Record Nr. UNINA9910963802203321 Autore Webster James G Titolo The marketplace of attention: how audiences take shape in a digital age / / James G. Webster Cambridge, Massachusetts:,: The MIT Press,, [2014] Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9780262319812 0262319810 9780262529891 0262529890 9780262319805 0262319802 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (281 p.) Disciplina 302.23 Soggetti Mass media - Audiences Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Contents: Preface: 1 The Marketplace of Attention: 2 Media Users: 3 The Media: 4 Media Measures: 5 Audience Formations: 6 Constructing the Marketplace of Attention; 7 Public Attention in the Marketplace of Ideas: Notes: Bibliography: Index Webster describes factors that create audiences, including preferences Sommario/riassunto and habits of media users, the role of social networks, the resources and strategies of media providers, and the growing impact of media measures--from ratings to user recommendations. He shows that the marketplace works in ways that belie our greatest hopes and fears about digital media and shows that public attention is at once diverse and concentrated--that users move across a variety of outlets, producing high levels of audience overlap. He questions whether our preferences are immune from media influence, and he describes how our encounters with media might change our tastes. Webster claims we typically encounter ideas that cut across our predispositions. In the process, we will remake the marketplace of ideas and reshape the twenty-first century public sphere. --