Sunbelt/Frostbelt: Public Policies and Market Forces in Metropolitan Development

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Brookings Institution. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Sunbelt/Frostbelt: Public Policies and Market Forces in Metropolitan Development, Janet Rothenberg Pack, Metropolitan growth and development results from a complex mix of factors. Consumer preferences, growth and geographical shifts in population, increasing incomes, market restructuring, quality of schools, and location of affordable housing are just a few that play a critical role. Other important influences include state and local interactions, historical circumstances, and the natural topography of a metropolitan area. Federal and state policies, taken together, set the ""rules of the development game"" that tend to facilitate economic decentralization, the concentration of poverty, and greater fiscal and racial disparities between communities. In Sunbelt/Frostbelt , Janet Rothenberg Pack and her contributors examine the role of market forces and government policies in shaping growth and development patterns in major metropolitan areas. The findings are a result of a multiyear project analyzing five different locales: two sunbelt metro areas (Los Angeles and Phoenix) and three in northern climes (Pittsburgh, Chicago, and Philadelphia). Through its intensive study of these areas, the book offers a deep understanding of the federal policies and diverse market forces that have affected urban development patterns in the last few decades. Despite...

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