

AgeLine

<http://www.aarp.org/research/ageline/>



AgeLine is:

- **A searchable electronic database** containing detailed summaries of publications about older adults and aging, including books, journal and magazine articles, research reports and videos.
- **Produced by AARP.** Its references come from the gerontology collection of AARP's Research Information Center, as well as selected articles from 600 magazines and journals. All references include original abstracts which are copyrighted by AARP. Subject keywords are assigned using the *Thesaurus of Aging Terminology*, published by AARP.
- **Updated bimonthly** and includes material from 1978 on, with selected coverage of the years 1966-1977. The database covers English-language literature from many countries.

AgeLine provides:

- **Over 75,000 abstracts** and content summaries of current literature on aging from 600+ journal titles. The journal titles cover the fields of gerontology, health care, business, consumer affairs, psychology, sociology, and economics, as well as a wide variety of other related topics.
- **Health, research, and consumer information** for and about adults age 50+.

AgeLine serves:

- **Researchers and Policymakers:** Primarily a research database, AgeLine abstracts the literature of social gerontology as well as aging-related content from psychology, psychiatry, sociology, social work, demography, economics, policy studies, and the health sciences. It includes journal articles, books and book chapters, and research and policy reports from many academic, nonprofit, and governmental sources.
- **Professionals and Providers:** A substantial portion of AgeLine covers publications from professional journals and books written for health and social service professionals, as well as for planners, administrators, and developers of aging-related services, programs, and facilities. Topics include workplace and employment issues, legal issues, and marketing and media perspectives..
- **General Public:** AgeLine describes useful, informative books and articles on health, money, work, retirement, family, and personal and community concerns written for the general public. When searching the entire database, use "limit options" on the AgeLine search page to restrict your search to general/consumer publications only.

Selection of AgeLine Content

All material selected for AgeLine has a significant focus on aging from a social/behavioral/economic perspective or it emphasizes the concerns, interests, and experiences of adults aged 50 and over. AgeLine covers health, health care, and health behaviors in some depth, but it is not a medical database and does not cover clinical medicine or biological and physiological aspects of aging.

Statistical Data on Aging:

AgeLine does not include actual statistical data, only publication descriptions (search on subject keyword "statistical data" to identify statistical publications in AgeLine). The sources listed below provide aging-related demographic data of various kinds, including Census data.

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U.S. Administration on Aging:	http://www.aoa.gov
"The State of Aging and Health in America 2007 Report"	http://www.cdc.gov/aging/saha.htm
"A Profile of Older Americans: 2006"	http://www.aoa.gov/prof/Statistics/profile/2006/2006profile.pdf
"Statistics on the Aging Population"	http://www.aoa.gov/prof/Statistics/statistics.asp

Note: See <http://www.aarp.org/research/ageline/termpaper.html> for *How to Research a Term Paper in Gerontology*.

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