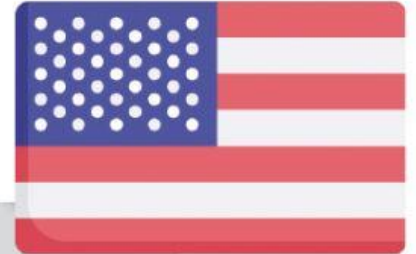


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HOW HAS LIFE CHANGED IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE LAST 50 YEARS?



Life expectancy is longer today. Better health care has had a positive effect on how long people live. In the past, Americans ¹ to an average age of 70 years. Now it is 78.6 years.

Nowadays, work life is more relaxed, with many office workers in casual clothes. In the past, people ² jeans to work – men always wore suits and women wore dresses or skirts and shirts.

50 years ago, nearly everyone ³ a home phone, but now there's a landline in only 50% of US homes.

People ⁴ with their home phones, or they ⁵ letters. Now, nearly 80% of Americans have smartphones, and that number is rising.

There ⁶ many TV channels before – but now there are hundreds of 24-hour channels to choose from.

