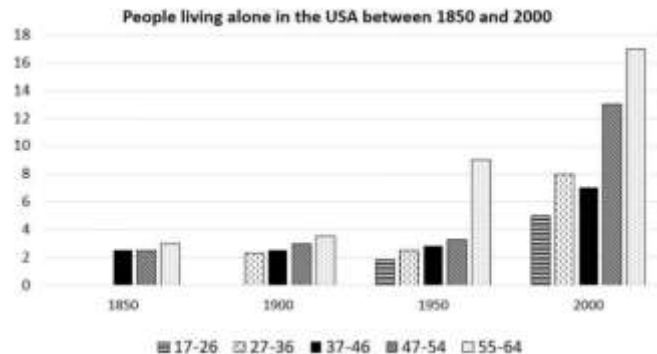


## BAR CHARTS STRUCTURE

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1a.) Paraphrase the question in your own words / not the same words as the question.

### Introduction

ORIGINAL QUESTION

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PARAPHRASED QUESTION / QUESTION IN YOUR OWN WORDS

The chart compares the proportion of US citizens living by themselves from 1850 to 2000 in terms of various age groups.

### Introduction

- 1b.) Give an overview of the bar graph(s) / Give a very brief summary (but no details)  
Do not give any specific numbers, statistics or dates.  
Pick one or two main trends and summarize them.

Overall, it is clear that the percentage of the US population living alone increased over the period in all age groups. The highest proportion of those who lived alone was among the 55-64 year-olds.

3.) BODY PARAGRAPHS 1

- Give details, numbers and the exact statistics and dates. Compare information when possible.  
Be selective. Don't write about everything in the graph.  
Group information where possible. Take 2 main trends and talk about each 1 in a separate body paragraph.

(1850 compared to 1900)

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BODY PARAGRAPHS 2.

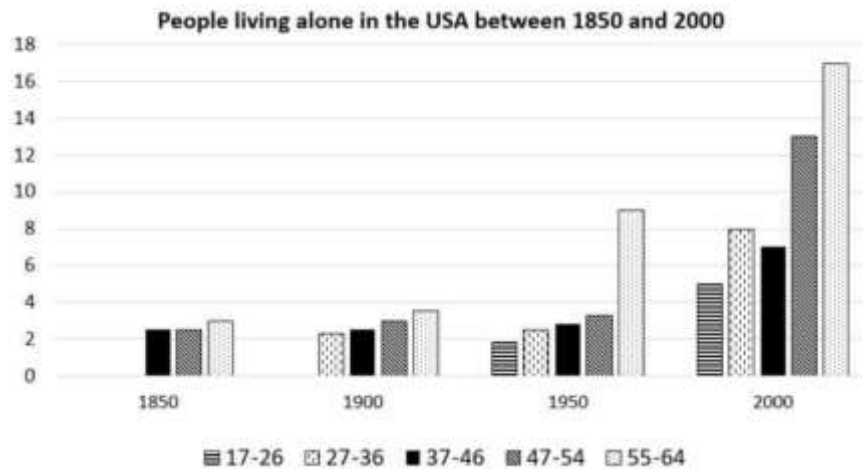
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(1950 compared to 2000)

A new pattern emerged in 1950, with the percentage of those living alone increasing according to age. The year 2000 then saw a rise in the proportions of people living alone, with the percentage of the 55 -64 year olds almost doubling to 17%, ahead of the 47-54 and 27-36 age groups with 13% and 8% respectively. While 5% of the 17-26 group lived alone, the figure was higher among the 37-46 year-olds at 7%.

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