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Sommario/riassunto	Daily life in the early modern North Sea region was largely subject to international forces. International developments like wars, trade and changing religion trickled through all layers of society, and almost everyone enjoyed or suffered from the consequences. People, however, also came in direct contact with the outer world: they moved to another country, and did so in great numbers. The centre of attention for most international migrants from the North Sea region was the Dutch

Republic. From 1550 to 1800 this small confederation of provinces attracted hundreds of thousands of foreigners to
