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Privatization is under attack. Beginning in the 1980's, thousands of failing state-owned enterprises worldwide have been turned over to the private sector. But public opinion has turned against privatization. A large political backlash has been brewing for some time, infused by accusations of corruption, abuse of market power, and neglect of the poor. What is the real record of privatization and are the criticisms justified? Privatization in Latin America evaluates the empirical evidence on privatization in a region that has witnessed an extensive decline in the state's share of production over...