



## The New American Reality: Who We are, How We Got Here, Where We are Going (Hardback)

By Reynolds Farley

Russell Sage Foundation, United States, 1996. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 235 x 161 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. The New American Reality presents a compelling portrait of today's America. Taking as his starting point the past four censuses, Farley offers a definitive analysis of life in the United States in the 1990s, a country strikingly different from what it was forty years ago. The social trends that have so transformed the nation were kindled in the 1960s, a watershed decade for American civil rights. The New American Reality describes the activism, federal policies, and legal victories that eliminated overt racism and sexual discrimination. But along with open doors came new challenges: divorce and out-of-wedlock births grew commonplace, increasing women's chances of falling into poverty; residential segregation, inadequate schooling, and a high ratio of female-headed families severely impaired the economic progress of African Americans; and a new wave of immigration rapidly altered the nation's ethnic composition. In the 1970s, global economic restructuring shifted the nation's dominant industry from manufacturing to services, and a new emphasis on technology and cost cutting created demand for more sophisticated skills in the workplace. The economic recovery of the 1980s...

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