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This groundbreaking book presents a global perspective on the history of forced migration over three centuries and illuminates the centrality of these vast movements of people in the making of the modern world. Highly original essays from renowned international scholars trace the history of slaves, indentured servants, transported convicts, bonded soldiers, trafficked women, and coolie and Kanaka labor across the Pacific, Indian, and Atlantic Oceans. They depict the cruelty of the captivity, torture, terror, and death involved in the shipping of human cargo over the waterways of the world, which continues unabated to this day. At the same time, these essays highlight the forms of resistance and cultural creativity that have emerged from this violent history. Together, the essays accomplish what no single author could provide: a truly global context for understanding the experience of men, women, and children forced into the violent and alienating experience of bonded labor in a strange new world. This pioneering volume also begins to chart a new role of the sea as a key site where history is made.

2. Record Nr. UNINA9910798636003321 Autore Wood Gregory <1973-> **Titolo** Clearing the air: the rise and fall of smoking in the workplace // **Gregory Wood** Ithaca, New York;; London, [England]:,: ILR Press,, 2016 Pubbl/distr/stampa ©2016 1-5017-0687-X **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (257 pages) Disciplina 331.256 Soggetti Smoking in the workplace - United States - History - 20th century Antismoking movement - United States - History - 20th century Smoking - Social aspects - United States - History - 20th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- Introduction: Nicotine and Working-Class History -- 1. Reformers, Employers, and the Dangers of Working-Class Smoking -- 2. Smoking Bans and Shop Floor Resistance during the Early Twentieth Century -- 3. Workers, Management, and the Right to Smoke during World War II -- 4. Antismoking Politics in Postwar Workplaces -- 5. "Exiled Smoking" and the Making of Smoke-Free Workplaces -- 6. Organized Labor and the Problem of "Smokers' Rights" -- Conclusion: Quitting Smoking and the Endurance of Nicotine -- Notes -- Index In Clearing the Air, Gregory Wood examines smoking's importance to Sommario/riassunto the social and cultural history of working people in the twentiethcentury United States. Now that most workplaces in the United States are smoke-free, it may be difficult to imagine the influence that nicotine addiction once had on the politics of worker resistance, workplace management, occupational health, vice, moral reform, grassroots activism, and the labor movement. The experiences, social relations, demands, and disputes that accompanied smoking in the workplace in turn shaped the histories of antismoking politics and

tobacco control. The steady expansion of cigarette smoking among men, women, and children during the first half of the twentieth century

brought working people into sustained conflict with managers' demands for diligent attention to labor processes and work rules. Addiction to nicotine led smokers to resist and challenge policies that coldly stood between them and the cigarettes they craved. Wood argues that workers' varying abilities to smoke on the job stemmed from the success or failure of sustained opposition to employer policies that restricted or banned smoking. During World War II, workers in defense industries, for example, struck against workplace smoking bans. By the 1970s, opponents of smoking in workplaces began to organize, and changing medical knowledge and dwindling union power contributed further to the downfall of workplace smoking. The demise of the ability to smoke on the job over the past four decades serves as an important indicator of how the power of workers' influence in labor-management relations has dwindled over the same period.