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- Looking into the mostly hidden workshops of Los Angeles industry, Krieger shows people at work
- There is remarkably little written or photographed of actual people at work, at all, and few realise how extensive is Los Angeles' industrial sector
- Krieger has gone behind the forbidding doors of industrial sites and discovered the people who make the everyday things we use and the facilities that enable our everyday life
- Includes a reflection on the work by Krieger and an essay by Professor Greg Hise

Photographs of actual people at work in various industries in Los Angeles and its environs: cloth, wood, metal, oil, and chemicals.

Most of us have little sense of how the stuff of our lives is actually manufactured and the places where that happens. Los Angeles is one of the premier industrial concentrations in the United States. This book shows the reader just what they ordinarily do not see. Krieger has visited hundreds of industrial sites in the Los Angeles area. He is invited in about a third of the time, and then he systematically photographs the people — at work — who make clothing, furniture, chemicals, metal parts, as well as those working at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach and at the iconic County Hospital of Los Angeles. Up close, we discover the actual work that people do, and the places where they do that work.

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