

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910777898403321
Autore	Walker Melissa <1962->
Titolo	Southern farmers and their stories [[electronic resource] ] : memory and meaning in oral history // Melissa Walker
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Lexington, Ky., : University Press of Kentucky, c2006
ISBN	0-8131-3478-1 1-283-23269-3 9786613232694 0-8131-7150-4
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (339 p.)
Collana	New directions in southern history
Disciplina	975/.03072
Soggetti	Farm life - Southern States - History - 20th century - Historiography Farmers - Southern States Oral history Memory - Social aspects - Southern States Interviews - Southern States Southern States Social life and customs 20th century Historiography Southern States Rural conditions Historiography Southern States Biography
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references (p. 281-318) and index.
Nota di contenuto	Three southern farmers tell their stories -- Rural Southerners and the community of memory -- Memory and the nature of transformation -- Memory and the meaning of change -- The present shapes stories about the past.
Sommario/riassunto	Examining oral history narratives of more than five hundred farmers from all the southern states, Melissa Walker explores how farmers recall their agrarian past and the lessons that they draw from that past. These farmers understood that their way of life was passing--indeed many of them would be pushed off the land forever--and so they told stories to preserve a sense that their way of life mattered. Landowners and sharecroppers; native-born farmers and immigrants, African Americans and whites; and men and women narrate the compelling

story of how the rural South was modernized in the twen

---