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Summary

Imports of Wire Rod, Wire and Wire Products

Wire rod is almost solely used for the cold drawing of wire and fabrication of wire products (e.g., barbed wire, fencing and fasteners). Imports of rod have accounted for between 23-34 percent of apparent U.S. consumption during 1981-87, peaking in 1984 before declining to the current level of about 28 percent of consumption (fig. 1). Domestic consumption expanded during 1983-87, leading to increases in both producer shipments (up 34 percent) and imports (up 24 percent). Imports from non-VRA countries have taken market share from VRA-origin imports, rising from 33 percent in 1984, to about 50 percent of total imports in 1987 (fig. 2).

The trends for imports of wire and wire products are similar to those for rod, although there are several differences. First, import penetration is significantly higher for wire and wire products than for rod (fig. 2). Secondly, import penetration increased faster for wire, which doubled to about 42 percent of apparent U.S. consumption during 1981-87, and has held steady at that level since 1984. Imports of wire products rose less rapidly over the same period, increasing from about 59 percent of apparent consumption in 1981 to a high of 76 percent in 1984, before declining to 70 percent in 1987. Third, in contrast to increased domestic consumption of rod, the markets for wire and wire products have apparently contracted since 1984.^{1/} U.S. producer shipments of wire and wire products declined by about 22 percent and 12 percent, respectively. Over the same period, imports of wire and wire products from non-VRA countries have risen as a percentage of total imports (fig. 2), from about 30 percent for wire and 22 percent for wire products in 1984 to about 40 percent for each in 1987.

U.S. producers, reflecting industry trends elsewhere, have restructured. The restructuring has included the cessation of wire rod production and the elimination from product lines of drawn wire by most of the large integrated producers.^{2/} Moreover, the number of wire drawers and fabricators (which produce wire and wire products from purchased wire or wire rod) is 18 percent less in 1986 than in 1982. These figures do not necessarily imply closures, since restructuring in the industry has included both horizontal and vertical consolidations. These consolidations have entailed the purchase of one wire drawer by another, for example, to provide the purchasing company with greater market coverage in either a geographical or product line sense, and/or the purchase of a wire drawer by a rod mill, which has the advantage of simultaneously providing a source of supply of rod to those companies, and obtaining a captive outlet for rod production.^{3/}

1/ Available data on domestic shipments from AISI, which surveys only a portion of the industry, may underestimate the growing importance of non-reporting companies.

2/ Steel Industry Data Handbook, The US 1987, 33Metal Producing. Of the twenty rod producers listed, three are integrated steel producers.

3/ Georgetown Steel, for example, expressed an interest in buying Davis Walker Corp., the major consumer of wire rod on the West Coast, and has

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Figure 1
Imports as a percentage of U.S.
apparent consumption, 1981-87

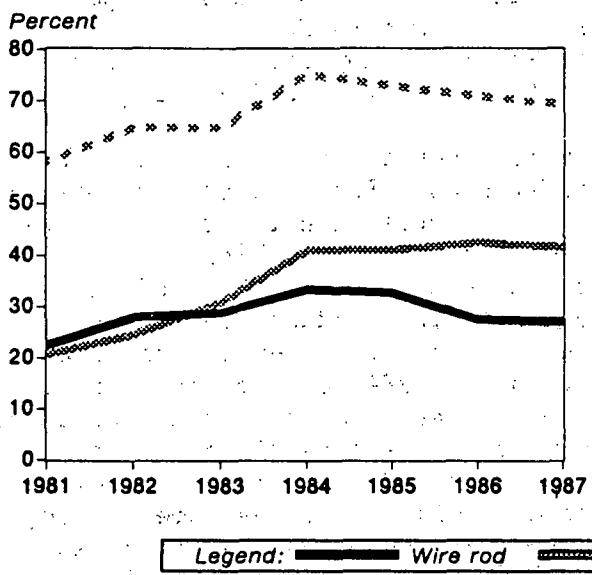
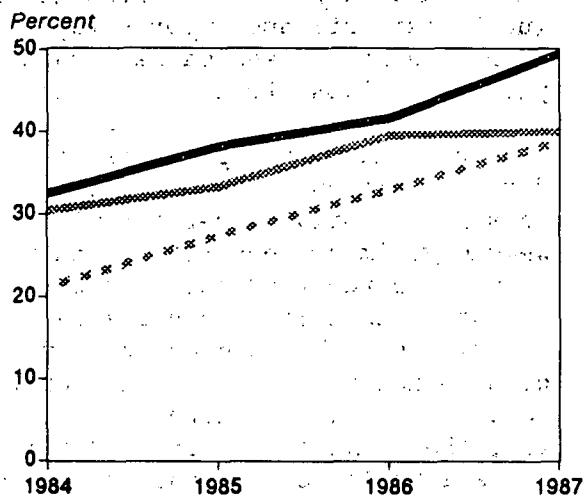


Figure 2
Imports from non-VRA origins as a
percentage of total imports, 1984-87



Source: Official data of the U.S. Bureau of the Census and AISI.

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recently bought another redrawer in California. Davis Walker Corp. sold its wire drawing and fabricating facilities in Texas, Louisiana and Tennessee to North Star Steel Co. (which produces wire rod in Texas) in 1985. Georgetown was the seller to North Star Steel of that company's rod mill in Texas.

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Preface

On April 9, 1986, at the request of the Subcommittee on Trade, Committee on Ways and Means, U.S. House of Representatives, and in accordance with the provisions of section 332(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(b)), the United States International Trade Commission instituted investigation No. 332-226, Monthly Reports on the Status of the Steel Industry. The purpose of the reports is to monitor developments in the steel industry through September 1989, which corresponds with the President's program of voluntary restraint arrangements (VRA's) with certain countries and regions which export steel to the United States.

Background of VRA's

On September 18, 1984, the President determined, under section 202(b)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, that taking "escape clause" action was not in the national economic interest (49 Federal Register 36813). The decision followed an investigation conducted by the Commission in which imports of certain steel products ^{1/} were found to be a substantial cause of serious injury, or threat thereof, to certain domestic industries (investigation No. TA-201-51). Instead of taking action under the statute, the President established a nine-point policy to address the concerns of the industry. Under this policy, the President directed the United States Trade Representative to negotiate voluntary restraint arrangements to cover a five year period (from October 1, 1984 through September 30, 1989) with countries whose exports to the United States had increased significantly in recent years due to an unfair surge in imports. These measures were expected to return the share of imports in the U.S. market to a more normal level of approximately 18.5 percent, excluding semifinished steel (which, subsequent Administration statements indicate, would be limited to about 1.7 million tons per year).

Specialty steel

On July 19, 1983, the President announced his decision to grant import relief to the specialty steel industry for a period of 4 years (48 Federal Register 33233). The relief was scheduled to expire on July 19, 1987. Under the relief, quotas were put on imports of stainless steel bars, stainless steel wire rods, and certain alloy tool steel products; increased duties were imposed on stainless steel plates and stainless steel sheets and strip. On July 16, 1987, the President announced his decision to extend the import relief in the form currently in effect for a period from July 20, 1987 through September 30, 1989. Under the steel VRA's, in return for their agreement to limit exports of stainless steel plates and sheets and strip, the VRA countries were exempted

^{1/} Affirmative decisions were rendered in the case of semifinished steel, plates, sheets and strip, wire and wire products, and structural shapes and units. Negative determinations were rendered in the case of wire rod, railway type products, bars, and pipes and tubes.

from having to pay additional duties (with the exception of Finland, whose VRA does not include stainless steel flat-rolled products); quotas were unaffected by the VRA's for all countries except the EC-10, which negotiated limits on rods, bars, and alloy tool steel as part of its VRA, Brazil whose VRA now includes the specialty steel products subject to quotas, and Austria, which included alloy tool steel in its VRA.

In this report trade data are reported in a similar format for all product categories; in the case of stainless steel bars, stainless steel rods, and certain alloy tool steel products, however, it should be noted that, except for the EC-10 and Austria, all countries are bound by quotas (see App. B for a description of the specialty steel relief provisions and implementation of modifications in specialty steel import relief).

Current Status of VRA's

To date VRA's have been negotiated with 19 countries and the EC (excluding Portugal and Spain, which negotiated separate agreements). The agreements have taken the form of market share arrangements and quotas, or a combination thereof. The agreements are tailored to each country, with considerable variation in the number of individual product categories subject to limitation. Following is a list of countries subject to the VRA's and estimates of their respective overall limitations on a market share basis.

Countries Subject to VRA's

<u>Market share agreements:</u>	<u>Overall 1988 import share 1/</u> (% of U.S. apparent consumption)
Australia	0.25
Austria	0.22
Brazil	1.50
EC	5.40
Finland	0.22
Japan	5.48
Mexico	0.44
South Africa 2/	0.0
South Korea	1.83
Spain	0.70

Quota level for 1988 in short tons and as a
share of apparent U.S. consumption

<u>Quota agreements</u>	<u>(estimated) 3/</u>
	(Short tons) (Percent)
Czechoslovakia	38,250 0.04
East Germany	110,000 0.12
Hungary	33,300 0.04
Poland	87,000 0.10
Portugal	30,000 0.03
Romania	118,300 0.13
Trinidad and Tobago	58,600 0.06
Venezuela	195,000 4/ 0.21
Yugoslavia	21,900 0.02
People's Republic of China	72,000 0.08

<u>Semifinished steel agreements</u>	<u>Quota level for 1988 (short tons)</u>
Australia	50,000
Brazil	700,000
EC	5/ 840,000
Finland	15,000
Japan	105,000
Mexico	100,000
South Africa 2/	0
South Korea	50,000
Spain	50,000
Venezuela	60,000

1/ Including semifinished steel for all countries. Does not include adjustments for overages in 1987.

2/ Steel imports from South Africa are reduced by the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986 which embargoes certain steel products.

3/ Including semifinished steel, except as noted. Does not include adjustments for overages in 1987. Estimates based on February 26, 1988 DRI forecast.

4/ Excluding semifinished steel.

5/ Includes approximately 200,000 tons which may be imported at the discretion of the U.S. Trade Representative.

Structure of the Report

- o Monthly Summary provides perspective on imports and trade by highlighting specific products, countries, or customs areas. The inclusion of such insights, which may not be readily apparent from the report's tabulated data, are intended to focus attention on important events in the steel industry. An index of subjects addressed in the summaries may be found on page iii.
- o Table 1 provides data on key items, including raw steel production, capability utilization, employment, wages, shipments, trade, and financial performance.
- o Tables 2-6 provide data on shipments, imports, exports, apparent consumption, and imports as a percent of apparent consumption by major product for all grades of steel, plus carbon and specialty products separately.
- o Table 7 provides quantity and value data on imports of total steel mill products and certain fabricated products. The EC and each VRA country are specified, as are the top 10 non-VRA suppliers.
- o Table 8 provides data on the quantity of steel other than semifinished steel, which is being imported from the EC, each VRA country, and the top non-VRA suppliers, and the market penetration of each country. The table can be used to measure the extent to which penetration is approaching the levels anticipated under the President's steel policy.
- o Table 9 provides data on the quantity of semifinished steel imported from the EC, each VRA country, and the top non-VRA suppliers, and presents the 1986 semifinished import restraint level of each VRA country.
- o Tables 10-29 provide data on the quantity and value of major carbon and specialty steel imports on a product-by-product basis. The EC, each VRA country, and the top non-VRA suppliers are specified.
- o Table 30 provides data on the unit values of selected imports of carbon and specialty steel products.
- o Table 31 provides data on imports of selected carbon and specialty steel products. The table also provides information which permits an examination of the extent to which shifts in product mix within major product categories is occurring.
- o Tables 32-37 provide data on imports of steel mill products and certain fabricated products, by U.S. customs area.

Notes on Product Coverage and Methodology

Data on foreign trade imports and exports and domestic shipments are compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, and statistics of the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI), respectively.

The products on which foreign trade data are collected correspond to those covered by the VRA's with the exception of fabricated wire nails (TSUS item 646.3040, 646.3200, and 646.3600), stainless steel wire strand (TSUS item 642.0800), stainless steel wire rope (TSUS item 642.1400), and offshore oil platforms (TSUS item 652.700)), and those subject to limitation under separate specialty steel measures. Since the VRA's include certain fabricated products, the data may exceed that compiled by other organizations such as the AISI. The additional tonnage, however, is relatively small. In 1985 AISI reported imports of 24.3 million tons, which compares to the 24.9 million tons indicated in this report. The product categories most affected are structural shapes and units (which includes fabricated structurals in this report) and wire and wire products (which includes wire rope and wire strand).

The term EC in this report does not include Portugal and Spain, which are subject to separate VRA's.

Unit values are calculated using unrounded data. Import values are customs value. Trade data include imports under section 806.30 and 807.00 of the Tariff Schedules; the 806.30 and 807.00 provisions apply to U.S. merchandise which is exported, processed, and reimported into the United States.

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Table 1.—Steel: U.S. raw steel production, capability utilization, employment, wages, shipments, imports, exports, apparent consumption, net sales and net income 1983–87, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987 1/	January–June	
						1987	1988
Raw steel:							
Production (1,000 short tons).....	84,615	92,528	88,259	81,606	88,472	41,933	50,370
Capability utilization (percent).....	56.2	68.4	66.1	63.8	78.9	75.3	90.3
Continuously cast (percent).....	32.1	39.6	44.4	55.2	52.5	60.3	59.8
Employment:							
Total (thousands).....	243	236	208	175	163	155	170
Receiving wages (thousands).....	169	171	151	128	121	114	126
Hourly employment cost 2/ (dollars).....	22.21	21.30	22.81	23.57	23.70	23.23	24.68
Steel:							
Shipments (1,000 short tons).....	67,584	73,740	72,698	70,263	76,473	36,526	42,735
Imports (1,000 short tons).....	17,477	26,705	24,885	20,692	20,414	10,031	11,027
Exports (1,000 short tons).....	1,282	1,081	992	929	1,129	535	670
Apparent consumption (1,000 short tons)....	83,779	99,363	96,591	90,026	95,759	46,024	53,092
Ratio of imports to consumption (percent)...	20.9	26.9	25.8	23.0	21.3	21.8	20.8
Financial:							
All operations:							
Net sales (million dollars).....	45,974	53,619	53,651	41,912	3/ 32,314	4/	4/
Net income (million dollars).....	(2,603)	(301)	(1,210)	(6,094)	3/ 1,121	4/	4/
Ratio of net sales to income (percent)....	(5.7)	(0.6)	(2.3)	(14.5)	3/ 3.7	4/	4/
Steel operations:							
Net steel sales (million dollars).....	24,463	30,132	29,473	24,891	26,840	5/ 5,965	5/ 7,928
Net steel income (million dollars).....	(2,231)	(186)	(1,743)	(4,203)	1,017	5/ 116	5/ 827
Ratio of net sales to income (percent)....	(9.1)	(0.6)	(5.9)	(16.9)	3.8	5/ 1.9	5/ 10.4

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Total employment costs (including benefits) of employees receiving wages.

3/ January–September.

4/ No longer available.

5/ First quarter only.

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron & Steel Institute and official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 2.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. producers shipments, by product and grade of steel,
1983-1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	January-June		1987	1988
All grades of steel:									
Semifinished-----	998,242	1,306,044	1,374,524	1,388,649	2,095,599	938,288		889,049	
Plate-----	3,816,069	4,338,993	4,327,347	3,531,806	4,065,183	1,875,517		3,879,840	
Sheet and strip-----	39,104,792	40,878,749	40,850,298	40,055,641	43,288,266	21,000,790		22,708,568	
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	11,699,722	13,232,473	12,667,539	12,101,642	12,937,033	6,288,267		7,125,836	
Wire rod-----	2,857,394	3,090,036	2,961,769	3,493,632	3,838,788	1,878,839		2,073,787	
Wire-----	1,010,410	962,726	874,135	797,859	786,963	402,686		594,617	
Wire products-----	348,794	259,616	262,268	278,068	304,761	163,270		3/	
Structural shapes & units-----	3,622,050	4,156,233	4,698,305	4,815,432	5,081,809	2,356,040		2,748,168	
Rails & related products-----	883,907	1,238,900	931,313	647,697	504,561	299,999		257,192	
Pipe and tube-----	3,242,147	4,275,759	4,095,825	2,836,458	3,569,647	1,597,911		2,457,613	
Total-----	67,583,527	73,739,529	73,043,323	69,946,884	76,472,610	36,801,607		42,734,670	
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:									
Semifinished-----	963,421	1,266,364	1,327,766	1,339,062	2,018,535	907,366		844,659	
Plate-----	3,715,228	4,223,128	4,185,883	3,415,947	3,906,102	1,802,569		3,791,064	
Sheet and strip-----	38,322,411	40,056,979	40,018,167	39,256,239	42,347,623	20,544,087		22,142,730	
Bars & certain shapes-----	11,552,450	13,031,564	12,478,002	11,926,843	12,753,157	6,196,076		7,019,165	
Wire rod-----	2,822,416	3,038,112	2,931,897	3,457,233	3,791,034	1,859,575		2,038,361	
Wire-----	983,850	933,382	851,841	773,204	760,229	388,880		579,252	
Wire products-----	348,794	259,616	262,268	278,068	304,761	163,270		3/	
Structural shapes & units-----	3,622,050	4,156,233	4,698,305	4,815,432	5,081,809	2,356,040		2,748,168	
Rails & related products-----	883,907	1,238,900	931,313	647,697	504,561	299,999		257,192	
Pipe and tube-----	3,185,736	4,224,071	4,046,771	2,794,218	3,527,867	1,577,840		2,429,411	
Total-----	66,400,263	72,430,349	71,732,213	68,703,943	74,995,678	36,095,702		41,850,002	
Stainless & alloy tool steel:									
Semifinished-----	34,821	39,680	46,758	49,587	77,064	30,922		44,390	
Plate-----	100,891	115,865	141,464	115,859	159,081	72,948		88,776	
Sheet and strip-----	782,381	819,770	832,131	799,402	940,643	456,703		565,838	
Bars & certain shapes-----	101,107	139,980	129,267	119,024	125,441	63,531		74,431	
Wire rod-----	34,978	51,924	29,872	36,399	47,754	19,264		35,426	
Wire-----	26,560	29,344	22,294	24,655	26,734	13,806		15,365	
Pipe and tube-----	56,411	51,688	49,054	42,240	41,780	20,071		28,202	
Tool steel (all forms)-----	46,165	60,929	60,270	55,775	58,435	28,660		32,240	
Total-----	1,183,264	1,309,180	1,311,110	1,242,941	1,476,932	705,905		884,668	

1/ Includes tool steel.

2/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

3/ Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and are reported in the category designated "wire".

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron & Steel Institute.

Table 3.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, by product and grade of steel, 1983-1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	January-June	
						1987	1988
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	822,483	1,632,065	2,440,368	2,084,322	2,288,995	1,209,857	1,609,366
Plate-----	1,398,955	1,782,050	1,772,309	1,456,790	1,566,694	751,301	1,002,854
Sheet and strip-----	7,231,584	10,332,032	9,046,089	8,278,604	7,875,891	3,930,025	3,724,148
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	975,714	1,722,313	1,550,559	1,476,368	1,359,758	710,073	694,254
Wire rod-----	1,185,291	1,589,788	1,476,145	1,362,753	1,467,030	696,638	813,380
Wire-----	451,394	671,829	612,485	582,022	555,981	289,898	285,497
Wire products-----	616,359	738,680	674,960	636,591	649,377	341,518	289,545
Structural shapes & units-----	1,757,410	2,432,694	2,440,403	2,179,657	2,153,669	1,139,448	1,147,387
Rails & related products-----	175,433	373,890	382,046	275,710	245,988	128,646	143,067
Pipe and tube-----	2,862,342	5,429,839	4,489,287	2,956,303	2,775,091	1,359,636	1,818,340
Total-----	17,476,965	26,705,180	24,884,651	21,289,120	20,938,474	10,557,040	11,527,838
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	821,033	1,618,365	2,430,078	2,066,700	2,232,270	1,177,307	1,580,726
Plate-----	1,393,705	1,774,614	1,760,812	1,440,375	1,555,577	745,969	995,719
Sheet and strip-----	7,147,441	10,194,435	8,910,469	8,127,033	7,746,596	3,862,791	3,665,249
Bars & certain shapes-----	906,081	1,652,025	1,475,447	1,393,731	1,281,168	669,501	649,414
Wire rod-----	1,158,788	1,570,952	1,456,078	1,344,256	1,448,720	687,496	803,772
Wire-----	440,697	649,126	590,317	564,481	536,897	280,114	276,077
Wire products-----	616,359	738,680	674,960	636,591	649,377	341,518	289,545
Structural shapes & units-----	1,757,410	2,432,694	2,440,403	2,179,657	2,153,669	1,139,448	1,147,387
Rails & related products-----	175,433	373,890	382,046	275,710	245,988	128,646	143,067
Pipe and tube-----	2,844,493	5,399,642	4,457,277	2,923,029	2,748,649	1,346,639	1,797,317
Total-----	17,261,440	26,404,423	24,577,887	20,951,563	20,598,906	10,379,429	11,348,273
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,450	13,700	10,290	17,622	56,725	32,550	28,640
Plate-----	5,251	7,436	11,497	16,415	11,118	5,333	7,135
Sheet and strip-----	84,144	137,597	135,620	151,571	129,295	67,234	58,899
Bars & certain shapes-----	39,209	38,234	37,970	37,888	37,991	18,567	20,785
Wire rod-----	26,504	18,835	20,067	18,496	18,311	9,142	9,608
Wire-----	10,697	22,703	22,169	17,561	19,084	9,785	9,420
Pipe and tube-----	17,849	30,197	32,009	33,274	26,448	12,997	21,023
Tool steel (all forms)-----	30,423	32,054	37,142	44,749	40,599	22,005	24,055
Total-----	215,527	300,756	306,764	337,556	339,571	177,613	179,565

1/ Includes tool steel.

2/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 4.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by product and grade of steel, 1983-1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	January-June	
						1987	1988
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	102,757	73,536	89,708	58,885	73,543	39,991	20,231
Plate-----	101,981	88,184	82,988	69,565	96,538	38,365	51,216
Sheet and strip-----	463,261	389,577	375,396	507,420	556,991	261,026	383,887
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	170,066	133,595	99,096	81,224	121,869	51,446	60,307
Wire rod-----	6,138	8,646	4,740	5,876	8,217	3,670	5,421
Wire-----	22,439	19,979	19,146	26,760	26,669	13,373	15,767
Wire products-----	22,292	22,085	19,253	24,731	23,257	12,063	12,577
Structural shapes & units-----	114,924	119,256	89,031	71,525	101,373	59,430	52,630
Rails & related products-----	20,075	19,079	13,430	13,131	15,755	7,429	11,234
Pipe and tube-----	257,968	207,926	199,258	121,050	152,155	74,812	91,742
Total-----	1,281,901	1,081,363	992,046	980,167	1,176,367	561,605	705,012
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	101,392	72,285	82,650	57,932	71,362	37,788	18,450
Plate-----	93,887	84,813	74,957	66,042	92,057	35,789	49,042
Sheet and strip-----	439,443	369,495	349,620	477,803	501,010	225,423	363,546
Bars & certain shapes-----	160,404	126,090	89,291	72,134	111,619	46,581	52,389
Wire rod-----	5,440	7,918	3,716	5,049	6,889	2,864	4,910
Wire-----	16,301	17,524	17,182	24,033	22,863	11,323	14,185
Wire products-----	22,292	22,085	19,253	24,731	23,257	12,063	12,577
Structural shapes & units-----	114,924	119,256	89,031	71,525	101,373	59,430	52,630
Rails & related products-----	20,075	19,079	13,430	13,131	15,755	7,429	11,234
Pipe and tube-----	251,566	199,778	193,309	118,010	143,405	72,599	88,639
Total-----	1,225,724	1,038,323	932,389	930,390	1,089,590	511,289	662,602
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,365	1,251	7,058	953	2,181	2,204	1,781
Plate-----	8,094	3,371	8,031	3,523	4,481	2,576	7,174
Sheet and strip-----	23,818	20,081	25,776	29,617	55,981	35,603	20,341
Bars & certain shapes-----	6,096	5,178	7,762	6,946	7,189	3,216	5,708
Wire rod-----	698	728	1,024	828	1,328	806	511
Wire-----	6,138	2,455	1,964	2,728	3,806	2,050	1,582
Pipe and tube-----	6,403	7,648	5,948	3,040	8,751	2,213	3,103
Tool steel (all forms)-----	3,566	2,326	2,094	2,144	3,061	1,648	2,210
Total-----	56,178	43,038	59,657	49,779	86,778	50,316	42,410

1/ Includes tool steel.

2/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 5.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Apparent U.S. consumption,
by product and grade of steel, 1983-1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	January-June	
						1987	1988
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished	1,717,968	2,864,573	3,725,184	3,414,086	4,311,051	2,108,154	2,478,184
Plate	5,113,043	6,032,859	6,016,668	4,919,031	5,535,339	2,588,453	4,831,478
Sheet and strip	45,873,115	50,821,204	49,520,991	47,826,825	50,607,166	24,669,789	26,048,829
Bars & certain shapes 1/	12,505,370	14,821,191	14,119,002	13,496,786	14,174,922	6,946,894	7,759,783
Wire rod	4,036,547	4,671,178	4,433,174	4,850,509	5,297,601	2,571,807	2,881,746
Wire	1,439,365	1,614,576	1,467,474	1,353,121	1,316,275	679,211	864,347
Wire products	942,861	976,211	917,975	889,928	930,881	492,725	3/
Structural shapes & units	5,264,536	6,469,671	7,049,677	6,923,564	7,134,105	3,436,058	3,842,925
Rails & related products	1,039,265	1,593,711	1,299,929	910,276	734,794	421,216	389,025
Pipe and tube	5,846,521	9,498,172	8,385,854	5,671,711	6,192,583	2,882,735	4,184,211
Total	83,778,591	99,363,346	96,935,928	90,255,837	96,234,717	46,797,042	53,557,496
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished	1,683,062	2,812,444	3,675,194	3,347,830	4,179,443	2,046,885	2,406,935
Plate	5,015,046	5,912,929	5,871,738	4,790,280	5,369,622	2,512,749	4,742,741
Sheet and strip	45,030,409	49,883,919	48,579,016	46,905,469	49,593,209	24,181,455	25,444,433
Bars & certain shapes	12,298,127	14,557,499	13,864,208	13,248,440	13,922,706	6,818,996	7,616,190
Wire rod	3,975,764	4,601,146	4,384,259	4,796,440	5,232,865	2,544,207	2,837,223
Wire	1,408,246	1,564,984	1,424,976	1,313,652	1,274,263	657,671	841,144
Wire products	942,861	976,211	917,975	889,928	930,881	492,725	3/
Structural shapes & units	5,264,536	6,469,671	7,049,677	6,923,564	7,134,105	3,436,058	3,842,925
Rails & related products	1,039,265	1,593,711	1,299,929	910,276	734,794	421,216	389,025
Pipe and tube	5,778,663	9,423,935	8,310,739	5,599,237	6,133,106	2,851,880	4,138,089
Total	82,435,979	97,796,449	95,377,711	88,725,116	94,504,994	45,963,842	52,535,673
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished	34,906	52,129	49,990	66,256	131,608	61,268	71,249
Plate	97,998	119,930	144,930	128,751	165,718	75,705	88,737
Sheet and strip	842,707	937,286	941,975	921,356	1,013,957	488,334	604,396
Bars & certain shapes	134,220	173,036	159,475	149,966	156,243	78,882	89,508
Wire rod	60,784	70,031	48,915	54,067	64,737	27,600	44,523
Wire	31,119	49,592	42,499	39,468	42,012	21,541	23,203
Pipe and tube	67,857	74,237	75,115	72,474	59,477	30,855	46,122
Tool steel (all forms)	73,022	90,657	95,318	98,380	95,973	49,017	54,085
Total	1,342,613	1,566,898	1,558,217	1,530,718	1,729,725	833,202	1,021,823

1/ Includes tool steel.

2/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

3/ Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and are reported in the category designated "wire".

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron & Steel Institute, and official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 6.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports as a percent of apparent consumption, by product and grade of steel, 1983-1987, and by specific periods, 1987 and 1988

(Percent)

Item	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	January-June	1987	1988
All grades of steel:								
Semifinished-----	47.9	57.0	65.5	61.1	53.1	57.4		64.9
Plate-----	27.4	29.5	29.5	29.6	28.3	29.0		20.8
Sheet and strip-----	15.8	20.3	18.3	17.3	15.6	15.9		14.3
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	7.8	11.6	11.0	10.9	9.6	10.2		8.9
Wire rod-----	29.4	34.0	33.3	28.1	27.7	27.1		28.2
Wire-----	31.4	41.6	41.7	43.0	42.2	42.7		33.0
Wire products-----	65.4	75.7	73.5	71.5	69.8	69.3		3/
Structural shapes & units-----	33.4	37.6	34.6	31.5	30.2	33.2		29.9
Rails & related products-----	16.9	23.5	29.4	30.3	33.5	30.5		36.8
Pipe and tube-----	49.0	57.2	53.5	52.1	44.8	47.2		43.5
Total-----	20.9	26.9	25.7	23.6	21.8	22.6		21.5
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:								
Semifinished-----	48.8	57.5	66.1	61.7	53.4	57.5		65.7
Plate-----	27.8	30.0	30.0	30.1	29.0	29.7		21.0
Sheet and strip-----	15.9	20.4	18.3	17.3	15.6	16.0		14.4
Bars & certain shapes-----	7.4	11.3	10.6	10.5	9.2	9.8		8.5
Wire rod-----	29.1	34.1	33.2	28.0	27.7	27.0		28.3
Wire-----	31.3	41.5	41.4	43.0	42.1	42.6		32.8
Wire products-----	65.4	75.7	73.5	71.5	69.8	69.3		3/
Structural shapes & units-----	33.4	37.6	34.6	31.5	30.2	33.2		29.9
Rails & related products-----	16.9	23.5	29.4	30.3	33.5	30.5		36.8
Pipe and tube-----	49.2	57.3	53.6	52.2	44.8	47.2		43.4
Total-----	20.9	27.0	25.8	23.6	21.8	22.6		21.6
Stainless & alloy tool steel:								
Stainless steel:								
Semifinished-----	4.2	26.3	20.6	26.6	43.1	53.1		40.2
Plate-----	5.4	6.2	7.9	12.7	6.7	7.0		8.0
Sheet and strip-----	10.0	14.7	14.4	16.5	12.8	13.8		9.7
Bars & certain shapes-----	29.2	22.1	23.8	25.3	24.3	23.5		23.2
Wire rod-----	43.6	26.9	41.0	34.2	28.3	33.1		21.6
Wire-----	34.4	45.8	52.2	44.4	45.4	45.4		40.6
Pipe and tube-----	26.3	40.7	42.6	45.9	44.5	42.1		45.6
Tool steel (all forms)-----	41.7	35.4	39.0	45.5	42.3	44.9		44.5
Total-----	16.1	19.2	19.7	22.1	19.6	21.3		17.6

1/ Includes tool steel.

2/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

3/ Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and are reported in the category designated "wire".

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron & Steel Institute, and official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 7.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
			Quantity (short tons)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	192,242	155,112	91,831	124,246	
Austria -----	133,177	119,666	62,881	58,166	
Brazil -----	1,129,406	1,152,972	551,717	804,777	
Czechoslovakia -----	32,249	29,792	21,583	19,096	
East Germany -----	60,712	95,910	41,358	45,897	
EC countries-----	6,030,059	5,314,371	2,562,538	2,795,632	
Finland -----	201,873	174,889	105,991	93,825	
Hungary -----	20,572	27,064	13,035	16,840	
Japan -----	4,514,994	4,384,621	2,214,668	2,229,728	
Mexico -----	435,286	491,204	237,333	252,699	
Peoples Rep of China -----	41,919	51,107	29,277	33,327	
Poland -----	60,609	91,936	43,659	65,720	
Portugal -----	27,654	31,087	16,466	15,156	
Romania -----	87,616	82,408	50,756	74,194	
Republic of South Africa -----	518,535	30,015	24,834	1,693	
Korea, Republic of -----	1,641,578	1,434,872	751,492	855,703	
Spain -----	633,147	520,988	298,528	246,219	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	77,219	62,575	29,577	15,404	
Venezuela -----	141,503	170,571	66,743	109,809	
Yugoslavia -----	24,954	15,394	10,477	7,087	
Total-----	16,005,304	14,436,554	7,224,744	7,865,218	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	3,373,544	3,809,440	2,020,335	1,856,856	
Sweden -----	549,930	609,367	363,128	412,879	
Turkey -----	150,345	407,413	259,510	208,659	
Argentina -----	177,808	346,494	128,558	386,760	
Taiwan -----	500,952	263,415	121,696	124,421	
Indonesia -----	37,903	235,573	73,175	142,935	
Norway -----	96,802	154,231	70,539	108,816	
Singapore -----	115,307	144,538	65,620	59,429	
Thailand -----	67,022	120,179	54,374	89,787	
Malaysia -----	22,547	91,857	55,456	17,334	
All others-----	191,654	319,414	119,905	254,742	
Total-----	5,283,814	6,501,921	3,332,296	3,662,618	
Grand total-----	21,289,118	20,938,475	10,557,040	11,527,836	

Table 7.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
Value (thousand dollars)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	72,997	70,374	40,298	52,897	
Austria -----	60,696	58,007	29,190	36,207	
Brazil -----	304,039	328,749	158,965	237,886	
Czechoslovakia -----	6,934	7,156	4,961	5,748	
East Germany -----	15,306	25,328	11,134	14,204	
EC countries-----	2,317,164	2,197,086	1,058,921	1,272,341	
Finland -----	68,472	65,035	36,020	42,386	
Hungary -----	4,666	6,191	2,992	4,554	
Japan -----	2,198,391	2,189,840	1,075,365	1,274,655	
Mexico -----	155,577	204,210	98,534	119,430	
Peoples Rep of China -----	16,727	23,586	13,424	12,986	
Poland -----	17,140	27,141	12,291	21,334	
Portugal -----	11,477	15,163	7,396	7,588	
Romania -----	23,574	25,093	15,402	26,313	
Republic of South Africa -----	147,667	7,322	4,664	1,487	
Korea, Republic of -----	652,523	633,718	328,888	406,972	
Spain -----	225,055	200,168	108,432	111,999	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	18,733	15,482	7,284	4,226	
Venezuela -----	44,596	48,835	20,150	34,631	
Yugoslavia -----	7,279	5,404	3,705	3,468	
Total-----	6,369,013	6,153,888	3,038,016	3,691,312	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	1,403,210	1,660,699	870,595	909,107	
Sweden -----	267,008	301,016	162,795	212,138	
Turkey -----	41,225	123,568	74,102	60,221	
Argentina -----	55,641	122,695	40,460	146,890	
Taiwan -----	177,140	118,228	56,623	61,963	
Indonesia -----	9,587	56,949	17,517	38,814	
Norway -----	28,685	39,735	18,358	28,997	
Singapore -----	33,694	42,953	20,971	19,533	
Thailand -----	21,750	43,817	18,638	35,766	
Malaysia -----	5,586	23,736	14,592	6,688	
All others-----	84,323	123,864	50,367	98,437	
Total-----	2,127,849	2,657,260	1,345,018	1,618,554	
Grand total-----	8,496,862	8,811,148	4,383,034	5,309,866	

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 8.--Steel other than semifinished steel: 1/ U.S. imports for consumption, and imports as a percent of apparent U.S. consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January-June		1988	
			1987	1988		
Quantity (Short tons)						
VRA countries:						
Australia -----	179,910	155,077	91,831	100,760		
Austria -----	133,151	119,666	62,881	58,158		
Brazil -----	723,773	671,685	320,691	401,679		
Czechoslovakia -----	32,249	29,792	21,583	19,096		
East Germany -----	60,712	95,909	41,358	45,897		
EC-----	5,265,505	4,358,698	2,067,384	2,182,641		
Finland -----	184,577	160,941	92,043	90,586		
Hungary -----	20,572	26,495	12,466	16,840		
Japan -----	4,356,644	4,291,332	2,167,858	2,191,201		
Mexico -----	367,873	429,320	212,520	214,586		
Peoples Rep of China -----	41,919	51,093	29,277	33,327		
Poland -----	60,609	90,476	43,659	65,416		
Portugal -----	27,654	31,087	16,466	15,156		
Romania -----	87,616	82,408	50,756	74,194		
Republic of South Africa -----	456,634	7,437	2,361	1,693		
Korea, Republic of -----	1,610,116	1,407,830	732,758	850,682		
Spain -----	590,902	484,083	277,873	222,818		
Trinidad and Tobago -----	77,219	62,575	29,577	15,404		
Venezuela -----	141,503	130,749	58,803	85,493		
Yugoslavia -----	24,954	15,394	10,477	7,087		
Total-----	14,444,092	12,702,047	6,342,622	6,692,714		
Other countries:						
Canada -----	3,160,374	3,673,795	1,933,339	1,797,032		
Turkey -----	150,345	407,413	259,510	208,659		
Argentina -----	177,808	343,363	127,452	363,940		
Sweden -----	240,961	267,311	134,883	156,105		
Taiwan -----	500,835	263,415	121,696	124,421		
Indonesia -----	37,903	234,667	73,175	138,786		
Singapore -----	115,307	144,538	65,620	59,429		
Thailand -----	67,022	120,179	54,374	89,787		
Norway -----	96,802	109,791	59,149	61,853		
Malaysia -----	22,547	91,857	55,456	17,334		
All others-----	190,801	291,103	119,903	208,413		
Total-----	4,760,705	5,947,432	3,004,557	3,225,759		
Grand total-----	19,204,797	18,649,479	9,347,179	9,918,473		

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8.--Steel other than semifinished steel: 1/ U.S. imports for consumption, and imports as a percent of apparent U.S. consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987		1988
			Import/consumption ratio (percent)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2
Austria -----	.2	.1	.1	.1	.1
Brazil -----	.8	.7	.7	.8	.8
Czechoslovakia -----	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
East Germany -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
EC-----	6.1	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.3
Finland -----	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2
Hungary -----	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Japan -----	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.3
Mexico -----	.4	.5	.5	.5	.4
Peoples Rep of China -----	2/	.1	.1	.1	.1
Poland -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
Portugal -----	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Romania -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
Republic of South Africa -----	.5	2/	2/	2/	2/
Korea, Republic of -----	1.9	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7
Spain -----	.7	.5	.6	.6	.4
Trinidad and Tobago -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	2/
Venezuela -----	.2	.1	.1	.1	.2
Yugoslavia -----	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Total-----	16.6	13.8	14.2	14.2	13.1
Other countries:					
Canada -----	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.3	3.5
Turkey -----	.2	.4	.6	.6	.4
Argentina -----	.2	.4	.3	.3	.7
Sweden -----	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Taiwan -----	.6	.3	.3	.3	.2
Indonesia -----	2/	.3	.2	.2	.3
Singapore -----	.1	.2	.1	.1	.1
Thailand -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	.2
Norway -----	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
Malaysia -----	2/	.1	.1	.1	2/
All others-----	.2	.3	.3	.3	.4
Total-----	5.5	6.5	6.7	6.7	6.3
Grand total-----	22.1	20.3	20.9	20.9	19.4

1/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

2/ Less than 0.05 percent.

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron and Steel Institute and from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 9.--Semifinished steel: 1/ U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Source	Voluntary restraint level 2/	1986	1987	January--June		
				1987	1988	
Quantity (short tons)						
VRA countries:						
Australia -----	50,000	12,332	35	0	23,486	
Austria -----	3/	27	0	0	8	
Brazil -----	700,000	405,633	481,287	231,027	403,099	
Czechoslovakia -----	3/	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	3/	0	1	1	0	
EC Countries -----	4/ 820,000	764,554	955,673	495,154	612,991	
Finland -----	15,000	17,296	13,948	13,948	3,239	
Hungary -----	3/	0	569	569	0	
Japan -----	100,000	158,350	93,288	46,811	38,527	
Mexico -----	100,000	67,413	61,884	29,813	38,114	
Peoples Rep of China -----	3/	0	13	0	0	
Poland -----	3/	0	1,460	0	305	
Portugal -----	3/	0	0	0	0	
Romania -----	3/	0	0	0	0	
Republic of South Africa -----	5/ 100,000	61,901	22,578	22,472	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	50,000	31,462	27,043	18,733	5,021	I
Spain -----	50,000	42,245	36,905	20,655	23,401	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	3,500	0	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	60,000	0	39,822	7,939	24,316	
Yugoslavia -----	3/	0	0	0	0	
Total-----	2,048,500	1,561,213	1,734,506	882,122	1,172,507	
Other countries:						
Sweden -----	6/	308,968	342,056	228,244	256,775	
Canada -----	6/	213,170	135,645	86,996	59,824	
Norway -----	6/	0	44,440	11,390	46,963	
New Zealand -----	6/	0	28,212	0	23,195	
Argentina -----	6/	0	3,131	1,106	22,820	
Indonesia -----	6/	0	906	0	4,149	
Switzerland -----	6/	74	99	0	0	
Peru -----	6/	551	0	0	0	
U. S. S. R. -----	6/	226	0	0	23,134	
Hong Kong -----	6/	3	0	0	0	
All others -----	6/	117	0	0	0	
Total-----	6/	523,109	554,489	327,736	436,860	
Grand total-----	2,048,500	2,084,322	2,288,995	1,209,858	1,609,367	

1/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

2/ Restraint level applicable to year ending December 31, 1988.

3/ No explicit semifinished steel provisions.

4/ Includes 200,000 tons which may be imported at the discretion of the U.S. Trade Representative.

5/ Steel imports from South Africa in 1988 are reduced by the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986, which embargoes certain steel products.

6/ Not applicable.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 10.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
			Quantity (short tons)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	12,332	35	0	23,486	
Austria -----	9	0	0	0	
Brazil -----	405,474	467,926	218,415	403,099	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	0	1	1	0	
EC countries-----	763,434	949,332	492,743	611,002	
Finland -----	17,261	13,948	13,948	3,239	
Hungary -----	0	569	569	0	
Japan -----	155,609	89,683	46,366	37,305	
Mexico -----	67,413	61,884	24,813	38,114	
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	13	2/	0	
Poland -----	0	1,460	0	279	
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0	
Romania -----	0	0	0	0	
Republic of South Africa ----	61,901	22,578	22,472	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	31,462	27,043	18,733	5,021	
Spain -----	41,702	36,537	20,655	22,964	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	0	39,822	7,939	24,316	
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0	
Total-----	1,556,597	1,710,831	866,654	1,168,825	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	302,769	334,207	224,176	248,517	
Canada -----	206,363	110,445	73,981	43,124	
Norway -----	0	44,440	11,390	46,963	
New Zealand -----	0	28,212	0	23,195	
Argentina -----	0	3,131	1,106	22,820	
Indonesia -----	0	906	0	4,149	
Switzerland -----	74	99	0	2/	
Peru -----	551	0	0	0	
U. S. S. R. -----	226	0	0	23,134	
Hong Kong -----	3	0	0	0	
All others-----	117	0	0	0	
Total-----	510,103	521,440	310,653	411,902	
Grand total-----	2,066,700	2,232,271	1,177,307	1,580,727	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 10.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	1,846	6	0	3,503
Austria -----	24	0	0	0
Brazil -----	71,086	87,231	39,099	85,020
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	7	7	0
EC countries-----	150,148	208,398	101,803	142,836
Finland -----	3,190	2,945	2,945	770
Hungary -----	0	128	128	0
Japan -----	27,546	20,477	9,650	9,190
Mexico -----	10,994	11,428	4,397	8,738
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	30	3	0
Poland -----	0	342	0	69
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	9,683	3,548	3,531	0
Korea, Republic of -----	5,586	4,809	3,225	1,164
Spain -----	7,550	6,503	3,633	4,471
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	6,708	1,296	4,210
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	287,653	352,560	169,717	259,971
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	61,934	76,098	50,126	62,761
Canada -----	44,986	26,940	17,966	12,058
Norway -----	0	8,098	2,010	10,365
New Zealand -----	0	6,332	0	8,372
Argentina -----	0	1,109	252	6,147
Indonesia -----	0	242	0	1,195
Switzerland -----	19	140	0	1
Peru -----	541	0	0	0
U. S. S. R. -----	204	0	0	2,959
All others-----	40	0	0	0
Total-----	107,724	118,959	70,354	103,858
Grand total-----	395,377	471,519	240,071	363,829

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 11.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	2,057	5,014	1,857	2,866
Austria -----:	8,380	9,701	4,169	8,064
Brazil -----:	100,352	112,608	44,186	102,676
Czechoslovakia -----:	11,490	10,416	8,190	8,423
East Germany -----:	6,709	16,091	6,954	10,087
EC countries-----:	479,658	381,994	186,989	220,348
Finland -----:	78,057	69,486	39,703	33,882
Hungary -----:	12,318	13,933	6,787	8,960
Japan -----:	42,638	35,903	17,416	16,937
Mexico -----:	14,570	12,930	7,849	9,559
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0	0	0	0
Poland -----:	11,247	30,633	13,474	22,671
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	59,620	49,274	29,674	45,893
Republic of South Africa -----:	83,134	465	465	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	78,292	64,323	35,489	35,972
Spain -----:	77,646	63,973	40,280	29,170
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----:	4,778	6,872	2,313	5,981
Yugoslavia -----:	11,869	0	0	0
Total-----:	1,082,815	883,616	445,795	561,489
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	254,535	449,135	214,784	235,891
Sweden -----:	70,057	106,253	46,441	58,218
Indonesia -----:	7,596	46,701	4,804	48,145
India -----:	10,940	35,711	22,432	22,392
Argentina -----:	5,067	17,499	4,508	31,096
Pakistan -----:	0	6,227	605	10,043
Turkey -----:	22	6,145	4,118	5,946
Rhodesia -----:	2,664	2,038	2,038	0
Norway -----:	0	1,229	0	0
Israel -----:	1,188	671	425	798
All others-----:	5,491	352	17	21,701
Total-----:	357,560	671,961	300,172	434,230
Grand total-----:	1,440,375	1,555,577	745,967	995,719

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 11.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
				Value (thousand dollars)	
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	1,073	2,285	955	1,544	
Austria -----	2,890	3,379	1,451	3,295	
Brazil -----	30,298	36,299	14,680	36,431	
Czechoslovakia -----	2,376	2,292	1,795	2,435	
East Germany -----	1,427	3,761	1,766	3,020	
EC countries-----	138,765	126,682	62,109	91,409	
Finland -----	19,511	18,573	9,833	12,446	
Hungary -----	2,781	3,104	1,552	2,312	
Japan -----	19,267	19,324	8,629	9,830	
Mexico -----	3,316	3,340	1,943	3,528	
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	0	0	0	
Poland -----	2,277	7,316	2,998	6,937	
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0	
Romania -----	14,463	13,447	7,762	15,475	
Republic of South Africa ----	20,980	145	145	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	21,674	21,560	10,753	14,384	
Spain -----	21,417	20,059	11,693	12,490	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	1,084	1,762	589	1,809	
Yugoslavia -----	2,881	0	0	0	
Total-----	306,480	283,328	138,653	217,345	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	84,532	155,991	73,121	96,096	
Sweden -----	23,347	40,807	15,888	26,368	
Indonesia -----	1,799	12,461	1,144	13,945	
India -----	2,551	13,055	5,395	9,056	
Argentina -----	1,238	4,317	989	9,924	
Pakistan -----	0	2,559	1,289	2,599	
Turkey -----	5	1,554	962	2,186	
Rhodesia -----	840	681	681	0	
Norway -----	0	508	0	0	
Israel -----	522	288	189	410	
All others-----	1,677	231	30	6,242	
Total-----	116,511	232,452	99,688	166,826	
Grand total-----	422,991	515,780	238,341	384,171	

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Table 12.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	148,370	123,054	75,478	83,468
Austria -----	101,853	82,055	46,508	33,708
Brazil -----	320,745	343,715	196,771	138,688
Czechoslovakia -----	743	2,410	1,863	0
East Germany -----	41,841	61,012	28,586	21,818
EC countries-----	2,560,423	2,172,597	933,730	949,040
Finland -----	82,084	71,070	42,766	42,480
Hungary -----	8,232	9,600	5,679	7,295
Japan -----	2,445,266	2,381,393	1,222,523	1,100,917
Mexico -----	105,699	127,973	60,631	74,486
Peoples Rep of China -----	34	584	534	0
Poland -----	9,693	13,390	4,535	9,752
Portugal -----	26,547	29,872	16,034	14,732
Romania -----	6,111	3,665	2,150	6,731
Republic of South Africa -----	185,645	372	372	0
Korea, Republic of -----	664,256	603,796	307,489	305,504
Spain -----	165,958	100,179	71,754	42,336
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	77,327	56,293	20,627	48,183
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total -----	6,950,827	6,183,030	3,038,030	2,879,138
Other countries:				
Canada -----	883,258	1,119,490	621,771	463,537
Argentina -----	108,394	175,619	70,288	188,367
Turkey -----	35,921	67,134	37,716	17,019
Sweden -----	46,191	61,509	38,738	34,901
Taiwan -----	54,232	60,024	21,759	36,719
Indonesia -----	3,252	24,966	12,268	11,528
Norway -----	15,560	15,629	8,027	5,025
Algeria -----	10,998	11,632	6,042	17,774
New Zealand -----	13,862	10,795	0	5,258
Pakistan -----	0	10,113	4,978	3,345
All others-----	4,540	6,653	3,173	2,639
Total -----	1,176,208	1,563,564	824,760	786,112
Grand total -----	8,127,035	7,746,594	3,862,790	3,665,250

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 12.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued.

Item	1986	1987	January--June				
			1987	1988			
Value (thousand dollars)							
VRA countries:							
Australia -----:	60,856	59,001	34,725	43,207			
Austria -----:	32,746	26,289	14,432	13,099			
Brazil -----:	94,568	119,782	68,792	53,534			
Czechoslovakia -----:	192	644	493	0			
East Germany -----:	11,130	17,087	7,824	7,482			
EC countries-----:	949,298	877,390	369,253	431,299			
Finland -----:	24,700	25,253	14,490	16,302			
Hungary -----:	1,871	2,371	1,312	1,976			
Japan -----:	1,168,831	1,208,940	612,676	600,222			
Mexico -----:	45,921	60,338	27,782	39,846			
Peoples Rep of China -----:	8	114	86	0			
Poland -----:	3,195	5,198	1,652	4,442			
Portugal -----:	10,687	14,108	6,945	7,153			
Romania -----:	2,368	1,246	824	2,176			
Republic of South Africa -----:	59,193	124	124	0			
Korea, Republic of -----:	229,043	234,228	117,410	129,645			
Spain -----:	62,503	40,855	27,599	20,041			
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	0	0	0			
Venezuela -----:	24,685	18,728	7,609	18,367			
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	0			
Total-----:	2,781,795	2,711,696	1,314,028	1,388,791			
Other countries:							
Canada -----:	345,314	463,992	257,480	202,840			
Argentina -----:	32,127	64,208	21,591	71,095			
Turkey -----:	11,900	27,144	15,017	6,256			
Sweden -----:	31,917	37,494	21,571	23,755			
Taiwan -----:	17,259	22,313	8,322	14,371			
Indonesia -----:	757	6,638	3,236	3,513			
Norway -----:	7,847	7,955	4,061	2,661			
Algeria -----:	3,812	4,076	2,256	7,591			
New Zealand -----:	8,195	5,600	0	2,012			
Pakistan -----:	0	2,221	1,061	2,243			
All others-----:	1,662	2,985	1,425	1,261			
Total-----:	460,790	644,626	336,020	337,598			
Grand total-----:	3,242,585	3,356,322	1,650,048	1,726,389			

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 13.--Carbon and certain alloy^{1/} steel bars and light shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	174	117	64	30
Austria -----	692	394	198	121
Brazil -----	53,328	50,090	15,397	53,570
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	43	2	2	0
EC countries-----	252,311	209,024	105,789	92,253
Finland -----	2,788	2,752	1,710	1,556
Hungary -----	0	43	0	0
Japan -----	144,395	154,408	87,772	58,930
Mexico -----	20,138	31,521	16,821	12,193
Peoples Rep of China -----	13,844	4,820	2,391	2,206
Poland -----	471	1,037	304	442
Portugal -----	0	0	0	2
Romania -----	0	122	99	29
Republic of South Africa -----	13,137	221	221	0
Korea, Republic of -----	72,422	56,173	33,151	39,006
Spain -----	33,006	30,581	13,683	22,145
Trinidad and Tobago -----	32,981	18,047	6,695	7,247
Venezuela -----	14,417	13,530	9,822	7,733
Yugoslavia -----	0	287	287	0
Total-----	654,147	573,169	294,406	297,461
Other countries:				
Canada -----	378,241	379,637	201,693	222,729
Turkey -----	46,064	94,882	59,351	43,476
Indonesia -----	167	44,957	13,015	16,483
Taiwan -----	173,446	44,665	17,332	17,619
Singapore -----	40,134	39,869	13,786	0
Malaysia -----	0	29,495	29,495	409
Norway -----	28,134	28,347	16,827	18,118
Argentina -----	13,194	18,954	9,486	20,214
India -----	8,936	10,014	4,283	7,461
Sweden -----	10,998	7,255	3,787	4,964
All others-----	40,270	9,924	6,041	481
Total-----	739,584	707,999	375,096	351,954
Grand total-----	1,393,731	1,281,168	669,502	649,415

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 13.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel bars and light shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
	Value (thousand dollars)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	119	92	51	10	
Austria -----:	828	590	311	201	
Brazil -----:	14,160	15,461	4,723	15,412	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----:	13	1	1	0	
EC countries-----:	104,843	154,145	107,174	48,038	
Finland -----:	1,504	1,685	1,038	962	
Hungary -----:	0	14	0	0	
Japan -----:	58,397	62,568	33,861	26,073	
Mexico -----:	5,702	8,595	3,974	4,434	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	3,074	1,683	793	872	
Poland -----:	314	548	200	307	
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	2	
Romania -----:	0	600	522	103	
Republic of South Africa -----:	2,930	71	71	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	18,324	15,094	8,842	10,347	
Spain -----:	11,077	11,163	4,863	9,393	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	8,502	5,496	2,219	1,815	
Venezuela -----:	3,229	3,187	2,116	2,037	
Yugoslavia -----:	0	73	73	0	
Total-----:	233,016	281,066	170,832	120,006	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	137,503	146,520	77,249	95,704	
Turkey -----:	10,100	24,960	13,699	11,319	
Indonesia -----:	36	9,076	2,593	4,399	
Taiwan -----:	40,070	11,531	4,279	5,084	
Singapore -----:	9,055	10,128	4,584	0	
Malaysia -----:	0	7,372	7,372	188	
Norway -----:	5,801	5,906	3,536	4,141	
Argentina -----:	3,321	4,865	2,324	6,059	
India -----:	3,394	3,490	1,649	2,498	
Sweden -----:	5,868	4,732	2,355	2,813	
All others-----:	10,063	2,633	1,531	455	
Total-----:	225,211	231,213	121,171	132,660	
Grand total-----:	458,227	512,279	292,003	252,666	

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 14.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	10,953 :	9,664 :	5,574 :	6,941
Austria -----:	2,040 :	401 :	28 :	260
Brazil -----:	50,172 :	50,183 :	14,448 :	30,115
Czechoslovakia -----:	16,668 :	10,307 :	8,608 :	6,533
East Germany -----:	10,485 :	12,806 :	3,161 :	8,452
EC countries-----:	244,578 :	235,247 :	95,636 :	118,383
Finland -----:	6,736 :	2,237 :	0 :	2,237
Hungary -----:	0 :	2,862 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	263,715 :	245,672 :	123,797 :	134,679
Mexico -----:	60,523 :	62,826 :	24,250 :	24,642
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	25
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	4,336
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa ----:	14,971 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	94 :	432 :	0 :	762
Spain -----:	48,926 :	40,302 :	22,132 :	22,152
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	44,035 :	43,094 :	22,365 :	7,137
Venezuela -----:	2,248 :	4,471 :	0 :	5,609
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	776,144 :	720,504 :	319,999 :	372,263
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	376,954 :	390,071 :	217,401 :	206,037
Indonesia -----:	26,888 :	97,932 :	39,723 :	48,266
Turkey -----:	23,523 :	61,072 :	44,982 :	113,469
Singapore -----:	33,065 :	60,425 :	30,379 :	32,584
Malaysia -----:	18,074 :	47,789 :	19,173 :	2,132
Saudi Arabia -----:	0 :	42,619 :	1,095 :	8,823
Taiwan -----:	42,042 :	15,798 :	7,053 :	7,352
Sweden -----:	41,688 :	10,079 :	5,396 :	12,783
New Zealand -----:	559 :	1,505 :	1,505 :	0
Dominican Republic -----:	4 :	765 :	765 :	0
All others-----:	5,316 :	161 :	25 :	64
Total-----:	568,113 :	728,216 :	367,497 :	431,510
Grand total-----:	1,344,257 :	1,448,720 :	687,496 :	803,773

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 14.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption; by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June				
			1987	1988			
Value (thousand dollars)							
VRA countries:							
Australia -----	2,183	1,983	1,142	1,483			
Austria -----	677	179	46	111			
Brazil -----	9,730	12,145	3,506	8,409			
Czechoslovakia -----	3,239	2,164	1,827	1,472			
East Germany -----	2,130	2,585	645	1,716			
EC countries-----	79,431	84,580	34,335	45,496			
Finland -----	2,035	692	0	741			
Hungary -----	0	557	0	0			
Japan -----	110,977	103,044	51,106	59,039			
Mexico -----	12,961	14,093	5,659	6,165			
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	0	0	7			
Poland -----	0	0	0	885			
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0			
Romania -----	0	0	0	0			
Republic of South Africa -----	3,323	0	0	0			
Korea, Republic of -----	61	179	0	333			
Spain -----	12,776	11,411	6,578	5,970			
Trinidad and Tobago -----	9,911	9,538	4,906	2,070			
Venezuela -----	486	1,014	0	1,279			
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0			
Total-----	249,920	244,164	109,750	135,176			
Other countries:							
Canada -----	120,938	127,412	69,758	73,304			
Indonesia -----	6,995	21,082	9,361	10,586			
Turkey -----	5,354	13,673	9,958	28,892			
Singapore -----	7,633	14,388	7,317	8,323			
Malaysia -----	4,072	11,059	4,820	563			
Saudi Arabia -----	0	8,616	220	1,791			
Taiwan -----	13,766	6,199	2,952	2,987			
Sweden -----	16,323	6,215	3,278	5,660			
New Zealand -----	967	310	310	0			
Dominican Republic -----	1	157	157	0			
All others-----	1,411	42	7	15			
Total-----	177,460	209,153	108,138	132,121			
Grand total-----	427,380	453,317	217,888	267,297			

^{1/} Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 15.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	4,560	4,963	2,503	1,629
Austria -----:	1,950	2,484	1,634	840
Brazil -----:	10,693	10,577	4,988	9,841
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----:	191	89	88	0
EC countries-----:	173,859	174,468	89,433	91,696
Finland -----:	1,241	400	315	306
Hungary -----:	22	57	0	0
Japan -----:	108,486	96,684	52,213	41,613
Mexico -----:	3,024	3,991	2,233	1,236
Peoples Rep of China -----:	4,400	7,302	3,771	3,855
Poland -----:	121	2	2	19
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	11,973	187	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	10,949	8,226	3,630	3,087
Spain -----:	79	40	25	22
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	198	1,435	517	925
Venezuela -----:	6,782	7,717	3,517	3,976
Yugoslavia -----:	0	42	42	0
Total-----:	338,528	318,664	164,911	159,045
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	203,478	194,819	103,959	103,823
Sweden -----:	8,620	7,745	4,241	3,791
Taiwan -----:	2,843	3,217	1,264	2,481
Bahamas -----:	2,742	2,708	1,463	0
India -----:	1,337	2,572	1,076	1,932
Norway -----:	1,681	2,476	1,188	510
Chile -----:	600	1,379	535	1,392
Switzerland -----:	1,914	1,372	644	1,203
Argentina -----:	695	1,170	591	1,299
Israel -----:	320	305	102	218
All others-----:	1,723	469	139	384
Total-----:	225,953	218,232	115,202	117,033
Grand total-----:	564,481	536,896	280,113	276,078

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 15.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June				
			1987	1988			
Value (thousand dollars)							
VRA countries:							
Australia -----	2,109	2,329	1,207	753			
Austria -----	2,375	3,613	2,234	1,420			
Brazil -----	4,651	4,944	2,133	4,187			
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0			
East Germany -----	49	24	23	0			
EC countries-----	118,582	129,054	64,040	75,083			
Finland -----	553	170	131	140			
Hungary -----	15	17	0	0			
Japan -----	73,147	64,973	34,603	30,886			
Mexico -----	1,302	1,681	933	588			
Peoples Rep of China -----	1,671	2,868	1,435	1,675			
Poland -----	33	3	3	10			
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0			
Romania -----	0	0	0	0			
Republic of South Africa -----	4,524	85	0	0			
Korea, Republic of -----	6,450	4,882	2,130	1,785			
Spain -----	29	33	26	37			
Trinidad and Tobago -----	315	448	159	314			
Venezuela -----	3,099	3,802	1,657	1,981			
Yugoslavia -----	0	24	24	0			
Total-----	218,904	218,950	110,738	118,859			
Other countries:							
Canada -----	106,212	101,960	53,781	57,632			
Sweden -----	10,463	10,304	5,448	5,272			
Taiwan -----	1,786	1,964	778	1,393			
Bahamas -----	872	925	525	0			
India -----	540	883	348	722			
Norway -----	973	1,427	645	440			
Chile -----	244	532	202	583			
Switzerland -----	1,044	898	448	710			
Argentina -----	324	499	271	711			
Israel -----	159	238	63	120			
All others-----	748	231	73	173			
Total-----	123,365	119,861	62,582	67,756			
Grand total-----	342,269	338,811	173,320	186,615			

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Table 16.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/4 steel wire products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item					January--June	
	1986		1987		1987	
						1988
Quantity (short tons)						
VRA countries:						
Australia -----	53	291	111			2
Austria -----	2,954	1,113	633			169
Brazil -----	14,021	10,382	4,783			6,850
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0			0
East Germany -----	0	0	0			0
EC countries-----	53,443	34,544	20,307			12,879
Finland -----	1	0	0			2
Hungary -----	0	0	0			0
Japan -----	50,437	50,318	27,882			13,824
Mexico -----	12,755	14,577	8,357			7,741
Peoples Rep of China -----	22,111	36,253	22,176			19,489
Poland -----	16,778	19,213	9,521			8,613
Portugal -----	416	683	310			227
Romania -----	3,210	6,859	2,902			143
Republic of South Africa -----	13,931	4,340	152			1,550
Korea, Republic of -----	196,032	186,794	96,956			94,550
Spain -----	30,620	18,997	11,214			9,112
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0			94
Venezuela -----	680	2,683	1,816			850
Yugoslavia -----	7,027	7,882	4,109			3,338
Total-----	424,469	394,929	211,229			179,431
Other countries:						
Canada -----	122,483	106,028	62,245			52,972
Taiwan -----	38,141	37,689	20,611			6,820
Turkey -----	21,037	37,393	20,719			9,764
Thailand -----	5,525	20,516	6,361			3,208
Argentina -----	6,988	12,069	6,535			8,288
Indonesia -----	0	11,116	2,038			7,350
Chile -----	4,984	10,919	3,762			4,262
United Arab Emirates -----	360	7,787	4,130			9,690
Israel -----	5,180	2,817	1,767			1,090
Tunisia -----	24	1,079	0			41
All others-----	7,399	7,037	2,121			6,626
Total-----	212,121	254,450	130,289			110,111
Grand total-----	636,590	649,379	341,518			289,542

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 16.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel wire products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	53 :	249 :	94 :	13	
Austria -----:	3,600 :	1,973 :	1,048 :	446	
Brazil -----:	5,133 :	4,592 :	2,108 :	3,275	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----:	38,480 :	27,128 :	15,319 :	11,481	
Finland -----:	4 :	0 :	0 :	4	
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	41,249 :	46,874 :	25,731 :	15,692	
Mexico -----:	6,585 :	7,758 :	4,280 :	4,762	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	10,661 :	17,786 :	10,869 :	7,712	
Poland -----:	5,735 :	7,056 :	3,524 :	2,954	
Portugal -----:	414 :	820 :	373 :	306	
Romania -----:	986 :	2,424 :	1,038 :	44	
Republic of South Africa -----:	7,140 :	2,199 :	60 :	792	
Korea, Republic of -----:	125,730 :	128,818 :	66,248 :	64,298	
Spain -----:	14,164 :	11,866 :	6,171 :	5,190	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	27	
Venezuela -----:	292 :	498 :	250 :	256	
Yugoslavia -----:	2,403 :	2,845 :	1,529 :	1,410	
Total-----:	262,629 :	262,886 :	138,642 :	118,662	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	77,974 :	73,873 :	42,829 :	37,350	
Taiwan -----:	21,780 :	24,306 :	12,614 :	5,976	
Turkey -----:	7,252 :	12,966 :	6,830 :	3,523	
Thailand -----:	2,527 :	10,027 :	3,052 :	2,341	
Argentina -----:	2,522 :	5,105 :	2,604 :	3,542	
Indonesia -----:	0 :	4,341 :	801 :	2,662	
Chile -----:	1,810 :	4,662 :	1,479 :	2,075	
United Arab Emirates -----:	122 :	2,582 :	1,330 :	3,720	
Israel -----:	2,702 :	1,900 :	1,105 :	1,104	
Tunisia -----:	16 :	611 :	0 :	23	
All others-----:	5,220 :	4,831 :	1,665 :	3,581	
Total-----:	121,925 :	145,204 :	74,309 :	65,897	
Grand total-----:	384,554 :	408,090 :	212,951 :	184,559	

^{1/} Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

^{2/} Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 17.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel structural shapes and units: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	389	55	23	43
Austria -----	616	377	247	139
Brazil -----	7,269	11,926	6,090	12,831
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	4	0	0	0
EC countries-----	755,615	645,485	346,735	361,584
Finland -----	985	341	73	101
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	469,071	629,977	333,170	322,845
Mexico -----	18,361	17,953	7,505	12,133
Peoples Rep of China -----	44	8	0	34
Poland -----	16,532	18,559	12,072	12,601
Portugal -----	35	122	122	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	85,839	933	618	143
Korea, Republic of -----	90,661	135,070	66,012	97,375
Spain -----	176,833	177,434	89,578	73,977
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	34	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	1,622,288	1,638,240	862,245	893,806
Other countries:				
Canada -----	454,749	398,180	209,489	183,403
Norway -----	42,747	61,316	32,784	37,922
Argentina -----	4,162	17,757	10,658	18,773
Taiwan -----	30,683	17,179	10,427	4,851
New Zealand -----	8,069	9,076	3,598	3,324
Singapore -----	12,081	6,702	5,896	1,930
Sweden -----	2,170	2,170	1,949	1,341
Israel -----	2,300	1,379	1,128	173
Mauritius -----	0	906	906	0
India -----	62	258	165	212
All others-----	344	506	201	1,651
Total-----	557,367	515,429	277,201	253,580
Grand total-----	2,179,655	2,153,669	1,139,446	1,147,386

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 17.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel structural shapes and units: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
Value (thousand dollars)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	240	54	31	40
Austria -----	1,402	1,455	776	756
Brazil -----	2,580	4,099	2,491	4,792
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	3	0	0	0
EC countries-----	249,427	222,416	113,692	144,646
Finland -----	1,189	336	109	162
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	155,723	189,574	97,296	119,623
Mexico -----	7,998	7,074	2,935	5,409
Peoples Rep of China -----	21	71	0	18
Poland -----	3,631	3,990	2,612	3,092
Portugal -----	87	78	78	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	23,349	573	406	694
Korea, Republic of -----	40,984	59,530	34,220	49,854
Spain -----	52,245	48,816	23,392	24,729
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	22	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	538,901	538,066	278,038	353,815
Other countries:				
Canada -----	251,967	220,522	114,338	105,311
Norway -----	10,392	15,052	7,718	11,041
Argentina -----	1,239	4,186	2,449	4,930
Taiwan -----	18,634	9,331	6,049	3,108
New Zealand -----	8,770	9,040	4,044	4,325
Singapore -----	6,910	4,293	3,754	1,476
Sweden -----	4,563	7,243	6,231	3,680
Israel -----	3,353	5,483	4,821	254
Mauritius -----	0	260	260	0
India -----	60	203	129	162
All others-----	672	1,238	206	1,500
Total-----	306,560	276,851	149,999	135,787
Grand total-----	845,461	814,917	428,037	489,602

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Table 18.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel rails and related products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	January--June				
	1986	1987	-----		
			1987	1988	
Quantity (short tons)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	269 :	30 :	2/		0
Austria -----:	133 :	5 :	2 :	2/	
Brazil -----:	1,874 :	2,440 :	606 :	1,496	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	1	
EC countries-----:	84,441 :	42,340 :	27,001 :	29,312	
Finland -----:	1 :	1 :	0 :	3	
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	93,700 :	84,891 :	61,150 :	40,122	
Mexico -----:	116 :	46 :	46 :	2/	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	683 :	45 :	12 :	25	
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Portugal -----:	3 :	0 :	0 :	197	
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----:	388 :	879 :	493 :	2/	
Korea, Republic of -----:	8,101 :	5,803 :	2,694 :	4,823	
Spain -----:	10 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	0 :	344 :	344 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----:	2/ :	0 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	189,719 :	136,824 :	92,348 :	75,979	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	84,924 :	101,439 :	36,044 :	64,127	
Sweden -----:	579 :	7,424 :	7 :	2,863	
Taiwan -----:	365 :	168 :	126 :	85	
Mauritius -----:	0 :	66 :	66 :	0	
Israel -----:	98 :	33 :	27 :	0	
New Zealand -----:	0 :	25 :	25 :	0	
Argentina -----:	0 :	6 :	2/ :	6	
Switzerland -----:	2/ :	3 :	3 :	0	
Bahamas -----:	1 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Chile -----:	11 :	0 :	0 :	0	
All others-----:	13 :	0 :	0 :	6	
Total-----:	85,991 :	109,164 :	36,298 :	67,087	
Grand total-----:	275,710 :	245,988 :	128,646 :	143,066	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 18.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel rails and related products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	286	15	2	0
Austria -----	746	37	7	3
Brazil -----	1,125	2,016	521	1,333
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	5
EC countries-----	33,288	17,563	10,595	13,065
Finland -----	2	5	0	14
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	37,655	34,066	23,931	18,384
Mexico -----	36	14	14	3
Peoples Rep of China -----	1,070	32	8	9
Poland -----	0	0	0	0
Portugal -----	9	0	0	127
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	222	563	312	1
Korea, Republic of -----	2,836	1,863	916	1,654
Spain -----	34	0	0	0
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	70	70	0
Yugoslavia -----	1	0	0	0
Total-----	77,310	56,244	36,376	34,598
Other countries:				
Canada -----	11,244	20,479	7,164	21,365
Sweden -----	211	2,553	53	824
Taiwan -----	570	302	225	173
Mauritius -----	0	27	27	0
Israel -----	237	76	50	0
New Zealand -----	0	134	134	0
Argentina -----	0	24	1	17
Switzerland -----	11	46	37	0
Bahamas -----	1	0	0	0
All others-----	29	0	0	28
Total-----	12,303	23,641	7,691	22,407
Grand total-----	89,613	79,885	44,067	57,005

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 19.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	13,068	11,869	6,200	5,770
Austria -----:	10,774	19,766	7,487	12,810
Brazil -----:	158,996	75,669	31,586	41,867
Czechoslovakia -----:	3,348	6,660	2,922	4,138
East Germany -----:	1,414	5,909	2,567	5,538
EC countries-----:	544,306	383,341	222,824	258,467
Finland -----:	2,402	5,968	3,122	5,349
Hungary -----:	0	0	0	585
Japan -----:	669,349	542,452	205,868	429,271
Mexico -----:	120,678	137,761	74,538	66,719
Peoples Rep of China -----:	796	2,056	370	7,690
Poland -----:	5,472	7,267	3,536	6,941
Portugal -----:	652	410	0	0
Romania -----:	18,674	22,488	15,931	21,380
Republic of South Africa -----:	44,941	40	40	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	473,648	331,525	178,547	263,196
Spain -----:	40,643	32,753	19,006	15,756
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	6	0	0	0
Venezuela -----:	35,237	38,840	20,365	13,161
Yugoslavia -----:	6,048	7,183	6,039	3,732
Total-----:	2,150,452	1,631,957	800,948	1,162,370
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	383,430	514,456	254,798	251,060
Turkey -----:	23,701	140,786	92,624	18,965
Argentina -----:	37,948	100,108	25,306	95,855
Thailand -----:	61,497	93,717	45,166	86,492
Taiwan -----:	146,515	79,176	40,188	44,560
Singapore -----:	30,015	37,408	15,537	23,861
Sweden -----:	23,201	30,146	16,664	15,837
Saudi Arabia -----:	4,705	18,036	9,140	7,307
Algeria -----:	1,303	15,592	4,755	12,756
Switzerland -----:	9,049	14,091	8,370	10,994
All others-----:	51,213	73,171	33,143	67,257
Total-----:	772,577	1,116,687	545,691	634,944
Grand total-----:	2,923,029	2,748,644	1,346,639	1,797,314

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Table 19.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	4,090	4,265	2,026	2,281	
Austria -----	6,637	11,963	4,236	10,754	
Brazil -----	60,073	32,186	14,677	19,072	
Czechoslovakia -----	1,126	2,057	846	1,828	
East Germany -----	548	1,862	869	1,980	
EC countries-----	267,898	197,587	108,745	167,355	
Finland -----	767	1,915	935	2,225	
Hungary -----	0	0	0	266	
Japan -----	361,854	295,849	106,360	306,815	
Mexico -----	43,283	57,935	29,775	36,122	
Peoples Rep of China -----	208	895	196	2,640	
Poland -----	1,571	2,219	1,073	2,544	
Portugal -----	279	157	0	0	
Romania -----	5,758	7,377	5,256	8,486	
Republic of South Africa ----	13,291	15	15	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	178,206	137,101	71,010	121,411	
Spain -----	17,717	16,510	8,559	11,771	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	5	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	11,700	13,066	6,561	4,694	
Yugoslavia -----	1,982	2,462	2,079	2,036	
Total-----	976,993	785,421	363,218	702,280	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	179,832	254,194	121,240	152,926	
Turkey -----	6,504	43,271	27,636	8,038	
Argentina -----	14,160	38,060	9,834	44,400	
Thailand -----	19,224	32,613	15,035	33,332	
Taiwan -----	46,185	28,607	13,930	18,951	
Singapore -----	10,066	13,763	5,194	9,330	
Sweden -----	14,268	21,798	11,752	13,620	
Saudi Arabia -----	1,947	7,847	3,831	3,752	
Algeria -----	261	3,756	947	3,212	
Switzerland -----	5,550	6,502	3,577	4,717	
All others-----	19,775	26,747	11,747	28,410	
Total-----	317,772	477,158	224,723	320,688	
Grand total-----	1,294,765	1,262,579	587,941	1,022,968	

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 20. Total, carbon and certain 1/ alloy steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	192,227	155,092	91,811	124,236	
Austria -----	129,400	116,298	60,906	56,112	
Brazil -----	1,122,924	1,135,516	537,269	801,032	
Czechoslovakia -----	32,249	29,792	21,583	19,094	
East Germany -----	60,687	95,910	41,358	45,897	
EC countries-----	5,912,068	5,228,372	2,521,186	2,744,964	
Finland -----	191,555	166,202	101,637	89,154	
Hungary -----	20,572	27,064	13,035	16,840	
Japan -----	4,442,667	4,311,383	2,178,156	2,196,443	
Mexico -----	423,275	471,462	227,042	246,824	
Peoples Rep of China -----	41,912	51,081	29,255	33,324	
Poland -----	60,314	91,561	43,444	65,654	
Portugal -----	27,654	31,087	16,466	15,156	
Romania -----	87,616	82,408	50,756	74,176	
Republic of South Africa -----	515,860	30,015	24,834	1,693	
Korea, Republic of -----	1,625,917	1,419,183	742,701	849,298	
Spain -----	615,423	500,796	288,329	237,633	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	77,219	62,575	29,577	15,404	
Venezuela -----	141,503	170,571	66,743	109,809	
Yugoslavia -----	24,944	15,394	10,477	7,070	
Total-----	15,745,986	14,191,762	7,096,565	7,749,813	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	3,348,415	3,763,701	1,996,164	1,826,703	
Sweden -----	506,346	566,885	341,444	383,232	
Turkey -----	150,268	407,413	259,510	208,659	
Argentina -----	177,545	346,313	128,479	386,719	
Taiwan -----	492,205	257,931	118,770	120,495	
Indonesia -----	37,903	235,573	73,175	142,935	
Norway -----	96,764	154,194	70,539	108,816	
Singapore -----	115,295	144,538	65,620	59,429	
Thailand -----	67,022	120,179	54,374	89,757	
Malaysia -----	22,547	91,854	55,456	17,334	
All others-----	191,265	318,562	119,330	254,379	
Total-----	5,205,575	6,407,143	3,282,861	3,598,458	
Grand total-----	20,951,561	20,598,905	10,379,426	11,348,271	

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Table 20. Total, carbon and certain 1/ alloy steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			-----		1987
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	72,855	70,279	40,233	52,834	
Austria -----	51,925	49,477	24,540	30,083	
Brazil -----	293,404	318,756	152,729	231,466	
Czechoslovakia -----	6,934	7,156	4,961	5,735	
East Germany -----	15,298	25,328	11,134	14,204	
EC countries-----	2,130,160	2,044,943	987,065	1,170,706	
Finland -----	53,455	51,574	29,482	33,764	
Hungary -----	4,666	6,191	2,992	4,554	
Japan -----	2,054,647	2,045,689	1,003,841	1,195,755	
Mexico -----	138,098	172,255	81,693	109,594	
Peoples Rep of China -----	16,712	23,479	13,391	12,933	
Poland -----	16,756	26,671	12,062	21,239	
Portugal -----	11,477	15,163	7,396	7,588	
Romania -----	23,574	25,093	15,402	26,284	
Republic of South Africa -----	144,637	7,322	4,664	1,487	
Korea, Republic of -----	628,894	608,066	314,754	394,876	
Spain -----	199,512	167,216	92,514	94,093	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	18,733	15,482	7,284	4,226	
Venezuela -----	44,596	48,835	20,150	34,631	
Yugoslavia -----	7,267	5,404	3,705	3,446	
Total-----	5,933,600	5,734,379	2,829,992	3,449,498	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	1,360,503	1,591,881	834,925	854,588	
Sweden -----	169,088	207,367	116,737	144,797	
Turkey -----	41,114	123,568	74,102	60,221	
Argentina -----	55,192	122,372	40,315	146,825	
Taiwan -----	161,213	104,597	49,173	52,068	
Indonesia -----	9,587	56,949	17,517	38,814	
Norway -----	28,599	39,717	18,358	28,997	
Singapore -----	33,669	42,953	20,971	19,533	
Thailand -----	21,750	43,817	18,638	35,699	
Malaysia -----	5,586	23,733	14,592	6,688	
All others-----	83,317	122,163	49,341	97,372	
Total-----	1,969,618	2,479,117	1,254,669	1,485,602	
Grand total-----	7,903,218	8,213,496	4,084,661	4,935,100	

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 21.--Stainless semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	18	0	0	8
Brazil -----	159	13,361	12,611	0
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----	1,120	6,340	2,411	1,989
Finland -----	35	0	0	0
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	2,741	3,605	445	1,222
Mexico -----	0	0	0	0
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	0	0	0
Poland -----	0	0	0	26
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	0	0	0	0
Spain -----	543	368	0	438
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	4,616	23,674	15,467	3,683
Other countries:				
Canada -----	6,808	25,200	13,015	16,700
Sweden -----	6,199	7,849	4,068	8,258
Total-----	13,007	33,049	17,083	24,958
Grand total-----	17,623	56,723	32,550	28,641

Table 21.--Stainless semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
Value (thousand dollars)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	41 :	0 :	0 :	22
Brazil -----:	220 :	3,904 :	3,689 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	1,635 :	4,418 :	1,425 :	2,934
Finland -----:	50 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	2,978 :	3,581 :	361 :	1,692
Mexico -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	34
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Spain -----:	343 :	1,566 :	0 :	2,340
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	5,267 :	13,469 :	5,475 :	7,022
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	6,301 :	25,133 :	12,929 :	22,959
Sweden -----:	6,913 :	7,692 :	3,212 :	11,287
Total-----:	13,214 :	32,825 :	16,141 :	34,246
Grand total-----:	18,481 :	46,294 :	21,616 :	41,268

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 22.-Stainless steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	127 :	96 :	18 :	90
Brazil -----	6 :	36 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	12,505 :	5,278 :	2,154 :	3,731
Finland -----	968 :	2,369 :	1,433 :	1,441
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	860 :	1,558 :	770 :	1,063
Mexico -----	0 :	2 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----	199 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Spain -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	14,665 :	9,339 :	4,375 :	6,325
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	1,724 :	1,744 :	930 :	684
Canada -----	26 :	34 :	27 :	126
Total-----	1,750 :	1,778 :	957 :	810
Grand total-----	16,415 :	11,117 :	5,332 :	7,135

Table 22.--Stainless steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
Value (thousand dollars)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	326 :	366 :	49 :	379	
Brazil -----	12 :	56 :	0 :	0	
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----	17,371 :	9,256 :	3,546 :	6,783	
Finland -----	1,317 :	3,590 :	2,103 :	2,706	
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----	1,379 :	2,339 :	1,073 :	1,783	
Mexico -----	0 :	2 :	0 :	0	
Peoples Rep of China -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Poland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Portugal -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Romania -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----	216 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Spain -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Total -----	20,621 :	15,609 :	6,771 :	11,651	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	4,124 :	3,986 :	2,084 :	1,734	
Canada -----	46 :	33 :	20 :	211	
Total -----	4,170 :	4,019 :	2,104 :	1,945	
Grand total -----	24,791 :	19,628 :	8,875 :	13,596	

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 23.--Stainless steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987		1988
			1987	1988	
Quantity (short tons)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	0	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	57	52	15	4	
Brazil -----	472	550	0	241	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----	67,087	41,504	20,981	21,958	
Finland -----	9,272	6,296	2,921	3,230	
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	22,110	25,733	13,567	11,530	
Mexico -----	11,240	18,819	9,772	5,135	
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	21	21	0	0
Poland -----	0	0	0	0	0
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	2,475	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	10,065	9,450	5,635	4,062	
Spain -----	11,887	13,700	7,114	4,731	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0	0
Total -----	134,665	116,125	60,026	50,891	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	8,227	7,493	3,888	5,717	
Canada -----	4,115	4,892	2,700	2,179	
Taiwan -----	4,173	345	243	0	
India -----	184	341	317	90	
Hong Kong -----	0	41	41	0	0
Norway -----	0	37	0	0	
Jordan -----	20	19	19	0	
Antigua -----	0	1	0	0	
Honduras -----	0	0	0	19	
Panama -----	48	0	0	0	
All others-----	139	0	0	2	
Total -----	16,906	13,169	7,208	8,007	
Grand total -----	151,571	129,294	67,234	58,898	

Table 23.--Stainless steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	194	202	50	26
Brazil -----	577	675	0	369
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----	89,179	65,434	32,394	37,084
Finland -----	13,588	9,834	4,435	5,915
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	35,055	43,684	22,417	23,198
Mexico -----	15,853	30,157	15,843	8,203
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	29	29	0
Poland -----	0	0	0	0
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	2,814	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	13,218	14,459	8,551	7,457
Spain -----	16,002	20,342	10,482	7,828
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	186,480	184,816	94,201	90,080
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	17,505	17,785	8,598	14,212
Canada -----	5,426	8,019	4,031	4,944
Taiwan -----	5,474	464	347	0
India -----	246	492	458	172
Hong Kong -----	0	59	59	0
Norway -----	0	16	0	0
Jordan -----	37	37	37	0
Antigua -----	0	11	0	0
Honduras -----	0	0	0	35
Panama -----	62	0	0	0
All others-----	204	0	0	26
Total-----	28,954	26,883	13,530	19,389
Grand total-----	215,434	211,699	107,731	109,469

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 24.--Stainless steel bars and shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			-----		1987
			Quantity (short tons)	-----	
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	0	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	2	94	16	113	
Brazil -----	2,636	1,450	578	1,916	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0	
EC countries-----	6,481	5,899	3,182	4,990	
Finland -----	36	0	0	0	
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0	
Japan -----	19,297	19,259	9,868	7,751	
Mexico -----	22	0	0	49	
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	4	0	2	
Poland -----	0	0	0	0	
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0	
Romania -----	0	0	0	18	
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	1,643	2,582	1,051	876	
Spain -----	3,221	3,826	1,667	2,189	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0	
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0	
Total-----	33,338	33,114	16,362	17,904	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	3,359	3,200	1,396	2,120	
Canada -----	1,056	1,269	655	688	
India -----	0	126	0	67	
Argentina -----	130	111	49	0	
Switzerland -----	0	66	64	1/	
Taiwan -----	4	59	40	6	
Bulgaria -----	0	46	0	0	
Jordan -----	2	0	0	0	
Total-----	4,551	4,877	2,204	2,881	
Grand total-----	37,889	37,991	18,566	20,785	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 24.--Stainless steel bars and shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	5 :	257 :	64 :	261
Brazil -----	4,841 :	2,503 :	957 :	3,224
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	13,529 :	11,437 :	6,080 :	9,934
Finland -----	46 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	37,714 :	36,707 :	18,696 :	15,960
Mexico -----	27 :	0 :	0 :	163
Peoples Rep of China -----	0 :	75 :	0 :	40
Poland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	30
Republic of South Africa -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----	2,920 :	4,294 :	1,790 :	1,521
Spain -----	5,750 :	6,889 :	2,960 :	4,552
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	64,832 :	62,162 :	30,547 :	35,685
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	6,726 :	6,180 :	2,738 :	4,471
Canada -----	2,447 :	2,136 :	1,041 :	1,356
India -----	0 :	199 :	0 :	105
Argentina -----	246 :	201 :	89 :	0
Switzerland -----	0 :	129 :	120 :	1
Taiwan -----	5 :	108 :	77 :	17
Bulgaria -----	0 :	70 :	0 :	0
Jordan -----	7 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	9,431 :	9,023 :	4,065 :	5,950
Grand total-----	74,263 :	71,185 :	34,612 :	41,635

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 25.--Stainless steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Brazil -----:	1,348 :	874 :	579 :	406
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	4,639 :	5,482 :	2,511 :	3,367
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	6,101 :	5,544 :	2,755 :	2,593
Mexico -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	863 :	868 :	544 :	286
Spain -----:	1,682 :	1,542 :	866 :	913
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	17
Total-----:	14,633 :	14,310 :	7,255 :	7,582
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	3,864 :	3,955 :	1,882 :	1,935
Taiwan -----:	0 :	47 :	5 :	90
Total-----:	3,864 :	4,002 :	1,887 :	2,025
Grand total-----:	18,497 :	18,312 :	9,142 :	9,607

Table 25.--Stainless steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	January--June			
	1986	1987	1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Brazil -----	1,619 :	1,224 :	766 :	556
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	8,410 :	11,089 :	5,470 :	7,380
Finland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	9,707 :	8,927 :	4,520 :	4,572
Mexico -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----	1,112 :	1,150 :	708 :	410
Spain -----	2,669 :	2,539 :	1,348 :	2,206
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	22
Total-----	23,517 :	24,929 :	12,812 :	15,146
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	6,619 :	6,995 :	3,238 :	3,850
Taiwan -----	0 :	72 :	11 :	171
Total-----	6,619 :	7,067 :	3,249 :	4,021
Grand total-----	30,136 :	31,996 :	16,061 :	19,167

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 26.--Stainless steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June		
			1987	1988	
			Quantity (short tons)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	1	1/	1/	1/	1/
Austria -----	15	37	19		5
Brazil -----	156	188	85		44
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0		0
East Germany -----	0	0	0		0
EC countries-----	6,257	6,763	3,234		3,567
Finland -----	0	0	0		0
Hungary -----	0	0	0		0
Japan -----	3,621	4,254	2,018		1,882
Mexico -----	0	0	0		1
Peoples Rep of China -----	6	0	0		0
Poland -----	0	71	71		0
Portugal -----	0	0	0		0
Romania -----	0	0	0		0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0		0
Korea, Republic of -----	1,033	884	494		425
Spain -----	265	621	495		133
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0		0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0		0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0		0
Total-----	11,354	12,818	6,416		6,057
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	2,459	2,555	1,286		1,420
Canada -----	2,483	2,043	1,056		1,301
Taiwan -----	1,191	1,462	894		460
India -----	0	77	38		59
Israel -----	0	65	65		0
Switzerland -----	42	47	30		123
New Zealand -----	0	15	0		0
Singapore -----	12	0	0		0
Total-----	6,187	6,264	3,369		3,363
Grand total-----	17,541	19,082	9,785		9,420

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 26.--Stainless steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	91	64	34	16
Austria -----:	50	172	78	27
Brazil -----:	213	282	128	61
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----:	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----:	17,799	17,601	8,322	10,412
Finland -----:	0	0	0	0
Hungary -----:	0	0	0	0
Japan -----:	11,367	13,957	6,912	7,238
Mexico -----:	0	0	0	6
Peoples Rep of China -----:	13	0	0	0
Poland -----:	0	16	16	0
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	2,563	2,240	1,196	1,120
Spain -----:	489	1,280	1,031	312
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----:	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	0
Total-----:	32,585	35,612	17,717	19,192
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	10,073	10,548	5,388	6,180
Canada -----:	6,594	6,960	3,610	5,056
Taiwan -----:	2,927	3,797	2,300	1,307
India -----:	0	159	77	111
Israel -----:	0	85	85	0
Switzerland -----:	128	170	98	471
New Zealand -----:	0	49	0	0
All others-----:	25	0	0	0
Total-----:	19,747	21,768	11,558	13,125
Grand total-----:	52,332	57,380	29,275	32,317

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 27.--Stainless steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0	0	0	10
Austria -----	490	395	174	421
Brazil -----	6	0	0	0
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----	4,830	4,430	2,009	3,990
Finland -----	6	0	0	1/
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	11,167	7,208	3,179	4,982
Mexico -----	372	781	452	486
Peoples Rep of China -----	1/	0	0	0
Poland -----	0	0	0	0
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	773	517	257	235
Spain -----	75	88	11	177
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0
Total-----	17,719	13,419	6,082	10,301
Other countries:				
Canada -----	4,471	5,432	2,700	4,364
Sweden -----	7,673	4,016	2,470	2,955
Taiwan -----	3,358	3,571	1,744	3,370
Algeria -----	0	6	0	0
Switzerland -----	10	2	1	1
Israel -----	1/	1/	1/	3
Norway -----	38	1/	0	0
Malaysia -----	0	1/	0	0
India -----	1	0	0	0
Thailand -----	0	0	0	30
All others-----	4	0	0	0
Total-----	15,555	13,027	6,915	10,723
Grand total-----	33,274	26,446	12,997	21,024

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 27.--Stainless steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	48
Austria -----:	1,588 :	1,637 :	729 :	1,836
Brazil -----:	24 :	0 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	14,808 :	14,405 :	6,215 :	14,459
Finland -----:	16 :	0 :	0 :	1
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	33,103 :	22,587 :	10,578 :	17,115
Mexico -----:	864 :	1,654 :	934 :	1,210
Peoples Rep of China -----:	1 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	2,006 :	1,412 :	723 :	727
Spain -----:	212 :	282 :	44 :	644
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	52,622 :	41,977 :	19,223 :	36,040
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	12,987 :	17,196 :	8,616 :	13,464
Sweden -----:	21,657 :	12,414 :	7,487 :	11,026
Taiwan -----:	7,470 :	9,190 :	4,714 :	8,400
Algeria -----:	0 :	21 :	0 :	0
Switzerland -----:	348 :	168 :	64 :	100
Israel -----:	46 :	49 :	24 :	44
Norway -----:	86 :	2 :	0 :	0
Malaysia -----:	0 :	2 :	0 :	0
All others-----:	24 :	0 :	0 :	67
Total-----:	42,618 :	39,042 :	20,905 :	33,101
Grand total-----:	95,240 :	81,019 :	40,128 :	69,141

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 28.--Alloy tool steel (all forms): U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	14	19	19	0
Austria -----	3,070	2,693	1,732	1,413
Brazil -----	1,699	997	595	1,138
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	2
East Germany -----	25	0	0	0
EC countries-----	15,072	10,302	4,870	7,076
Finland -----	0	22	0	0
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	6,429	6,077	3,911	2,261
Mexico -----	376	139	67	204
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	1	1	1/
Poland -----	294	304	144	40
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	1,285	1,388	808	522
Spain -----	51	47	47	5
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	10	0	0	0
Total-----	28,325	21,989	12,194	12,661
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	10,079	11,669	5,763	6,558
Canada -----	6,172	6,868	4,018	4,795
Argentina -----	134	70	30	42
Malaysia -----	0	2	0	0
Taiwan -----	22	1/	0	0
Switzerland -----	15	1/	1/	0
New Zealand -----	1	0	0	0
Total-----	16,423	18,609	9,811	11,395
Grand total-----	44,748	40,598	22,005	24,056

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 28.--Alloy tool steel (all forms): U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	50	31	31	0
Austria -----	6,567	5,895	3,681	3,574
Brazil -----	3,129	1,349	695	2,211
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	12
East Germany -----	8	0	0	0
EC countries-----	24,272	18,504	8,403	12,649
Finland -----	0	37	0	0
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	12,443	12,370	6,966	7,342
Mexico -----	735	142	64	254
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	4	4	13
Poland -----	384	454	213	62
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	1,810	2,097	1,167	861
Spain -----	78	54	54	24
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	12	0	0	0
Total-----	49,488	40,937	21,278	27,002
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	24,303	28,049	13,313	14,579
Canada -----	8,906	9,342	5,423	6,529
Argentina -----	203	122	57	65
Malaysia -----	0	1	0	0
Taiwan -----	51	1	0	0
Switzerland -----	11	2	2	0
New Zealand -----	2	0	0	0
Total-----	33,476	37,517	18,795	21,173
Grand total-----	82,964	78,454	40,073	48,175

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 29.--Total, stainless and alloy tool steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January--June	
			1987	1988
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	15 :	20 :	20 :	10
Austria -----:	3,777 :	3,368 :	1,975 :	2,054
Brazil -----:	6,482 :	17,456 :	14,448 :	3,745
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	2
East Germany -----:	25 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	117,991 :	85,998 :	41,352 :	50,668
Finland -----:	10,318 :	8,687 :	4,353 :	4,672
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	72,328 :	73,238 :	36,512 :	33,284
Mexico -----:	12,011 :	19,741 :	10,291 :	5,875
Peoples Rep of China -----:	6 :	26 :	22 :	2
Poland -----:	294 :	375 :	215 :	66
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	18
Republic of South Africa -----:	2,674 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	15,661 :	15,689 :	8,790 :	6,405
Spain -----:	17,725 :	20,193 :	10,200 :	8,586
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	10 :	0 :	0 :	17
Total -----:	259,317 :	244,791 :	128,178 :	115,404
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	25,130 :	45,739 :	24,170 :	30,153
Sweden -----:	43,584 :	42,482 :	21,683 :	29,647
Taiwan -----:	8,747 :	5,484 :	2,926 :	3,926
India -----:	185 :	544 :	355 :	216
Argentina -----:	263 :	181 :	79 :	42
Switzerland -----:	129 :	116 :	95 :	124
Israel -----:	1/ :	65 :	65 :	3
Bulgaria -----:	0 :	46 :	0 :	0
Hong Kong -----:	0 :	41 :	41 :	0
Norway -----:	38 :	37 :	0 :	0
All others -----:	164 :	44 :	19 :	52
Total -----:	78,369 :	94,779 :	49,433 :	64,163
Grand total -----:	337,686 :	339,570 :	177,614 :	179,567

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 29.--Total, stainless and alloy tool steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January--June 1987	1988
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	142	95	65	63
Austria -----	8,771	8,529	4,650	6,124
Brazil -----	10,635	9,993	6,236	6,420
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	12
East Germany -----	8	0	0	0
EC countries-----	187,004	152,144	71,856	101,635
Finland -----	15,018	13,461	6,538	8,622
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	143,744	144,150	71,524	78,900
Mexico -----	17,480	31,955	16,841	9,836
Peoples Rep of China -----	14	108	33	53
Poland -----	384	470	229	95
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	30
Republic of South Africa -----	3,030	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	23,628	25,652	14,134	12,096
Spain -----	25,543	32,952	15,918	17,906
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	12	0	0	22
Total-----	435,413	419,509	208,024	241,814
Other countries:				
Canada -----	42,707	68,819	35,670	54,519
Sweden -----	97,920	93,649	46,058	67,341
Taiwan -----	15,927	13,631	7,449	9,895
India -----	260	851	535	388
Argentina -----	449	323	146	65
Switzerland -----	581	469	284	572
Israel -----	46	134	109	44
Bulgaria -----	0	70	0	0
Hong Kong -----	0	59	59	0
Norway -----	86	18	0	0
All others-----	254	122	37	127
Total-----	158,230	178,145	90,347	132,951
Grand total-----	593,643	597,654	298,371	374,765

1/ Less than 0.5 short tons.

Table 30.—Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Unit value of U.S. imports for consumption, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Per short ton)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987	1988	
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	191	211	204	230	
Plate	294	332	320	386	
Sheet and strip:					
Hot rolled	279	308	297	349	
Cold rolled	408	449	444	495	
Galvanized	465	503	496	540	
Tin plate	527	533	533	555	
Tin free	493	509	508	530	
Other coated	500	528	511	578	
Average, sheet and strip	399	433	427	471	
Bar:					
Hot finished	354	369	365	396	
Cold finished	512	831	1,098	573	
Reinforcing	226	248	241	245	
Light shapes	297	315	299	367	
Average, bar	329	400	436	389	
Hire rod	318	313	317	333	
Hire	606	631	619	676	
Wire products	604	628	624	637	
Structural shapes and units:					
Heavy structurals	296	304	291	365	
Fabricated structurals	906	898	929	916	
Average, structurals	388	378	376	427	
Rails and related products	325	325	343	398	
Pipe and tube:					
Oil country tubular goods	517	536	506	706	
Line pipe	417	421	411	496	
Mechanical pipe	630	623	632	623	
Structural pipe	343	368	351	475	
Pressure tubing	654	689	762	666	
Other (incl. standard)	403	415	405	465	
Average, pipe and tube	443	459	437	569	
Average, carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel	377	399	394	435	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 30.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Unit value of U.S. imports for consumption, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Per short ton)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987		1988
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/ ¹	1,049	816	664		1,441
Plate	1,510	1,766	1,664		1,906
Sheet and strip:					
Sheet	1,361	1,566	1,539		1,775
Strip	2,198	2,555	2,440		2,899
Average, sheet and strip	1,621	1,637	1,602		1,859
Bars and shapes:					
Bars and shapes	1,960	1,874	1,864		2,003
Wire rod:					
Wire rod	1,629	1,747	1,757		1,995
Wire:					
Wire	2,984	3,007	2,992		3,431
Pipe and tube:					
Pipe and tube	2,862	3,063	3,087		3,289
Alloy tool steel (all forms):					
Average, stainless and alloy steel	1,854	1,932	1,821		2,003
	1,759	1,760	1,680		2,087

^{1/} Including alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

^{2/} Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from data of the American Iron & Steel Institute, and official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	January-June				
	1986	1987	1987	1988	
Quantity (short tons)					
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/					
Ingots-----	152,445	103,967	55,135	74,624	
Blooms and billets-----	418,113	426,208	217,602	335,978	
Slabs and sheet bars-----	1,496,142	1,702,095	904,570	1,170,124	
Total-----	2,066,700	2,232,270	1,177,307	1,580,726	
Plate:					
Carbon-----	1,363,633	1,450,898	692,963	937,595	
Alloy-----	76,742	104,678	53,006	58,124	
Total-----	1,440,375	1,555,577	745,969	995,719	
Sheet and strip:					
Hot rolled:					
Sheet-----	2,090,107	2,123,804	1,046,570	1,058,692	
Strip-----	43,557	43,197	24,366	22,334	
Cold rolled:					
Black plate-----	205,937	159,779	79,983	67,855	
Electrical-----	81,703	64,822	30,345	33,139	
Other sheet-----	2,556,385	2,156,348	1,023,576	1,018,212	
Other strip-----	148,279	135,227	69,676	70,570	
Galvanized-----	2,321,108	2,306,233	1,165,716	1,075,061	
Tin plate-----	359,658	332,306	186,125	144,048	
Tin free-----	110,569	101,172	57,451	46,699	
Other coated-----	209,730	323,709	178,983	128,638	
Total-----	8,127,033	7,746,596	3,862,791	3,665,249	
Bar:					
Hot rolled:					
Carbon-----	420,515	443,037	223,031	228,859	
Alloy-----	155,218	160,811	80,776	99,671	
Cold rolled:					
Carbon-----	160,083	152,283	79,821	84,595	
Alloy-----	44,226	40,927	23,406	25,280	
Reinforcing-----	454,735	351,632	187,219	147,927	
Light structural shapes-----	158,953	132,477	75,247	63,083	
Total-----	1,393,731	1,281,168	669,501	649,414	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January-June		1988	
			1987	1988		
Quantity (short tons)						
Wire rod and related products:						
Wire rod:						
Carbon-----	1,236,274	1,341,257	635,997	744,533		
Alloy-----	107,982	107,463	51,499	59,239		
Wire:						
Carbon-----	528,187	504,898	263,678	259,328		
Alloy-----	36,294	31,999	16,436	16,749		
Wire products:						
Nails-----	393,673	440,746	229,623	188,779		
Barbed wire-----	22,157	16,643	8,589	9,236		
Wire fencing-----	12,063	13,263	7,632	6,943		
Bale ties-----	696	1,719	1,049	869		
Wire strand-----	121,596	98,898	51,553	41,660		
Wire rope-----	73,994	65,683	35,865	34,987		
Milliners wire-----	12,412	12,426	7,207	7,071		
Total-----	2,545,328	2,634,993	1,309,127	1,369,394		
Structurals:						
Heavy-----	1,852,377	1,884,684	988,139	1,018,357		
Fabricated-----	327,280	268,985	151,309	129,030		
Total-----	2,179,657	2,153,669	1,139,448	1,147,387		
Rails and related products:						
Rails-----	244,737	213,530	110,832	109,526		
Joint bars and tie plates-----	21,025	13,969	13,355	7,574		
Track spikes-----	323	370	200	149		
Wheels and axles-----	9,626	18,120	4,260	25,819		
Total-----	275,710	245,988	128,646	143,067		
Pipes and tubes:						
Oil country tubular goods-----	651,840	594,463	216,941	564,131		
Line pipe-----	782,764	526,047	297,865	279,934		
Mechanical pipe-----	239,170	284,807	130,220	220,573		
Structural pipe-----	479,768	428,758	266,375	157,803		
Pressure tubing-----	25,086	27,122	9,955	29,861		
Other (including standard)-----	744,400	887,446	425,284	545,015		
Total-----	2,923,029	2,748,644	1,346,639	1,797,317		

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January-June	
			1987	1988
Quantity (short tons)				
Stainless and alloy tool steel:				
Stainless:				
Semifinished:				
Ingots-----	404	1,106	612	214
Blooms and billets-----	11,822	48,955	29,527	19,862
Slabs and sheet bars-----	5,397	6,664	2,411	8,564
Total-----	17,622	56,725	32,550	28,640
Plate-----	16,415	11,118	5,333	7,135
Sheet and strip:				
Sheet:				
Hot rolled-----	4,275	5,179	2,006	3,363
Cold rolled-----	136,440	114,806	60,478	51,181
Strip-----	10,856	9,309	4,750	4,355
Total-----	151,571	129,295	67,234	58,899
Bars and shapes-----	37,888	37,991	18,567	20,785
Wire rod-----	18,496	18,311	9,142	9,608
Wire-----	17,541	19,084	9,785	9,420
Pipe and tube-----	33,274	26,448	12,997	21,023
Alloy tool steel (all forms):				
Semifinished 2/-----	8,032	6,880	4,731	2,471
Bars-----	21,496	19,792	9,533	15,965
Other-----	15,221	13,927	7,742	5,619
Total-----	44,749	40,599	22,005	24,055

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

Item	1986	1987	January-June			
			1987	1988		
Share of product group totals (percent)						

Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:						
Semifinished 2/						
Ingots-----	7.38	4.66	4.68	4.72		
Blooms and billets-----	20.23	19.09	18.48	21.25		
Slabs and sheet bars-----	72.39	76.25	76.83	74.02		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Plate:						
Carbon-----	94.67	93.27	92.89	94.16		
Alloy-----	5.33	6.73	7.11	5.84		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Sheet and strip:						
Hot rolled:						
Sheet-----	25.72	27.42	27.09	28.88		
Strip-----	0.54	0.56	0.63	0.61		
Cold rolled:						
Black plate-----	2.53	2.06	2.07	1.85		
Electrical-----	1.01	0.84	0.79	0.90		
Other sheet-----	31.46	27.84	26.50	27.78		
Other strip-----	1.82	1.75	1.80	1.93		
Galvanized-----	28.56	29.77	30.18	29.33		
Tin plate-----	4.43	4.29	4.82	3.93		
Tin free-----	1.36	1.31	1.49	1.27		
Other coated-----	2.58	4.18	4.63	3.51		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Bar:						
Hot rolled:						
Carbon-----	30.17	34.58	33.31	35.24		
Alloy-----	11.14	12.55	12.07	15.35		
Cold rolled:						
Carbon-----	11.49	11.89	11.92	13.03		
Alloy-----	3.17	3.19	3.50	3.89		
Reinforcing-----	32.63	27.45	27.96	22.78		
Light structural shapes-----	11.40	10.34	11.24	9.71		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
				"		

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January-June			
			1987	1988		
:						
: Share of product group totals (percent)						

WIRE ROD AND RELATED PRODUCTS:						
WIRE ROD:						
Carbon-----	48.57	50.90	48.58	54.37		
Alloy-----	4.24	4.08	3.93	4.33		
Wire:						
Carbon-----	20.75	19.16	20.14	18.94		
Alloy-----	1.43	1.21	1.26	1.22		
Wire products:						
Nails-----	15.47	16.73	17.54	13.79		
Barbed wire-----	0.87	0.63	0.66	0.67		
Wire fencing-----	0.47	0.50	0.58	0.51		
Bale ties-----	0.03	0.07	0.08	0.06		
Wire strand-----	4.78	3.75	3.94	3.04		
Wire rope-----	2.91	2.49	2.74	2.55		
Milliners wire-----	0.49	0.47	0.55	0.52		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Structurals:						
Heavy-----	84.98	87.51	86.72	88.75		
Fabricated-----	15.02	12.49	13.28	11.25		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Rails and related products:						
Rails-----	88.77	86.80	86.15	76.56		
Joint bars and tie plates-----	7.63	5.68	10.38	5.29		
Track spikes-----	0.12	0.15	0.16	0.10		
Wheels and axles-----	3.49	7.37	3.31	18.05		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Pipes and tubes:						
Oil country tubular goods-----	22.30	21.63	16.11	31.39		
Line pipe-----	26.78	19.14	22.12	15.58		
Mechanical pipe-----	8.18	10.36	9.67	12.27		
Structural pipe-----	16.41	15.60	19.78	8.78		
Pressure tubing-----	0.86	0.99	0.74	1.66		
Other (including standard)-----	25.47	32.29	31.58	30.32		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 31.-- Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption of specified products and imports as a percent of major product groupings, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988--Continued

Item	1986	1987	January-June		1988	
			1987	1988		
Share of product group totals (percent)						
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STAINLESS AND ALLOY TOOL STEEL:						
STAINLESS:						
SEMIFINISHED:						
Ingots-----	2.29	1.95	1.88	0.75		
Blooms and billets-----	67.09	86.30	90.71	69.35		
Slabs and sheet bars-----	30.62	11.75	7.41	29.90		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Plate-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Sheet and strip:						
Sheet:						
Hot rolled-----	2.82	4.01	2.98	5.71		
Cold rolled-----	90.02	88.79	89.95	86.90		
Strip-----	7.16	7.20	7.06	7.39		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Bars and shapes-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Wire rod-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Wire-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Pipe and tube-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Alloy tool steel (all forms):						
Semifinished 2/-----	17.95	16.95	21.50	10.27		
Bars-----	48.04	48.75	43.32	66.37		
Other-----	34.01	34.30	35.18	23.36		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 32.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products:
U.S. imports for consumption, by customs areas, 1986, 1987, and by
specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987	1988	
Atlantic Coast-----:	4,915,642	4,673,187	2,618,413		2,721,590
Great Lakes-Canadian border-----:	6,484,922	6,594,724	2,988,573		2,766,925
Gulf Coast-Mexican border-----:	5,144,258	4,930,247	2,581,466		3,444,769
Off-shore-----:	470,616	374,262	177,933		164,577
Pacific Coast-----:	4,273,681	4,366,056	2,190,657		2,429,976
Total-----:	21,289,119	20,938,475	10,557,040		11,527,838

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 33.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, for consumption through the Atlantic Coast customs area, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987	1988	
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	420,146	384,562	293,636		280,098
Plate	265,696	258,880	132,867		194,987
Sheet and strip	2,114,016	1,900,352	1,056,476		1,078,884
Bars and certain shapes	265,102	222,055	133,214		113,204
Wire rod	269,425	310,731	151,282		161,485
Wire	138,407	119,558	60,523		59,007
Wire products	235,748	266,335	135,744		106,917
Structural shapes and units	541,402	581,450	309,563		337,056
Rails and related products	18,320	25,273	18,477		21,508
Pipe and tube	483,899	462,405	256,147		289,212
Total	4,752,161	4,531,600	2,547,930		2,642,356
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	8,512	15,595	4,903		10,524
Plate	9,211	4,167	1,843		2,670
Sheet and strip	62,730	42,918	22,473		21,882
Bars and certain shapes	20,307	19,945	9,899		12,503
Wire rod	14,402	13,117	6,620		6,777
Wire	9,570	10,357	5,338		4,854
Pipe and tube	12,306	10,147	5,197		7,419
Tool steel (all forms)	26,352	25,340	14,209		12,606
Total	163,481	141,586	70,483		79,234
Grand Total	4,915,642	4,673,187	2,618,413		2,721,590

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 34.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, for consumption through the Great Lakes-Canadian border customs area, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987		1988
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	614,958	498,851	243,733		151,881
Plate-----	532,453	663,496	303,515		320,515
Sheet and strip-----	2,671,422	2,630,195	1,091,094		909,966
Bars and certain shapes-----	563,444	561,285	276,706		295,887
Hire rod-----	518,651	565,070	260,656		271,988
Hire-----	264,474	251,126	133,828		135,374
Hire products-----	103,566	95,457	55,156		47,325
Structural shapes and units-----	635,262	566,003	268,838		246,391
Rails and related products-----	87,985	107,729	38,752		66,762
Pipe and tube-----	420,125	564,259	271,107		268,364
Total-----	6,412,340	6,503,470	2,943,386		2,714,454
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	7,263	27,149	14,789		16,783
Plate-----	990	1,971	902		925
Sheet and strip-----	36,402	34,156	15,763		15,747
Bars and certain shapes-----	3,930	4,170	1,775		1,591
Hire rod-----	770	1,047	363		280
Hire-----	4,592	4,794	2,475		2,940
Pipe and tube-----	5,639	6,134	3,082		4,773
Tool steel (all forms)-----	12,997	11,832	6,036		9,434
Total-----	72,583	91,254	45,187		52,472
Grand Total-----	6,484,922	6,594,724	2,988,573		2,766,925

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 35.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, for consumption through the Gulf Coast-Mexican border customs area, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June	
			1987	1988
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:				
Semifinished 2/-	581,228	866,421	431,954	685,029
Plate	419,732	419,658	215,980	343,277
Sheet and strip	1,667,147	1,515,043	829,726	901,737
Bars and certain shapes	137,209	131,573	81,024	77,105
Wire rod	266,067	257,709	134,654	216,898
Wire	68,713	76,094	39,495	33,547
Wire products	126,549	107,610	57,770	56,288
Structural shapes and units	450,697	473,758	270,349	255,510
Rails and related products	92,952	61,358	32,447	31,940
Pipe and tube	1,285,600	959,115	449,449	819,703
Total-	5,095,895	4,868,139	2,542,847	3,421,034
Stainless and alloy tool steel:				
Stainless steel:				
Semifinished 2/-	1,345	13,974	12,854	1,293
Plate	4,246	2,714	1,472	2,039
Sheet and strip	23,265	29,042	15,850	9,716
Bars and certain shapes	5,852	5,951	3,181	3,262
Wire rod	722	1,117	488	568
Wire	851	1,350	816	325
Pipe and tube	9,652	6,665	3,215	6,098
Tool steel (all forms)	2,430	1,295	743	434
Total-	48,363	62,108	38,618	23,736
Grand Total-	5,144,258	4,930,247	2,581,466	3,444,769

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 36.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, for consumption through the Off-shore customs area, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987	1988	
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	1,048	0	0		0
Plate	8,335	6,693	3,774		5,142
Sheet and strip	94,531	90,238	55,704		30,525
Bars and certain shapes	200,705	164,360	65,529		62,886
Wire rod	8,279	11,940	4,484		10,464
Wire	13,575	11,147	5,647		7,267
Wire products	8,551	7,285	3,994		4,987
Structural shapes and units	27,365	22,499	13,504		8,425
Rails and related products	691	445	344		7
Pipe and tube	105,346	58,545	29,610		34,132
Total	468,378	373,151	177,590		163,836
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	0	0	0		0
Plate	0	0	0		1
Sheet and strip	22	1	0		0
Bars and certain shapes	0	0	0		0
Wire rod	0	0	0		0
Wire	1,368	1,074	329		698
Pipe and tube	847	36	14		42
Tool steel (all forms)	0	0	0		0
Total	2,238	1,111	343		741
Grand Total	470,616	374,262	177,933		164,577

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 37.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports, for consumption through the Pacific Coast customs area, 1986, 1987, and by specified periods, 1987 and 1988

(Short tons)

Item	1986	1987	January-June		
			1987	1988	
				1988	
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	449,319	482,436	207,984		463,718
Plate-----	214,158	206,851	89,833		131,798
Sheet and strip-----	1,579,917	1,610,768	829,790		744,137
Bars and certain shapes-----	227,271	201,894	113,028		100,332
Wire rod-----	281,835	303,270	136,420		142,936
Wire-----	79,311	78,972	40,620		40,883
Wire products-----	162,177	172,890	88,854		74,027
Structural shapes and units-----	524,930	509,959	277,194		300,004
Rails and related products-----	75,812	51,183	38,626		22,850
Pipe and tube-----	628,059	704,321	345,326		385,906
Total-----	4,222,789	4,322,545	2,167,675		2,406,594
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	422	7	4		40
Plate-----	1,958	2,266	1,115		1,499
Sheet and strip-----	29,151	23,178	13,148		11,554
Bars and certain shapes-----	7,799	7,925	3,712		3,430
Wire rod-----	2,603	3,030	1,671		1,984
Wire-----	1,160	1,508	827		603
Pipe and tube-----	4,829	3,465	1,488		2,691
Tool steel (all forms)-----	2,969	2,132	1,017		1,582
Total-----	50,891	43,511	22,981		23,383
Grand Total-----	4,273,681	4,366,056	2,190,657		2,429,976

1/ Certain alloy refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

2/ Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and steel bars.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Appendix A

**Definition of Certain Terms, and Description of the Products Subject
to the Investigation**

DEFINITIONS

1. Steel.--An alloy of iron and carbon which is malleable as first cast. Steel may contain other elements, but iron must predominate, by weight, over each of the other elements.
2. Carbon steel.--Steel in which none of the elements listed below exceeds the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:
 - 1.65 percent of manganese, or
 - 0.25 percent of phosphorus, or
 - 0.35 percent of sulphur, or
 - 0.60 percent of silicon, or
 - 0.60 percent of copper, or
 - 0.30 percent of aluminum, or
 - 0.20 percent of chromium, or
 - 0.30 percent of cobalt, or
 - 0.35 percent of lead, or
 - 0.50 percent of nickel, or
 - 0.30 percent of tungsten, or
 - 0.10 percent of any other metallic element.
3. Alloy steel.--Steel which contains any of the elements listed in definition 2 (above) in excess of its specified quantity.
 - (i) Stainless steel.--Any alloy steel which contains by weight less than 1 percent of carbon and over 11.5 percent of chromium;
 - (ii) Tool steel.--Alloy steel which contains the following combinations of elements in the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:
 - (A) not less than 1.0 percent carbon and over 11.0 percent chromium, or
 - (B) not less than 0.85 percent carbon and 1.0 percent to 1.8 percent inclusive manganese; or
 - (C) 0.9 percent to 1.2 percent inclusive chromium and 0.9 percent to 1.4 percent inclusive molybdenum; or
 - (D) not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 3.5 percent molybdenum; or
 - (E) not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 5.5 percent tungsten; or
 - (F) not less than 0.3 percent carbon and 1.25 percent to 11.0 percent inclusive chromium.
4. Galvanized.--Steel which has been coated or plated with zinc.

Alloy steel--Continued

5. Hot-rolled.--Steel which has been reduced to its final thickness by heating and rolling the product at elevated temperature (usually above 2,200° F.).

6. Cold-rolled.--Steel which has been reduced to its final thickness by rolling the product without heating it immediately prior to the rolling operation.

7. Continuous casting.--The method of producing semifinished products in which molten steel flows evenly into a caster where it is rapidly cooled, causing it to solidify directly into semifinished products such as slabs and billets.

8. Short ton.--Two thousand (2,000) pounds.

9. Semifinished products include:

(i) Ingots.--Castings resulting from the solidification of molten steel and having a columnar form suitable for working by rolling or forging. Ingots are included in AISI (American Iron and Steel Institute) product group No. 1A.

(ii) Blooms and billets.--Semifinished products generally of rectangular or circular cross section, having a length several times greater than the maximum cross-sectional dimension, and, if rectangular, a width less than 4 times the thickness. A bloom is at least 36 square inches but not less than 3 square inches in cross-sectional area. Blooms and billets are included in AISI product group No. 1B.

(iii) Slabs and sheet bars.--Semifinished products of rectangular cross section, having a width of at least 4 time the thickness. A slab is not less than 2 inches in thickness; a sheet bar is less than 2 inches in thickness. Slabs and sheet bars are included in AISI product group No. 1B.

For the purpose of this legislation, semifinished products are classified as follows:

(A) Carbon and certain alloy ingots; provided for in items 606.6740, 606.6947, 606.6963 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (TSUSA).

(B) Carbon and certain alloy blooms and billets; provided for in items 606.6700, 606.6705, 606.6710, 606.6715, 606.6720, 606.6926, 606.6929, 606.6932, 606.6935, 606.6940, 606.6949, 606.6951, 606.6953, and 606.6955 of the TSUSA.

(C) Carbon and certain alloy slabs and sheet bars; provided for in items 606.6725, 606.6730, 606.6735, 606.6938, 606.6941, 606.6944, 606.6957, 606.6959, 606.6961, 607.6620, and 607.7803 of the TSUSA.

(D) Stainless steel ingots; provided for in item 606.6923 of the TSUSA.

(E) Stainless steel blooms and billets; provided for in items 606.6903, 606.6905, 606.6906, 606.6909, and 606.6912 of the TSUSA.

(F) Stainless steel slabs and sheet bars; provided for in items 606.6915, 606.6918, 606.6921, and 607.7603 of the TSUSA.

10. Plates.--Flat rolled products whether or not corrugated or crimped, in coils or cut to length. Plates are 0.1875 inch or more in thickness and, if not cold rolled, over 8 inches in width, or if cold rolled, over 12 inches in width. Plates are included in AISI product group No. 6. For the purposes of this investigation, plates are classified as follows:

(i) Carbon plate; provided for in items 607.6610, 607.6615, 607.6625, 607.8320, 607.9400, 608.0710, 608.1100, and 609.1400 of the TSUSA.

(ii) Alloy plate; provided for in items 607.7800, 607.7806, 607.9100, 608.1420, and 609.1500 of the TSUSA.

(iii) Stainless steel plate; provided for in items 607.7605, 607.7606, 607.7609, and 607.9005 of the TSUSA.

11. Sheets and strip.--Flat rolled products whether or not corrugated or crimped, in coils or cut to length. Sheet is under 0.1875 inch in thickness and over 12 inches in width. Strip is under 0.1875 inch in thickness and, if cold rolled, over 0.50 inch but not over 12 inches in width. Sheets and strip are included in AISI product group Nos. 28, 29, 29A, 30, 31, 32, 33A, 33B, 34, 34B, 35, 36, and 37. For the purposes of this investigation, sheets and strip are classified as follows:

(i) Hot-rolled carbon and alloy sheet; provided for in items 607.6700, 607.6710, 607.6720, 607.6730, 607.6740, 607.6900, 607.8100, and 607.8342 of the TSUSA.

(ii) Hot-rolled carbon and alloy strip; provided for in items 608.1920, 608.2120, and 608.2320 of the TSUSA.

(iii) Cold-rolled carbon and alloy sheet and strip:

(A) Black plate; provided for in items 607.6200 and 607.6400 of the TSUSA.

(B) Electrical sheet and strip; provided for in items 607.9205, 607.9210, and 608.3900 of the TSUSA.

(C) Other sheet; provided for in items 607.8344, 607.8350, 607.8355, 607.8362, 607.8366, 607.8375, 607.8378, 607.8380, 607.8385, 607.8390, 607.8600, 607.9315 and 607.9320 of the TSUSA.

(D) Other strip; provided for in items 608.1930, 608.1945, 608.2130, 608.2140, 608.2160, 608.2170, 608.2330, 608.2345, 608.2500, 608.3100, 608.3810, 608.3820, 608.4700, 608.5510, 608.5520, 608.5900, 608.6710 and 608.6720 of the TSUSA.

(iv) Galvanized sheet and strip; provided for in items 608.0730, 608.1300, 608.1305, 608.1315, and 608.1321, 608.1325, 608.1331, and 608.1335 of the TSUSA.

(v) Tin plate; provided for in items 607.9600, 607.9700, and 607.9900 of the TSUSA.

(vi) Tin free; provided for in item 609.1710 of the TSUSA.

(vii) Other coated; provided for in items 608.0100, 608.1340, 608.1350, 608.1440, 609.1700, and 609.1790 of the TSUSA.

(viii) Stainless steel hot-rolled sheet; provided for in items 607.7610 and 607.9010 of the TSUSA.

(ix) Stainless steel cold-rolled sheet; provided for in items 607.9020, and 607.9029 of the TSUSA.

(x) Stainless steel strip; provided for in items 608.2600, 608.2900, 608.4300, 608.4309, and 608.5700 of the TSUSA.

12. Bars.--Products of solid cross section not conforming completely to the respective specifications set forth in the TSUS for blooms, billets, slabs, sheet bars, wire rods, plates, sheets, strip, wire, rails, joint bars, or tie plates, and which have cross sections in the shape of circles, segments of circles, ovals, triangles, rectangles, hexagons, or octagons. Also, for the purposes of this investigation, the term "bars" includes hollow drill steel, which is a hollow product in any cross section suitable for use in making mining drills or mining drill rods, with the largest internal cross-sectional dimension not greater than one-third of the largest external cross-sectional dimension.

Shapes.--Nontubular products not conforming completely to the respective specifications set forth in the TSUS for blooms, billets, slabs, sheet bars, bars, wire rods, plates, sheets, strip, wire, rails, joint bars, or tie plates, hot-rolled, forged, extruded, or drawn, or cold formed or cold finished, whether or not drilled, punched, or otherwise advanced, and if cold formed weighing over 0.29 pound per linear foot.

For the purposes of this investigation, bars and light structural shapes are classified as follows:

(i) Hot-rolled carbon bars; provided for in items 606.8310, 606.8330, 606.8350, 606.8600, 607.0500, and 607.0700 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

(ii) Hot-rolled alloy bars; provided for in items 606.9105, 606.9700, and 607.0900 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

(iii) Cold-formed carbon bars; provided for in items 606.8805, 606.8809, and 606.8815 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 16.

(iv) Cold-formed alloy bars; provided for in items 606.9110 and 606.9900 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 16.

(v) Reinforcing carbon and certain alloy steel bars; which are hot-rolled steel bars, of solid cross section, having deformations of various patterns on their surfaces; provided for in items 606.7900 and 606.8100 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 15.

(vi) Light structural shapes; which are bar-size light shapes having a cross-sectional dimension of less than 3 inches; provided for in items 609.8050, 609.8070, 609.8090, 609.8235, and 609.8240 of the TSUSA, and included in AISI product group No. 14A.

(vii) Stainless steel bars and shapes; provided for in items 606.9005, 606.9010, 606.9015, 606.9020, 609.8205, 609.8210, 609.8215, and 609.8220 of the TSUSA.

13. Wire rod and related products include:

(i) Wire rods.--Coiled, semifinished, hot-rolled products of solid cross section, approximately round in cross section, not under 0.20 inch nor over 0.74 inch in diameter. Wire rods are included in AISI product group No. 3.

For the purposes of this investigation, wire rod is classified as follows:

(A) Carbon steel wire rod; provided for in items 607.1400, 607.1710, 607.1720, 607.1730, 607.2200, and 607.2300 of the TSUSA.

(B) Alloy steel wire rod; provided for in items 607.3200, 607.4100, 607.4800, and 607.5900 of the TSUSA.

(C) Stainless steel wire rod; provided for in items 607.2600 and 607.4300 of the TSUSA.

(ii) Wire is classified as follows:

(A) Steel wire; a finished, drawn, nontubular product, of any cross-sectional configuration, in coils, and not over 0.703 inch in maximum cross-sectional dimension; the term includes a product of solid rectangular cross section, in coils, with a cold-rolled finish, and not over 0.25 inch thick and not over 0.50 inch wide.

(a) Carbon steel wire; provided for in items 609.2000, 609.2100, 609.2200, 609.2500, 609.2800, 609.3040, 609.4010, 609.4020, 609.4030, 609.4050, 609.4060, 609.4064, 609.4070, 609.4080, 609.4090, 609.4105, 609.4135, 609.4145, 609.4305, 609.4315, 609.4325, 609.4335, 609.7000, 609.7005, 609.7015, and 609.7200 of the TSUSA. Carbon steel wire is included in AISI product group 23.

(b) Alloy steel wire; provided for in items 609.3340, 609.3500, 609.3600, 609.3700, 609.4530, 609.4560, 609.7500, and 609.7600 of the TSUSA. Alloy steel wire is included in AISI product group 23.

(c) Stainless steel wire; provided for in items 609.3020, 609.3320, 609.4502, 609.4504, 609.4510, 609.4540, 609.4542, and 609.4544 of the TSUSA. Stainless steel wire is included in AISI product group No. 23.

(iii) Carbon and certain alloy steel wire products as defined by the following:

(A) Nails and brads, spikes, staples, and tacks are fasteners, of one piece construction, made of round wire, and not including thumb tacks, staples in strip form, corrugated fasteners, glaziers' points, hook nails, ring nails, or fasteners suitable for use in power-actuated hand tools; as provided for in items 646.2500, 646.2610, 646.2620, 646.2630, 646.2640, 646.2650, 646.2660, 646.2670, 646.2680, and 646.2690 of the TSUSA. Nails and brads, spikes, staples, and tacks are included in AISI product group No. 24.

(B) Barbed wire is a wire, or strand of twisted wires, armed with barbs or sharp points; as provided for in items 642.0205 and 642.0210 of the TSUSA. Barbed wire is included in AISI product group No. 25(pt).

(C) Wire fencing is a galvanized product wholly of round wire measuring not over 0.20 inch and not under 0.075 inch in diameter, whether or not such wire is covered with plastics; as provided for in item 642.3510, 642.3530, 642.3560, and 642.3570 of the TSUSA. Wire fencing is included in AISI product group Nos. 23(pt) and 26.

(D) Baling wire and ties, with or without buckles or fastenings and whether or not coated with paint or other substance; as provided for in items 609.4120, 609.4125, 642.9000 and 642.9100 of the TSUSA and included in AISI product group No. 27 (pt).

(E) Wire strand is two or more wires which together constitute one of the parts which are twisted together to form rope, cord, or cordage, suitable for fencing purposes, not fitted with fittings, not made up into articles, not of brass plated wire, not covered with nonmetallic material, as provided for in items 642.1105, 642.1120, 642.1142, 642.1144, and 642.1146 of the TSUSA. Wire strand is included in AISI product group Nos. 23 and 25(pt)..

(F) Wire ropes, cables, and cordage are products made by the twisting of a number of wire strands and are not covered with nonmetallic material, not fitted with fittings, not made up into articles, and, if valued 13 cents or more per pound, not of brass plated wire; as provided for in items 642.1200, 642.1610, 642.1615, 642.1620, and 642.1650 of the TSUSA. Wire ropes, cables, and cordage are included in AISI product group No. 23(pt).

(G) Milliners wire is wire covered with textile or other material not wholly of metal; as provided for in items 642.96 and 642.97 of the TSUSA. Milliners wire is included in AISI product group No. 23(pt.).

14. Structurals.--Nontubular products not conforming completely to the respective specifications set forth in the TSUSA for blooms, billets, slabs, sheet bars, bars, wire rods, plates, sheets, strip, wire, rails, joint bars, or tie plates, hot-rolled, forged, extruded, or drawn, or cold formed or cold finished, whether or not drilled, punched, or otherwise advanced, and if cold formed weighing over 0.29 pound per linear foot.

(i) Heavy structural shapes having a maximum cross-sectional dimension of 3 inches or more; as provided for in items 609.8005, 609.8010, 609.8015, 609.8020, 609.8025, 609.8035, 609.8041, 609.8045, 609.8200, 609.8225, 609.8230 of the TSUSA and included in AISI product group Nos. 4 and 5(pt.); and sheet piling; rolled straight web, deep-arch, arch-web, and Z-sections having continuous interlocking joints on each lengthwise edge; as provided for in items 609.9600, and 609.9800 of the TSUS. Sheet piling is included in AISI product group No. 5 (pt); and

(ii) Fabricated structural units, which include columns, pillars, posts, beams, girders, and similar structural units; as provided for in items 609.8400, 609.8600, 609.8800, 609.9000, 652.9400, 652.9600, and 653.000 of the TSUSA. These columns, pillars, etc., are included in AISI product group No. 38 and 39.

15. Rails and related railway products as defined by the following:

(i) Rails are hot-rolled steel products, whether punched or not punched, weighing not less than 8 pounds per yard, with cross-sectional shapes intended for carrying wheel loads in railroad, railway, and crane runway applications; as provided for in items 610.2010 610.2020, 610.2025, 610.2030, and 610.2100 of the TSUSA. Rails are included in AISI product group Nos. 7 and 8.

(ii) Joint bars are hot-rolled steel products, usually punched or slotted, designed to connect the ends of adjacent rails in track; tie plates are hot-rolled steel products which are punched to provide holes for spikes and have one or two shoulder sections as rail guides and are used to support rails in track, to maintain track gauge, and protect the ties; all the foregoing, as provided for in items 610.2500 and 610.2600 of the TSUSA. Joint bars and tie plates are included in AISI product group Nos. 9 and 10.

(iii) Railway track spikes, of one piece construction, used to secure tie plates or ties; as provided for in item 646.3020 of the TSUSA. Railway track spikes are included in AISI product group No. 11.

(iv) Railroad and railway (RR) axles and wheels, parts thereof, and axle bars; as provided for in items 690.2500 and 690.3000 of the TSUSA. These articles are included in AISI product group Nos. 12 and 13.

16. Pipes and tubes and blanks therefor--Tubular products, including hollow bars and hollow billets but not including hollow drill steel, of any cross-sectional configuration, by whatever process made, whether seamless, brazed, or welded and whether with an open or lock seam or joint. For the purposes of this investigation, pipes and tubes and blanks therefor are classified as follows:

(i) Oil country tubular goods, provided for in items 610.3216, 610.3219, 610.3233, 610.3249, 610.3256, 610.3258, 610.3264, 610.3721, 610.3722, 610.3925, 610.3935, 610.4025, 610.4035, 610.4210, 610.4220, 610.4225, 610.4230, 610.4235, 610.4240, 610.4310, 610.4325, 610.4335, 610.4942, 610.4944, 610.4946, 610.4954, 610.4960, 610.4961, 610.4965, 610.4968, 610.4969, 610.5221, 610.5222, 610.5226, 610.5240, 610.5241, 610.5242, 610.5243, 610.5244, 610.5246, and 610.5247 of the TSUSA. Oil country tubular goods are included in AISI product group No. 19.

(ii) Line pipe; provided for in items 610.3208, 610.3209, 610.3211, 610.3212, 610.3213, 610.3251, 610.3711, 610.3712, 610.3713, 610.4931, 610.4933, 610.4936, 610.5211, 610.5214, and 610.5216 of the TSUSA. Line pipe is included in AISI product group No. 20.

(iii) Mechanical pipe; provided for in items 610.3221, 610.3227, 610.3252, 610.3728, 610.3732, 610.4500, 610.4600, 610.4925, 610.4928, 610.4948, 610.4957, 610.4800, 610.5160, 610.5229, 610.5234, and 610.5236 of the TSUSA. Mechanical pipe is included in AISI product group 21A.

(iv) Structural pipe; provided for in items 610.3242, 610.3945, 610.3955, 610.4045, 610.4055, 610.4245, 610.4255, 610.4345, 610.4355, 610.4955, 610.4966, and 610.4975 of the TSUSA. Structural pipe is included in AISI product category 22.

(v) Pressure tubing; provided for in items 610.3000, 610.3100, 610.3205, 610.3500, 610.3600, 610.3704, 610.4920, 610.5204, 610.5206, 610.5208, and 610.5209 of the TSUSA. Pressure tubing is included in AISI product category 21B.

(vi) Stainless steel pipes and tubes; provided for in items 610.3701, 610.3727, 610.3731, 601.3741, 610.3742, 610.5130, 610.5202, 610.5205, 610.5230, and 610.5231, of the TSUSA. Stainless steel pipes and tubes are included in AISI product categories 21C and D.

(vii) Other, including standard; provided for in items 610.3231, 610.3232, 610.3234, 610.3241, 610.3243, 610.3244, 610.3247, 610.3254, 610.3262, 610.3751, 610.4951, 610.4952, 610.4953, 610.4956, 610.4967, 610.4970, 610.4976, and 688.3000 of the TSUSA. Other, including standard pipe is included in AISI product category 18.

17. Alloy tool steel (all forms) provided for in items 606.6901, 606.6902, 606.6904, 607.7210, 606.9300, 606.9400, 606.9505, 606.9510, 606.9512, 606.9514, 606.9520, 606.9525, 606.9535, 606.9540, 606.9542, 606.9544, 606.9546, 606.9548, 607.2800, 607.3405, 607.3420, 607.4600, 607.5405, 607.5420, 607.7205, 607.7215, 607.7220, 607.7225, 607.8805, 607.8820, 608.3405, 608.3420, 608.4905, 608.4920, 608.6405, 608.6420, 609.4520, and 609.4550 of the TSUSA. Alloy tool steel is included in AISI product group No. 17. Consistent with previous Commission investigations and industry practice, tool steel of the type described in headnote 2(h)(vii) of schedule 6, part 2 of the TSUSA, which is commonly referred to as bearing steel, is included with "certain alloy" products.

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		<p>10. Additional duties and quantitative limitations on stainless steel and alloy tool steel.--The provisions of this headnote apply to items 926.00 through 926.23, inclusive, of this subpart. The duties provided for in items 926.00 and 926.05 and the quantitative limitations set forth in items 926.10 through 926.23, inclusive, are in addition to the duties provided for the subject articles in schedule 6, part 2B, or in item 832.00, part 3A, schedule 8, where applicable.</p> <p>(a) Definitions.--For the purposes of this subpart--</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the term "restraint period" refers to a 3-month period provided for in the Quota Quantity column for items 926.10 through 926.23, inclusive; (ii) the terms "razor blade steel" and "chipper knife steel" are defined as provided in headnotes 2(h)(x) and 2(h)(viii), respectively, of part 2B, schedule 6; (iii) the term "band saw steel" refers to alloy tool steel which contains, in addition to iron, each of the following elements by weight in the amounts specified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) carbon: not less than 0.47 nor more than 0.53 percent; (B) manganese: not less than 0.60 nor more than 0.90 percent; (C) sulfur: none, or not more than 0.015 percent; (D) phosphorus: none, or not more than 0.025 percent; (E) silicon: not less than 0.10 nor more than 0.25 percent; (F) chromium: not less than 0.90 nor more than 1.10 percent; (G) nickel: not less than 0.50 nor more than 0.70 percent; (H) molybdenum: not less than 0.90 nor more than 1.10 percent; and (I) vanadium: not less than 0.08 percent nor more than 0.15 percent; (iv) the term "cladding grade 434 stainless steel sheet" refers to stainless steel sheet, not under 0.055 inch and not over 0.065 inch in thickness, not under 25.5 inches and not over 26.25 inches in width, containing by weight not more than 0.12 percent carbon; not less than 16 percent nor more than 18 percent chromium; and not less than 0.75 percent nor more than 1.25 percent molybdenum; certified by the importer of record or the ultimate consignee at the time of entry for use in the manufacture of stainless steel-clad-aluminum automobile trim; (v) the term "stainless steel of the type described in headnote 10(a)(v)" refers to the stainless steel grades described in either subparagraph (A) or (B) below which contain, in addition to iron, each of the following elements by weight in the amounts specified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) carbon: not more than 0.02 percent; silicon: not less than 0.2 percent nor more than 0.8 percent; manganese: not less than 0.2 percent nor more than 1.0 percent; chromium: not less than 19.5 percent nor more than 20.5 percent; 				

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		<p>nickel: not less than 17.5 percent nor more than 18.5 percent;</p> <p>molybdenum: not less than 6.0 percent nor more than 6.5 percent;</p> <p>nitrogen: not less than 0.18 percent nor more than 0.22 percent;</p> <p>copper: not less than 0.5 percent nor more than 1.0 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.03 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.04 percent; or</p> <p>(B) carbon: not less than 0.05 percent nor more than 0.10 percent;</p> <p>silicon: not less than 1.4 percent nor more than 2.0 percent;</p> <p>manganese: not less than 0.2 percent nor more than 0.8 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 20.0 percent nor more than 22.0 percent;</p> <p>nickel: not less than 10.0 percent nor more than 12.0 percent;</p> <p>nitrogen: not less than 0.14 percent nor more than 0.20 percent;</p> <p>cerium: not less than 0.03 percent nor more than 0.08 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.03 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.04 percent;</p> <p>(vi) the term "<u>flapper valve steel</u>" refers to stainless steel strip not over 0.05 inch in thickness, certified by the importer of record or the ultimate consignee at the time of entry for use in the manufacture of stainless steel flapper valves for compressors;</p> <p>(vii) the term "<u>rotor steel for hysteresis motors</u>" refers to tool steel strip not over 0.05 inch in thickness containing by weight not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 5.5 percent tungsten, certified by the importer of record or the ultimate consignee at the time of entry for use in the manufacture of rotor rings or cups for hysteresis motors;</p> <p>(viii) the term "<u>tool steel of the type described in headnote 10(a)(viii)</u>" refers to the alloy tool steel grades described in any one of the subparagraphs (A) through (F) below which contain, in addition to iron, each of the following elements by weight in the amounts specified:</p> <p>(A) carbon: not less than 0.85 percent nor more than 1.05 percent;</p> <p>manganese: not less than 0.95 percent nor more than 1.75 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: less than 0.03 percent;</p> <p>phosphorus: less than 0.03 percent;</p> <p>silicon: not less than 0.45 percent nor more than 0.90 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 0.90 percent nor more than 1.80 percent;</p> <p>nickel: less than 0.35 percent;</p> <p>copper: less than 0.35 percent;</p> <p>molybdenum: less than 0.10 percent;</p> <p>(B) carbon: not less than 0.95 percent nor more than 1.05 percent;</p> <p>manganese: not less than 0.95 percent nor more than 1.25 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent;</p> <p>phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent;</p> <p>silicon: not less than 0.45 percent nor more than 0.75 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 0.90 percent nor more than 1.20 percent;</p> <p>nickel: not more than 0.25 percent;</p> <p>copper: not more than 0.35 percent;</p> <p>molybdenum: not more than 0.08 percent;</p>				

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		<p>(C) carbon: not less than 0.85 percent manganese: nor more than 1.00 percent; not less than 1.40 percent nor more than 1.70 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent; silicon: not less than 0.50 percent nor more than 0.80 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 1.40 percent nor more than 1.80 percent;</p> <pnickel: 0.25="" more="" not="" percent;<br="" than=""></pnickel:> copper: not more than 0.35 percent; molybdenum: not more than 0.08 percent; <p>(D) carbon: not less than 0.95 percent manganese: nor more than 1.10 percent; not less than 0.65 percent nor more than 0.90 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent; silicon: not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.35 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 1.10 percent nor more than 1.50 percent;</p> <pnickel: 0.25="" more="" not="" percent;<br="" than=""></pnickel:> copper: not more than 0.35 percent; molybdenum: not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.30 percent; <p>(E) carbon: not less than 0.95 percent manganese: nor more than 1.10 percent; not less than 1.05 percent nor more than 1.35 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent; silicon: not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.35 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 1.10 percent nor more than 1.50 percent;</p> <pnickel: 0.25="" more="" not="" percent;<br="" than=""></pnickel:> copper: not more than 0.35 percent; molybdenum: not less than 0.45 percent nor more than 0.60 percent; <p>(F) carbon: not less than 0.92 percent manganese: nor more than 1.02 percent; not less than 0.25 percent nor more than 0.40 percent;</p> <p>sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent; silicon: not less than 0.25 percent nor more than 0.40 percent;</p> <p>chromium: not less than 1.65 percent nor more than 1.95 percent;</p> <pnickel: 0.25="" more="" not="" percent;<br="" than=""></pnickel:> copper: not more than 0.35 percent; molybdenum: not less than 0.18 percent nor more than 0.40 percent; <p>aluminum: not more than 0.05 percent;</p> <p>certified by the importer of record or the ultimate consignee at the time of entry for use in the manufacture of ball or roller bearings.</p> <p>(b) <u>Shortfall.</u>—During the last 30-day period of a restraint period, if the United States Trade Representative (USTR) determines that any quota quantity under an item hereof is unlikely to be used during that restraint period, the USTR may, to the extent permitted by law, modify the quota quantity for that item during the remainder of that restraint period to reallocate the shortfall or any portion thereof to the quota quantity of any other item, such modifications to be effective on the date of their publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>.</p>				

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				1		2
		<p>(c) <u>Carryover</u>.--Whenever the quota quantity specified for any of the individually named countries for an item has not been entered during any restraint period, entry may be made during the subsequent restraint period of an amount up to 20 percent (10 percent in the case of shortfalls occurring in the restraint period April 20 through July 19 of any year) of the base limit for the restraint period in which the shortfall occurs, but not to exceed the difference between the quota quantity specified for such restraint period and the amount entered during that period; and such amount shall not be counted against the quota quantity therefor.</p> <p>(d) <u>Exceeding restraint levels</u>.--The restraint level for any quota quantity allocated to any of the individually named countries may be exceeded by not more than 10 percent during any restraint period, except that the restraint levels for the period April 20 through July 19 for 1984, 1985, or 1986 may be exceeded by not more than 3 percent, and shall not be exceeded for that period in 1987. If a quota quantity is exceeded during a restraint period, a downward adjustment of the corresponding quota quantity for the next restraint period in the absolute amount the preceding restraint level was exceeded shall be made.</p> <p>(e) <u>Adjustments</u>.--If any country-by-country allocations of quota quantities are made by the USTR, the USTR may make the necessary adjustments to the appropriate quota quantities.</p> <p>(f) <u>United States International Trade Commission (USITC) surveys</u>.--The USITC shall conduct mandatory surveys with respect to the products subject to import relief under each item involved as follows:</p> <p>(i) <u>Quarterly</u>.--Surveys by calendar quarter to obtain from domestic producers monthly data on production, shipments, prices, employment, and man-hours; and to obtain from importers data by calendar quarter on prices, orders, and inventories. The initial surveys shall cover the fourth quarter of 1982 and the first two quarters of 1983; subsequent surveys will cover individual quarters; the last such survey shall cover the quarter which ends not less than 60 days prior to the termination of the import restraints. The USITC shall publish the results of the initial surveys by October 1, 1983 and the results of later surveys within 45 days of the end of the surveyed quarter. Such surveys will be conducted monthly, upon written request of the USTR to the USITC, if the USTR determines that monthly reporting is necessary.</p> <p>(ii) <u>Annually</u>.--Annual surveys to obtain from domestic producers data by calendar quarter on profits, orders, and inventories, and annual data on capital expenditures, capacity, and research and development expenditures. The initial surveys shall cover the fourth quarter of 1982 and calendar year 1982, as appropriate, and calendar year 1983, and the results shall be published by March 31, 1984. The results of subsequent surveys shall be published by March 31 of each year thereafter so long as the import restraints in this subpart are in effect. With each annual survey, the USITC shall also report the production, capacity, and capacity utilization, to the extent the information can be obtained, for each country which is a major supplier of imports, and any projected changes in production, capacity, and capacity utilization for those countries.</p>				

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APPENDIX TO THE TARIFF SCHEDULES

Part 2. - Temporary Modifications Proclaimed Pursuant to
Trade-Agreements Legislation

Item	Stat. Suf- fix	Articles	Units of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1	Special	2
		<p>(g) Products Subject to Certain Export Restraint Agreements.</p> <p>(i) The duties provided for in items 926.00 and 926.05 shall not apply to products of Australia, Austria, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, the European Communities (Belgium, Denmark, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), German Democratic Republic, Finland, Hungary, Japan, Mexico, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, South Africa, Spain, Venezuela, Yugoslavia exported to the United States on or after March 1, 1986.</p>				

ANNEX

Subpart A, part 2 of the Appendix to the Tariff Schedules of the United States (19 U.S.C. 1202) is modified --

(a) by deleting headnote 10(f) and inserting in lieu thereof new headnote 10(f) to read as follows:

"(f) United States International Trade Commission (USITC) surveys.--The USITC shall conduct annual mandatory surveys with respect to the products subject to import relief under each item involved to obtain from domestic producers' data by calendar quarter on profits, orders, and inventories, and annual data on production, shipments, employment, capital expenditures, capacity, and research and development expenditures. The initial survey shall cover calendar year 1987, and the results shall be published by March 31, 1988. The final survey shall cover calendar year 1988, and the results shall be published by March 31, 1989. With each annual survey, the USITC shall also report the production, capacity, and capacity utilization, to the extent the information can be obtained, for each country which is a major supplier of imports, and any projected changes in production, capacity, and capacity utilization for those countries."

(b) by deleting headnote 10(g) and inserting in lieu thereof new headnote 10(g) to read as follows:

"(g) Products Subject to Certain Export Restraint Agreements.

(i) The duties provided for in items 926.00 and 926.05 shall not apply to products of Australia, Austria, Brazil, Czechoslovakia, the European Communities, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Japan, Mexico, People's Republic of China, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Romania, South Africa, Venezuela, or Yugoslavia, exported to the United States on or after March 1, 1986.

(ii) The quantitative limitations provided for in items 926.10 through 926.21 shall not apply to products of Austria, Brazil, or the following Member States of the European Communities: Belgium, Denmark, Federal Republic of Germany, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland."

(c) by striking items 926.00 through 926.23, inclusive, and inserting in lieu thereof the following new items and superior headings thereto:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Articles</u>	<u>Rates of Duty</u>		
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	
:	: Effective with respect to	:	:	
:	: articles entered during the	:	:	
:	: period --	:	:	
:	: July 20, : July 20, : July 20,	:	:	
:	: 1987 : 1988 : 1989	:	:	
:	: through : through : through	:	:	
:	: July 19, : July 19, : September 30,	:	:	
:	: 1988 : 1989 : 1989	:	:	
926.00	: Sheets and strip of	:	:	
: stainless steel (except	:	:	:	
: as provided for in head-	:	:	:	
: note 10(g)(i) to this	:	:	:	
: subpart, and except	:	:	:	
: razor blade steel,	:	:	:	
: cladding grade 434	:	:	:	
: stainless steel sheet,	:	:	:	
: cold-rolled sheets of	:	:	:	
: stainless steel, over	:	:	:	
: 71 inches in width,	:	:	:	
: stainless steel of the	:	:	:	
: type described in head-	:	:	:	
: note 10(a)(v), and	:	:	:	
: flapper valve steel)	:	:	:	
: provided for in items	:	:	:	
: 607.76, 607.90, 608.29,	:	:	:	
: 608.43, and 608.57, part	:	:	:	
: 2B, schedule 6, all the	:	:	:	
: foregoing whether or not	:	:	:	
: entitled to duty-free	:	:	:	
: treatment under item	:	:	:	
: 832.00, part 3A,	:	:	:	
: schedule 8.....	: 3% ad val. : 2% ad val. : 1% ad val.	:	:	No
:	:	:	:	Change
926.05	: Plates of stainless	:	:	
: steel (except as provided	:	:	:	
: in headnote 10(g)(i) to	:	:	:	
: this subpart, and except	:	:	:	
: stainless steel of the	:	:	:	
: type described in head-	:	:	:	
: note 10(a)(v)) provided	:	:	:	
: for in items 607.76 and	:	:	:	
: 607.90, part 2B, sched-	:	:	:	
: ule 6, all the fore-	:	:	:	
: going whether or not	:	:	:	
: entitled to duty-free	:	:	:	
: treatment under item	:	:	:	
: 832.00, part 3A, schedule	:	:	:	
: 8.....	: 3% ad val. : 2% ad val. : 1% ad val.	:	:	No
:	:	:	:	Change

Item :	Article	Quota Quantity (in short tons)
	Whenever the respective aggregate quantity of articles the product of a foreign country specified below for items 926.10 through 926.21, inclusive, has been entered in any restraint period (whether, for tariff purposes, in schedule 6 or in item 832.00 of schedule 8), no article in such item the product of such country may be entered during the remainder of such restraint period, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii).	
	Bars of stainless steel (except stain-	
	less steel of the type described in headnote 10(a)(v)), provided for in item 604.90, part 2B, schedule 6:	
926.10:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1987, through October 19, 1987, inclusive:	
	Argentina.....	55
	Canada.....	268
	Japan.....	3,442
	Korea.....	454
	Mexico.....	40
	Spain.....	1,069
	Sweden.....	330
	Other, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(iii) to this subpart.....	80
926.11:	If entered during the period from October 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	17,717
926.12:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	24,159
926.13:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	4,977

Item :	Article	Quota Quantity (in short tons)
:	: [Whenever... (con.):]	
:	: Wire rod of stainless steel (except	
:	: stainless steel of the type described	
:	: in headnote 10(e)(v), provided for	
:	: in items 607.26 and 607.43, part 2B,	
:	: schedule 6:	
926.14:	If entered during the period from	
:	: July 20, 1987, through October 19,	
:	: 1987, inclusive:	
:	: Japan.....	1,542
:	: Spain.....	452
:	: Sweden.....	964
:	: Taiwan.....	50
:	: Other, except as provided in	
:	: headnote 10(g)(ii) to this	
:	: subpart.....	299
926.15:	If entered during the period from	
:	: October 20, 1987, through July 19,	
:	: 1988, inclusive, except as provided	
:	: in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this	
:	: subpart.....	10,213
926.16:	If entered during the period from	
:	: July 20, 1988, through July 19,	
:	: 1989, inclusive, except as provided	
:	: in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this	
:	: subpart.....	13,926
926.17:	If entered during the period from	
:	: July 20, 1989, through September 30,	
:	: 1989, inclusive, except as provided	
:	: in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this	
:	: subpart.....	2,869

Item :	Article	Quota Quantity (in short tons)
:	: (Whenever... (con.):)	:
:	Bars, wire rods, plates, sheets, and	:
:	strip, all the foregoing of alloy	:
:	tool steel (except chipper knife steel,	:
:	band saw steel, rotor steel for	:
:	hysteresis motors, and tool steel of	:
:	the type described in headnote 10(a)	:
:	(viii)), provided for in items 606.95,	:
:	607.28, 607.34, 607.46, 607.54, 607.72,	:
:	607.88, 608.34, 608.49, and 608.64, and	:
:	round wire of high speed tool steel,	:
:	provided for in item 609.45, part 2B,	:
:	schedule 6:	:
926.18:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1987, through October 19, 1987, inclusive:	
:	Argentina.....	56
:	Canada.....	386
:	Japan.....	1,123
:	Mexico.....	76
:	Poland.....	69
:	Spain.....	45
:	Sweden.....	2,120
:	Other, except as provided for in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	396
926.19:	If entered during the period from October 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	13,182
926.20:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	17,977
926.21:	If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989, inclusive, except as provided in headnote 10(g)(ii) to this subpart.....	3,703

