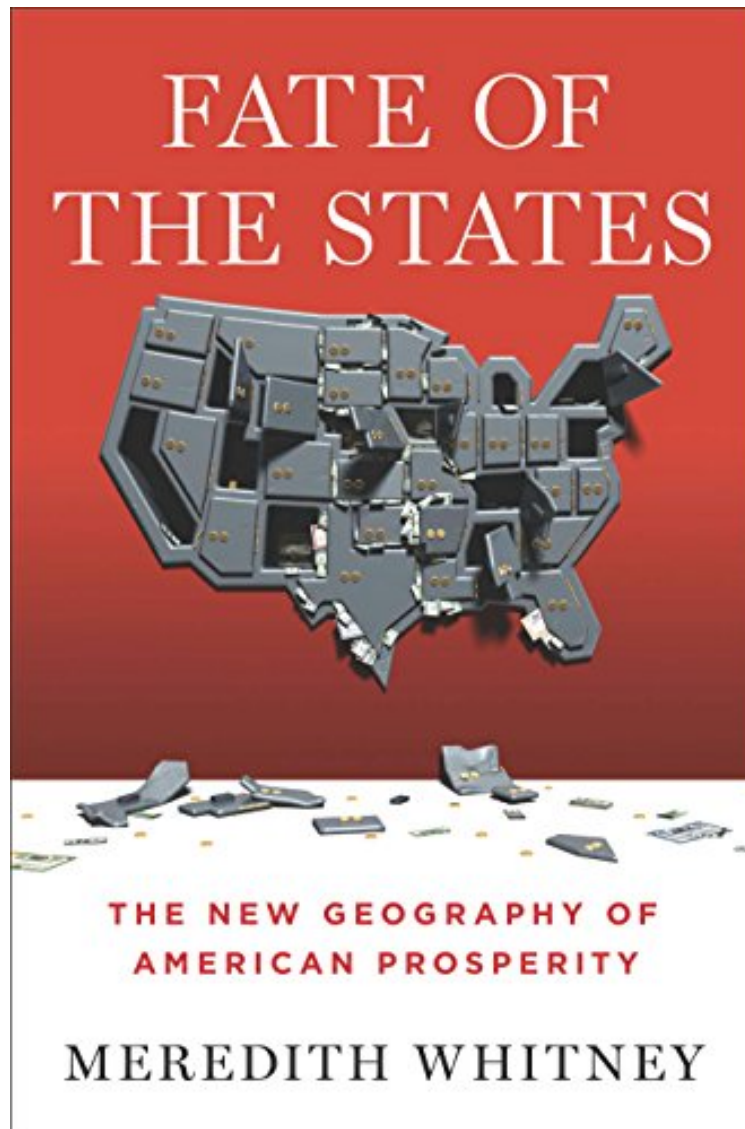


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5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Premise was good but the first three pages said it all. By Daniel Salmons I think the author did a great job bringing to light the reasons why some states are going to have a harder time than others moving forward from the 'Great Recession.' She argues that during the housing bubble, states that experienced the greatest growth also were the hardest hit when the bubble burst. The states that didn't experience the

same dramatic rise and fall came out okay, and jobs are going to migrate toward the center of the country because those states aren't loaded up with debt. My only complaints about the book are that she explains her premise right at the beginning and the rest of the book doesn't introduce any new ideas, just statistics to back up her argument. I could have put down the book after page three and gotten just as much out of it as I did reading the whole thing. Also she talks a lot about certain states but not others. When she talked about mismanaged states she almost always was talking about California. When she was talking about well positioned states she almost always mentioned North Dakota or Texas. Most other states (including my home state of Nebraska) were only mentioned in passing, if at all. I'd would have like to have seen her examples be a little more varied, and not just talk about the same three states all the time. Since this is a national issue. My suggestion - buy the book used. Don't spend \$29 buying it new at Barnes Noble. 3 out of 5 stars. It was good, not great. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Sublime Financial and Statistical Analysis of a Problem that is inevitable to occur pretty soon in the next few years! By Sonny Laskin Awesome book with all the statistics Meredith has found to back up all her claims. Her timing is a little off as she predicted the American bond market crash to happen sometime 2012-13. But that takes nothing away from her analysis or her final denouement of a US bond crash in state and municipal debt. Most people don't realize that the previous US great depression was not caused by 1929 stock market crash but the American bond market crash of 1931, which was a sovereign debt crisis starting in Europe. This is not unlike the current circumstances happening today and its only a matter of time before Europe goes down in flames with another Euro crisis to start the spark to ignite the American bond market crash and crisis. I think this aspect of world integrated markets and previous history of the American states bond defaults during the 1930's was missing from Meredith's analysis. But, overall I still give this book 5 stars for the amount of research and statistics she has collected. I would definitely read any other books Meredith comes out with in the future. Its too bad about her hedge fund because I think her timing is a little off and we are probably due for a American bond market crash in the next few years. 11 of 12 people found the following review helpful. Great book By Victor R. Crane This is a easy read, until you start finding out just how out of shape our nation's city's, counties, and states are. As I keep reading it I;m finding out how it happened and where this poor financial management has happened across our nation. Great reading but don't try to go to sleep after reading it, you won't be able to! Very good information and Ms. Whitney shows us how it happened and what our states need to do to fix these problems. Thank you Meredith Whitney for an excellent guide book into the mismanagement of our nations finances. Victor Crane

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