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This book is intended for students of epidemiology and applied social science, medicine, health services and public health generally. It aims to provide working concepts with which to interpret environmental influences on health and to develop causal models in a manner that will foster understanding of the relationships between states of health and environment. The first section traces the evolution of concepts of cause in the health sciences, making plain the limitations of current concepts that fail to convey current understanding. The second section describes procedures for using causal models: research design, analysis strategies, and interpretation of the results of analysis.