QUARTERLY SURVEY ON CERTAIN STAINLESS STEEL AND ALLOY **TOOL STEEL (COVERING THE SECOND QUARTER OF 1984)** Report to the President on Investigation No. 332-167 **Under Section 332 of the** Tariff Act of 1930 **USITC PUBLICATION 1560 AUGUST 1984**

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HIGHLIGHTS

During the second quarter (April-June) 1984, compared to the first quarter of 1984:

- DOMESTIC PRODUCTION of certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel products decreased 5 percent to 321,407 tons.
- U.S. PRODUCERS' SHIPMENTS decreased 0.3 percent to 312,983 tons.
- EMPLOYMENT of production and related workers decreased 8 percent to 14,611 workers.
- U.S. PRODUCERS' AND IMPORTERS' PRICES exhibited noteworthy changes in certain products, but did not register general upward or downward movements.
- U.S. IMPORTERS' UNFILLED ORDERS increased 6 percent, to 50,306 tons.
- U.S. IMPORTERS' INVENTORIES decreased 8 percent, to 22,051 tons.

U.S. production and producers' shipments

U.S. production of certain stainless steel sheet and strip and alloy tool steel decreased from January-March 1984 to April-June 1984. Stainless steel sheet and strip showed the greatest decrease, declining 11 percent from 226,397 tons in the first quarter of 1984 to 201,604 tons in the second quarter of 1984. U.S. producers' shipments of stainless steel sheet and strip decreased in the second quarter, falling 4 percent from 210,616 tons in the first quarter to 201,518 tons in the second quarter. Producers' shipments of stainless steel plate, bar, wire rod, and alloy tool steel increased in the second quarter. Alloy tool steel shipments showed the greatest increase, rising 21 percent from 20,196 tons in the first quarter to 24,443 tons in the second quarter.

Employment and hours worked

The average number of all persons employed in producing certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel decreased from 21,406 persons to 19,786 persons, or by 8 percent, from January-March 1984 to April-June 1984. Employment of production and related workers fell from 15,940 workers to 14,611 workers, or by 8 percent, over the same period. The number of hours worked by production and related workers decreased from 8.4 million man-hours to 7.1 million man-hours, or by 15 percent, from January-March 1984 to April-June 1984.

U.S. producers' prices

Surveys of the weighted average prices of certain domestic stainless steel and alloy tool steel products reflected mixed results between January and June 1984. Overall, almost an equal number of product price increases and decreases were recorded. Prices for stainless steel plate showed noteworthy increases in the second quarter. U.S. producers' prices for stainless steel plate and bars were higher to end-use customers than were prices for similar products to service centers/distributors.

U.S. importers' prices

Pricing data reported by U.S. importers for stainless steel and alloy tool steel products revealed fluctuating price movements between January and June 1984. Noteworthy price decreases were recorded in shipments of stainless steel bars to end-use customers, while price increases were registered in shipments of stainless steel sheet and strip to service centers/distributors. Importers' prices for stainless steel plate, bar, and wire rod were significantly lower than producers' prices for the same products.

U.S. importers' unfilled orders and inventories

Data on importers' unfilled orders from foreign sources indicate increases in such orders for stainless steel sheet and strip and bar between March 31, 1984 and June 30, 1984. Importers' unfilled orders for stainless steel plate, rod, and alloy tool steel decreased during the same period. Importers' inventories of stainless steel plate, rod, and alloy tool steel declined between the two quarters, while inventories of sheet and strip and bar increased.

Table 1.--Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. production, by types and by specified periods, October 1982-June 1984

(In tons) Alloy tool Stainless steel steel, all Period Sheet and Plate forms Bar Rod strip 1982: Oct.-Dec---: . 107,873 : 23,145 : 17,321 : 5,067 8,772 1983: Jan-March--: 143,081 22,538: 21,113 : 6,195 : 11,243 27,105 : Apr.-June--: 160,718 23,437 : 8,489 : 14,543 24,690 : July-Sept--: 215,116 31,123 : 8,174 : 12,559 Oct.-Dec.---: 217,471 : 30,710: 37,188 : 10,893 : 19,362 1984: 226,397 29,727 : 46,701 : 13,029 : 24,222 Jan.-March--: Apr.-June--: 201,604 35,433 : 47,088 : 13,462 : 23,820 1984: 3,789 : 6,870 71,223 12,630 : 15,530 : April----May .--: 12,886 : 14,718 : 4,815 : 63,121 8,181 June-67,260 : 9,917: 16,840 : 4,858 : 8,769

Table 2.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' shipments, by types, by specified periods, October 1982—June 1984

(In tons) Stainless steel Alloy tool steel, all Period Sheet and : Plate forms Bar Rod strip 1982: Oct.-Dec -107,711 21,512 : 19,594: 5,188 : 9,947 1983: 22,565 : 5,976: 11,840 Jan-March --: 132,297 24,172: Apr.-June ---: 159,874: 24,479 : 25,380 : 8,239: 13,022 July-Sept---: 192,148: 24,314 : 26,534 : 7,863: 13,145 Oct.-Dec.--: 209,154 27,732 : 32,024 : 9,918: 14,411 1984: Jan.-March--: 210.616 : 29,591: 41,436 : 12,201 : 20,196 30,680 : 14,096: 24,443 Apr.-June-: 201,518 42,246 : 1984: April 71,029 : 10,088 13,437 : 4,402 : 7,813 May-----10,955 : 7,975 67,233 : 13,944: 4,948 : June 63,256: 9,637: 14,865 : 4,746: 8,655

Table 3.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Average number of all persons employed in U.S. establishments in which certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel are produced, by specified periods, October 1982—June 1984

		Stainless	steel		Alloy tool
Period	Sheet and : strip :	Plate :	Bar	Rod	steel, all forms
1982: : :	:	:	:		: :
OctDec 1/:	4,320 :	1,609 :	3,497 :	873	: 3,605
1983: :	:		:		:
Jan-March 1/:	6,249 :	1,459 :	3,422	796	: 3,48
AprJune 1/:	•		3,450 :	1,027	
July-Sept 1/:		•	4,112 :	1,090	
OctDec. 1/:		1,498 :	4,316 :	1,234	: 3,81
1984: :	:	:	.:		:
JanMarch:	10,373 :	1,326 :	4,490 :	1,264	3,95
AprJune:	7,789 :	1,526 :	5,016:	1,304	: 4,15
1984: :	:	:	:		:
April :	7,937 :	1,563 :	4,893 :	1,164	: 4,162
May:	7,135 :	1,682 :	5,003 :	1,414	: 4,194
June:	8,295 :	1,334 :	5,153 :	1,334	: 4,096
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^{1/} Data adjusted.

Table 4.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Average number of production and related workers employed in U.S. establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel are produced, by specified periods, October 1982—June 1984

		Stainle	essesteel		Alloy tool	
Period :	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	steel, all forms	
: 1982 : :		; :	:	:	:	
OctDec:	1/ 3.243	: 1/ 1.162	: 2,037	476	: 2,394	
1983:	,	:	:	•		
Jan-March:	1/ 3,854	: 1/ 1,056	: 2,004	: 456	2,355	
AprJune:			•		2,388	
July-Sept:				: 666	: 2,450	
OctDec:	1/6,466	(1, 1, 115)	3,024	: 780	: 2,267	
1984: :		:	:	:	:	
JanMarch:	8,376	977	3,024	: . 807	: 2,756	
AprJune:	6,272	1,082	: 7 3,496	: 847	: 2,914	
1984: ::		:	:	:	:	
April:	6,370	: 1,116	3,394	: 756	: 2,910	
May	5,795	1,189	: 3,515	910	: 2,947	
June -:		: 940	3,578	874	: 2,884	
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^{1/} Data adjusted.

Table 5.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Number of man-hours worked by production and related workers in U.S. establishments in which certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel products are produced, by specified periods, October 1982—June 1984

	Stainless steel						
Period	Sheet and strip	Plate	Bar :	Rod	steel, all forms		
: 1982: :		: :	:		• •		
OctDec:	1/ 1.881.440	:1/390.777 :	879,812 :	187,186	970,013		
1983: :		:		. ,			
Jan-March:	1/ 2,384,759	:1/436,443 :	1,002,148 :	219,000	960,094		
Apr. June-:	1/ 2,668,251	:1/465,570 :	1,106,076 :	302,000	: 1,041,423		
July-Sept:	1/ 3,020,375	:1/486,076 :	1,484,447 :	325,431	: 1,048,195		
OctDec:	1/ 3,099,366	:1/450,775 :	1,736,844 :	408,380	: 1,240,847		
1984: :	•	:	:		•		
JanMarch:	4,226,808	: 480,128 :	1,898,138 :	456,520	: 1,387,427		
AprJune:	2,820,172	: 559,518:	1,846,557 :	461,516	: 1,441,665		
1984: :		: :	:		•		
April:	939,575	: 181,326 :	575,136	133,468	: 467,961		
May:	884,354	: 215,745 :	619,386 :	171,824	478,560		
June -:	996,243	: 162,447 :	652,035 :	156,224	: 495,144		
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^{1/} Data adjusted.

Table 6a.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	ollars per to	n)			
nami ad	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
Period	Range	Weighted average	Range	:	Weighted average	
:		U.S.	producers		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
:		······································	. •	:		
1984: :	•		:	:		
January:	1430-1669 :	1563	: 1661-1752	:	1706	
February:	1522-1662 :	1586	: 1723-1852	: :	1801	
March:	1245-1765 :	1659	: 1761-1851	:	1823	
April:	1684-1802 :	1762	: 1785-1847	' :	1826	
May:	1687-1770 :	1737	: 1794-1836	:	1823	
June:	1653-1738 :	1675	: 1767-1817	:	1793	
:		U.S.	importers			
:	:		:	:		
1984: : .	:		:	:		
JanMarch:	* X X X	×××	; xxx	:	XXX	
AprJune:	1660-1747 :	1723	: **	:	***	
:	:		:			

^{1/} Grade 304, 2B finish, 16 gage, 36" - 48", coil.

Table 6b.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(Do	ollars per to	n)					
p	Lowest	price		price of				
Period	Range	Weighted average	: Range	: Weighted : average				
	: · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	U.S. producers						
	:							
1984:	:			:				
January	-: XXX :	жж	:	: XXX				
February-	: XXX ;	***	: ***	: ***				
March-	-: XXX :	хх х	x x x	: ***				
April-	-: 1665–1893 :	1787	: ***	: ***				
May	•	1759	: xxx	: ×××				
June-	: *** :	***	: ***	: ***				
.		U.S.	importers					
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1984:	1		;	:				
JanMarch-	. **	***	: ***	: ** *				
AprJune	-: *** :	***	: XXX	****				
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^{1/} Grade 304, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" - 48" x coil.

Table 7a.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(Do	llars per to	n)			
	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	:	Weighted average	
; ;;	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	U.S.	producers			
:	:		:	:		
1984: :	.:	•	:	:		
January:	- :	-	:	- :	**	
February———:	XX X :	XXX	: XX	•		XXX
March:	*** :	XXX	: **	+ :		×××
April:	XXX :	×××	: **X	¥′:	•	XXX
May:	*** ;	, XXX	: **	+ ;	• •	XXX
June :	*** :	XXX	: XX	* :		***
:	· .	U.S.	importers		• 4 ह '	٠.
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1984: :	:		:	:		
JanMarch:	*** :	X-X- X	: **	* ;		XXX
AprJune-:	*** : :	***	: **	¥ ; :		×××

^{1/} Grade 430, BA finish, 24 gage x 12" - 24" x coil.

Table 7b.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers 2/ and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January - June 1984

	(Do	ollars per tor	n)				
	Lowest		: Average	price of tity shipped			
Period	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average			
. :	U.S. importers						
1984: :			•	:			
JanMarch: AprJune:	- : *** :	- ***	: 	: ***			

^{1/} Grade 430, BA finish, 24 gage x 12" - 24" x coil.

^{2/} Producers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Table 8a.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(0	ollars per to	n)		
		price	: Average price of : total quantity shipped		
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average	
:		U.S.	producers		
:	:		•	•	
1984: :			: .	:	
January:	*** :	×××	: ** *	: ***	
February -:	XXX :	хх х	: XX*	: XXX	
March:	*** :	×××	; ***	: ** *	
April :	2307-2425 :	2354	: 2386-2525	: 2453	
May::	***	XXX	: ***	: XXX	
June:_	×××	***	: ***	: **x	
· :		U.S.	importers		
-			•	•	
1984: :	:	i.	:	:	
JanMarch:	xxx :	ХХ Х	: XXX	· XXX	
AprJune-:	*** :	. *** .	: ***	: ** *	
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¹/ Grade 316, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" - 48" x coil.

Table 8b.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	ollars p	er tor	ո)			
	Lowest price				Average price of total quantity shipped		
Period	Range	Weigh avera		R	ange	Weighted average	
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1984: :	:				. :		
January:	XXX:		XXX	•	XX X :		XXX
February——:	××× :		XXX	; 7	XXX :		XXX
March :	X-X-X- ;		XXX	•	X-X-X :		XXX
April:	:				- :	•	
May :	XXX :	;	XXX	•	××× :		XXX
June:	*** :		XXX		*** :		×××
; :			U.S.	importer	S		
: 1984: :	:		:	: •	:		
JanMarch:	*** :		×××	•	xxx		×××
AprJune:	*** :	,	×××	•	хх х		XXX
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<u>1</u>/ Grade 316, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" - 48" x coil.

Table 9a.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) $\underline{1}/:$ Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January—June 1984

	(D	ollars per to	n)					
	l_owest		: Average	price of tity shipped				
Period	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average				
:		U.s.	producers					
:	•		•	*				
1984: :	:		:	:				
January:	••••		: -	.				
February:	-:	·	: -	: -				
March:	-:		: -	: 				
April:	- :	•	-	-				
May::	*** ;	XXX	: ** *	: XXX				
June:	:		: -	•				
:	U.S. importers							
			:	•				
1984: :	:		:	:				
JanMarch:	XXX ;	XXX	; XXX	: X XX				
AprJune:	*** :	×××	: ***	: ***				
•	•		1 1	* *				

^{1/} Grade 430, BA finish, 20 gage x 36" - 48" x coil.

Table 9b.—Stainless steel sheet (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers 2/ and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	ollars per to	n)	
Period	Lowest	price	: Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average
.:		U.S.	importers	
			•	
JanMarch:	xxx :	XXX	: XXX	: X*X
AprJune-:	*** :	***	: *** :	: *** :

^{1/} Grade 430, BA finish, 20 gage x 36" - 48" x coil.

^{2/} Producers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Table 10a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

•	(Do	llars per to	n)				
:	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped			
Period -	Wainhtad .	Range	Weighted average				
: :	U.S. producers						
			:				
1984: :	:		:				
January::	1413-1770 :	1575	: *** :	***			
February:	XX X .	XXX	; XXX ;	жxx			
March:	1632-1681 :	1664	: 17391759 :	1749			
April:	×× ×	XXX	: XXX :	х-х х			
May	*** :	XXX	: *** :	×××			
June:	***	XXX	: *** :	X X X			
:		U.S.	importers				
			•				
1984:		•	:				
JanMarch:	XXX :	ХХ Х	: xx* :	X X X			
AprJune:	xxx	XXX	: *** :	***			
1/ Grade 304 HRAI	D 1/2" v 72" -	- 96" 240"	. 290"				

^{1/} Grade 304, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" - 96", 240" - 290".

Table 10b.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers 2/ to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

(Dollars per ton) Average price of Lowest price total quantity shipped Period Weighted Weighted Range Range average average U.S. producers 1984: XXX : XXX : XXX January : -: X-X-X *** : XXX XXX February---: XXX : XXX : XXX March --: XXX *** April--: *** *** XXX XXX + 5 🕜 May: XXX XXX XXX June-*** XXX · XXX XXX

^{1/} Grade 304, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

^{2/} Importers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Table 11a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

Daniel 1	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped			
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average			
:	P 4	U.S.	producers				
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1984: :	:		:	•			
January:	*** :	***	: ***	: ***			
February:	25042598 :	2574	: X XX	: ×××			
March:	2517-2743 :	2648	2685-2915	: 2734			
April:	××× :	XXX	xxx	: ×××			
May:	××× :	· XXX	: XXX	: ×××			
June:	***:	×××	<u>: ***</u>	: x* x			
:	•.	U.S.	importers				
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1984: :	:		:	:			
JanMarch:	X-X-X- ;	XX X	: XX*	: XXX			
AprJune:	*** ;	. **	: ***	****			

^{1/} Grade 316L, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

Table 11b.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	Lowest	price		: Average price of: total quantity shipped			
Period	Range	Weigh avera		Range	Weighted average		
; ;			U.S. p	roducers			
: 1984 : :	:		:	:			
January	x-x- x :		xx x :	xxx :	XXX		
February:	-:	J. 4	:	- :	_		
March -:	××× ;		XXX :	. · XXX :	XX)		
April:	*** :		*** :	*** :	**)		
- May	2775-3795 :	er word	3205 :	. , XX X ;	(X X		
June:_	***		*** :	*** :	**)		
: :_			U.S. i	mporters			
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1984: :	: *** ·		*** ·	***	**		
JanMarch-	•		~~~ ;	**************************************	***		
AprJune:		. •	- :				

Table 12a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	Lowest	: Average) Average price of total quantity shipped			
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	:	Weighted average	
:		U.S.	producers			
· •			* •			
1984: :	:		:	:		
January:	***	***	: 1674-2009	:	1769	
February -:	XXX :	XXX	: 1674-2009	:	1841	
March:	***	***	: 1660-2039	:	1819	
April -:	xxx :	X-X X	: 1674-1960	:	1814	
May:	1406-1926 :	1706	: 1674-1992	;	1918	
June:	1657-1910 :	1724	: 1674-2071	:	1961	
:		U.S.	importers	- 1		
:	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	**** *********************************	•	:		
1984: :			;	:		
JanMarch:	××× :	XXX	: XXX	:	XXX	
AprJune	*** ;	×××	: ***	:	×××	
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^{1/} Grade 304, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

Table 12b.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

p	Lowest	Average price of total quantity shipped					
Period	Range	Weighted average	Ran	ge	:	Weighted average	
:		U.S.	producers				
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January ——:	XXX :	XXX	:	X-X-X	:		XX)
February:	***	×××	:	×××	:		XXX
March :	** :	x x x	: ::	XXX	:		X-X)
April:	*** :	. XXX	:	×××	:		XXX
May ::	xxx :	X -X- X	:	×××	: .		XX)
June:	*** :	. XXX		×××		**************************************	XX)
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AprJune:	××× :	XXX	:	XXX	:		жжx

Table 13a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	Lowes	st price	2	Average price of total quantity shipped			
Period	Range		ighted : erage :	Range	:	Weighted average	
: :	-		U.S. pr	roducers			
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1984: : :		:	:	1.	:	*****	
January:	XXX	•	, *** :	, XXX	;	XXX	
February :	XXX	:	*** :	XXX	:	XXX	
March:	2400-2517	:	2435 :	XXX	:	. XXX	
April:	2406-2434	: .	2416 :	2405-2612	:	2560	
May:	×××	· :	××× :	2492-2654	· :	2549	
June:_	2441-2615	` • •	2576 :	2600-2700		2631	
:			U.S. in	nporters			
:	_	:	:		;		
1984:		:	·	gi e	:		
JanMarch:	жж	:	*** :	***	:	XXX	
AprJune:	-			N *	•		

Table 13b.—Stainless steel plate: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, January — June 1984

	(Do	ollars per to	n)			
Period :	Lowest	price	: Average price of : total quantity shipped			
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average		
*		U.S.	producers			
*			• •	*		
1984: :	;		•	:		
January:	:	****	-	:		
February:	XXX ;	XXX	: XXX	: XXX		
March:	***. :	×××	** *	: ***		
April:	- ;		: -	:		
May:	-:	-	<u></u>	: -		
June:	*** :	XXX	: XXX	: XXX		
		U.S.	importers			
:	, :		:	•		
1984: :	:			:		
Jan. March : AprJune :	- : *** :	***	: ***	: ****		
· ·			•			

^{1/} Grade 316, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

Table 14a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

:		ollars per to		price of
Damind	Lowest	price	: total quar	ntity shipped
Period	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average
		U.S.	producers	
; -	:		•	•
1984: :	:		:	:
January:	*** ;	×××	: ** *	: XX
February:	2016-2330 :	2.257	: 2394-2483	: 2411
March:	2040-2378 :	2128	: 2501–2779	: 2620
April:	2035-2537 :	2154	: 2275-2869	: 2401
May:	2010-2340 :	2145	2225-2623	: 2357
June:_	1947-2398 :	2115	: 2345-2617	: 2373
:		U.S.	importers	
-			* •	•
1984: :	:	•	:	:
JanMarch:	1656-2141 :	1954	: XX X	: X X)
AprJune:	1600-2799 :	2262	: 1704-2811	: 2457

^{1/} Grade 304, cold-formed, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

Table 14b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January - June 1984

	(0	ollars	per ton)		•	•
; p:::::::::	Lowest	owest price			ice of y shipped	
Period :	Range	Weig aver		Range	:	Weighted average
:	•	:	Ù.s. pr	roducers		
* ************************************			*		:	
1984: :	;	•	:		:	•
January:	2182-2735 :		2468 :	2783-3592	;	3135
February:	***		*** :	2362-3554	:	3100
March :	2179-3548 :		2447 :	2308-3819	:	3047
April:	2178-3216 :		2582 :	2314-3692	:	3219
May :	1100-3600 :		2490 :	2434-3743	:	3114
June:_	2285-3544 :	······································	2561 :	2330-3734	:	3063
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			U.S. im	nporters		
*	`4 .		**************************************		;	
1984: :	:		: .		:	
Jan.—March———:	***		*** :	×××	:	XXX
AprJune:	*** :		*** :	ХХ Х	:	XX X
		······				

1/ Grade 304, cold-formed, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

Table 15a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	· (D	ollars per to	n)		
Period		price	: Averag	ice of y shipped	
Feb. 10d	Range	Weighted average	Range	:	Weighted average
:		U.S.	producers		
:			•	:	,
1984: :			:	.:	
January:	2125-2904 :	2623	: 2530-2946	;	2,787
February——:	2335-2782 :	2500	: 2630-2960) :	. 2800
Mar·ch:	*** ;	×××	: 2576-3025	;	2749
April :	2000-2799 :	2431	: 2556-2917	7 :	2800
May:	1974-2926 :	2503	: 2390-3256	; ;	2621
June:_	2120-3190 :	2478	: 2464-3309) :	2771
:	•	. U.S	importers		
:		**************************************	•	:	
1984: :	y :	• •	:	. :	
Jan.—March———:	xxx :	X XX	: 2070-3016	5 :	2772
April-June:	*** :	×××	: 2019-3211	l :	2503
	:				

^{1/} Grade 303, cold-formed, 20/32" - 31/32", round.

Table 15b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end—use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

•		ollars per to price	: Average	price of tity shipped
Period	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average
:	, .	U.S.	producers	
	:		:	:
1984: :	:			:
January ::	28073360 :	3115	: XXX	: X*X
February:	2807-3840 :	3048	: XXX	: ****
March :	XXX :	XXX	: XXX	: XXX
April:	2787-4080 :	3215	: ***	: ***
May :	××× ;	XX X	; XX X	: X-X-X
June:_	*** :	***	<u>:</u> ***	: ***
:	•	U.S.	importers	
* •		,	* *	•
1984: :	:		:	:
JanMarch:	××× ;	×××	: ***	:· ***
AprJune:	, xx x	***	: xx*	: XXX
: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	: 6	211 21 /2211	;	•

^{1/} Grade 303, cold-formed, 20/32" - 31/32", round.

Table 16a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors; by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	ollars per to	n)			
		price	rice : Average price or total quantity sh			
Period	Range	Weighted average	: Range	: Weighted : average		
: :		U.S.	producers			
1984: :	:		: :	:		
January—-:	*** :	***	: ** *	: XXX		
February ::	XXX	X X X	: XX X	; **X*		
March:	XXX:	* ***	: ** *	: XXX		
April -:	×× × ;	X X X	: XXX	: XXX		
May-	2080-2160 :	2143	: ** *	: ** *		
June:_	2080-2320 :	2214	: · · · ×××	; xxx		
:		U.S.	importers	•		
		,	* · ·	• .		
1984: :				:		
JanMarch:	XXX :	X X X	: 1452-2550	: 1618		
AprJune:	***	XXX	: 1614-2770 :	: 1831 :		
	• ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	·				

^{1/} Grade 304, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

Table 16b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers 2/ to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

Period :	Lowest price			Average price of total quantity shipped			
	Range	:	Weighted average	:	Range	:	Weighted average
: :			U.S.	pr	roducers	-	
:	·	:		:		:	,
1984: :		:		:		:	
January:	XXX	:	***	:	2539-3625	:	2637
February:	2488-2687	:	2672	:	2583-2935	:	2691
March:	XXX	:	X-X-X	:	XXX	:	×××
April:	900-2778	:	2007	:	2464-2839	:	2621
May:	1782-2682	:	2196	:	×××	:	×××
June:	2579-2880	:	2675	:	2579-3245	:	2731
:		:		:		:	

^{1/} Grade 304, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

^{2/} Importers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Table 17a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

·	. (Do	llars per ton	1)			
Daniad	Lowest	Average price of total quantity shipped				
Period	Range	Weighted : average :	Range	: :	Weighted average	
:	U.S. producers					
;		:		:	. 1	
1984: :	· .	:		:		
January::	*** ;	***	2151-2374	:	2269	
February -:	××× :	xxx :	1889-2577	:	2140	
March-	***	*** ;	2058-2334	:	2184	
April -:	1840-2144 :	1940 :	1942-2150	:	2031	
May-	*** :	XXX	XXX	:	XXX	
June:	*** :	××× :	X-X-X	:	XXX	
:	• .	U.S.	importers	, ,		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	•			: .		
1984: :	:			:		
JanMarch	XXX :	XXX	x x x		X XX	
AprJune:	*** :	***	***	:	×××	
:	:			:		

^{1/} Grade 410, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

Table 17b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers 2/ to end—use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	olla	rs per to	n)			
Period -	Lowest price				Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range		eighted verage	:	Range	: :	Weighted average
:	U.S. producers						
1984:	:			:		:	
January :	XXX		×××	:	×××	:	X X X
February:	*** :	•	×××	:	XXX	:	XXX
March ::	××× :		XXX	:	XXX	:	XXX
April:	2420-2680 :		2609	:	×××	:	×××
May:	××× :		XXX	:	***	:	XXX
June:	***		***	:	×××	:	×××

^{1/} Grade 410, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" - 4 3/4", round.

 $[\]frac{2}{2}$ / Importers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Table 18.—Stainless steel wire rod 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(De	ollars per to	n)			
	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
Period -	Range	Weighted average	Range	: Weighted : average		
:	U.S. producers					
:				•		
1984: :	:		:	:		
January:	*** ;	***	: ***	: ***		
February:	*** ;	ХXX	: X XX	: XXX		
March:	***	XXX	: XXX	; ***		
April:	1532-1615 :	1591	: 1759-1881	: 1810		
May:	XXX :	XXX	: 1821-1947	: 1877		
June:	*** ;	XXX	: 1826-1893	: 1860		
: :_		U.S.	importers			
1004	:		:	:		
1984: :	: ***	хх х	: X-X- X	: •		
Jan.—March————:	·		•	•		
AprJune:	1780-2100 :	1903	: ***	: ***		
			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			

^{1/} Grades 302 or 304, .217" - .250", round.

Table 19.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end—use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(D	ollars per to	n)				
; Danied :	Lowest	price	-	Average price of total quantity shipped			
Period :	Range	Weighted average	: Range	: Weighted : average			
; ;	U.S. producers						
:	•			•			
1984: :	:		:	:			
January:	2440-4320 :	2700	2940-4620	: 3069			
February———:	2460-3026 :	2662	: ***	: XXX			
March:	** * :	XXX	: 2789-4000	: 2932			
April:	2000-2704 :	2346	: 2020-3346	: 3004			
May :	××× :	XXX	: ***	: XXX			
June:_	2298-4500 :	2647	: ***	<u>: ***</u>			
: :		U.S.	importers				
			•	•			
1984: :	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	VVV					
JanMarch:	*** :	***	; ***	: ***			
AprJune:	*** :	** *	: 2798-4000 :	: 3126 :			

^{1/} Grade H-13, annealed, rough-turned, 3 1/8 - 5 1/16", round.

Table 20.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

······································	(Do	ollars per to	n)		***************************************		
Daniad	Lowest	Lowest price			Average price of total quantity shipped		
Period :	Range	Weighted average	Range	:	Weighted average		
	U.S. producers						
			•	:		***************************************	
1984:	:		:	:			
January	: 7000-8480 :	7143	: 7454-10,300) ;	•	7680	
February ———	: 4000-8480 :	7256	: 7376-8958	:		7626	
March	: 7000-8480 :	7201	: 7264-10,732	: :		7480	
April	: 7000-8585 :	7094	: 7245-10,557	' :	•	7599	
May	: 7000-8436 :	7146	: 7164-10,301	. :	:	7483	
June	: 7000-7220 :	7145	7331–8265	:	,	<u>7582</u>	
	:	U.S.	importers				
	:			:		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
1984:	:		:	· :	•		
JanMarch	•	6792	: 5368-11,000) :	•	7067	
AprJune-	: 5843-8000 :	6875	; 5843-9000) ;		7214	
	:		•				

 $[\]underline{1}$ / Grade M-2, annealed, centerless ground or rough turned, 1 13/16" - 3", round.

Table 21.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

	(Do	llars per to	n)		
	Lowest		: Average price of : total quantity shipped		
Period	Range	Weighted average	: Range	: Weighted : average	
: :		U.S.	producers		
	•		•	•	
1984: :	:		•	:	
January:	***	***	: XXX	: ; ***	
February :	XXX :	×х×	: XXX	KXX	
March:	*** :	. XXX	: **	: : ***	
April -:	*** ;	XXX	: XXX	⊦; ××××	
. May:	××× :	****	: ***	* : ***	
· June:	*** :	XXX	: xx	K K K	
		U.S.	importers		
:			•		
1984: :	:		:	:	
JanMarch:	** * :	XX X	: 2731-4200): 4180	
AprJune:	2500-4000 :	3287	: 2792-5539	3981	
:	:		:	:	

^{1/} Grade D-2, annealed, rough turned, 4 1/16" - 6", round.

Table 22.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January — June 1984

Period -	Lowest	price		Average price of total quantity shipped			
	Range	Weighted average	: Range	: Weighted : average			
: : .	U.S. producers						
	' è		•				
1984: :	:	•	:	: .			
January:	5320-8560 :	5779	; ***	; ***			
February :	5382-8560 :	7335	5427-8940	: 6789			
March:	5424-8220 :	6774	: XXX	: **			
April :	5300-7912 :	5463	: 5682-8976	: 6291			
May:	5504-8220 :	6153	; ***	; ** *			
June:	5300-8500 :	5433	: 5700-8855	: 6408			
:		U.S.	importers				
· —	·		•	:			
1984: :	:		:	:			
JanMarch:	4500-9500 :	6521	: XX X	: X*X			
AprJune:	*** :	XXX.	: 6345-9000	: 1561			

¹/ Grade D-2, annealed, cold finish, decarb free, 2" - 2 1/2" thick, 3" - 4" wide, flat.

Table 23.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. importers' unfilled orders from foreign sources, by types, as of March 31, 1984 and June 30, 1984

(In tons) Stainless steel Alloy tool steel, all Date Sheet and : Plate Bar Rod forms strip 1984: XXX *** XXX ××× March 31---: XXX XXX XXX XXX June 30---: XXX

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

Table 24.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. importers' inventories, by types, as of March 31, 1984 and June 30, 1984

(In tons)							
;		Alloy tool					
1	Sheet and	:	Plate	Bar	Rod	steel, all forms	
		:	:		:	:	
1984: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :		•	*** ***	***	•	: XXX	
June 30:	***	; ;	***			:	