' (1961-1965) boomers.

Despite the demographic significance of boomers, from a sociological perspective their importance is less clear. Arguments focus on their part in reconstructing the life course, from youth through to retirement. Gilleard and Higgs (2002: 376) view first wave boomers as a 'mid-century generation' that has set a 'new and distinct course through adult life...one marked by change.'

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