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Series Description An important component of homeland security is protection of critical infrastructure. This series deals not only with terrorism, but natural disasters as well, and focuses on such critical infrastructure as transportation (airports, water ports, rail, tunnels and bridges), energy (power plants, electricity, gas and oil pipelines, and nuclear installations), water and wastewater facilities, cyber security, shopping centers, schools, hospitals, sport stadiums, essential government facilities, and more. Volumes could be devoted to the different types of infrastructure requiring security or the various threats they face, namely biological, chemical, nuclear (dirty bombs), cyber, or natural disaster.

Policy makers at all three levels of government (federal, state, and local) and academic researchers are concerned with setting priorities and must decide on the relative emphasis to put on the three main tasks when faced with attack: preparation, response, and recovery. The series addresses questions of target protection, target hardening, and response provisions. An important part of the series will be the organizational and technological innovations that improve security for critical infrastructure through privatization and other methods such as changing the federal and state tax codes to encourage investment.

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