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SUMMARY

The world's population is growing old and some of the world's most powerful economies are due to experience catastrophic social change as a result. The need of older people is going to be one of the hot topics of the next few decades as many countries will have to adapt their healthcare systems, technology investment and pension schemes to cope with this new population of older people.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

The global population is getting older, presenting significant challenges to governments to fund social care, pensions and healthcare. More and more of the economic output is now absorbed by the needs of the elderly population.

A greater degree of healthcare spending is now invested into old age care. Finding better ways to fund care, reducing drug expenditure and refocusing pharmaceutical research towards more effective treatment is now essential.

Technology developed to ensure elderly people can stay in their homes is now essential to future care and constitute potentially massive savings for the healthcare system. New business opportunities to take care of modern needs caused by an aging population are now opening up.

SCOPE

Examines the likely impact an aging population has and the need for reform.

Looks at the impact of an aging population on economic performance with regards to funding old age care.

Assessing the problems of an aging population relating to funding pensions and the economic impact

Looks at how technology is changing to cater for elderly care in the home.

REASONS TO BUY

What is the effect of an aging population on social care, pensions and healthcare?

What is the economic impact of aging and illness as the population ages?

What are the problems of funding pension systems around the world?

How can technology work to allow elderly people to stay in their homes rather than entering the healthcare system?

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Pensions crises: Economic trouble, bad policy and lack of suitable solutions

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Population crisis: How to repopulate the planet with young people

The populations of almost all western countries are getting older quickly

Fertility rates are hampering repopulation in many countries

Europe is one of the worst affected areas by this looming crisis

Japan has a toxic range of problems that seems unsolvable

Two speed worlds split between those that can grow and those that can't

Current solutions are monetary incentives and automation

Aging and illness: The healthcare burden

The older the population, the more chronic illness it has

Dementia has no cure and is absorbing social care budgets

Old age consumes both public and private money equally

Increasingly drastic methods of paying for elderly care sap a person's assets

Pharmaceutical spending reveals that old age is the biggest driver

Elderly people as a significant economic burden for a country

The solutions are better use of money and treatment focus

Pensions crises: Economic trouble, bad policy and lack of suitable solutions

Political and economic considerations expand widespread pension problems

Attempts by central banks to solve other economic problems have contributed to pensions crises

Failure to deal with pension concerns has created larger, long lasting financial troubles for Detroit

Implementing solutions to pensions crises is tough but necessary

Japan embarks on journey to reform pensions in most concerted effort of any major economy

Given size of problems and economic difficulties, Brazil must be bold to improve pensions outlook

Technology is changing how the elderly are cared for

New alert technology allows elderly people to stay at home, keeping many out of care systems

Internet of things is changing how care is delivered to an aging population

Nascent technology can radically improve the mobility of an aging population, creating new business

Remotely taking doctors into homes: technology streamlines treatment of elderly patients

Mobility presents growing business opportunities for innovation

Communication technology designed for over 65 year olds is a growth industry

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