

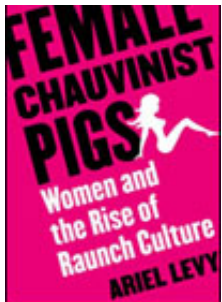


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Levy argues that Female Chauvinist Pigs are everywhere you look. These women are not on the outskirts, they're typical of a culture obsessed with Britney Spears, breast implants, and Brazilian bikini waxes. Levy conducted extensive interviews with women and girls across the country to reveal how this trend permeates almost every aspect of our society. Levy contends that the rise of raunch doesn't show how far women have come; it only proves how far they have left to go.



### Female Chauvinist Pigs: Women and the Rise of Raunch Culture

Levy interviews college women who flash for the cameras on spring break and teens raised on Paris Hilton and breast implants. She examines a culture in which every music video seems to feature a stripper on a pole, the memoirs of porn stars are climbing the best-seller lists, Olympic athletes parade their Brazilian bikini waxes in the pages of Playboy, and thongs are marketed to prepubescent girls. Levy meets the high-powered women who create raunch culture--the new oinking women warriors of the corporate and entertainment worlds who eagerly defend their efforts to be "one of the guys."