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# **Disruptive Demographics Remake the World**

**United Nations, September 2023**

**The world is  
experiencing  
disruptive  
demographic  
change**



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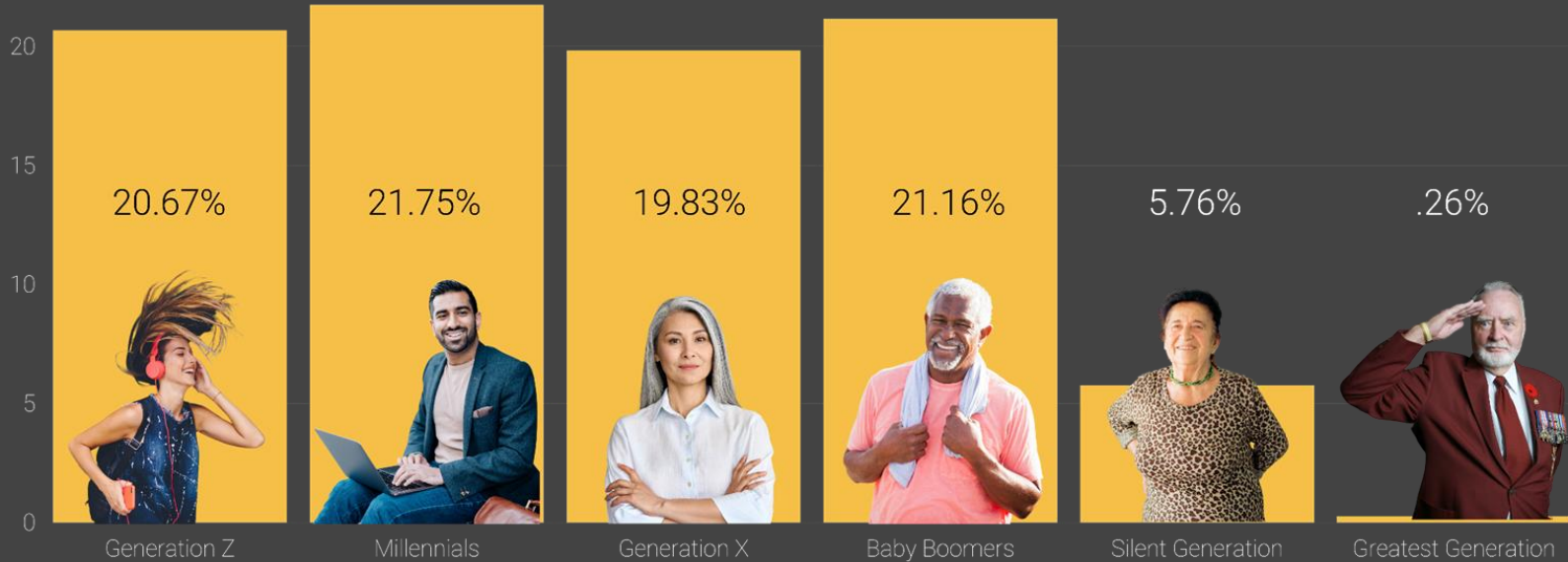
**Lower birth rates**  
**Increased longevity**



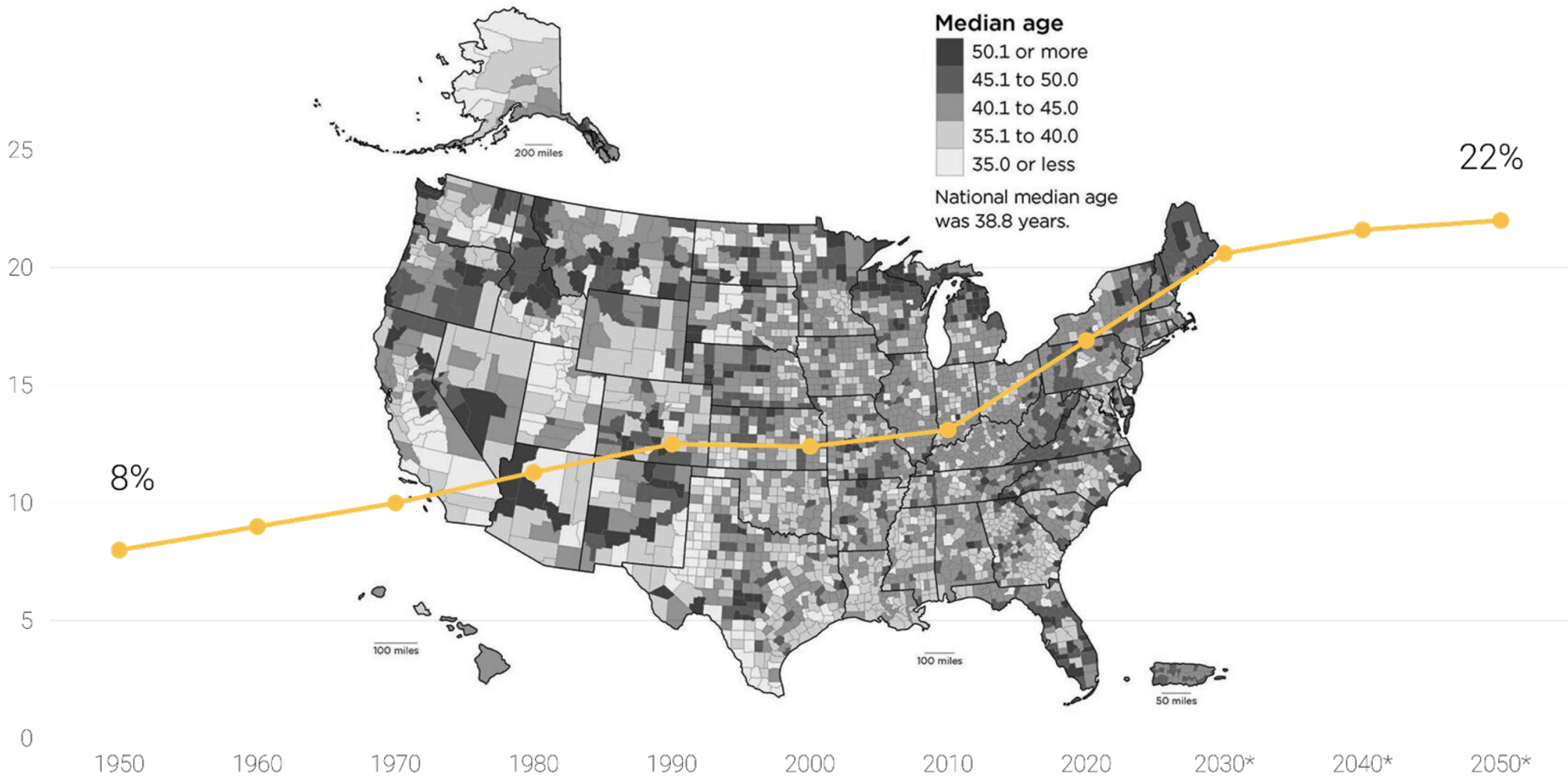
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# Growing parity amongst generations (U.S.)

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**-850,000**

2022



**-3,100,000**

2014



**-4,300,000**

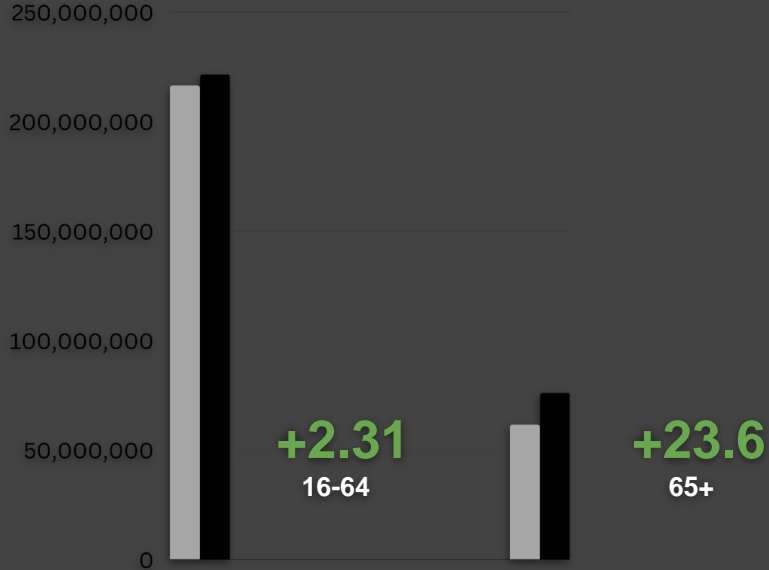
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# Areas of concern

- The economy
- Social welfare programs and healthcare
- Rural and suburban communities



# Tight labor market (U.S.)



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# Cost of living has outpaced wage growth



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# Healthcare crisis (U.S.)

- Healthcare costs have increased over the past few decades, from 5 percent of GDP in 1960 to 18 percent in 2021
- 48 million unpaid caregivers in the United States. Nine out of ten of them care for a relative, and half of those are the recipient's children or children-in-law.
- More than 175 rural hospitals closed between since 2005



# Change in family

18%

Multigenerational

14%

Single



# History repeats itself

- Post-war and pre-industrial labor
- Social welfare programs, healthcare delivery
- Housing, family, and community structure





# The future is here

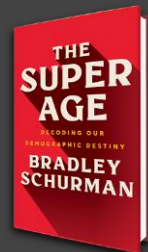
- Technology to enhance life
- Inclusive design to improve space
- Health and scientific interventions to improve the healthy life span



# Call to action

- Develop global demographic disruption heatmap, including areas experiencing rapid aging or depopulation
- Focus high speed internet deployment in disrupted areas
- Invest in technology access, matching, and literacy programs





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