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MINORITIES IN THE UNITED STATES ARE PROJECTED TO BECOME THE MAJORITY IN THE YEAR 2042. SO SAY POPULATION PROJECTIONS RELEASED TODAY BY THE U-S CENSUS BUREAU. THE POPULATION OF CHILDREN IS PROJECTED TO BECOME MORE THAN 50 PERCENT MINORITY EVEN SOONER – IN 2023. BY MIDCENTURY, THE NATION IS PROJECTED TO BE 54-PERCENT MINORITY. THE HISPANIC POPULATION ALONE IS PROJECTED TO NEARLY TRIPLE BETWEEN NOW AND THEN. NOT ONLY WILL THE NATION BE MORE RACIALLY AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSE AT MIDCENTURY, BUT IT'S PROJECTED TO BE GRAYER. MORE THAN 88-MILLION U.S. RESIDENTS ARE PROJECTED TO BE 65 OR OLDER. THAT'S ABOUT ONE IN FIVE. MOST OF THIS CHANGE IN THE 65 OR OLDER POPULATION IS PROJECTED TO TAKE PLACE BEFORE 2030 WHEN ALL OF THE BABY BOOMERS WILL BE 65 OR OLDER. YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION AT W-W-W-DOT-CENSUS-DOT-GOV.

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