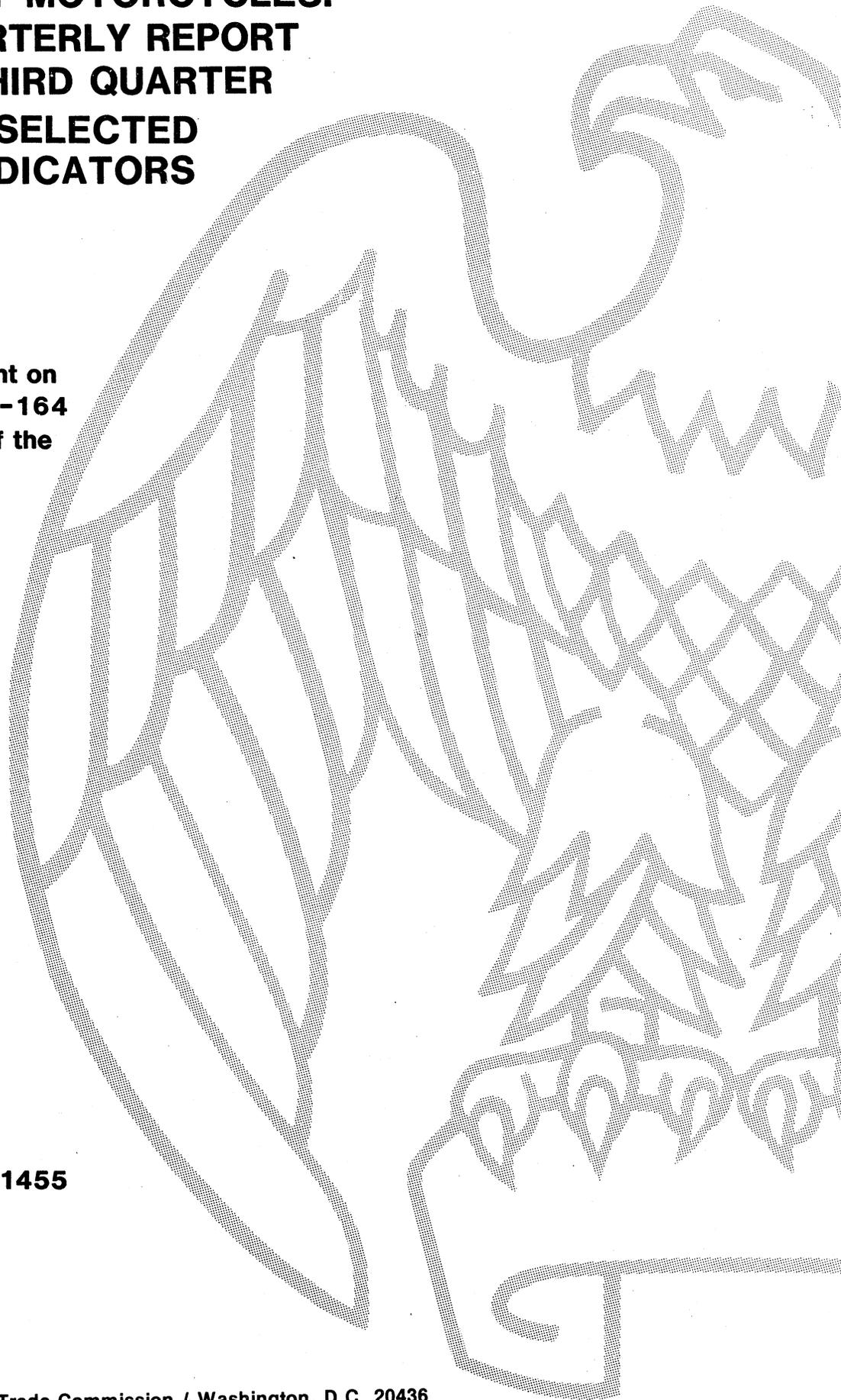


**HEAVYWEIGHT MOTORCYCLES:
SECOND QUARTERLY REPORT
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Highlights

The following are highlights of the economic data collected on the heavyweight motorcycle industry for the third quarter of 1983 compared with data collected for the second quarter of 1983. Since virtually all data obtained by the Commission regarding the domestic heavyweight motorcycle industry are business confidential (even in the aggregate), little information concerning the domestic industry is available in the public report.

- o U.S. production and shipments increased in July-September 1983, compared with April-June 1983, and U.S. exports, retail sales, and inventories declined during the comparative periods.
- o The average net selling price for U.S.-produced heavyweight motorcycles increased from \$4,088 during April-June 1983, to \$4,427 during July-September 1983.
- o Total average employment increased from 3,099 workers during April-June 1983, to 3,188 workers during July-September 1983, and total hours worked by production and related workers also increased during the comparative periods.
- o U.S. imports of heavyweight motorcycles declined from 21,016 units in April-June 1983, to 3,682 units in July-September 1983 (table 1).
- o Import shipments declined from 54,257 units in April-June 1983, to 12,272 units in July-September 1983 (table 2).
- o Retail sales of imported heavyweight motorcycles dropped from 81,578 units in April-June 1983, to 38,410 units in July-September 1983 (table 3).
- o Inventories of imported heavyweight motorcycles decreased from 219,783 units held as of June 30, 1983, to 185,092 units held as of September 30, 1983, or by almost 16 percent (tables 4 and 5).

Table 1.--Heavyweight motorcycles: U.S. imports for consumption, April-June 1983, and July-September 1983

Period	Quantity	Value
April-June 1983-----	21,016	53,230
July-September 1983-----	3,682	12,263

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

Table 2.--Heavyweight motorcycles: U.S. import shipments, April-June 1983, and July-September 1983

Period	Quantity	Value
April-June 1983-----	54,257	167,080
July-September 1983-----	12,272	38,861

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

Table 3.--Heavyweight motorcycles: U.S. importers' retail sales, by engine sizes, April-June 1983, and July-September 1983

(In units)		
Item	April-June 1983	July- September 1983
Over 700 cc but not over 790 cc-----	49,619	22,655
Over 790 cc but not over 970 cc-----	6,064	3,521
Over 970 cc-----	25,895	12,234
Total-----	81,578	38,410

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

Table 4.--Heavyweight motorcycles: U.S. importers' end-of-period inventories, by engine sizes, June 30, 1983, and September 30, 1983

(In units)		
Item	June 30, 1983	September 30, 1983
Over 700 cc but not over 790 cc-----	65,854	61,121
Over 790 cc but not over 970 cc-----	25,359	24,160
Over 970 cc-----	24,477	22,439
Total-----	115,690	107,720

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

Table 5.--Heavyweight motorcycles: Dealers' end-of-period inventories of imported motorcycles, by engine sizes, June 30, 1983, and Sept. 30, 1983

(In units)		
Item	June 30, 1983	September 30, 1983
Over 700 cc but not over 790 cc-----	61,005	44,584
Over 790 cc but not over 970 cc-----	14,241	11,983
Over 970 cc-----	28,847	20,805
Total-----	104,093	77,372

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

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