Record Nr. UNINA9910809100103321 **Titolo** Civil War citizens: race, ethnicity, and identity in America's bloodiest conflict / / edited by Susannah J. Ural Pubbl/distr/stampa New York,: New York University Press, c2010 **ISBN** 0-8147-8573-5 0-8147-8571-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (249 p.) Classificazione 15.85 74.94 Altri autori (Persone) UralSusannah J 973.7/1 Disciplina Soggetti Minorities - United States - Social conditions - 19th century Immigrants - United States - Social conditions - 19th century United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, Immigrant United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, German American United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, Irish American United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, Jewish United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, Indian United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Participation, African American United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Social aspects United States Social conditions 19th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes index. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Frontmatter -- Contents -- Introduction -- 1. Yankee Dutchmen -- 2. Nota di contenuto "With More Freedom and Independence Than the Yankees" -- 3. "Ye Sons of Green Erin Assemble" -- 4. Irish Rebels, Southern Rebels -- 5. The Jewish Confederates -- 6. Native Americans in the Civil War -- 7. The African American Struggle for Citizenship Rights in the Northern United States during the Civil War -- About the Contributors -- Index At its core, the Civil War was a conflict over the meaning of citizenship. Sommario/riassunto Most famously, it became a struggle over whether or not to grant rights to a group that stood outside the pale of civil-society: African

Americans. But other groups--namely Jews, Germans, the Irish, and Native Americans--also became part of this struggle to exercise rights stripped from them by legislation, court rulings, and the prejudices that defined the age. Grounded in extensive research by experts in their respective fields, Civil War Citizens is the first volume to collectively analyze the wartime experiences of those who lived outside the dominant white, Anglo-Saxon Protestant citizenry of nineteenth-century America. The essays examine the momentous decisions made by these communities in the face of war, their desire for full citizenship, the complex loyalties that shaped their actions, and the inspiring and heartbreaking results of their choices-- choices that still echo through the United States today. Contributors: Stephen D. Engle, William McKee Evans, David T. Gleeson, Andrea Mehrländer, Joseph P. Reidy, Robert N. Rosen, and Susannah J. Ural.