Record Nr. UNINA9910786385403321 Autore Parker Christoper S. Titolo Change they can't believe in: the Tea Party and reactionary politics in America / / Christopher S. Parker, Matt A. Barreto; with a new afterword by the authors Pubbl/distr/stampa Princeton, New Jersey;; Oxfordshire, England:,: Princeton University Press, , 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 1-4008-5231-5 1-4008-4602-1 Edizione [Updated edition with a New Afterword by the authors] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (381 p.) BarretoMatt A Altri autori (Persone) ParkerChristopher S Disciplina 322.440973 Soggetti Tea Party movement - United States Political participation - United States - History - 21st century Government, Resistance to - United States - History - 21st century Protest movements - United States - History - 21st century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes index. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical referenes (pages 319-364) and index. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- CONTENTS -- FIGURES AND TABLES -- PREFACE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS -- INTRODUCTION: Who Is the Tea Party and What Do They Want? -- 1. Toward a Theory of the Tea Party -- 2. Who Likes Tea? Sources of Support for the Tea Party -- 3. Exploring the Tea Party's Commitment to Freedom and Patriotism -- 4. Does the Tea Party Really Want Their Country Back? -- 5. The Tea Party and Obamaphobia Is the Hostility Real or Imagined? -- 6. Can You Hear Us Now? Why Republicans Are Listening to the Tea Party -- Conclusion --Afterword to the Paperback Edition -- Appendix -- Notes -- Index Sommario/riassunto Are Tea Party supporters merely a group of conservative citizens concerned about government spending? Or are they racists who refuse to accept Barack Obama as their president because he's not white? Change They Can't Believe In offers an alternative argument-that the Tea Party is driven by the reemergence of a reactionary movement in American politics that is fueled by a fear that America has changed for

the worse. Providing a range of original evidence and rich portraits of party sympathizers as well as activists, Christopher Parker and Matt Barreto show that the perception that America is in danger directly informs how Tea Party supporters think and act. In a new afterword, Parker and Barreto reflect on the Tea Party's recent initiatives, including the 2013 government shutdown, and evaluate their prospects for the 2016 election.