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USITC PUBLISHES 14TH QUARTERLY REPORT ON CERTAIN STATISTICS FOR THE SPECIALTY STEEL INDUSTRY

The United States International Trade Commission has completed its 14th quarterly statistical report on specialty steel, required under Presidential Proclamation No. 445. The report, covering the third quarter of 1979, provides information necessary for the monitoring of quantitative limitations imposed on imports of specialty steel from all countries. The data cover U.S. production, shipments, employment, and net selling prices.

According to the USITC report, domestic production of specialty steel for the third quarter of 1979 was 308,000 tons, or 0.3 percent higher than in the corresponding period of 1978. Domestic shipments increased in July-September 1979 to 313,000 tons, compared with 292,000 tons in July-September 1978.

Employment in the specialty steel industry during July-September 1979 averaged 25,634 workers, a decrease of 159 workers or 0.6 percent from the July-September 1978 average; production and related workers accounted for 77 percent of total employment. Increases in employment occurred in all stainless steel and alloy tool steel categories, except sheet and strip.

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Man-hours worked in the specialty steel industry increased from 9.2 million man-hours in July-September 1978 to 9.6 million man-hours in the corresponding period of 1979, or by about 4 percent. Man-hours worked increased in all stainless steel and alloy tool steel categories except sheet and strip.

Average quarterly prices increased for 11 of 16 products surveyed and decreased for 4 products; price data were not provided for 1 product. The average price increase was 8.8 percent, and the average price decrease was 6.5 percent.

The report is sent to the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, who is responsible for monitoring the quotas implemented by the Presidential proclamation.

Copies of the report (USITC Publication 1014) can be obtained by calling (202) 523-5178, or from the Office of the Secretary, 701 E Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20436.

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Summary Highlights of Economic Conditions in the Stainless Steel and Alloy Tool Steel Industry in the Third Calendar Quarter of 1979

U.S. production

Production of stainless steel and alloy tool steel in the third quarter of 1979 was 308,000 tons, an increase of 0.3 percent over the same period in 1978, and a decrease of 13 percent compared with the second quarter of 1979.

U.S. shipments

Shipments of stainless steel and alloy tool steel in the third quarter of 1979 were 313,000 tons, an increase of 7 percent over the same period in 1978 and a decline of 4 percent compared with the second quarter of 1979.

Employment

The number of persons employed in establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel were produced averaged 25,634 in the third quarter of 1979, a decrease of 0.6 percent from the same period in 1978, and 5 percent from the second quarter of 1979. The number of production and related workers employed in these establishments in the third quarter of 1979 averaged 19,779 an increase of 1 percent over the same period in 1978, and a decline of 4 percent over those employed in the second quarter of 1979.

Man-hours worked

Man-hours worked in the production of stainless steel and alloy tool steel totaled 9.6 million man-hours in the third quarter of 1979, an increase of 4 percent over the third quarter of 1978 and a decline of 7 percent compared to the second quarter of 1979.

Prices

Average quarterly prices for eleven products increased an average of 8.8 percent; prices for four products declined an average of 6.5 percent.

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Table 1.--Stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. production, by types, 1974-78 and specified periods, January 1978-September 1979

(In tons)

Period	Stainless steel					Tool steel, all forms
	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	Total	
1974-----	820,025	144,344	176,245	63,281	1,203,895	124,537
1975-----	417,308	111,760	100,073	28,306	657,447	65,489
1976-----	743,036	95,921	119,529	36,152	994,638	68,668
1977-----	754,170	106,121	142,488	31,536	1,034,315	67,481
1978 1/-----	859,885	132,973	148,127	39,936	1,180,921	72,869
1978:						
January-March----	192,870	32,467	37,760	6,511	269,608	18,045
April-June-----	235,311	31,877	43,459	8,619	319,266	18,588
July-September----	216,016	29,078	31,891	11,704	288,689	18,017
October-December--	212,459	30,939	40,058	11,770	295,226	20,285
1979:						
January-March----	230,089	38,322	46,448	14,083	328,942	20,351
April-June-----	226,980	43,308	2/44,039	14,748	2/329,075	2/22,546
July-September----	199,819	42,001	38,421	11,037	291,278	16,656
1979:						
January-----	72,933	12,245	14,832	4,456	104,466	6,864
February-----	71,993	10,609	15,001	3,496	101,099	6,240
March-----	85,163	15,468	16,615	6,131	123,377	7,247
April-----	72,539	11,492	2/14,647	4,572	2/103,250	2/7,038
May-----	76,386	17,277	2/15,055	4,987	2/113,705	2/7,030
June-----	78,055	14,539	2/14,337	5,189	2/112,120	2/8,478
July-----	67,916	11,845	12,850	3,639	96,250	4,651
August-----	62,659	15,410	12,768	3,335	94,172	5,474
September-----	69,244	14,746	12,803	4,063	100,856	6,441

1/ The total for 1978 does not equal the quarterly totals for 1978 because of adjustments and corrections made by some companies in their questionnaires to the Commission.

2/ Revised.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 2.--Stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' shipments, by types, 1974-78 and specified periods, January 1978-September 1979

(In tons)

Period	Stainless steel						Tool steel, all forms
	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	Total		
1974-----	825,298	140,167	168,460	25,816	1,159,741		104,555
1975-----	440,696	109,696	111,781	10,453	672,626		71,272
1976-----	692,399	93,668	120,893	17,397	924,357		69,111
1977-----	728,487	98,587	139,006	22,989	989,069		67,960
1978 1/-----	826,105	129,811	152,914	25,346	1,134,176		74,052
1978:							
January-March----	197,180	33,081	36,288	5,329	271,878		16,513
April-June-----	223,793	29,435	41,809	7,004	302,041		19,425
July-September----	201,359	30,513	34,734	6,091	272,697		18,988
October-December--	198,507	30,709	38,110	7,878	275,204		18,786
1979:							
January-March----	234,367	35,945	42,113	9,116	321,541		22,843
April-June-----	217,804	37,994	2/41,174	8,935	2/305,907	2/	20,372
July-September----	207,872	40,247	38,420	7,233	293,772		18,746
1979:							
January-----	76,562	11,747	13,794	2,858	104,961		7,067
February-----	72,274	11,904	11,392	2,262	97,832		6,898
March-----	85,531	12,294	16,927	3,996	118,748		8,878
April-----	45,983	9,905	2/10,845	2,501	2/ 69,234	2/	6,218
May-----	93,918	15,421	2/15,533	2,983	2/127,855	2/	7,132
June-----	77,903	12,668	2/14,796	3,451	2/108,818	2/	7,022
July-----	66,952	12,702	12,731	2,386	94,411		5,525
August-----	68,105	13,951	12,631	2,287	96,974		6,511
September-----	73,175	13,594	13,058	2,560	102,387		6,710

1/ The total for 1978 does not equal the quarterly totals for 1978 because of adjustments and corrections made by some companies in their questionnaires to the Commission.

2/ Revised.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 3.--Average number of all persons employed in U.S. establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel were produced, 1974-78 and specified periods, January 1978-September 1979

Period	Stainless steel					Tool steel, all forms
	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	Total	
1974-----	15,271	3,130	6,666	734	25,801	6,210
1975-----	9,288	2,236	5,050	386	16,960	4,741
1976-----	11,903	2,307	5,249	618	20,077	4,690
1977-----	11,566	2,253	5,703	656	20,178	4,157
1978-----	11,788	2,507	5,919	686	20,900	4,286
1978:						
January-March----	11,934	2,628	5,832	535	20,929	3,886
April-June-----	11,274	2,389	6,137	643	20,443	4,102
July-September----	12,131	2,575	5,742	723	21,171	4,622
October-December--	11,810	2,437	5,966	844	21,057	4,535
1979:						
January-March----	12,519	2,586	6,485	882	22,472	4,632
April-June-----	12,466	2,992	6,137	902	22,547	4,524
July-September----	11,148	3,030	6,193	712	21,083	4,551
1979:						
January-----	12,462	2,552	6,376	811	22,201	4,607
February-----	12,467	2,486	6,356	756	22,065	4,510
March-----	12,628	2,719	6,724	1,079	23,150	4,779
April-----	11,234	2,648	5,989	850	20,701	4,577
May-----	13,205	3,157	6,363	854	23,579	4,503
June-----	12,960	3,170	6,230	1,001	23,361	4,493
July-----	11,081	3,225	6,306	736	21,348	4,579
August-----	11,556	2,977	6,211	649	21,393	4,505
September-----	10,808	2,887	6,063	752	20,510	4,568

1/ Revised.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 4.--Average number of production and related workers employed in U.S. establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel were produced, 1974-78 and specified periods, January 1978-September 1979

Period	Stainless steel						Tool steel, all forms
	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	Total		
1974-----	12,439	2,397	4,136	501	19,473		4,351
1975-----	7,331	1,807	3,255	288	12,681		3,421
1976-----	9,360	1,715	3,613	439	15,127		3,497
1977-----	9,302	1,656	4,001	455	15,414		3,059
1978-----	9,425	1,857	4,152	482	15,916		3,100
1978:							
January-March----	9,468	2,008	4,086	368	15,930		2,797
April-June-----	9,132	1,725	4,328	470	15,655		2,930
July-September----	9,781	1,872	3,999	501	16,153		3,363
October-December--	9,320	1,824	4,195	589	15,926		3,308
1979:							
January-March----	9,968	1,882	4,547	674	17,071		3,392
April-June-----	9,961	2,166	4,354	626	17,107	1/	3,429
July-September----	9,112	2,426	4,303	516	16,357		3,422
1979:							
January-----	9,967	1,867	4,488	626	16,948		3,389
February-----	9,977	1,797	4,425	574	16,773		3,393
March-----	9,961	1,981	4,728	823	17,493		3,393
April-----	9,098	1,912	4,169	574	15,753	1/	3,471
May-----	10,541	2,290	4,496	597	17,924	1/	3,416
June-----	10,243	2,297	4,397	707	17,644	1/	3,400
July-----	9,138	2,580	4,395	530	16,643		3,474
August-----	9,329	2,352	4,280	474	16,435		3,373
September-----	8,869	2,345	4,234	545	15,993		3,420

1/ Revised.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 5.--Man-hours worked by production and related workers in U.S. establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel were produced, 1974-78 and specified periods, January 1978-September 1979

(In thousands)							
Period	Stainless steel					Tool steel, all forms	
	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	Total		
1974-----	21,858	4,977	9,748	1,068	37,651	9,942	
1975-----	12,974	3,266	6,604	428	23,272	5,624	
1976-----	16,767	3,033	7,014	682	27,496	6,025	
1977-----	17,816	3,044	8,201	917	29,878	5,628	
1978 1/-----	18,849	3,580	8,546	961	31,936	5,210	
1978:							
January-March-----	4,687	949	2,110	174	7,920	1,355	
April-June-----	4,979	869	2,291	229	8,368	1,479	
July-September----	4,749	907	1,854	241	7,751	1,465	
October-December--	4,553	846	2,044	297	7,740	1,558	
1979:							
January-March-----	4,982	964	2,322	326	8,594	1,748	
April-June-----	4,891	1,143	2,236	324	8,594	1,698	
July-September----	4,407	1,165	2,154	262	7,988	1,582	
1979:							
January-----	1,648	314	752	103	2,817	590	
February-----	1,598	295	719	86	2,698	550	
March-----	1,736	355	851	137	3,079	608	
April-----	1,455	332	676	96	2,559	557	
May-----	1,710	413	757	104	2,984	558	
June-----	1,726	398	803	124	3,051	583	
July-----	1,431	388	718	90	2,627	498	
August-----	1,509	403	728	82	2,722	529	
September-----	1,467	374	708	90	2,639	555	

1/ The total for 1978 does not equal the quarterly total for 1978 because of adjustments and corrections made by some companies in their questionnaires to the Commission.

2/ Revised.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 6.--Stainless steel sheet (cold rolled): Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of sheet to steel service centers or distributors, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
Grade 430, 2B finish, 20 gauge x coil					
1979:					
January-----	95 :	95 :	95 :	95 :	95
February-----	95 :	95 :	95 :	95 :	95
March-----	95 :	95 :	95 :	95 :	95
April-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
May-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
June-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
July-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
August-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
September-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
Grade 304, 2B finish, 8-14 gauge x 36" x coil					
1979:					
January-----	80-84 :	82 :	80-84 :	83 :	83
February-----	80-84 :	82 :	80-84 :	83 :	83
March-----	80-84 :	82 :	80-84 :	83 :	83
April-----	74-84 :	78 :	74-84 :	78 :	78
May-----	74-84 :	77 :	76-84 :	77 :	77
June-----	74-84 :	77 :	76-84 :	77 :	77
July-----	77-87 :	84 :	84-87 :	86 :	85
August-----	79-87 :	84 :	84-87 :	86 :	85
September-----	79-87 :	83 :	84-87 :	87 :	86

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 7.--Stainless steel plate (hot rolled): Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of plate to steel service centers or distributors, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)						
Grade 304, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" x 240"						
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average		
1979:						
January-----	88-95	90	90-95	91		91
February-----	88-95	92	90-95	93		93
March-----	88-95	92	90-95	93		93
April-----	89-96	90	89-96	90		90
May-----	90-94	90	90-94	90		90
June-----	90	90	90	90		90
July-----	94-104	94	94-104	94		94
August-----	94-104	99	94-104	99		99
September-----	94-104	99	94-104	99		99

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 8.--Stainless steel bars: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of bars to steel service centers or distributors, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	total quantity shipped
Grade 303, cold finish, 1/2" round					
1979:					
January-----	118-130	122	124-130	127	127
February-----	118-130	122	124-130	127	127
March-----	118-130	122	124-130	127	127
April-----	117-136	129	123-136	129	129
May-----	117-136	123	121-136	127	125
June-----	125-147	136	134-147	141	138
July-----	132-147	140	132-163	144	142
August-----	125-147	143	135-163	146	145
September-----	147	147	163	163	155
Grade 304, cold finished, 1-1/2" round					
1979:					
January-----	101-107	103	101-118	110	109
February-----	103-111	108	103-118	110	110
March-----	105-111	110	103-118	110	110
April-----	103-111	106	105-123	108	107
May-----	103-111	109	104-123	108	108
June-----	98-120	108	104-133	114	110
July-----	110-116	114	110-133	125	122
August-----	108-122	118	124-180	136	130
September-----	114-120	117	114-133	123	120

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 9.--Stainless steel bar: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of bar to steel service centers or distributors, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)						
Year and month	Grade 416, cold finished, 2" round					
	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of	
	Range		Range		total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average		
1979:						
January-----	95-102	97	100	100	98	
February-----	95	95	100	100	99	
March-----	95-100	97	100	100	98	
April-----	92-100	98	96-100	99	99	
May-----	95-100	99	95-104	100	99	
June-----	102-118	108	108-118	110	109	
July-----	96-108	104	96-114	106	105	
August-----	108-112	110	112-114	113	112	
September-----	108	108	114	114	111	

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 10.--High-speed tool steel bars: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of bars to steel service centers or distributors, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	total quantity shipped
Grade M2, 1" round x random lengths					
1979:					
January-----	294-473	367	294-473	375	370
February-----	297-575	389	297-575	415	401
March-----	295-417	349	297-417	385	365
April-----	332	332	374	374	374
May-----	352	352	396	396	396
June-----	347-352	348	347-396	374	361
July-----	352-443	386	353-443	402	394
August-----	352-412	380	353-412	380	380
September-----	346-366	347	346-396	356	353
Grade 0-1, 1" x 4", cold finished, decarb free					
1979:					
January-----	154-202	176	154-202	176	176
February-----	154-202	176	154-202	176	176
March-----	154-202	172	172-202	184	184
April-----	179	179	179	179	179
May-----	173-179	176	173-179	176	176
June-----	167-179	174	167-779	174	174
July-----	161-185	164	161-185	164	164
August-----	161-185	168	161-185	175	175
September-----	161-183	172	161-185	175	174

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 11.--Stainless steel strip: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of strip to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
Grade 430, 2 finish, .060" x 3" to 12" x coil					
1979:					
January-----	76-82	80	83	83	82
February-----	76-86	82	86	86	84
March-----	76-85	81	85	85	83
April-----	85	85	85	85	85
May-----	85-87	86	85-87	86	86
June-----	85	85	85	85	85
July-----	86	86	86	86	86
August-----	89	89	89	89	89
September-----	91	91	91	91	91
Grade 430, 2 finish, .02" x 1" to under 1-1/2" x coil					
1979:					
January-----	86-89	87	89	89	88
February-----	86-95	90	93-95	94	92
March-----	86-95	90	95	95	92
April-----	90-95	93	90-95	93	93
May-----	90-95	94	90-95	94	94
June-----	95	95	95	95	95
July-----	90	90	90	90	90
August-----	93	93	93	93	93
September-----	93	93	93	93	93

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 12.--Stainless steel strip: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of strip to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Grade 434, 2 finish, BA .017 to under .020" x 1" to under 1-1/2" x coil					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
1979:					
January-----	92-105	98	92-105	98	98
February-----	92-105	98	92-105	98	98
March-----	92-105	98	92-105	98	98
April-----	105	105	105	105	105
May-----	105	105	105	105	105
June-----	105	105	105	105	105
July-----	105	105	105	105	105
August-----	105	105	105	105	105
September-----	108	108	108	108	108

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 13.--Stainless steel sheet (cold rolled): Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of sheet to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)						
Year and month	: Grade 304, 2 finish, .035" to under .050" x over 12" to under 18" coil					
	: Lowest price		: Price at which largest volume was shipped		: Average unit value of total quantity shipped	
	: Range		: Range		: Weighted average	
	: Weighted average		: Weighted average		: Weighted average	
1979:						
January-----	:94- 99	: 95	: 94- 99	: 95	: 95	: 95
February-----	:94-104	: 99	:94-104	: 99	: 99	: 99
March-----	:93-104	: 99	:93-104	: 99	: 99	: 99
April-----	:78-104	: 79	:78-104	: 79	: 79	: 79
May-----	:78-104	: 81	:78-104	: 81	: 81	: 81
June-----	:78-104	: 91	:78-104	: 91	: 91	: 91
July-----	: 99	: 99	: 99	: 99	: 99	: 99
August-----	:79- 93	: 85	:79- 98	: 92	: 91	: 91
September-----	:78- 98	: 88	:78- 99	: 90	: 89	: 89

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 14.--Stainless steel wire rod: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of rod to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)						
Year and month	Grade 304, .250" to .287" round					
	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average		
1979:						
January-----	90 :	90 :	98 :	98 :		95
February-----	90-99 :	95 :	99 :	99 :		97
March-----	90-99 :	95 :	98 :	98 :		97
April-----	86-99 :	93 :	89-106 :	95 :		94
May-----	92-100:	93 :	97-106 :	102 :		98
June-----	88 :	88 :	90 :	90 :		89
July-----	101:	101 :	106 :	106 :		105
August-----	92 :	92 :	92 :	92 :		92
September-----	92 :	92 :	116 :	116 :		110

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 15.--High speed tool steel bars: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of bars to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)					
Year and month	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
Grade M-7, 1" round x cold finished					
1979:					
January-----	220-260	242	220-260	242	242
February-----	249-260	256	249-260	256	256
March-----	220-260	246	220-260	246	246
April-----	264-309	274	264-309	274	274
May-----	220-267	260	220-290	266	264
June-----	249-270	264	249-270	264	264
July-----	220-318	264	220-349	286	276
August-----	273-290	285	273-349	295	291
September-----	248-290	269	248-349	298	280
Grade M-2, 1" round x random lengths, cold finished					
1979:					
January-----	311-360	331	333-375	358	350
February-----	311-359	331	333-379	363	351
March-----	311-358	331	333-379	363	351
April-----	311-420	393	360-420	394	393
May-----	311-360	325	332-396	376	352
June-----	330-383	350	360-396	386	372
July-----	324-367	351	366-440	416	380
August-----	324-356	336	344-440	414	375
September-----	324-343	329	378-440	412	369

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Note.--The number of domestic producers responding to the request for price data varied from month to month.

Table 16.--High-speed tool steel rod: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices, price at which the largest volume was shipped, and average unit value of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers of selected types of rod to end-use customers, by months, 1979

(In cents per pound)						
Year and month	Grade M-7, .250" round x HRA coil					
	Lowest price		Price at which largest volume was shipped		Average unit value of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average		
1979:						
January-----	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245
February-----	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245
March-----	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245
April-----	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245 :	245
May-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
June-----	312 :	312 :	312 :	312 :	312 :	312
July-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	- :	-
August-----	244 :	244 :	244 :	244 :	244 :	244
September-----	- :	- :	- :	- :	- :	-

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