Record Nr. UNINA9910455972403321 Autore Biller Peter **Titolo** The measure of multitude [[electronic resource]]: population in medieval thought / / Peter Biller Oxford: New York,: Oxford University Press, 2000 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-280-44523-8 9786610445233 0-19-154249-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (600p., [8]p. of plates) : ill Disciplina 304.6/0902 Soggetti Population - History Demography - History Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Includes bibliographical references (p. [421]-452) and indexes. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction to medieval demographic thought; PART 1: THE CHURCH AND GENERATION; 2. Marriage and the Church's texts; 3. William of Auvergne: 4. An equal or unequal number of men and women; 5. The precept of marriage and sufficient multiplication; 6. Avoidance of offspring (i): the general picture; 7. Avoidance of offspring (ii): Canon law and Sentences commentaries; 8. Avoidance of offspring (iii): the pastoral picture; PART 2: THE MAP OF THE WORLD; 9. Inhabitation of the world; PART 3: ARISTOTLE AND MULTITUDE; 10. Animals and the life-span; 11. The Politics (i): reception; 12. The Politics (ii): age at marriage; 13. The Politics (iii): multitude; THE LIGHT OF THE COMMON DAY; 14. The Bulging circuit of Florence; Epigraph: The Climate of Thought; Bibliography; Index of Manuscripts; General Index Challenging the view that medieval thought was abstract, this text Sommario/riassunto shows that by 1300, society was beginning to measure multitude, counting, for example, numbers of boys and girls being baptised.