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Sommario/riassunto	"Commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking of minors in the United States are frequently overlooked, misunderstood, and unaddressed domestic problems. In the past decade, they have received increasing attention from advocates, the media, academics, and policy makers. However, much of this attention has focused internationally. This international focus has overshadowed the reality that commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking of minors also occur every day within the United States. Commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking of minors not only are illegal activities, but also result in immediate and long-term physical, mental, and emotional harm to victims and survivors. A nation that is unaware of these problems or disengaged from solving them unwittingly contributes to the ongoing abuse of minors and all but ensures that

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Services offers a ... concise and focused perspective on the problem  
and emerging solutions for providers of victim and support services for  
children and adolescents. These service providers include policy  
makers, leaders, practitioners, organizations, and programs at the  
local, state, and federal levels. This guide will be a valuable resource for  
them, and for child welfare and child protective services, other agencies  
and programs within the state and federal governments (e.g., the U.S.  
Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime), and  
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