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**Summary:** Young adults in Generation Z—those born in 1997 or after—have emerged from the pandemic feeling more disillusioned than any living generation before them, according to long-running surveys and interviews with dozens of young people around the country. They worry they'll never make enough money to attain the security previous generations have achieved, citing their delayed launch into adulthood, an impenetrable housing market, and loads of student debt. The pessimistic mood contrasts with what in many ways are relatively healthy economic circumstances. Many millennials—those born between 1981 and 1996—started careers around the 2007-09 recession. Gen Z workers are entering the labor market during a historically strong stretch. Related: [Gen Z Really Does Have a Work Ethic Problem](#) and [Suicide Rates Are up for Gen Z Across the Anglosphere](#), Especially for Girls and [Generation Z and the Transformation of American Adolescence: How Gen Z's Formative Experiences Shape Its Politics, Priorities, and Future](#)

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