

Domestic Plant Closures

[I'm fairly certain of most of these, but some are ify; I've left out those whose dates are too uncertain or just unknown altogether, so this is not a comprehensive list]

<p><u>Ace Match Corp:</u> -Maywood, IL (1950)</p> <p><u>Acorn Match Co:</u> -Chicago, IL (1920s)</p> <p><u>Advance Match Co:</u> -Chicago, IL (1944)</p> <p><u>Advertizit Match Co:</u> -Newark, NJ (1940)</p> <p><u>American Match Co I:</u> -Chicago, IL (1930s) -Lynchburg, VA (1930s)</p> <p><u>American Match Co II:</u> -Denver, CO (1976) -Reno, NV (1976) -Zanesville, OH (1976?)</p> <p><u>American Pullmatch Co:</u> -Zanesville, OH (1939)</p> <p><u>American Pullmatch Div:</u> -Westerville, OH (1949)</p> <p><u>Arrow Match Co:</u> -Maywood, IL (1950)</p> <p><u>Art Match Co:</u> -Grand Rapids, MI (1935)</p>	<p><u>Atlantic Match Co II:</u> -Jacksonville, FL (1937)</p> <p><u>Atlas Match Co II:</u> -Newark, NJ (1937)</p> <p><u>Bell Machine Match Co:</u> -Oshkosh, WI (late 1950s?)</p> <p><u>Billboard Match Co:</u> -East Jaffrey, NH (1920s)</p> <p><u>Book Match Co:</u> -Chicago, IL (1940?)</p> <p><u>Buckeyes Match Works:</u> -N. Baltimore, OH (1917)</p> <p><u>Capitol Match Co:</u> -St. Louis, MO (late 1920s)</p> <p><u>Chicago Match Co:</u> -Chicago, IL (1968)</p> <p><u>Columbia Match Co II:</u> -Mentor, OH (1971) -Cleveland, OH (1985)</p> <p><u>Columbian Match Co:</u> -Grand Haven, MI (1930s)</p> <p><u>Continental Match Co II:</u></p>	<p>-Chicago, IL (1944)</p> <p><u>Crown Match Co:</u> -Los Angeles, CA (1942)</p> <p><u>D.D. Bean & Sons Co:</u> -Oxnard, CA (1984) -St. Cesaire, Quebec (1986) -Winston-Salem, NC (1997)</p> <p><u>Denmead Match Book Co:</u> -Akron, OH (early 1930s)</p> <p><u>Diamond Match Co:</u> -Chico, CA (1976) -Springfield, MA (1986)</p> <p><u>Empire Book Match Co:</u> -Brooklyn, NY (1930s)</p> <p><u>Empire Match Co:</u> -Chicago, IL (1930s)</p> <p><u>Escanaba Match Co:</u> -Escanaba, MI (1920s)</p> <p><u>Federal Match Co:</u> -Crawfordsville, IN (1929) -Cleveland, OH (1929) -Ashland, OH (1929) -Bloomsburg, PA (1937) -Joliet, IL (closed 1939)</p> <p><u>Florida Match Co:</u></p>
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During The Last Century

-Miami Beach, FL (1936)	-Elizabeth, NJ (c. 1944) -New York City (c. 1948)	-Wadsworth, OH (1987)
<u>Fred Fear Match Co:</u>	<u>King Midas Match Co:</u>	<u>Pacific Match Co:</u>
-Bloomsburg, PA (mid-1920s)	-Los Angeles, CA (c. 1942)	-Tacoma, WA (1964)
<u>Gem Match Co:</u>	<u>Lion Match Co:</u>	<u>Palmer Match Co:</u>
-Chicago, IL (c. 1944)	-Chicago, IL (1993)	-Akron, OH (late 1930s)
<u>General Match Co:</u>	<u>Lone Star Match Co:</u>	<u>Pennsylvania Match Co:</u>
-Cincinnati, OH (1924) -Reading, OH (1940s)	-San Antonio (1956)	-Bellefonte, PA (1947)
<u>Gopher Match Co:</u>	<u>Manhattan Match Co:</u>	<u>Reliable Match Co:</u>
-St. Paul, MN (late 1920s)	-Elizabeth, NJ (early 1942?)	-Ashland, OH (1928)
<u>Hamilton Match Co:</u>	<u>Maryland Match Co II:</u>	<u>Republic Match Co I:</u>
-Cincinnati, OH (1946)	-Baltimore, MD (1984)	-Plymouth, WI (1944)
<u>Hellman Match Co:</u>	<u>McGill Match Co:</u>	<u>Rex Match Co:</u>
-Los Angeles, CA (1934)	-Chicago, IL (c. 1915)	-Roselle Park, NJ (1920s)
<u>Henseleit Match Co:</u>	<u>Merit Match Co:</u>	<u>St. Petersburg Match Co:</u>
-Kohler, WI: (1930s?)	-Elizabeth, NJ (c. 1945)	-St. Petersburg, FL (1930s)
<u>Hercules Match Co:</u>	<u>Minnesota Match Mfg Co:</u>	<u>Sommers Bros. Match Co:</u>
-New York City (1930s?)	-Duluth, MN (1923)	-Saginaw, MI (1930s)
<u>Illinois Match Co:</u>	<u>Monarch Match Co:</u>	<u>Superior Match Co:</u>
-Chicago, IL (1935)	-San Jose, CA (1980)	-Chicago, IL (1990)
<u>Indiana Match Co:</u>	<u>National Match Co:</u>	<u>Union Match Co II:</u>
-Crawfordsville, IN (1923)	-New York City (1942)	-Hudson, NY (1938)
<u>Jersey Match Co:</u>	<u>Ohio Match Co:</u>	

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Universal Match Co:

- Los Angeles, CA (1975)
- St. Louis, MO (1980)
- Hudson, NY (1988)
- Kenner, LA (1991)

West Virginia Match Corp:

- Wheeling, WV (1941?)

**Note: Due to mergers, takeovers, etc., in some cases, the actual plant was still in production after the original company had folded; as far as possible, I've tried to give actual plant closure dates]*

So we see three big eras of closures: the Depression, World War II, and 1980s-1990s, when the industry imploded.