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Note generali	Provides a chronology of the events that shaped the present beliefs, values, and concerns of nine mainline Christian denominations from colonial times to the present. Compares and contrasts mainline Christian denominations in the United States with the current status of religious belief and practice in their countries of origin. Presents brief biographies of individuals who have played significant roles within mainline denominations and in attempting to influence U.S. public policy. Discusses the major areas of disagreement within mainline denominations that potentially threaten their unity.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Background and history : mainline denominations -- Episcopal Church USA (ECUSA) -- Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (PCUSA) -- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) -- Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) (CCDC) -- American Baptist Churches in the USA (ABC) -- United Church of Christ (UCC) -- Reformed Church in America (RCA) -- United Methodist Church (UMC) -- Catholic Church -- National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA (NCC) -- Renewal movements -- Mainline Christian denominations and public policy -- Problems, controversies, and solutions -- Sexuality issues within denominations

-- Capital punishment -- Embryonic stem-cell research -- End-of-life decisions and the right to die -- Faith-based initiative -- Immigration -- Iraq war -- Abortion -- Values and public policy -- Worldwide perspective -- England -- France -- Germany -- Italy -- Poland -- Sweden -- Biographical sketches -- Daniel Berrigan -- Joan Chittister -- William Sloane Coffin, Jr. -- John Clagget Danforth -- Dorothy Day -- Robert W. (Bob) Edgar -- James A. Forbes, Jr. -- Harry Emerson Fosdick -- Wesley Granberg-Michaelson -- Wilton D. Gregory -- Frank T. Griswold -- Mark S. Hanson -- Katharine Jeffers Schori -- Elizabeth A. Johnson -- Barry W. Lynn -- Roger Michael Mahoney -- Martin E. Marty -- A. Roy Medley -- Reinhold Niebuhr -- Sean Patrick O'Malley -- Norman Vincent Peale -- George F. Regas -- Robert H. Schuller -- Fulton J. Sheen -- John Shelby Spong -- John H. Thomas -- Sharon E. Watkins -- Documents and data -- Data overview of the mainline denominations -- Documents and quotations -- Equality and poverty -- Public schools -- Mainline political engagement -- Sexuality issues -- Immigration -- Faith-based initiative -- Iraq War -- Science -- Abortion -- Embryonic stem-cell research -- End-of-life decisions, the right to die, and euthanasia -- Environment -- Death penalty -- Directory of organizations -- Selected print and nonprint resources.

Sommario/riassunto

Mainline Christian Values and U.S. Public Policy: A Reference Handbook provides a revealing and unbiased look at the emergence of Christian denominations as a political force, primarily from the late 19th century to the present. The book examines the origins, development, current organization and activities, and future prospects of nine mainline U.S. denominations: the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A., the Catholic Church, the Christian Church, the Episcopal Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Presbyterian Church, the Reformed Church in America, the United Church of Christ, and the United Methodist Church. Readers will encounter a surprising variety of Christian voices offering a range of positions on the Iraq War, abortion, same-sex marriage, global warming, stem-cell research, the death penalty, and other controversial issues. Includes numerous quotations and primary source documents issued by mainline denomination leaders and activists on a wide range of issues.
