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Sommario/riassunto	Selecting a leader is a momentous and defining choice for a political

party. Leaders symbolize their party and are a primary factor in election outcomes. While much is known about the selection of national party leaders, less is known about the provincial selection process, particularly in the Maritimes. Breaking new ground, *Conventional Choices* examines twenty-five different leadership elections in three maritime provinces. The analysis draws on an extraordinarily rich data set spanning thirty-two years to explore the backgrounds, attitudes, and motivations of those who select party leaders. It is an impressive study that offers fresh insights into leadership selection and Maritime party politics.
