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Synopsis

Throughout the world's hinterland regions, people are growing old in resource-dependent communities that were neither originally designed nor presently equipped to support an ageing population. This book provides cutting edge theoretical and empirical insights into the new phenomenon resource frontier ageing, to understand the diverse experiences of and responses to rural population ageing in the early 21st century. The book explores the resource hinterland as a new frontier of rural ageing and examines three central themes of rural population change, community development and voluntarism that characterize ageing resource communities. By investigating the links among these three themes, the book provides the conceptual and empirical foundations for the future agenda of rural ageing research. This timely contribution contains 15 original chapters by leading international experts from Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada, UK, Ireland and Norway.

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—â € Professor Stephen Golant, Department of Geography, University of Florida "Edited by Mark Skinner and Neil Hanlon, this book is a page-turner...Mark Skinner and Neil Hanlon have brought together an interesting and useful selection of work. The collection clearly articulates the issues that are facing ageing resource areas and effectively challenges simplistic notions that older people in resource areas are vulnerable —â œ just because they are older." - Amanda Davies, Curtin University, New Zealand Geographical Society

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