## Aging in PA: Opportunities for Change

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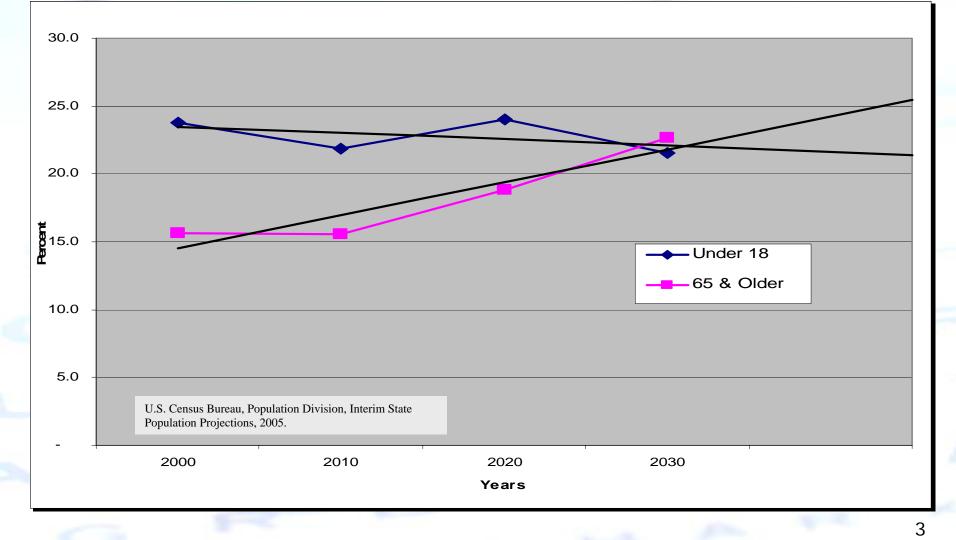
# Demographic Trends 2010 – 2020

- Huge increases in 60 80 year-old group (boomers)
  - By 2020, the 60+ population will be 1/3 larger than today – 3.3 versus 2.5 million.
- Significant decreases in younger groups

### **Percent of Pennsylvania Population**

### Under Age 18 & Age 65+

#### 2000 - 2030



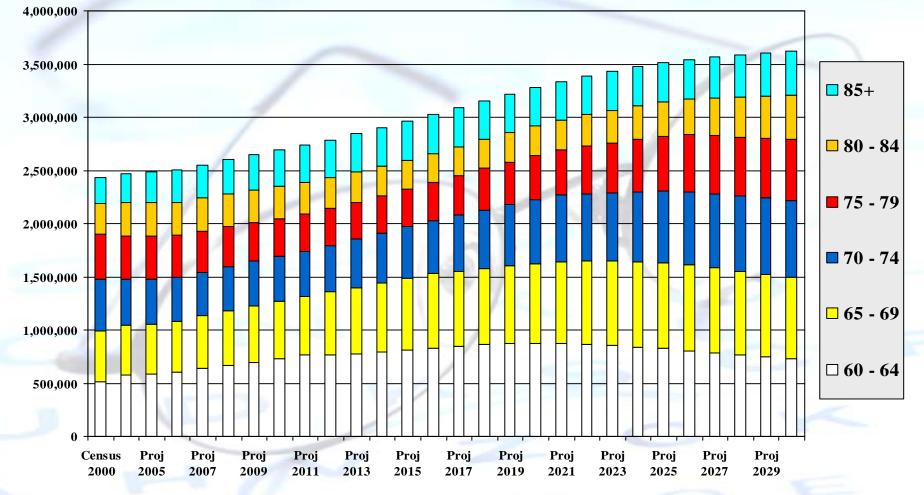
### Percent of Older Population in Each Age Group

	Census	Projection	Projection
Age	2000	2010	2020
60-69	8.1%	10.1%	12.7%
70-79	7.4%	6.1%	8.0%
80+	4.3%	5.1%	5.0%
Total	19.8%	21.4%	25.6%

U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Interim State Population Projections PA, 2005.

# **Projections of 60+ age groups**

2000-2030



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### **Besides the Numbers**

# Why the boomers are going to change everything about aging as we know it

# **Boomers Have Always Changed Everything**

- Will Continue To Do So
- "60 ain't what it used to be!"
  - A key theme
  - Even more true over the next decade, as majority of boomers pass age 60
- Lifestage Analytic Matrix ™

### **Boomer Values**

 Boomers have a very different mindset & value structure from "seniors" as we know them

### WWII/Post-War Values Mindset

- "Don't make waves"
- "Fit in don't stand out"
  - **No Surprises!**
- "Follow the Rules"

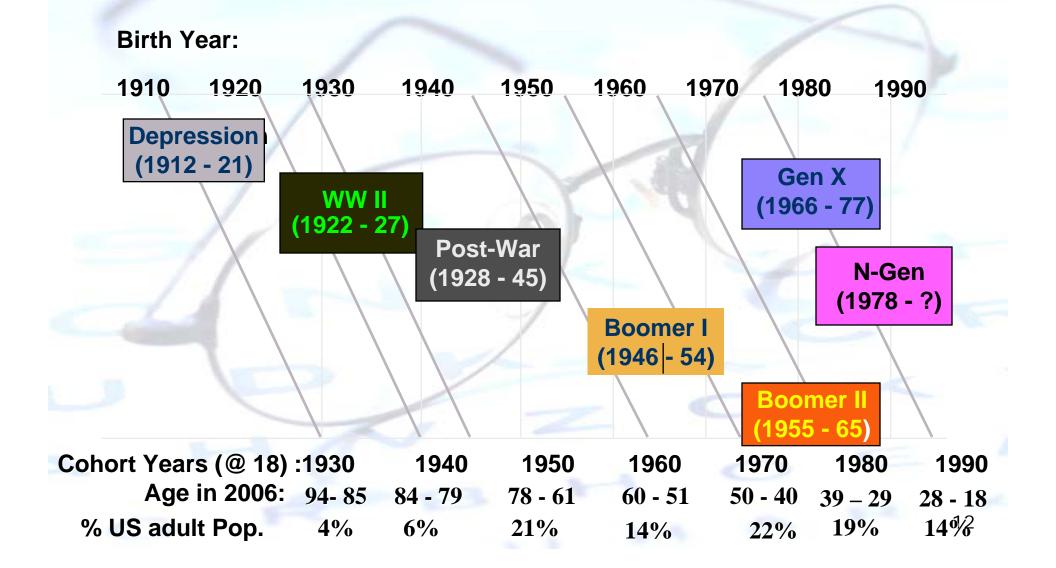
### **Boomers Values Mindset**

- Do What's "Right" (embrace causes)
- Do What Feels Good
- Challenge Institutions & "Authority"
- Don't just "Follow the Rules"

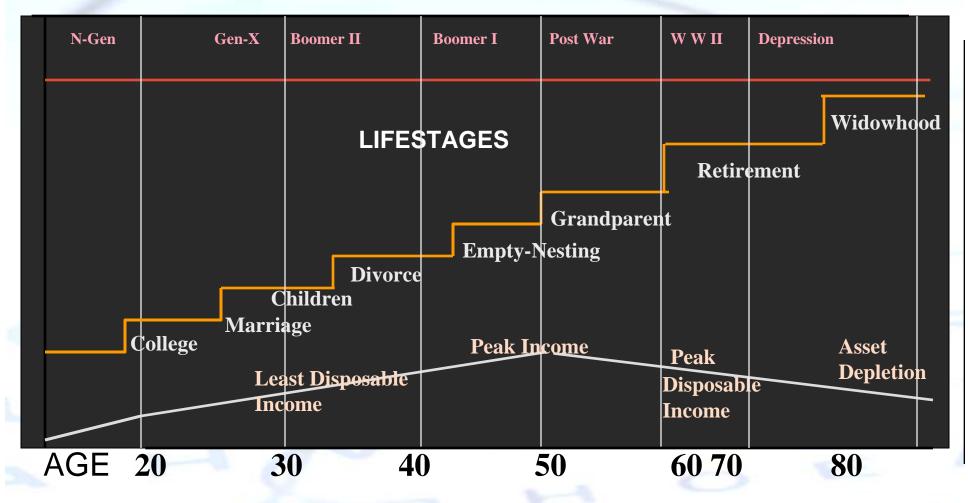
Why are they so different? - Same country -Same culture - Not that far apart in time

Because different cohorts have different defining moments

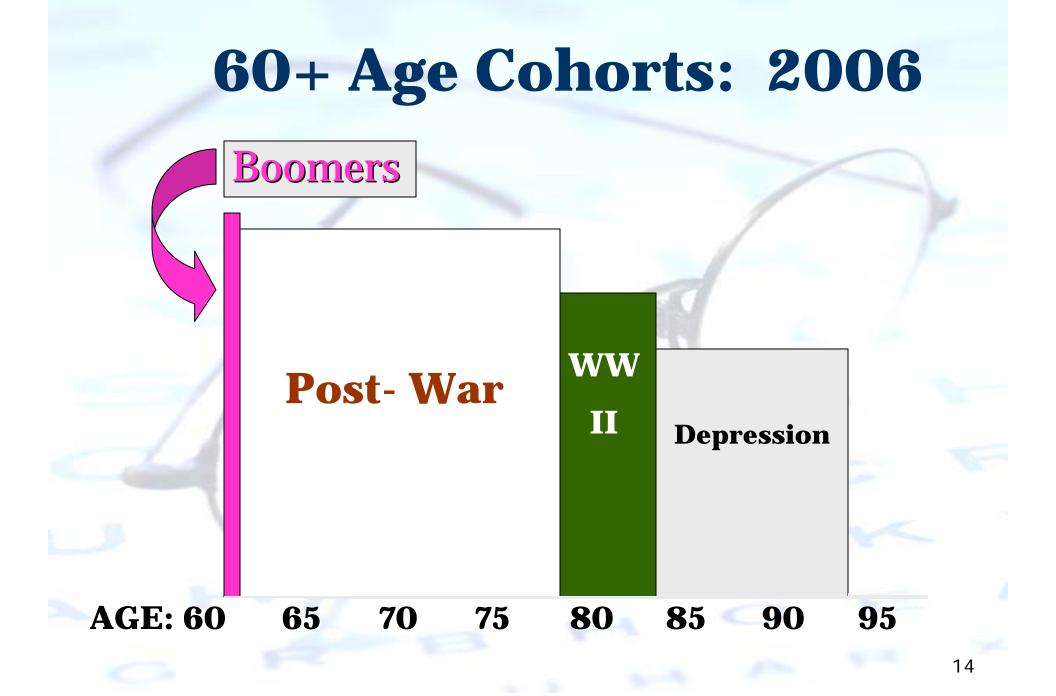
### **U.S. Cohorts: 1930 - 2006**



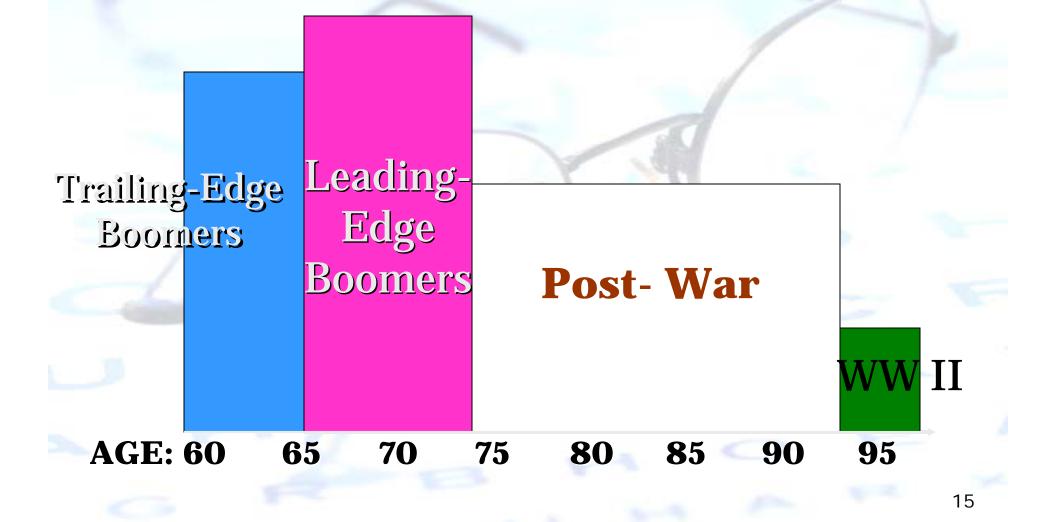
### **Lifestage Analytic Matrix**



Source: Defining Markets, Defining Moments, Meredith & Schewe



### **60+ Age Cohorts: 2020**



## Conclusion: You Can't Focus on an Age

- In constant flux
- "Cohort Metabolism":
  - New cohorts being added at younger end of spectrum
  - Old cohorts being depleted at older end

# Huge Increase in 'Frail Elderly'

- 55% increase in 85+ demographic happening NOW!
- Major pressure on services
- More than Aging
  - Public Health Preparedness
  - Agriculture
  - Parks & Recreation; Fish & Game
  - Housing / Health Care /Workforce
  - Transportation
  - Education

## **Short Term: Good News**

Big growth until 2010 (+28 %) in the number of workers at maximum earnings ages (50 – 62)

Implication: strong income tax receipts until the boomers start to retire

## Bad News: Boomer Retirement

- Once boomers start to retire
  - Income tax receipts down sharply
  - Pressure on pension funds (public & private)

### Fewer people available in the workforce

- Smaller number of workers supporting much larger number of elders
- Major implications for health care & housing
- Tax breaks for elderly will become very costly

### Shortage of Health Care Providers

- RN shortage to grow to 12% by 2010
  - By 2020, a shortage of 1 million nurses, nationally
- Higher demand for doctors (per 1000 population)
  - 2.8 in 2000 → 3.1 in 2020
  - Increased demand for pharmacists
    Expected shortfall of 157,000 by 2020

# Health Care for Older Adults

- 80% of 65+ have one chronic disease; 50% have two
- 32% of physician care hours on 65+
  - 39% by 2020
  - 5% of seniors will experience macular degeneration – need for programs for visually impaired
  - 35% will fall & break a bone
  - Most likely to suffer from depression
  - Rising incidence of HIV

# So what are we doing in PA?

### PA 2020 Vision

### Prescription for Pennsylvania

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PA "2020 Vision" Executive Order 2006-04: June 16 2006

Assess challenges & opportunities

Analyze projected PA demographic/psychographic shifts from 2006-2020

Develop Agency Response Plan

- Determine program & fiscal impact
- Survey agencies under the governor's jurisdiction

### **Step I: Survey**

### Surveyed Agencies

- To identified long-range planning efforts
- 72 entities surveyed
  - 37 cabinet-level agencies
  - 45 other agencies & stakeholder groups

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### 37 responses received

- 17 cabinet level
- 20 others

# **Conclusion: Need Long-Range Planning**

### 17 Cabinet-level responses

- 7 had a plan
- 6 developing plans
- 4 had no plan
- Most short-term (3 5 yrs)
- 20 other agency responses
  - 1 had a plan
  - 12 developing plan
  - 7 had no plan

### **Data Driven Response**

1. Each agency selected three trends that most affect their area of responsibility

- 2. Determined what they should be doing NOW to prepare = Agency Response Plan
- 3. PDA compiling a final report for the governor due out this summer

### **2020 Next Steps**

### 1. Report due to Governor July 2007

Crosscutting themes heard from other agencies:
 Technology
 Workforce
 Public Education
 Long–Term Living

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2. Form Stakeholder Partnerships

• The Commonwealth cannot do this alone

### **Prescription for Pennsylvania**

Provide access to affordable, quality health care for all Pennsylvanians

Improve the quality of care available in the state

Bring health care costs under control for employers and employees

# Why?

 Every year, Pennsylvania businesses, consumers and taxpayers pay at least \$7.6 billion for unnecessary and avoidable health care costs.

# **Prescription for Pennsylvania**

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**Four Dimensions:** 

Affordability

Access

Quality

Cost

### Affordability

**Cover All Pennsylvanians (CAP)** 

 Offer affordable basic health coverage to small businesses and the uninsured through the private insurance market

### Access

Help health care providers to practice to the fullest extent of their training and skills

Promote incentives for health care providers who offer services in the evenings and on weekends, reducing unnecessary ER visits

# Quality

- Increase accountability of consumers, hospitals and other care providers
- Improve patient safety by eliminating hospitalacquired infections and targeting avoidable medical errors
- Use nationally proven model for managing chronic conditions
- Reward wellness, include consumer incentives

### Cost

### **Driving Down Costs: Some Examples**

- Bring down the cost of health insurance coverage (CAP) for individuals and small businesses
- Require state of the art patient safety and electronic health records
- Promote wellness and stop paying for unnecessary or ineffective medical services

## Summary

- Information sounds challenging
- Huge Opportunity
  - We know what's coming (not a surprise)
  - Mandate to think ahead (for a change)
- Keep 'em healthy