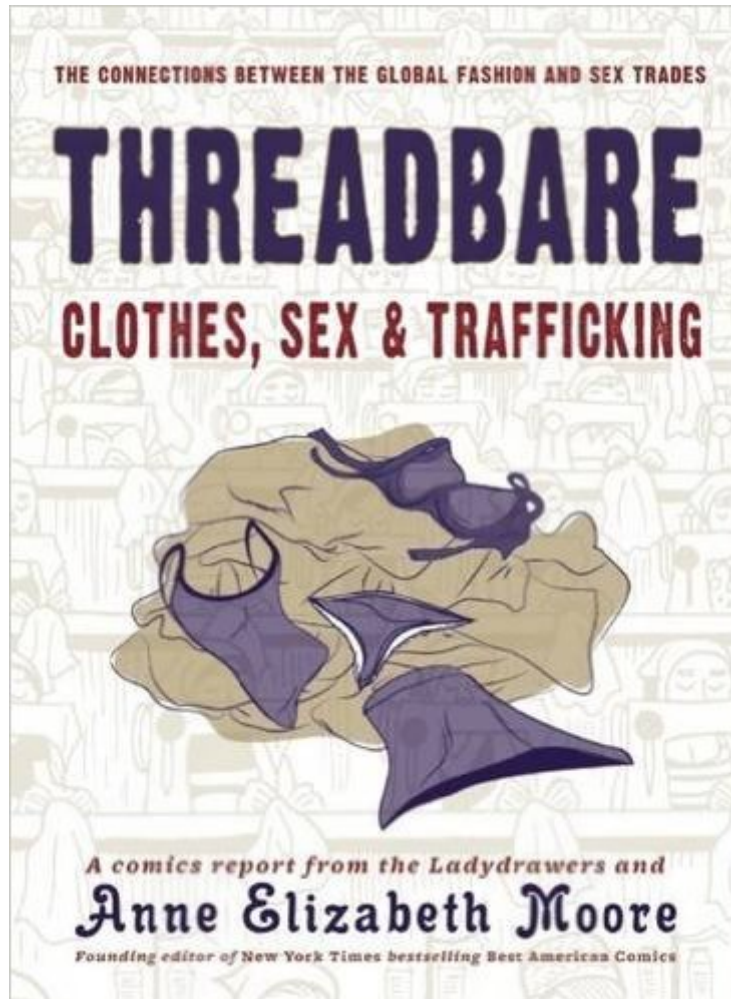


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# Threadbare: Clothes, Sex, And Trafficking (Comix Journalism)



## Synopsis

Threadbare draws the connections between the international sex and garment trades and human trafficking in a beautifully illustrated comics series. Anne Elizabeth Moore, in reports illustrated by top-notch comics creators, pulls at the threads of gender, labor, and cultural production to paint a concerning picture of a human rights in a globalized world. Moore's reporting, illustrated by members of the Ladydrawers Comics Collective, takes the reader from the sweatshops of Cambodia to the traditional ateliers of Vienna, from the life of a globetrotting supermodel to the warehouses of large clothing retailers, from the secondhand clothing industry to the politics of the sex trade. With thoughtful illustrations of women's stories across the sex and garment supply chain, this book offers a practical guide to a growing problem few truly understand. Featuring the work of Leela Corman, Julia Gfr  rer, Simon H  ussle, Delia Jean, Ellen Lindner, and Melissa Mendes.

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Threadbare: Clothes, Sex, and Trafficking is a fascinating read, full of disturbing information about the rise of the fast fashion industry and how the apparel trade is related to human trafficking and the jobs women have as options worldwide, especially those living in poverty. Anne Elizabeth Moore has substantially researched and written a series of essays illustrated by the â Ladydrawers Comics Collectiveâ  • â  Leela Corman, Julia Gfr  rer, Ellen Lindner, Delia Jean, Melissa Mendes, Simon H  ussle. Unfortunately, it  s marred by its origins. Threadbare began as a monthly series of comic journalism pieces online. Many of the pages are thus formatted for the landscape-oriented

screen. When sized down to fit on book pages, the lettering â” particularly GfrÃ¶rerâ”™s uniquely styled handwriting â” was nearly impossible for me to read in some cases. I was frustrated by wanting to take in every morsel of information here, but I was unable to do so. The book is divided into four sections, which are both geographically determined and themed by subject. The US is where readers learn about fashion retail, distribution, and importing; Austria covers male consumers, textile history, and traditional costume; Cambodia is where we see the factories, their need for cheap labor, and worker abuse and exploitation; and the World, which makes explicit the charges that women âœrescuedâ• from the sex industry are still being exploited in the garment industry, which pays less than a living wage. Each chapter is followed by a section of endnotes, backing up the statements. If youâ”™re not familiar with H&M and Forever 21, the opening chapters will be eye-opening, at how cheaply fashion is sold and how quickly items are stocked, changed over, and discarded.

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