



**WAITING
ON
RETIREMENT**

AGING AND ECONOMIC INSECURITY IN LOW-WAGE WORK

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Waiting on Retirement: Aging and Economic Insecurity in Low-Wage Work
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In light of the trends, we should consider the devastating effects on already vulnerable People in america because, as Gatta contends, this crisis doesn't need to be inevitable. As the labor market shifts to the gig economy and new strains restrict social security, the American Dream of secure retirement becomes further out of grab up to half of the populace. In *Waiting on Pension*, Mary Gatta takes the case of restaurant employees to examine the experiences of low-wage workers who are middle-aged, ageing, and past retirement age. She deftly explores the countless factors shaping what this means to get old in financial insecurity as her topics face competition- and gender-based inequities, health hazards associated with their function, and the bitter reality that the old they get the fewer professional possibilities can be found to them. Taking simply because a model the tiny percentage of "good" cafe jobs that exist, she ultimately presents incisive commentary on what can be done to stave off this bleak future. America is witnessing a pension crisis. More importantly, Gatta demonstrates that these problems are pervasive, as even more industries adopt the worst workplace practices of service work.



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