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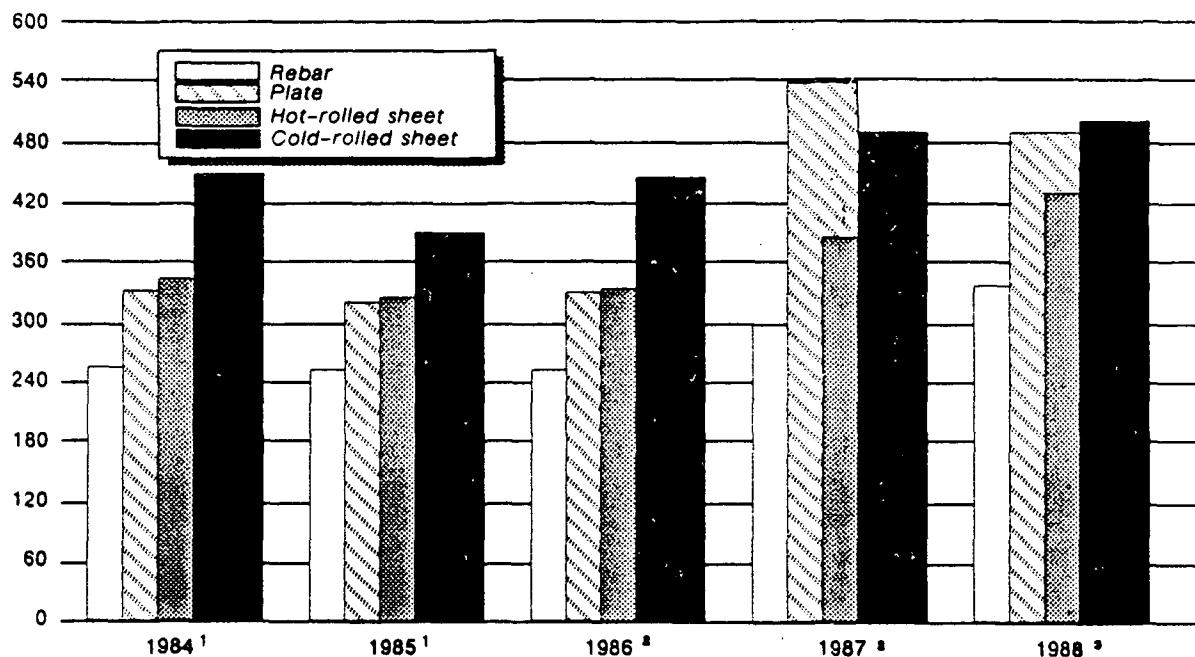
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A Summary of Steel Prices

Steel prices in the United States generally increased during 1984-88, largely reflecting sustained demand for steel by the automotive and other principal consuming industries, import limitations on foreign steel products, and short supply of certain steel products in the U.S. market. For example, the price of cold-rolled sheet (after declining by 12 percent during 1984-85) increased by 29 percent during 1985-88 (fig 1).

Figure 1
U.S. prices of selected steel products, 1984-88



¹ As of January.

² As of December.

³ As of September

Source: World Steel Dynamics, Steel Price Track, #28.

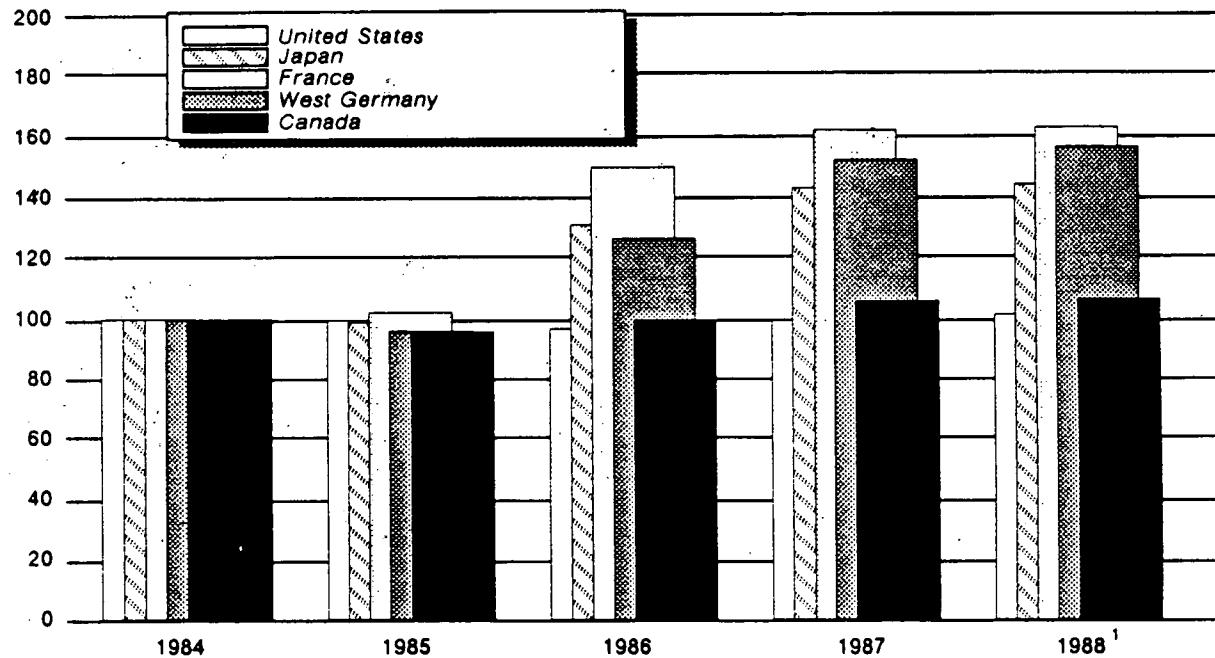
As the dollar declined in value relative to other currencies (especially during the latter part of the 1984-88 period), the volume of steel shipped to the U.S. market dropped. The decline in imports (largely from VRA supplying countries which accounted for 70 percent of total U.S. steel imports in 1988), resulted in U.S. producers' market share increasing about 2 percentage points during 1987-88.

On an international basis, steel prices in the United States were usually lower than prices in major steel producing countries. The world "spot" export price of cold-rolled sheet, for example, increased about 72 percent from \$320 per ton in 1987 to \$550 per ton at year-end 1988, whereas the price of cold-rolled sheet in the United States rose about 1 percent from \$498 per ton to \$502 per ton during the period.¹ In Japan, the price of plate ranged between \$570 and \$600 per ton during 1987-88, while the "spot" price of plate in the United States ranged between \$490 and \$540 per ton.

Figure 2 provides an illustration of price indexes for selected major steel producing countries during the last 5 years, adjusted for exchange rate changes (in dollar terms).

Figure 2

Steel price indexes in selected countries, adjusted for exchange rate changes, 1984-88 (1984 = 100)



¹ Price indexes for France and West Germany were estimated by the staff of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Source: Price indexes of selected official government publications.

¹World Steel Dynamics, Steel Price Track, 27.

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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 (53 Federal Register 52897). 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. C 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 1989 import share 1/</u> (% of U.S. apparent consumption)
Australia	0.19
Austria	0.16
Brazil	1.09
EC	4.4
Finland	0.17
Japan	6.8
Mexico	0.31
South Africa 2/	0.0
South Korea	2.2
Spain	0.52

Quota level for 1989 in short tons and as a
share of apparent U.S. consumption
(estimated) 3/Quota agreements

	(Short tons)	(Percent)
Czechoslovakia	29,338	0.03
East Germany	82,500	0.09
Hungary	25,500	0.03
Poland	69,373	0.07
Portugal	20,000	0.02
Romania	76,426	0.08
Trinidad and Tobago	43,984	0.05
Venezuela	130,334	4/ 0.10
Yugoslavia	18,900	0.02
People's Republic of China	57,000	0.06

Semifinished steel agreements Quota level for 1989 (short tons)

Australia	37,500
Brazil	525,000
EC	502,500
Finland	11,250
Japan	75,000
Mexico	75,000
South Africa 2/	0
South Korea	37,500
Spain	37,500
Trinidad and Tobago	2,625
Venezuela	30,000

1/ Including semifinished steel for all countries. Estimates based on first 9 months of 1989.

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. Estimates based on first 9 months of 1989.

4/ Excluding semifinished steel.

5/ No more than 461,250 net tons may be slab.

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 stainless steel wire strand (HS item 7312.10.0500), stainless steel wire rope (HS item 7312.10.5000),, 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 1987 AISI reported imports of 20.4 million tons, which compares to the 20.9 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 sections 9802.0060 and 9802.0080 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedules; the 9802.0060 and 9802.0080 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 1983-87 and specified periods 1988 and 1989

Item						January-May	
	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1988	1989
	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Raw steel:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Production (1,000 short tons).....	92,528	88,259	81,606	88,472	99,328	42,355	43,133
Capability utilization (percent).....	68.4	66.1	63.8	78.9	88.7	90.9	89.9
Continuously cast (percent).....	39.6	44.4	55.2	52.5	60.5	59.8	62.6
Employment:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Total (thousands).....	236	208	175	163	169	170	168
Receiving wages (thousands).....	171	151	128	121	125	126	125
Hourly employment cost ^{1/} (dollars).....	21.30	22.81	23.5	23.70	24.65	24.63	24.54
Steel:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Shipments (1,000 short tons).....	73,740	73,043	64,947	76,473	83,815	34,679	36,457
Imports (1,000 short tons).....	26,705	24,885	21,289	20,938	21,869	9,048	7,149
Exports (1,000 short tons).....	1,081	992	980	1,176	2,152	539	1,871
Apparent consumption (1,000 short tons)....	99,363	96,591	90,026	95,759	103,532	43,751	41,815
Ratio of imports to consumption (percent)..	26.9	25.8	23.6	21.3	21.1	20.7	17.1
Financial:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
All operations:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Net sales (million dollars).....	53,619	53,651	41,912	3/ 32,314	4/	4/	4/
Net income (million dollars).....	(301)	(1,210)	(6,094)	3/ 1,121	4/	4/	4/
Ratio of net sales to income (percent)...	(0.6)	(2.3)	(14.5)	3/ 3.7	4/	4/	4/
Steel operations:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Net steel sales (million dollars).....	30,132	29,473	24,891	19,752	24,486	5/ 7,914	5/ 8,249
Net steel income (million dollars).....	(186)	(1,743)	(4,203)	988	3/ 2,476	5/ 712	5/ 663
Ratio of net sales to income (percent)...	(0.6)	(5.9)	(16.9)	5	3/ 10.1	5/ 9	5/ 8
	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

^{1/} Preliminary.

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

^{3/} January-September.

^{4/} Not available.

^{5/} First quarter of the year.

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,
1984-1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	January-May	
						1988	1989
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,306,044	1,374,524	1,388,649	2,095,599	1,746,267	675,276	883,165
Plate-----	4,338,993	4,327,347	3,531,806	4,065,183	7,361,445	2,931,533	3,093,336
Sheet and strip-----	40,878,749	40,850,298	40,055,641	43,288,266	44,707,915	18,641,876	19,719,474
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	13,232,473	12,667,539	12,101,642	12,937,033	14,618,068	5,793,903	6,233,828
Wire rod-----	3,090,036	2,961,769	3,493,632	3,838,788	4,044,688	1,684,357	1,782,379
Wire-----	962,726	874,135	797,859	786,963	1,072,698	459,250	460,583
Wire products-----	259,616	262,268	278,068	304,761	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	4,156,233	4,698,305	4,815,432	5,081,809	5,313,459	2,273,269	2,392,491
Rails & related products-----	1,238,900	931,313	647,697	504,561	507,278	258,832	274,248
Pipe and tube-----	4,275,759	4,095,825	2,836,458	3,569,647	4,443,251	1,936,503	1,617,788
Total-----	73,739,529	73,043,323	69,946,884	76,472,610	83,815,069	34,678,918	36,457,292
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,266,364	1,327,766	1,339,062	2,018,535	1,828,600	641,313	845,284
Plate-----	4,223,128	4,185,883	3,415,947	3,906,102	7,178,573	2,861,193	3,014,197
Sheet and strip-----	40,058,979	40,018,167	39,256,239	42,347,623	43,663,695	18,198,368	19,274,168
Bars & certain shapes-----	13,031,564	12,478,002	11,926,843	12,753,157	14,414,095	5,706,442	6,147,842
Wire rod-----	3,038,112	2,931,897	3,457,233	3,791,034	3,986,930	1,658,109	1,764,162
Wire-----	933,382	851,841	773,204	760,229	1,043,112	447,385	448,456
Wire products-----	259,616	262,268	278,068	304,761	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	4,156,233	4,698,305	4,815,432	5,081,809	5,313,459	2,273,269	2,392,491
Rails & related products-----	1,238,900	931,313	647,697	504,561	507,278	258,832	274,248
Pipe and tube-----	4,224,071	4,046,771	2,794,218	3,527,867	4,387,761	1,914,054	1,595,516
Total-----	72,430,349	71,732,213	68,703,943	74,995,678	82,323,503	33,983,084	35,756,364
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	39,680	46,758	49,587	77,064	79,953	33,963	37,881
Plate-----	115,865	141,464	115,859	159,081	182,872	70,340	79,139
Sheet and strip-----	819,770	832,131	799,402	940,643	1,044,220	443,508	445,306
Bars & certain shapes-----	139,980	129,267	119,024	125,441	139,696	61,447	57,648
Wire rod-----	51,924	29,872	36,399	47,754	57,758	26,248	18,217
Wire-----	29,344	22,294	24,655	26,734	29,586	11,865	12,127
Pipe and tube-----	51,688	49,054	42,240	41,780	55,490	22,449	22,272
Tool steel (all forms)-----	60,929	60,270	55,775	58,435	64,277	26,014	28,338
Total-----	1,309,180	1,311,110	1,242,941	1,476,932	1,653,852	695,834	700,928

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, 1984-1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	January-May	
						1988	1989
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,632,065	2,440,368	2,084,322	2,288,995	2,844,979	1,219,995	873,469
Plate-----	1,782,050	1,772,309	1,456,790	1,566,694	1,872,937	795,679	572,797
Sheet and strip-----	10,332,032	9,046,089	8,278,604	7,875,891	7,303,964	3,161,322	2,465,651
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	1,722,313	1,550,559	1,476,368	1,359,758	1,495,932	562,407	527,347
Wire rod-----	1,589,788	1,476,145	1,362,753	1,467,030	1,493,833	684,289	695,858
Wire-----	671,829	612,485	582,022	555,981	540,380	234,629	219,713
Wire products-----	738,680	674,960	636,591	649,377	572,451	242,211	291,869
Structural shapes & units-----	2,432,694	2,440,403	2,179,657	2,153,669	2,188,467	920,889	824,288
Rails & related products-----	373,890	382,046	275,710	245,988	319,432	127,311	153,638
Pipe and tube-----	5,429,839	4,489,287	2,956,303	2,775,091	3,286,690	1,517,724	1,015,791
Total-----	26,705,180	24,884,651	21,289,120	20,938,474	21,869,065	9,466,456	7,440,421
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,618,365	2,430,078	2,066,700	2,232,270	2,782,572	1,197,435	842,920
Plate-----	1,774,614	1,760,812	1,440,375	1,555,577	1,857,090	789,330	564,769
Sheet and strip-----	10,194,435	8,910,469	8,127,033	7,746,596	7,185,380	3,112,050	2,412,034
Bars & certain shapes-----	1,652,025	1,475,447	1,393,731	1,281,168	1,361,113	525,213	475,341
Wire rod-----	1,570,952	1,456,078	1,344,256	1,448,720	1,474,623	677,067	687,409
Wire-----	649,126	590,317	564,481	536,897	519,727	226,710	209,532
Wire products-----	738,680	674,960	636,591	649,377	572,451	242,211	291,869
Structural shapes & units-----	2,432,694	2,440,403	2,179,657	2,153,669	2,188,467	920,889	824,288
Rails & related products-----	373,890	382,046	275,710	245,988	319,432	127,311	153,638
Pipe and tube-----	5,399,642	4,457,277	2,923,029	2,748,644	3,299,937	1,500,655	998,688
Total-----	26,404,423	24,577,887	20,951,563	20,598,906	21,510,792	9,318,871	7,260,488
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	13,700	10,290	17,622	56,725	62,407	22,560	30,549
Plate-----	7,436	11,497	16,415	11,118	15,847	6,349	8,028
Sheet and strip-----	137,597	135,620	151,571	129,295	118,584	49,272	53,617
Bars & certain shapes-----	38,234	37,970	37,888	37,991	40,724	17,159	12,696
Wire rod-----	18,835	20,067	18,496	18,311	19,210	7,222	8,449
Wire-----	22,703	22,169	17,541	19,084	20,653	7,919	10,181
Pipe and tube-----	30,197	32,009	33,274	26,448	36,752	17,069	17,103
Tool steel (all forms)-----	32,054	37,142	44,749	40,599	44,095	20,034	39,310
Total-----	300,756	306,764	337,556	339,571	358,272	147,584	179,933

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, 1984-1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	January-May	
						1988	1989
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	73,536	89,708	58,885	73,543	61,430	17,473	87,346
Plate-----	88,184	82,988	69,565	96,538	119,393	42,183	355,535
Sheet and strip-----	389,577	375,396	507,420	556,991	1,374,056	282,176	972,352
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	133,595	99,096	81,224	121,869	141,461	49,352	91,547
Wire rod-----	8,646	4,740	5,876	8,217	10,161	3,706	11,769
Wire-----	19,979	19,146	26,760	26,669	36,668	11,631	12,546
Wire products-----	22,085	19,253	24,731	23,257	27,847	9,408	7,851
Structural shapes & units-----	119,256	89,031	71,525	101,373	111,614	44,113	99,610
Rails & related products-----	19,079	13,430	13,131	15,755	18,855	8,581	33,687
Pipe and tube-----	207,426	199,258	121,050	152,155	250,390	69,966	198,425
Total-----	1,081,363	992,046	980,167	1,176,367	2,151,875	538,589	1,870,668
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	72,285	82,650	57,932	71,362	58,598	14,985	83,612
Plate-----	84,813	74,957	66,042	92,057	107,546	37,129	352,058
Sheet and strip-----	369,495	349,620	477,803	501,010	1,328,485	263,914	949,996
Bars & certain shapes-----	126,090	89,241	72,134	111,619	124,911	43,892	71,543
Wire rod-----	7,918	3,716	5,049	6,889	8,676	3,377	9,673
Wire-----	17,524	17,182	24,033	22,863	32,209	10,379	11,390
Wire products-----	22,085	19,253	24,731	23,257	27,847	9,408	7,851
Structural shapes & units-----	119,256	89,031	71,525	101,373	111,614	44,113	99,610
Rails & related products-----	19,079	13,430	13,131	15,755	18,855	8,581	33,687
Pipe and tube-----	199,778	193,309	118,010	143,405	244,192	67,805	194,511
Total-----	1,058,323	932,389	930,390	1,089,590	2,062,933	503,583	1,813,931
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	1,251	7,058	953	2,181	2,833	2,488	3,734
Plate-----	3,371	8,031	3,523	4,481	11,847	5,054	3,476
Sheet and strip-----	20,081	25,776	29,617	55,981	45,571	18,263	22,356
Bars & certain shapes-----	5,178	7,762	6,946	7,189	12,047	3,477	7,517
Wire rod-----	728	1,024	828	1,328	1,486	329	2,095
Wire-----	2,455	1,964	2,728	3,806	4,459	1,252	1,156
Pipe and tube-----	7,648	5,948	3,040	8,751	6,198	2,162	3,914
Tool steel (all forms)-----	2,326	2,094	2,144	3,061	4,502	1,983	12,487
Total-----	43,038	59,657	49,779	86,778	88,943	35,008	56,735

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, 1984-1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	January-May	
						1988	1989
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	2,864,573	3,725,184	3,414,086	4,311,051	4,529,816	1,877,798	1,669,288
Plate-----	6,032,859	6,016,668	4,919,031	5,535,339	9,114,989	3,685,029	3,310,598
Sheet and strip-----	50,821,204	49,520,991	47,826,825	50,607,166	50,637,823	21,521,022	21,212,773
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	14,821,191	14,119,002	13,496,786	14,174,922	15,922,539	6,306,958	6,669,628
Wire rod-----	4,671,178	4,433,174	4,850,509	5,297,601	5,528,360	2,364,940	2,266,468
Wire-----	1,614,576	1,467,474	1,353,121	1,316,275	2,121,014	939,170	951,768
Wire products-----	976,211	917,975	889,928	930,881	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	6,469,671	7,049,677	6,923,564	7,134,105	7,390,312	3,150,045	3,117,169
Rails & related products-----	1,593,711	1,299,929	910,276	734,794	807,855	377,562	394,199
Pipe and tube-----	9,498,172	8,385,854	5,671,711	6,192,583	7,479,551	3,384,261	2,435,154
Total-----	99,363,346	96,935,928	90,255,837	96,234,717	103,532,259	43,606,785	42,027,045
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	2,812,444	3,675,194	3,347,830	4,179,443	4,552,574	1,823,763	1,604,592
Plate-----	5,912,929	5,871,738	4,790,280	5,369,622	8,928,117	3,613,394	3,226,908
Sheet and strip-----	49,883,919	48,579,016	46,905,469	49,593,209	49,520,590	21,046,504	20,736,206
Bars & certain shapes-----	14,557,499	13,864,208	13,248,440	13,922,706	15,650,297	6,187,763	6,551,640
Wire rod-----	4,601,146	4,384,259	4,796,440	5,232,865	5,452,877	2,331,799	2,241,898
Wire-----	1,564,984	1,424,976	1,313,652	1,274,263	2,075,234	920,638	930,616
Wire products-----	976,211	917,975	889,928	930,881	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	6,469,671	7,049,677	6,923,564	7,134,105	7,390,312	3,150,045	3,117,169
Rails & related products-----	1,593,711	1,299,929	910,276	734,794	807,855	377,562	394,199
Pipe and tube-----	9,423,935	8,310,739	5,599,237	6,133,106	7,393,506	3,346,904	2,399,693
Total-----	97,796,449	95,377,711	88,725,116	94,504,994	101,771,362	42,798,372	41,202,921
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	52,129	49,990	66,256	131,608	139,527	54,035	64,696
Plate-----	119,930	144,930	128,751	165,718	186,872	71,635	83,691
Sheet and strip-----	937,286	941,975	921,356	1,013,957	1,117,233	474,517	476,567
Bars & certain shapes-----	173,036	159,475	149,966	156,243	168,373	75,129	62,827
Wire rod-----	70,031	48,915	54,067	64,737	75,482	33,141	24,571
Wire-----	49,592	42,499	39,468	42,012	45,780	18,532	21,152
Pipe and tube-----	74,237	75,115	72,474	59,477	86,044	37,356	35,461
Tool steel (all forms)-----	90,657	95,318	98,380	95,973	103,870	44,065	55,161
Total-----	1,566,898	1,558,217	1,530,718	1,729,725	1,923,181	808,410	824,126

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, 1984-1988, and by specific periods, 1988 and 1989

(Percent)

Item	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	January-May	
						1988	1989
All grades of steel:							
Semifinished-----	57.0	65.5	61.1	53.1	62.8	65.0	52.3
Plate-----	29.5	29.5	29.6	28.3	20.5	21.6	17.3
Sheet and strip-----	20.3	18.3	17.3	15.6	14.4	14.7	11.6
Bars & certain shapes 1/-----	11.6	11.0	10.9	9.6	9.1	8.9	7.9
Wire rod-----	34.0	33.3	28.1	27.7	27.0	28.9	21.9
Wire-----	41.0	41.0	43.0	42.0	39.0	70.0	68.0
Wire products-----	75.7	73.5	71.5	69.8	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	37.6	34.6	31.5	30.2	29.6	29.2	26.4
Rails & related products-----	23.5	29.4	30.3	33.5	39.5	33.7	39.0
Pipe and tube-----	57.2	53.5	52.1	44.8	43.9	44.8	41.7
Total-----	26.9	25.7	23.6	21.8	21.1	21.7	17.7
Carbon & certain alloy 2/ steel:							
Semifinished-----	57.5	66.1	61.7	53.4	61.1	65.7	52.5
Plate-----	30.0	30.0	30.1	29.0	20.8	21.8	17.5
Sheet and strip-----	20.4	18.3	17.3	15.6	14.5	14.8	11.6
Bars & certain shapes-----	11.3	10.6	10.5	9.2	8.7	8.5	7.3
Wire rod-----	34.1	33.2	28.0	27.7	27.0	29.0	21.7
Wire-----	41.0	41.0	43.0	42.0	39.0	38.0	16.0
Wire products-----	75.7	73.5	71.5	69.8	3/	3/	3/
Structural shapes & units-----	37.6	34.6	31.5	30.2	29.6	29.2	26.4
Rails & related products-----	23.5	29.4	30.3	33.5	39.5	33.7	39.0
Pipe and tube-----	57.3	53.6	52.2	44.8	46.0	44.8	41.6
Total-----	27.0	25.8	23.6	21.8	21.1	21.8	17.6
Stainless & alloy tool steel:							
Stainless steel:							
Semifinished-----	26.3	20.6	26.6	43.1	44.7	41.8	47.2
Plate-----	6.2	7.9	12.7	6.7	8.5	8.9	9.6
Sheet and strip-----	14.7	14.4	16.5	12.8	10.6	10.4	11.3
Bars & certain shapes-----	22.1	23.8	25.3	24.3	24.2	22.8	20.2
Wire rod-----	26.9	41.0	34.2	28.3	25.4	21.8	34.4
Wire-----	45.8	52.2	44.4	45.4	45.1	42.7	48.1
Pipe and tube-----	40.7	42.6	45.9	44.5	42.7	45.7	48.2
Tool steel (all forms)-----	35.4	39.0	45.5	42.3	42.5	45.5	71.3
Total-----	19.2	19.7	22.1	19.6	18.6	18.3	21.8

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	155,112	282,085	114,194	136,732
Austria -----	119,666	138,101	50,224	24,357
Brazil -----	1,152,972	1,476,896	573,113	579,203
Czechoslovakia -----	29,792	37,301	11,346	1,396
East Germany -----	95,910	92,239	38,348	20,926
EC countries-----	5,314,371	5,766,991	2,233,399	1,904,098
Finland -----	174,889	212,989	83,399	83,856
Hungary -----	27,064	30,094	12,961	9,635
Japan -----	4,384,621	4,343,898	1,877,923	1,636,490
Mexico -----	491,204	488,367	211,978	130,012
Peoples Rep of China -----	51,107	68,840	27,784	22,217
Poland -----	91,936	89,648	46,795	25,693
Portugal -----	31,087	22,739	12,655	3,774
Romania -----	82,408	102,548	61,518	20,721
Republic of South Africa -----	30,015	1,693	1,693	247
Korea, Republic of -----	1,434,872	1,572,602	748,750	494,491
Spain -----	520,988	486,490	197,552	240,422
Trinidad and Tobago -----	62,575	31,518	12,767	9,200
Venezuela -----	170,571	169,383	101,224	32,829
Yugoslavia -----	15,394	12,751	4,062	2,421
Total-----	14,436,554	15,427,173	6,421,685	5,378,720
Other countries:				
Canada -----	3,809,440	3,430,920	1,539,989	1,415,147
Sweden -----	609,367	575,055	342,449	144,292
Argentina -----	346,494	558,011	313,708	63,541
Turkey -----	407,413	307,985	177,757	65,643
Indonesia -----	235,573	281,142	111,176	34,284
Taiwan -----	263,415	252,112	105,534	72,950
Norway -----	154,231	181,502	89,113	47,474
Thailand -----	120,179	160,364	81,372	37,524
Singapore -----	144,538	153,164	38,805	31,765
India -----	60,774	100,261	53,425	50,474
All others-----	350,496	441,375	191,442	98,607
Total-----	6,501,920	6,441,891	3,044,770	2,061,701
Grand total-----	20,938,474	21,869,064	9,466,455	7,440,421

Table 7.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	70,374	118,494	47,330	55,758
Austria -----:	58,007	82,907	30,951	22,678
Brazil -----:	328,749	463,632	176,068	194,810
Czechoslovakia -----:	7,156	12,019	3,434	617
East Germany -----:	25,328	31,340	11,667	7,100
EC countries-----:	2,197,086	2,721,224	1,016,517	1,045,122
Finland -----:	65,035	101,105	37,500	39,269
Hungary -----:	6,191	8,600	3,470	3,134
Japan -----:	2,189,840	2,562,005	1,066,112	1,034,077
Mexico -----:	204,210	240,693	96,750	77,879
Peoples Rep of China -----:	23,586	27,574	10,797	12,034
Poland -----:	27,141	30,281	14,924	9,560
Portugal -----:	15,163	10,575	6,316	2,395
Romania -----:	25,093	36,063	21,487	7,248
Republic of South Africa -----:	7,322	1,487	1,487	229
Korea, Republic of -----:	633,718	770,065	356,188	248,996
Spain -----:	200,168	249,811	87,167	128,796
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	15,482	8,602	3,461	3,006
Venezuela -----:	48,835	53,699	32,475	12,487
Yugoslavia -----:	5,404	5,947	1,862	1,008
Total-----:	6,153,888	7,536,123	3,025,963	2,906,203
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	1,660,699	1,706,602	744,338	766,213
Sweden -----:	301,016	358,878	175,459	131,243
Argentina -----:	122,695	221,845	116,128	27,562
Turkey -----:	123,568	93,038	51,594	22,428
Indonesia -----:	56,949	81,687	30,091	12,178
Taiwan -----:	118,228	134,663	51,861	45,128
Norway -----:	39,735	55,371	23,959	16,762
Thailand -----:	43,817	65,625	32,099	16,214
Singapore -----:	42,953	50,365	13,012	13,224
India -----:	22,889	43,769	22,587	20,488
All others-----:	124,712	164,938	71,532	47,222
Total-----:	2,657,261	2,976,781	1,332,660	1,118,662
Grand total-----:	8,811,149	10,512,904	4,358,623	4,024,865

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January-May		1989	
			:	:		
Quantity (Short tons)						
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VRA countries:						
Australia -----	155,077	202,683	90,709	100,729		
Austria -----	119,666	138,029	50,224	24,357		
Brazil -----	671,685	755,083	311,007	316,334		
Czechoslovakia -----	29,792	37,301	11,346	1,396		
East Germany -----	95,909	92,239	38,348	20,926		
EC-----	4,358,698	4,611,870	1,762,746	1,548,058		
Finland -----	160,941	209,750	80,160	83,856		
Hungary -----	26,495	30,094	12,961	9,635		
Japan -----	4,291,332	4,264,692	1,844,864	1,598,022		
Mexico -----	429,320	424,451	178,680	118,753		
Peoples Rep of China -----	51,093	68,840	27,784	22,211		
Poland -----	90,476	89,295	46,516	25,426		
Portugal -----	31,087	22,739	12,655	3,774		
Romania -----	82,408	102,548	61,518	20,721		
Republic of South Africa -----	7,437	1,693	1,693	247		
Korea, Republic of -----	1,407,830	1,515,157	747,414	451,259		
Spain -----	484,083	449,539	174,150	232,083		
Trinidad and Tobago -----	62,575	28,460	12,767	9,200		
Venezuela -----	130,749	119,720	79,283	32,829		
Yugoslavia -----	15,394	12,751	4,062	2,421		
Total-----	12,702,047	13,176,934	5,548,887	4,622,237		
Other countries:						
Canada -----	3,673,795	3,327,082	1,500,929	1,374,646		
Argentina -----	343,363	535,190	290,888	63,479		
Turkey -----	407,413	307,985	177,757	65,643		
Indonesia -----	234,667	276,988	107,027	34,284		
Sweden -----	267,311	269,005	137,581	79,606		
Taiwan -----	263,415	252,112	105,534	72,950		
Thailand -----	120,179	160,364	81,372	37,524		
Singapore -----	144,538	153,164	38,805	31,765		
Norway -----	109,791	116,917	59,141	41,597		
India -----	60,774	100,261	53,425	50,474		
All others-----	322,184	348,084	145,113	92,743		
Total-----	5,947,430	5,847,152	2,697,572	1,944,711		
Grand total-----	18,649,477	19,024,086	8,246,459	6,566,948		

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988	1989	
				Import/consumption ratio (percent)	
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	: .2	: .2	: .2	: .2	: .3
Austria -----	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1
Brazil -----	: .7	: .8	: .8	: .8	: .8
Czechoslovakia -----	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/
East Germany -----	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1
EC-----	: 4.8	: 4.7	: 4.3	: 3.9	
Finland -----	: .2	: .2	: .2	: .2	: .2
Hungary -----	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/
Japan -----	: 4.7	: 4.4	: 4.5	: 4.0	
Mexico -----	: .5	: .4	: .4	: .3	
Peoples Rep of China -----	: .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 -----	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/
Korea, Republic of -----	: 1.6	: 1.5	: 1.8	: 1.1	
Spain -----	: .5	: .5	: .4	: .6	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	: .1	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/
Venezuela -----	: .1	: .1	: .2	: .1	
Yugoslavia -----	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	: 2/	
Total-----	: 14.0	: 13.5	: 13.5	: 11.6	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	: 4.1	: 3.4	: 3.6	: 3.4	
Argentina -----	: .4	: .5	: .7	: .2	
Turkey -----	: .4	: .3	: .4	: .2	
Indonesia -----	: .3	: .3	: .3	: .1	
Sweden -----	: .3	: .3	: .3	: .2	
Taiwan -----	: .3	: .3	: .3	: .2	
Thailand -----	: .1	: .2	: .2	: .1	
Singapore -----	: .2	: .2	: .1	: .1	
Norway -----	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1	
India -----	: .1	: .1	: .1	: .1	
All others-----	: .4	: .4	: .4	: .2	
Total-----	: 6.6	: 6.0	: 6.6	: 4.9	
Grand total-----	: 20.6	: 19.5	: 20.0	: 16.4	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Source	Voluntary restraint level 2/	1987	1988	January--May	
				1988	1989
Quantity (short tons)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	50,000	35	79,402	23,486	36,003
Austria -----	3/ 0	73	0	0	0
Brazil -----	700,000	481,287	721,813	262,106	262,869
Czechoslovakia -----	3/ 0	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	3/ 1	0	0	0	0
EC Countries -----	4/ 820,000	955,673	1,155,121	470,653	356,040
Finland -----	15,000	13,948	3,239	3,239	0
Hungary -----	3/ 569	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	100,000	93,288	79,206	33,059	38,468
Mexico -----	100,000	61,884	63,916	33,298	11,259
Peoples Rep of China -----	3/ 13	0	0	0	5
Poland -----	3/ 1,460	353	279	279	267
Portugal -----	3/ 0	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	3/ 0	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	5/ 100,000	22,578	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	50,000	27,043	57,445	1,336	43,232
Spain -----	50,000	36,905	36,951	23,401	8,339
Trinidad and Tobago -----	3,500	0	3,058	0	0
Venezuela -----	60,000	39,822	49,663	21,941	0
Yugoslavia -----	3/ 0	0	0	0	0
Total-----	2,048,500	1,734,506	2,250,240	872,798	756,482
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	6/ 342,056	306,050	204,867	64,687	
Canada -----	6/ 135,645	103,838	39,060	40,501	
Norway -----	6/ 44,440	64,585	29,971	5,877	
Soviet Union -----	6/ 0	47,078	23,134	5,860	
New Zealand -----	6/ 28,212	46,214	23,195	0	
Argentina -----	6/ 3,131	22,820	22,820	62	
Indonesia -----	6/ 906	4,154	4,149	0	
Switzerland -----	6/ 99	0	0	1	
Taiwan -----	6/ 0	0	0	0	
Total-----	6/ 554,489	594,739	347,196	116,988	
Grand total-----	2,048,500	2,288,995	2,844,979	1,219,994	873,470

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
			Quantity (short tons)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	35 :	79,402 :	23,486 :	36,003	
Austria -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Brazil -----:	467,926 :	720,130 :	262,106 :	262,869	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	2/ :	0 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----:	949,332 :	1,151,180 :	468,906 :	355,139	
Finland -----:	13,948 :	3,239 :	3,239 :	0	
Hungary -----:	569 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	89,683 :	77,271 :	31,838 :	38,200	
Mexico -----:	61,884 :	63,916 :	33,298 :	11,259	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	13 :	0 :	0 :	5	
Poland -----:	1,460 :	279 :	279 :	0	
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----:	22,578 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	27,043 :	57,445 :	1,336 :	43,232	
Spain -----:	36,537 :	30,268 :	22,964 :	1,600	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	3,058 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	39,822 :	49,663 :	21,941 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	1,710,830 :	2,235,851 :	869,393 :	748,307	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----:	334,207 :	291,559 :	198,124 :	60,821	
Canada -----:	110,445 :	70,310 :	26,650 :	21,991	
Norway -----:	44,440 :	64,585 :	29,971 :	5,877	
Soviet Union -----:	0 :	47,078 :	23,134 :	5,860	
New Zealand -----:	28,212 :	46,214 :	23,195 :	0	
Argentina -----:	3,131 :	22,820 :	22,820 :	62	
Indonesia -----:	906 :	4,154 :	4,149 :	0	
Switzerland -----:	99 :	2/ :	2/ :	2/	
Total-----:	521,440 :	546,720 :	328,043 :	94,611	
Grand total-----:	2,232,270 :	2,782,571 :	1,197,436 :	842,918	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 10.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January ^{2/} -May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	6	15,165	3,503	6,307
Austria -----:	0	0	0	0
Brazil -----:	87,231	161,215	55,628	66,569
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----:	7	0	0	0
EC countries-----:	208,398	284,362	108,740	94,029
Finland -----:	2,945	770	770	0
Hungary -----:	128	0	0	0
Japan -----:	20,477	19,499	7,789	10,526
Mexico -----:	11,428	17,342	7,455	3,388
Peoples Rep of China -----:	30	0	0	7
Poland -----:	342	69	69	0
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	3,548	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	4,809	14,573	550	10,557
Spain -----:	6,503	6,521	4,471	602
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	617	0	0
Venezuela -----:	6,708	11,049	3,822	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	0
Total-----:	352,560	531,182	192,797	191,985
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	76,098	73,544	49,532	15,249
Canada -----:	26,940	21,337	7,644	9,239
Norway -----:	8,098	14,757	6,452	1,288
Soviet Union -----:	0	6,946	2,959	843
New Zealand -----:	6,332	13,489	8,372	0
Argentina -----:	1,109	6,147	6,147	21
Indonesia -----:	242	1,196	1,195	0
Switzerland -----:	140	3	1	8
Total-----:	118,959	137,419	82,302	26,648
Grand total-----:	471,519	668,601	275,099	218,633

^{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 11.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	5,014 :	5,935 :	2,453 :	1,270	
Austria -----:	9,701 :	21,426 :	7,404 :	872	
Brazil -----:	112,608 :	171,537 :	56,776 :	69,700	
Czechoslovakia -----:	10,416 :	16,455 :	4,272 :	628	
East Germany -----:	16,091 :	17,270 :	7,162 :	3,357	
EC countries-----:	381,994 :	467,491 :	167,468 :	152,988	
Finland -----:	69,486 :	96,135 :	28,859 :	42,466	
Hungary -----:	13,933 :	16,146 :	6,970 :	5,087	
Japan -----:	35,903 :	44,538 :	13,595 :	17,934	
Mexico -----:	12,930 :	20,867 :	8,222 :	4,875	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	26 :	0 :	0	
Poland -----:	30,633 :	30,860 :	13,922 :	12,043	
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Romania -----:	49,274 :	68,325 :	40,719 :	16,383	
Republic of South Africa -----:	465 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	64,323 :	68,405 :	27,094 :	20,546	
Spain -----:	63,973 :	48,484 :	22,406 :	18,932	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	389 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	6,872 :	6,653 :	5,981 :	2,804	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	1,423 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	883,616 :	1,102,365 :	413,303 :	369,885	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	449,135 :	419,556 :	198,434 :	130,852	
Sweden -----:	106,253 :	110,743 :	49,826 :	32,635	
Indonesia -----:	46,701 :	84,969 :	42,789 :	203	
Argentina -----:	17,499 :	44,564 :	25,710 :	233	
India -----:	35,711 :	34,780 :	22,392 :	26,469	
Egypt -----:	0 :	21,147 :	9,150 :	0	
Pakistan -----:	6,227 :	15,610 :	10,043 :	0	
Algeria -----:	0 :	8,054 :	6,934 :	0	
Turkey -----:	6,145 :	5,946 :	5,946 :	168	
New Zealand -----:	0 :	3,849 :	550 :	4,321	
All others-----:	4,290 :	5,507 :	4,254 :	2/	
Total-----:	671,961 :	754,725 :	376,028 :	194,881	
Grand total-----:	1,555,577 :	1,857,090 :	789,331 :	564,766	

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Table 11.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	2,285	3,190	1,276	595
Austria -----:	3,379	8,467	2,998	615
Brazil -----:	36,299	67,413	23,235	21,024
Czechoslovakia -----:	2,292	5,280	1,141	177
East Germany -----:	3,761	5,566	2,060	1,143
EC countries-----:	126,682	197,106	68,214	68,446
Finland -----:	18,573	38,528	10,414	15,233
Hungary -----:	3,104	4,494	1,774	1,580
Japan -----:	19,324	27,120	7,927	11,004
Mexico -----:	3,340	8,122	2,989	2,040
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0	28	0	0
Poland -----:	7,316	9,971	4,019	4,126
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	13,447	22,680	13,765	5,588
Republic of South Africa -----:	145	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	21,560	28,496	10,923	7,949
Spain -----:	20,059	22,593	9,208	7,059
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	122	0	0
Venezuela -----:	1,762	2,062	1,809	951
Yugoslavia -----:	0	461	0	0
Total-----:	283,328	451,699	161,752	147,530
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	155,991	175,573	79,772	55,328
Sweden -----:	40,807	52,247	22,202	16,620
Indonesia -----:	12,461	25,597	12,447	57
Argentina -----:	4,317	14,038	8,247	81
India -----:	13,055	14,024	9,056	7,844
Egypt -----:	0	6,652	2,568	0
Pakistan -----:	2,559	4,117	2,599	0
Algeria -----:	0	2,330	2,046	0
Turkey -----:	1,554	2,186	2,186	77
New Zealand -----:	0	1,350	172	1,312
All others-----:	1,708	1,855	1,398	6
Total-----:	232,452	299,969	142,693	81,325
Grand total-----:	515,780	751,668	304,445	228,855

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

^{2/} Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 12.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item					January--May	
	1987		1988			
			1988	1989		
Quantity (short tons)						
VRA countries:						
Australia -----:	123,054	:	169,338	:	74,956	
Austria -----:	82,055	:	80,141	:	29,160	
Brazil -----:	343,715	:	279,788	:	117,525	
Czechoslovakia -----:	2,410	:	0	:	0	
East Germany -----:	61,012	:	50,830	:	19,412	
EC countries-----:	2,172,597	:	2,143,264	:	784,762	
Finland -----:	71,070	:	85,164	:	40,221	
Hungary -----:	9,600	:	13,211	:	5,406	
Japan -----:	2,381,393	:	2,209,538	:	922,630	
Mexico -----:	127,973	:	139,529	:	59,930	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	584	:	0	:	0	
Poland -----:	13,390	:	11,005	:	6,931	
Portugal -----:	29,872	:	16,837	:	12,486	
Romania -----:	3,665	:	6,731	:	4,692	
Republic of South Africa -----:	372	:	0	:	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	603,796	:	487,380	:	260,218	
Spain -----:	100,179	:	88,988	:	38,402	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	:	63	:	0	
Venezuela -----:	56,293	:	57,246	:	48,183	
Yugoslavia -----:	0	:	0	:	0	
Total-----:	6,183,030	:	5,839,053	:	2,424,914	
					1,984,982	
Other countries:						
Canada -----:	1,119,490	:	856,040	:	394,718	
Argentina -----:	175,619	:	243,388	:	170,948	
Taiwan -----:	60,024	:	78,901	:	31,031	
Sweden -----:	61,509	:	51,007	:	33,559	
New Zealand -----:	10,795	:	29,118	:	5,258	
Algeria -----:	11,632	:	21,102	:	14,488	
Indonesia -----:	24,966	:	20,138	:	9,543	
Turkey -----:	67,134	:	17,019	:	17,019	
Norway -----:	15,629	:	14,466	:	4,613	
Pakistan -----:	10,113	:	8,324	:	3,345	
All others-----:	6,653	:	6,824	:	2,617	
Total-----:	1,563,564	:	1,346,327	:	687,139	
					427,053	
Grand total-----:	7,746,594	:	7,185,380	:	3,112,053	
					2,412,035	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	59,001	90,392	38,278	42,073
Austria -----:	26,289	31,089	11,339	5,361
Brazil -----:	119,782	111,040	43,965	57,927
Czechoslovakia -----:	644	0	0	0
East Germany -----:	17,087	18,100	6,592	3,506
EC countries-----:	877,390	995,304	354,408	311,881
Finland -----:	25,253	32,525	15,518	12,728
Hungary -----:	2,371	3,751	1,430	1,067
Japan -----:	1,208,940	1,211,321	501,360	501,536
Mexico -----:	60,338	77,632	31,786	21,714
Peoples Rep of China -----:	114	0	0	7
Poland -----:	5,198	5,049	3,111	0
Portugal -----:	14,108	8,172	6,080	1,600
Romania -----:	1,246	2,176	1,460	36
Republic of South Africa ----:	124	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	234,228	209,663	111,026	44,045
Spain -----:	40,855	41,812	16,204	18,481
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	19	0	0
Venezuela -----:	18,728	22,121	18,367	5,138
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	6
Total-----:	2,711,696	2,860,166	1,160,924	1,027,106
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	463,992	381,804	171,757	166,496
Argentina -----:	64,208	92,033	64,339	1,208
Taiwan -----:	22,313	31,494	12,153	7,480
Sweden -----:	37,494	39,376	21,833	14,311
New Zealand -----:	5,600	11,315	2,012	17,235
Algeria -----:	4,076	8,668	6,264	0
Indonesia -----:	6,638	7,569	2,960	76
Turkey -----:	27,144	6,256	6,256	9
Norway -----:	7,955	7,909	2,455	4,844
Pakistan -----:	2,221	3,600	2,243	0
All others-----:	2,985	3,066	1,235	963
Total-----:	644,626	593,090	293,507	212,622
Grand total-----:	3,356,322	3,453,256	1,454,431	1,239,728

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

Table 13.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel bars and light shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	117 :	826 :	30 :	36
Austria -----	394 :	693 :	89 :	264
Brazil -----	50,090 :	96,561 :	43,932 :	25,187
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	2 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	209,024 :	222,242 :	70,243 :	67,017
Finland -----	2,752 :	4,081 :	1,307 :	1,831
Hungary -----	43 :	146 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	154,408 :	107,959 :	52,414 :	34,015
Mexico -----	31,521 :	22,813 :	10,211 :	3,659
Peoples Rep of China -----	4,820 :	3,441 :	1,819 :	1,075
Poland -----	1,037 :	1,282 :	442 :	1,438
Portugal -----	0 :	2/ :	2/ :	0
Romania -----	122 :	29 :	29 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----	221 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----	56,173 :	74,249 :	38,419 :	36,255
Spain -----	30,581 :	38,094 :	18,838 :	11,985
Trinidad and Tobago -----	18,047 :	15,404 :	7,247 :	9,189
Venezuela -----	13,530 :	19,962 :	3,193 :	4,735
Yugoslavia -----	287 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	573,169 :	607,782 :	248,213 :	196,686
Other countries:				
Canada -----	379,637 :	429,634 :	181,048 :	181,656
Turkey -----	94,882 :	102,560 :	38,094 :	49,718
Indonesia -----	44,957 :	54,015 :	0 :	1,925
Argentina -----	18,954 :	50,982 :	15,194 :	14,034
Norway -----	28,347 :	36,346 :	18,009 :	11,995
Taiwan -----	44,665 :	32,265 :	14,959 :	6,216
Singapore -----	39,869 :	19,311 :	0 :	6,237
India -----	10,014 :	11,249 :	4,861 :	4,024
Sweden -----	7,255 :	9,099 :	4,253 :	1,407
Israel -----	619 :	5,943 :	78 :	42
All others-----	38,800 :	1,924 :	506 :	1,403
Total-----	707,999 :	753,328 :	277,002 :	278,657
Grand total-----	1,281,168 :	1,361,110 :	525,215 :	475,343

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Table 13.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel bars and light shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
Value (thousand dollars)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	92	332	10	11	
Austria -----	590	667	138	477	
Brazil -----	15,461	29,058	12,674	9,533	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	1	0	0	0	
EC countries-----	154,145	116,081	36,342	39,206	
Finland -----	1,685	2,705	795	1,366	
Hungary -----	14	63	0	0	
Japan -----	62,568	49,339	22,796	17,332	
Mexico -----	8,595	8,588	3,783	1,423	
Peoples Rep of China -----	1,683	1,314	592	375	
Poland -----	548	845	307	794	
Portugal -----	0	2	2	0	
Romania -----	600	103	103	0	
Republic of South Africa -----	71	0	0	0	
Korea, Republic of -----	15,094	20,439	10,126	10,459	
Spain -----	11,163	17,305	7,960	5,928	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	5,496	3,968	1,815	2,975	
Venezuela -----	3,187	5,392	981	1,420	
Yugoslavia -----	73	0	0	0	
Total-----	281,066	256,201	98,424	91,299	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	146,520	186,448	77,789	78,614	
Turkey -----	24,960	28,951	9,939	15,258	
Indonesia -----	9,076	14,691	0	518	
Argentina -----	4,865	16,442	4,515	5,630	
Norway -----	5,906	8,963	4,105	3,268	
Taiwan -----	11,531	10,022	4,235	2,146	
Singapore -----	10,128	5,104	0	2,595	
India -----	3,490	3,952	1,753	1,717	
Sweden -----	4,732	5,737	2,343	1,294	
Israel -----	191	1,616	72	18	
All others-----	9,814	1,111	346	562	
Total-----	231,213	283,037	105,097	111,620	
Grand total-----	512,279	539,238	203,521	202,919	

^{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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	9,664	9,551	6,175	6,937
Austria -----:	401	601	258	1,111
Brazil -----:	50,183	58,383	26,656	24,386
Czechoslovakia -----:	10,307	13,661	3,591	0
East Germany -----:	12,806	16,306	7,548	4,352
EC countries-----:	235,247	248,578	101,612	71,640
Finland -----:	2,237	2,237	0	108
Hungary -----:	2,862	0	0	0
Japan -----:	245,672	276,003	118,707	115,258
Mexico -----:	62,826	58,389	23,599	12,530
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0	27	25	25
Poland -----:	0	7,606	4,336	0
Portugal -----:	0	4,451	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	432	875	718	387
Spain -----:	40,302	37,258	18,806	25,139
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	43,094	11,312	4,708	0
Venezuela -----:	4,471	8,916	5,609	335
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	0
Total-----:	720,504	754,154	322,348	262,208
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	390,071	360,096	175,876	185,005
Turkey -----:	61,072	126,791	91,887	0
Indonesia -----:	97,932	84,414	43,766	16,098
Singapore -----:	60,425	81,904	17,432	13,488
Sweden -----:	10,079	18,464	11,396	1,963
Saudi Arabia -----:	42,619	17,972	8,823	0
Taiwan -----:	15,798	16,843	5,475	8,601
Egypt -----:	0	11,114	63	23
Malaysia -----:	47,789	2,355	0	0
Israel -----:	131	372	0	0
All others-----:	2,300	144	2/	22
Total-----:	728,216	720,469	354,718	225,200
Grand total-----:	1,448,720	1,474,623	677,066	487,408

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	1,983	2,103	1,317	1,497
Austria -----:	179	248	109	301
Brazil -----:	12,145	16,380	7,515	6,655
Czechoslovakia -----:	2,164	3,234	789	0
East Germany -----:	2,585	3,547	1,521	1,060
EC countries-----:	84,580	97,970	38,875	27,674
Finland -----:	692	741	0	35
Hungary -----:	557	0	0	0
Japan -----:	103,044	124,039	50,576	53,816
Mexico -----:	14,093	15,344	5,874	3,082
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0	9	7	7
Poland -----:	0	1,612	885	0
Portugal -----:	0	1,123	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	179	389	315	236
Spain -----:	11,411	10,435	5,046	7,276
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	9,538	3,293	1,367	0
Venezuela -----:	1,014	2,000	1,279	88
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	0
Total-----:	244,164	282,467	115,475	101,727
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	127,412	130,836	61,999	66,908
Turkey -----:	13,673	32,337	23,400	0
Indonesia -----:	21,082	20,363	9,561	4,363
Singapore -----:	14,388	21,983	4,260	4,507
Sweden -----:	6,215	9,831	4,775	1,560
Saudi Arabia -----:	8,616	3,719	1,791	0
Taiwan -----:	6,199	6,764	2,144	3,842
Egypt -----:	0	2,650	14	7
Malaysia -----:	11,059	622	0	0
Israel -----:	30	106	0	0
All others-----:	478	131	1	11
Total-----:	209,152	229,342	107,945	81,198
Grand total-----:	453,316	511,809	223,420	182,925

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

2/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 15.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	4,963	4,488	1,337	1,794
Austria -----:	2,484	1,731	699	793
Brazil -----:	10,577	14,128	6,998	5,241
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	24
East Germany -----:	89	0	0	0
EC countries-----:	174,468	168,458	75,032	63,912
Finland -----:	400	476	265	59
Hungary -----:	57	0	0	0
Japan -----:	96,684	78,468	34,713	30,343
Mexico -----:	3,991	2,712	955	556
Peoples Rep of China -----:	7,302	9,720	3,274	4,192
Poland -----:	2	116	0	56
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	187	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	8,226	7,736	2,511	2,799
Spain -----:	40	22	22	75
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	1,435	1,060	718	0
Venezuela -----:	7,717	5,996	3,382	1,360
Yugoslavia -----:	42	3	0	0
Total-----:	318,664	295,114	129,906	111,204
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	194,819	193,243	85,829	85,269
Sweden -----:	7,745	7,532	3,218	3,171
Taiwan -----:	3,217	4,897	2,001	1,168
India -----:	2,572	4,108	1,690	2,219
Saudi Arabia -----:	0	4,000	0	0
Switzerland -----:	1,372	2,591	1,085	1,058
Argentina -----:	1,170	2,491	926	2,657
Chile -----:	1,379	2,146	1,062	756
Ecuador -----:	18	1,430	151	1,006
Norway -----:	2,476	1,312	491	388
All others-----:	3,464	865	351	636
Total-----:	218,232	224,615	96,804	98,328
Grand total-----:	536,896	519,729	226,710	209,532

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Table 15.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	2,329	2,018	625	811
Austria -----:	3,613	2,584	1,163	1,145
Brazil -----:	4,944	6,207	2,945	2,759
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	16
East Germany -----:	24	0	0	0
EC countries-----:	129,054	141,173	61,314	58,542
Finland -----:	170	231	122	17
Hungary -----:	17	0	0	0
Japan -----:	64,973	61,637	25,553	25,867
Mexico -----:	1,681	1,320	449	328
Peoples Rep of China -----:	2,868	4,165	1,438	1,823
Poland -----:	3	59	0	29
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	85	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	4,882	4,667	1,435	1,730
Spain -----:	33	37	37	87
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	448	354	253	0
Venezuela -----:	3,802	3,096	1,635	874
Yugoslavia -----:	24	9	0	0
Total-----:	218,950	227,557	96,969	94,028
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	101,960	109,405	47,425	50,593
Sweden -----:	10,304	10,678	4,216	4,410
Taiwan -----:	1,964	2,903	1,054	1,132
India -----:	883	1,518	627	828
Saudi Arabia -----:	0	810	0	0
Switzerland -----:	898	1,525	646	686
Argentina -----:	499	1,245	556	1,229
Chile -----:	532	946	441	405
Ecuador -----:	9	652	74	491
Norway -----:	1,427	1,177	420	319
All others-----:	1,385	483	177	357
Total-----:	119,861	131,342	55,636	60,450
Grand total-----:	338,811	358,899	152,605	154,478

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

Table 16.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
				Quantity (short tons)	
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	291	5	2		0
Austria -----	1,113	956	143		1,841
Brazil -----	10,382	15,018	5,783		5,420
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0		0
East Germany -----	0	0	0		0
EC countries-----	34,544	23,220	10,945		32,119
Finland -----	0	1	2/		2/
Hungary -----	0	0	0		0
Japan -----	50,318	23,536	11,870		26,126
Mexico -----	14,577	13,693	6,394		5,907
Peoples Rep of China -----	36,253	36,866	15,691		16,275
Poland -----	19,213	16,070	7,676		4,928
Portugal -----	683	380	169		220
Romania -----	6,859	143	143		0
Republic of South Africa -----	4,340	1,550	1,550		246
Korea, Republic of -----	186,794	192,127	84,382		70,316
Spain -----	18,997	14,765	6,225		15,321
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	94	94		0
Venezuela -----	2,683	1,352	703		5,266
Yugoslavia -----	7,882	7,314	2,458		2,407
Total-----	394,929	347,090	154,228		186,392
Other countries:					
Canada -----	106,028	98,251	42,700		47,620
Turkey -----	37,393	23,631	7,336		4,423
United Arab Emirates -----	7,787	20,059	8,112		7,170
Indonesia -----	11,116	18,621	5,208		8,101
Argentina -----	12,069	18,002	6,127		7,010
Taiwan -----	37,689	13,715	5,483		6,650
Thailand -----	20,516	8,627	2,839		10,122
Chile -----	10,919	8,459	3,402		2,275
India -----	505	4,571	1,247		3,298
Saudi Arabia -----	305	3,718	2,529		3,626
All others-----	10,123	7,707	3,000		5,180
Total-----	254,450	225,361	87,983		105,475
Grand total-----	649,379	572,451	242,211		291,867

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Table 16.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel wire products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	249 :	20 :	13 :	0
Austria -----:	1,973 :	1,556 :	361 :	4,070
Brazil -----:	4,592 :	7,169 :	2,745 :	2,997
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	27,128 :	24,443 :	9,663 :	69,854
Finland -----:	0 :	96 :	4 :	4
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	46,874 :	28,992 :	13,201 :	50,462
Mexico -----:	7,758 :	8,903 :	3,924 :	5,870
Peoples Rep of China -----:	17,786 :	14,640 :	6,305 :	9,436
Poland -----:	7,056 :	5,403 :	2,653 :	1,688
Portugal -----:	820 :	530 :	234 :	325
Romania -----:	2,424 :	44 :	44 :	0
Republic of South Africa ----:	2,199 :	792 :	792 :	225
Korea, Republic of -----:	128,818 :	138,561 :	56,914 :	61,380
Spain -----:	11,866 :	8,752 :	3,524 :	16,213
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	27 :	27 :	0
Venezuela -----:	498 :	387 :	208 :	1,614
Yugoslavia -----:	2,845 :	3,027 :	1,086 :	998
Total-----:	262,886 :	243,342 :	101,698 :	225,136
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	73,873 :	70,198 :	29,825 :	39,639
Turkey -----:	12,966 :	8,700 :	2,518 :	2,525
United Arab Emirates -----:	2,582 :	7,562 :	3,084 :	2,814
Indonesia -----:	4,341 :	6,881 :	1,874 :	3,747
Argentina -----:	5,105 :	7,943 :	2,617 :	3,568
Taiwan -----:	24,306 :	12,448 :	4,936 :	7,756
Thailand -----:	10,027 :	5,332 :	1,917 :	3,969
Chile -----:	4,662 :	3,991 :	1,676 :	1,242
India -----:	263 :	2,659 :	594 :	2,445
Saudi Arabia -----:	103 :	1,239 :	855 :	1,322
All others-----:	6,976 :	6,778 :	2,573 :	8,127
Total-----:	145,204 :	133,731 :	52,469 :	77,154
Grand total-----:	408,090 :	377,073 :	154,167 :	302,290

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

2/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 17.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel structural shapes and units: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	January--May				
	1987		1988		1988 : 1989
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	55 :	139 :	41 :	229	
Austria -----:	377 :	1,541 :	109 :	266	
Brazil -----:	11,926 :	20,210 :	12,399 :	5,729	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----:	645,485 :	732,369 :	281,875 :	288,935	
Finland -----:	341 :	118 :	101 :	2,257	
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	629,977 :	590,217 :	257,605 :	222,516	
Mexico -----:	17,953 :	24,912 :	10,741 :	5,884	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	8 :	208 :	34 :	211	
Poland -----:	18,559 :	14,059 :	8,314 :	4,624	
Portugal -----:	122 :	0 :	0 :	2/	
Romania -----:	0 :	19 :	0 :	48	
Republic of South Africa -----:	933 :	143 :	143 :	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	135,070 :	169,302 :	87,713 :	48,911	
Spain -----:	177,434 :	171,068 :	47,593 :	84,117	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	11	
Venezuela -----:	0 :	2/	0 :	43	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	263 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	1,638,240 :	1,724,568 :	706,668 :	663,781	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	398,180 :	338,187 :	150,260 :	110,461	
Norway -----:	61,316 :	64,361 :	35,805 :	21,480	
Argentina -----:	17,757 :	27,523 :	17,166 :	16,853	
Taiwan -----:	17,179 :	9,020 :	4,190 :	3,581	
New Zealand -----:	9,076 :	8,242 :	2,400 :	3,439	
Indonesia -----:	0 :	4,074 :	0 :	3,251	
Sweden -----:	2,170 :	3,925 :	1,300 :	690	
Thailand -----:	0 :	3,278 :	44 :	0	
Singapore -----:	6,702 :	3,129 :	1,679 :	144	
Switzerland -----:	131 :	626 :	473 :	27	
All others-----:	2,917 :	1,534 :	904 :	582	
Total-----:	515,428 :	463,899 :	214,221 :	160,508	
Grand total-----:	2,153,668 :	2,188,467 :	920,889 :	824,289	

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Table 17.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel structural shapes and units: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	54 :	135 :	32 :	817
Austria -----:	1,455 :	1,865 :	660 :	821
Brazil -----:	4,099 :	8,055 :	4,255 :	2,267
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	222,416 :	294,725 :	112,852 :	114,791
Finland -----:	336 :	248 :	162 :	2,693
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	189,574 :	228,010 :	94,182 :	89,839
Mexico -----:	7,074 :	11,585 :	4,579 :	3,068
Peoples Rep of China -----:	71 :	154 :	18 :	161
Poland -----:	3,990 :	3,587 :	2,041 :	1,341
Portugal -----:	78 :	0 :	0 :	8
Romania -----:	0 :	11 :	0 :	21
Republic of South Africa -----:	573 :	694 :	694 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	59,530 :	84,018 :	44,247 :	20,619
Spain -----:	48,816 :	62,180 :	14,643 :	30,214
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	32
Venezuela -----:	0 :	1 :	0 :	13
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	393 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	538,066 :	695,661 :	278,365 :	266,705
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	220,522 :	201,529 :	85,361 :	70,135
Norway -----:	15,052 :	21,943 :	10,237 :	6,813
Argentina -----:	4,186 :	7,274 :	4,550 :	4,788
Taiwan -----:	9,331 :	5,476 :	2,719 :	3,323
New Zealand -----:	9,040 :	8,814 :	3,373 :	3,902
Indonesia -----:	0 :	1,173 :	0 :	951
Sweden -----:	7,243 :	5,413 :	3,371 :	1,861
Thailand -----:	0 :	1,711 :	21 :	0
Singapore -----:	4,293 :	2,903 :	1,205 :	133
Switzerland -----:	818 :	1,557 :	817 :	131
All others-----:	6,366 :	1,349 :	842 :	575
Total-----:	276,851 :	259,142 :	112,496 :	92,612
Grand total-----:	814,917 :	954,803 :	390,861 :	359,317

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

^{2/} Less than 0.5 short ton.

Table 18.--Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel rails and related products: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	30 :	2 :	0 :	1,395	
Austria -----:	5 :	703 :	2/	2,456	
Brazil -----:	2,440 :	4,553 :	1,001 :	1,497	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	1 :	1 :	0	
EC countries-----:	42,340 :	51,287 :	27,748 :	31,218	
Finland -----:	2/ :	3 :	3 :	0	
Hungary -----:	0 :	4 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	84,891 :	79,347 :	35,763 :	47,705	
Mexico -----:	46 :	26 :	2/ :	165	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	45 :	25 :	25 :	364	
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	101	
Portugal -----:	0 :	1,071 :	0 :	552	
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----:	879 :	2/ :	2/ :	0	
Korea, Republic of -----:	5,803 :	6,919 :	4,699 :	3,405	
Spain -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	32	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	344 :	77 :	0 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	136,823 :	144,018 :	69,240 :	88,890	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	101,439 :	172,077 :	55,500 :	63,198	
Sweden -----:	7,424 :	3,064 :	2,531 :	239	
Gabon -----:	0 :	128 :	0 :	0	
Taiwan -----:	168 :	128 :	31 :	231	
Argentina -----:	6 :	6 :	2 :	994	
India -----:	0 :	6 :	0 :	0	
Philippines -----:	0 :	6 :	6 :	0	
Honduras -----:	0 :	2/ :	0 :	9	
Norway -----:	0 :	2/ :	0 :	0	
Colombia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	30	
All others-----:	127 :	0 :	0 :	47	
Total-----:	109,164 :	175,415 :	58,070 :	64,748	
Grand total-----:	245,987 :	319,433 :	127,310 :	153,638	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	15 :	7 :	0 :	1,764
Austria -----:	37 :	299 :	3 :	1,607
Brazil -----:	2,016 :	3,751 :	867 :	1,211
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	5 :	5 :	0
EC countries-----:	17,563 :	24,466 :	12,113 :	14,922
Finland -----:	5 :	14 :	14 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	25 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	34,066 :	38,835 :	16,117 :	25,341
Mexico -----:	14 :	37 :	3 :	167
Peoples Rep of China -----:	32 :	9 :	9 :	174
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	48
Portugal -----:	0 :	748 :	0 :	461
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	563 :	1 :	1 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	1,863 :	2,580 :	1,606 :	1,839
Spain -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	136
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	70 :	24 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	56,244 :	70,801 :	30,738 :	47,670
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	20,479 :	50,140 :	18,778 :	28,345
Sweden -----:	2,553 :	1,001 :	748 :	187
Gabon -----:	0 :	67 :	0 :	0
Taiwan -----:	302 :	294 :	75 :	385
Argentina -----:	24 :	17 :	13 :	311
India -----:	0 :	16 :	0 :	0
Philippines -----:	0 :	28 :	28 :	0
Honduras -----:	0 :	2 :	0 :	4
Norway -----:	0 :	3 :	0 :	0
All others-----:	284 :	0 :	0 :	169
Total-----:	23,642 :	51,568 :	19,642 :	29,401
Grand total-----:	79,886 :	122,369 :	50,380 :	77,071

^{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 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	11,869 :	12,375 :	5,712 :	3,970
Austria -----:	19,766 :	26,408 :	10,600 :	2,326
Brazil -----:	75,669 :	87,724 :	36,700 :	32,208
Czechoslovakia -----:	6,660 :	7,164 :	3,481 :	745
East Germany -----:	5,909 :	7,828 :	4,223 :	3,309
EC countries-----:	383,341 :	458,471 :	203,364 :	166,997
Finland -----:	5,968 :	12,755 :	5,349 :	5,359
Hungary -----:	0 :	585 :	585 :	1,072
Japan -----:	542,452 :	790,770 :	371,270 :	186,866
Mexico -----:	137,761 :	131,349 :	53,965 :	44,114
Peoples Rep of China -----:	2,056 :	18,422 :	6,913 :	48
Poland -----:	7,267 :	8,048 :	4,855 :	2,176
Portugal -----:	410 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	22,488 :	27,284 :	15,918 :	4,238
Republic of South Africa -----:	40 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	331,525 :	496,059 :	235,884 :	154,690
Spain -----:	32,753 :	29,637 :	14,885 :	28,982
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	38,840 :	19,510 :	12,232 :	5,714
Yugoslavia -----:	7,183 :	3,732 :	1,587 :	0
Total-----:	1,631,957 :	2,138,121 :	987,523 :	642,814
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	514,456 :	436,372 :	205,680 :	212,817
Thailand -----:	93,717 :	148,259 :	78,449 :	27,176
Argentina -----:	100,108 :	148,192 :	54,774 :	18,829
Taiwan -----:	79,176 :	88,055 :	39,120 :	27,723
Singapore -----:	37,408 :	47,545 :	18,640 :	11,848
India -----:	10,848 :	44,486 :	22,808 :	13,445
Turkey -----:	140,786 :	32,001 :	17,476 :	11,291
Sweden -----:	30,146 :	26,842 :	13,515 :	8,001
Malaysia -----:	13,285 :	22,879 :	11,457 :	1,619
Chile -----:	2,077 :	22,048 :	7,454 :	2,080
All others-----:	94,680 :	95,139 :	43,758 :	21,044
Total-----:	1,116,687 :	1,111,818 :	513,131 :	355,873
Grand total-----:	2,748,644 :	3,249,939 :	1,500,654 :	998,687

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 19.--Carbon and certain alloy ^{1/} steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	4,265 :	4,959 :	2,253 :	1,803
Austria -----:	11,963 :	23,494 :	9,110 :	2,440
Brazil -----:	32,186 :	41,170 :	16,626 :	17,072
Czechoslovakia -----:	2,057 :	3,472 :	1,492 :	424
East Germany -----:	1,862 :	4,115 :	1,488 :	1,391
EC countries-----:	197,587 :	322,171 :	132,491 :	115,219
Finland -----:	1,915 :	5,624 :	2,225 :	2,589
Hungary -----:	0 :	266 :	266 :	458
Japan -----:	295,849 :	597,887 :	261,658 :	148,903
Mexico -----:	57,935 :	71,872 :	28,290 :	24,868
Peoples Rep of China -----:	895 :	7,066 :	2,389 :	32
Poland -----:	2,219 :	3,115 :	1,778 :	948
Portugal -----:	157 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	7,377 :	11,018 :	6,086 :	1,602
Republic of South Africa -----:	15 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	137,101 :	239,742 :	108,308 :	76,563
Spain -----:	16,510 :	23,994 :	10,736 :	17,165
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	13,066 :	7,535 :	4,375 :	2,389
Yugoslavia -----:	2,462 :	2,036 :	754 :	0
Total-----:	785,421 :	1,369,536 :	590,325 :	413,866
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	254,194 :	266,692 :	123,426 :	132,071
Thailand -----:	32,613 :	58,119 :	30,099 :	11,743
Argentina -----:	38,060 :	76,641 :	25,079 :	10,550
Taiwan -----:	28,607 :	39,591 :	16,350 :	13,390
Singapore -----:	13,763 :	19,833 :	7,144 :	5,923
India -----:	4,059 :	20,173 :	10,081 :	6,094
Turkey -----:	43,271 :	14,568 :	7,295 :	4,544
Sweden -----:	21,798 :	23,510 :	11,395 :	8,205
Malaysia -----:	4,615 :	9,314 :	4,409 :	705
Chile -----:	829 :	9,500 :	3,200 :	1,006
All others-----:	35,348 :	41,391 :	17,579 :	9,534
Total-----:	477,157 :	579,332 :	256,057 :	203,765
Grand total-----:	1,262,578 :	1,948,868 :	846,382 :	617,631

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

Table 20. Total, carbon and certain 1/ alloy steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	155,092	282,061	114,193	136,713	
Austria -----	116,298	134,200	48,462	22,857	
Brazil -----	1,135,516	1,468,033	569,876	575,965	
Czechoslovakia -----	29,792	37,280	11,344	1,396	
East Germany -----	95,910	92,234	38,348	20,926	
EC countries-----	5,228,372	5,666,561	2,191,954	1,850,449	
Finland -----	166,202	204,209	79,344	82,343	
Hungary -----	27,064	30,094	12,961	9,568	
Japan -----	4,311,383	4,277,647	1,850,404	1,597,903	
Mexico -----	471,462	478,207	207,316	125,086	
Peoples Rep of China -----	51,081	68,735	27,781	22,213	
Poland -----	91,561	89,325	46,755	25,366	
Portugal -----	31,087	22,739	12,655	3,774	
Romania -----	82,408	102,530	61,500	20,721	
Republic of South Africa -----	30,015	1,693	1,693	246	
Korea, Republic of -----	1,419,183	1,560,497	742,973	489,304	
Spain -----	500,796	458,584	190,140	225,871	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	62,575	31,380	12,767	9,200	
Venezuela -----	170,571	169,376	101,224	32,829	
Yugoslavia -----	15,394	12,734	4,045	2,419	
Total-----	14,191,762	15,188,119	6,325,735	5,255,149	
Other countries:					
Canada -----	3,763,701	3,373,766	1,516,694	1,385,545	
Argentina -----	346,313	557,969	313,667	63,384	
Sweden -----	566,885	522,294	317,741	120,336	
Turkey -----	407,413	307,985	177,757	65,642	
Indonesia -----	235,573	281,142	111,176	34,282	
Taiwan -----	257,931	243,886	102,298	71,464	
Norway -----	154,194	181,502	89,113	47,474	
Thailand -----	120,179	160,176	81,345	37,316	
Singapore -----	144,538	153,163	38,805	31,765	
India -----	60,231	99,714	53,243	49,900	
All others-----	350,185	441,075	191,297	98,232	
Total-----	6,407,143	6,322,672	2,993,136	2,005,340	
Grand total-----	20,598,905	21,510,791	9,318,871	7,260,489	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 20. Total, carbon and certain 1/ alloy steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	70,279	118,320	47,308	55,680
Austria -----:	49,477	70,268	25,882	16,837
Brazil -----:	318,756	451,458	170,455	188,014
Czechoslovakia -----:	7,156	11,986	3,422	617
East Germany -----:	25,328	31,334	11,667	7,100
EC countries-----:	2,044,943	2,497,803	935,013	914,563
Finland -----:	51,574	81,482	30,024	34,666
Hungary -----:	6,191	8,600	3,470	3,104
Japan -----:	2,045,689	2,386,680	1,001,159	934,625
Mexico -----:	172,255	220,745	89,132	65,948
Peoples Rep of China -----:	23,479	27,385	10,757	12,023
Poland -----:	26,671	29,711	14,863	8,973
Portugal -----:	15,163	10,575	6,316	2,395
Romania -----:	25,093	36,033	21,458	7,248
Republic of South Africa ----:	7,322	1,487	1,487	225
Korea, Republic of -----:	608,066	743,129	345,449	235,377
Spain -----:	167,216	193,629	71,828	103,161
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	15,482	8,400	3,461	3,006
Venezuela -----:	48,835	53,667	32,475	12,487
Yugoslavia -----:	5,404	5,925	1,840	1,004
Total-----:	5,734,379	6,988,617	2,827,466	2,607,053
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	1,591,881	1,593,962	703,777	697,366
Argentina -----:	122,372	221,780	116,064	27,386
Sweden -----:	207,367	221,486	120,459	67,047
Turkey -----:	123,568	93,038	51,594	22,425
Indonesia -----:	56,949	81,687	30,091	12,125
Taiwan -----:	104,597	109,041	43,692	39,454
Norway -----:	39,717	55,371	23,959	16,760
Thailand -----:	43,817	65,167	32,042	15,733
Singapore -----:	42,953	50,360	13,012	13,224
India -----:	22,038	42,731	22,273	19,185
All others-----:	123,858	163,352	70,888	46,090
Total-----:	2,479,117	2,697,975	1,227,851	976,795
Grand total-----:	8,213,496	9,686,592	4,055,317	3,583,848

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

Table 21.--Stainless semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	0 :	73 :	0 :	0
Brazil -----:	13,361 :	1,683 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	6,340 :	3,941 :	1,747 :	900
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	3,605 :	1,935 :	1,222 :	267
Mexico -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	74 :	0 :	267
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 -----:	368 :	6,683 :	438 :	6,739
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	23,674 :	14,389 :	3,407 :	8,173
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	25,200 :	33,527 :	12,410 :	18,510
Sweden -----:	7,849 :	14,491 :	6,744 :	3,866
Taiwan -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	1/
Total-----:	33,049 :	48,018 :	19,154 :	22,376
Grand total-----:	56,723 :	62,407 :	22,561 :	30,549

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 21.--Stainless semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988		1989
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	0 :	234 :	0 :	0 :	0
Brazil -----:	3,904 :	542 :	0 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	4,418 :	6,353 :	2,630 :	632	
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	3,581 :	2,906 :	1,692 :	526	
Mexico -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	102 :	0 :	473	
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Spain -----:	1,566 :	6,767 :	2,340 :	4,759	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	13,469 :	16,904 :	6,662 :	6,390	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	25,133 :	52,871 :	15,291 :	35,965	
Sweden -----:	7,692 :	23,240 :	8,537 :	9,182	
Hong Kong -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	2	
Taiwan -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	14	
Total-----:	32,825 :	76,111 :	23,828 :	45,163	
Grand total-----:	46,294 :	93,015 :	30,490 :	51,553	

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	96 :	249 :	33 :	86
Brazil -----:	36 :	0 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	5,278 :	7,364 :	3,420 :	5,513
Finland -----:	2,369 :	2,730 :	1,432 :	751
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	1,558 :	2,225 :	755 :	668
Mexico -----:	2 :	0 :	0 :	4
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 -----:	0 :	125 :	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-----:	9,339 :	12,693 :	5,640 :	7,022
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	1,744 :	2,779 :	583 :	869
Canada -----:	34 :	371 :	126 :	136
Anguilla -----:	0 :	5 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	1,778 :	3,155 :	709 :	1,005
Grand total-----:	11,117 :	15,848 :	6,349 :	8,027

Table 22.--Stainless steel plate: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	0	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	366	953	138	426	
Brazil -----	56	0	0	0	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0	
EC countries-----	9,256	15,635	6,135	16,176	
Finland -----	3,590	6,147	2,687	2,324	
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0	
Japan -----	2,339	4,514	1,344	1,855	
Mexico -----	2	0	0	3	
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 -----	0	50	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-----	15,609	27,299	10,304	20,784	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	3,986	6,775	1,522	2,661	
Canada -----	33	889	211	346	
Anguilla -----	0	9	0	0	
Total-----	4,019	7,673	1,733	3,007	
Grand total-----	19,628	34,972	12,037	23,791	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	52 :	29 :	3 :	8
Brazil -----	550 :	313 :	216 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	41,504 :	46,605 :	18,534 :	19,841
Finland -----	6,296 :	6,045 :	2,622 :	754
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	25,733 :	22,393 :	9,682 :	16,322
Mexico -----	18,819 :	8,814 :	3,975 :	4,614
Peoples Rep of China -----	21 :	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 -----	9,450 :	7,845 :	3,893 :	2,781
Spain -----	13,700 :	14,153 :	4,296 :	4,838
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----	0 :	5 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	116,125 :	106,202 :	43,221 :	49,158
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	7,493 :	8,433 :	4,407 :	2,983
Canada -----	4,892 :	3,838 :	1,556 :	1,475
India -----	341 :	90 :	67 :	0
Honduras -----	0 :	19 :	19 :	0
Peru -----	0 :	2 :	2 :	0
Antigua -----	1 :	0 :	0 :	0
Norway -----	37 :	0 :	0 :	0
Turkey -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	1/
Jordan -----	19 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hong Kong -----	41 :	0 :	0 :	0
All others-----	345 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	13,169 :	12,382 :	6,051 :	4,458
Grand total-----	129,294 :	118,584 :	49,272 :	53,616

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 23.--Stainless steel sheet and strip: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
			Value (thousand dollars)		
VRA countries:					
Australia -----	0	0	0	0	0
Austria -----	202	136	9	41	
Brazil -----	675	480	312	0	
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0	
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0	
EC countries-----	65,434	91,017	31,047	43,799	
Finland -----	9,834	13,459	4,788	2,222	
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0	
Japan -----	43,684	50,112	19,219	35,167	
Mexico -----	30,157	16,454	6,193	11,110	
Peoples Rep of China -----	29	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 -----	14,459	17,343	7,043	7,327	
Spain -----	20,342	31,308	7,043	11,039	
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0	
Venezuela -----	0	21	0	0	
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	0	
Total-----	184,816	220,330	75,654	110,705	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----	17,785	24,684	10,606	9,991	
Canada -----	8,019	9,552	3,306	4,820	
India -----	492	172	122	0	
Honduras -----	0	35	35	0	
Peru -----	0	26	26	0	
Antigua -----	11	0	0	0	
Norway -----	16	0	0	0	
Turkey -----	0	0	0	3	
All others-----	560	0	0	0	
Total-----	26,883	34,469	14,095	14,814	
Grand total-----	211,699	254,799	89,749	125,519	

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----	94 :	183 :	91 :	56
Brazil -----	1,450 :	3,827 :	1,685 :	1,917
Czechoslovakia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----	5,899 :	8,421 :	3,614 :	2,503
Finland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----	19,259 :	16,715 :	6,533 :	4,976
Mexico -----	0 :	49 :	49 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----	4 :	2 :	2 :	0
Poland -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----	0 :	18 :	18 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----	2,582 :	1,604 :	734 :	1,226
Spain -----	3,826 :	4,285 :	1,776 :	1,090
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----	33,114 :	35,104 :	14,502 :	11,768
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	3,200 :	3,708 :	1,924 :	592
Canada -----	1,269 :	1,641 :	660 :	236
India -----	126 :	224 :	67 :	42
Taiwan -----	59 :	49 :	6 :	8
Hong Kong -----	0 :	1/ :	0 :	0
Switzerland -----	66 :	1/ :	1/ :	1/
Argentina -----	111 :	0 :	0 :	49
Bulgaria -----	46 :	0 :	0 :	0
Indonesia -----	0 :	0 :	0 :	2
Total-----	4,877 :	5,622 :	2,657 :	929
Grand total-----	37,991 :	40,726 :	17,159 :	12,697

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 24.--Stainless steel bars and shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	257 :	412 :	213 :	147
Brazil -----:	2,503 :	5,743 :	2,842 :	4,435
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	11,437 :	19,765 :	7,065 :	7,146
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	36,707 :	40,671 :	13,267 :	15,410
Mexico -----:	0 :	163 :	163 :	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	75 :	40 :	40 :	0
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	30 :	30 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	4,294 :	3,389 :	1,246 :	3,513
Spain -----:	6,889 :	10,122 :	3,586 :	3,207
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	62,162 :	80,335 :	28,452 :	33,858
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	6,180 :	8,981 :	3,999 :	2,038
Canada -----:	2,136 :	3,608 :	1,275 :	886
India -----:	199 :	420 :	105 :	92
Taiwan -----:	108 :	162 :	17 :	4
Hong Kong -----:	0 :	3 :	0 :	0
Switzerland -----:	129 :	1 :	1 :	1
Argentina -----:	201 :	0 :	0 :	87
Bulgaria -----:	70 :	0 :	0 :	0
Indonesia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	53
Total-----:	9,023 :	13,175 :	5,397 :	3,161
Grand total-----:	71,185 :	93,510 :	33,849 :	37,019

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Austria -----:	0 :	49 :	0 :	0
Brazil -----:	874 :	964 :	274 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	5,482 :	6,898 :	2,540 :	3,604
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	5,544 :	5,483 :	1,894 :	2,371
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 -----:	868 :	375 :	226 :	65
Spain -----:	1,542 :	1,979 :	630 :	958
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	138 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	17 :	17 :	0
Total-----:	14,310 :	15,903 :	5,581 :	6,998
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	3,955 :	3,159 :	1,618 :	1,375
Taiwan -----:	47 :	148 :	22 :	0
Canada -----:	0 :	1/	0 :	76
Total-----:	4,002 :	3,307 :	1,640 :	1,451
Grand total-----:	18,312 :	19,210 :	7,221 :	8,449

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 25.--Stainless steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
Value (thousand dollars)					
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
Austria -----:	0 :	68 :	0 :		0
Brazil -----:	1,224 :	1,543 :	374 :		0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
EC countries-----:	11,089 :	17,917 :	5,481 :	11,239	
Finland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
Japan -----:	8,927 :	11,611 :	3,210 :	6,293	
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 -----:	1,150 :	552 :	317 :	166	
Spain -----:	2,539 :	5,122 :	1,539 :	2,881	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	202 :	0 :		0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :		0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	22 :	22 :		0
Total-----:	24,929 :	37,037 :	10,943 :	20,579	
Other countries:					
Sweden -----:	6,995 :	7,916 :	3,141 :	4,707	
Taiwan -----:	72 :	328 :	46 :	0	
Canada -----:	0 :	2 :	0 :	217	
Total-----:	7,067 :	8,246 :	3,187 :	4,924	
Grand total-----:	31,996 :	45,283 :	14,130 :	25,503	

1/ Less than 0.5 short ton.

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
Quantity (short tons).				
VRA countries:				
Australia -----	1/	1/	1/	1/
Austria -----	37	25	2	19
Brazil -----	188	156	44	217
Czechoslovakia -----	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----	6,763	7,713	3,044	3,466
Finland -----	0	0	0	7
Hungary -----	0	0	0	0
Japan -----	4,254	4,719	1,589	2,214
Mexico -----	0	1	1	0
Peoples Rep of China -----	0	0	0	0
Poland -----	71	0	0	0
Portugal -----	0	0	0	0
Romania -----	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----	884	986	373	325
Spain -----	621	388	133	335
Trinidad and Tobago -----	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----	0	3	0	0
Yugoslavia -----	0	0	0	3
Total-----	12,818	13,991	5,186	6,586
Other countries:				
Sweden -----	2,555	2,685	1,156	1,307
Canada -----	2,043	2,277	1,054	1,021
Taiwan -----	1,462	1,221	352	556
Switzerland -----	47	268	123	186
India -----	77	209	47	526
Singapore -----	0	1/	0	0
Israel -----	65	0	0	0
Hong Kong -----	0	0	0	1/
New Zealand -----	15	0	0	0
Total-----	6,264	6,660	2,732	3,596
Grand total-----	19,082	20,651	7,918	10,182

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 26.--Stainless steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	64	39	16	37
Austria -----:	172	117	12	102
Brazil -----:	282	304	61	554
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	0	0	0
East Germany -----:	0	0	0	0
EC countries-----:	17,601	23,826	8,788	13,047
Finland -----:	0	0	0	58
Hungary -----:	0	0	0	0
Japan -----:	13,957	18,705	6,010	9,167
Mexico -----:	0	6	6	0
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0	0	0	0
Poland -----:	16	0	0	0
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	0	0	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0	0	0	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	2,240	3,044	965	1,225
Spain -----:	1,280	1,096	312	1,086
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	0	0	0
Venezuela -----:	0	11	0	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0	0	0	4
Total-----:	35,612	47,148	16,170	25,280
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	10,548	12,922	4,972	7,162
Canada -----:	6,960	9,650	4,052	5,458
Taiwan -----:	3,797	3,824	974	1,876
Switzerland -----:	170	1,254	471	853
India -----:	159	414	87	1,188
Singapore -----:	0	5	0	0
Israel -----:	85	0	0	0
All others-----:	49	0	0	4
Total-----:	21,768	28,069	10,556	16,541
Grand total-----:	57,380	75,217	26,726	41,821

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	0 :	23 :	1 :	0
Austria -----:	395 :	756 :	320 :	325
Brazil -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	4,430 :	6,694 :	3,067 :	5,552
Finland -----:	0 :	1/ :	1/ :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Japan -----:	7,208 :	8,365 :	4,028 :	3,907
Mexico -----:	781 :	950 :	432 :	220
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	4
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	1/
Korea, Republic of -----:	517 :	392 :	210 :	201
Spain -----:	88 :	388 :	135 :	579
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	13,419 :	17,568 :	8,193 :	10,788
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	5,432 :	6,925 :	3,548 :	3,242
Taiwan -----:	3,571 :	6,809 :	2,856 :	922
Sweden -----:	4,016 :	5,253 :	2,443 :	1,927
Thailand -----:	0 :	188 :	27 :	208
India -----:	0 :	4 :	0 :	5
Israel -----:	1/ :	4 :	1/ :	1/
Switzerland -----:	2 :	1 :	1/ :	6
New Zealand -----:	0 :	1/ :	0 :	0
Norway -----:	1/ :	0 :	0 :	1/
Malaysia -----:	1/ :	0 :	0 :	4
All others-----:	6 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	13,027 :	19,184 :	8,874 :	6,314
Grand total-----:	26,446 :	36,752 :	17,067 :	17,102

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Table 27.--Stainless steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
	Value (thousand dollars)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	0 :	135 :	7 :	0	
Austria -----:	1,637 :	4,157 :	1,399 :	2,538	
Brazil -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----:	14,405 :	25,735 :	10,263 :	22,169	
Finland -----:	0 :	1 :	1 :	0	
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Japan -----:	22,587 :	31,923 :	13,889 :	21,083	
Mexico -----:	1,654 :	2,891 :	1,002 :	697	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	12	
Poland -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	4	
Korea, Republic of -----:	1,412 :	1,255 :	642 :	595	
Spain -----:	282 :	1,726 :	495 :	2,637	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Total-----:	41,977 :	67,823 :	27,698 :	49,735	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	17,196 :	24,048 :	11,031 :	14,712	
Taiwan -----:	9,190 :	21,308 :	7,132 :	3,779	
Sweden -----:	12,414 :	22,285 :	8,844 :	10,623	
Thailand -----:	0 :	458 :	57 :	482	
India -----:	0 :	17 :	0 :	20	
Israel -----:	49 :	77 :	19 :	2	
Switzerland -----:	168 :	177 :	93 :	105	
New Zealand -----:	0 :	2 :	0 :	0	
All others-----:	25 :	0 :	0 :	18	
Total-----:	39,042 :	68,372 :	27,176 :	29,741	
Grand total-----:	81,019 :	136,195 :	54,874 :	79,476	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	19 :	0 :	0 :	18
Austria -----:	2,693 :	2,538 :	1,312 :	1,005
Brazil -----:	997 :	1,920 :	1,019 :	1,104
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	21 :	2 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	4 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	10,302 :	12,795 :	5,479 :	12,269
Finland -----:	22 :	5 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	67
Japan -----:	6,077 :	4,416 :	1,817 :	7,863
Mexico -----:	139 :	346 :	204 :	88
Peoples Rep of China -----:	1/ :	103 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	304 :	249 :	40 :	60
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	1,388 :	779 :	340 :	590
Spain -----:	47 :	30 :	5 :	13
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	21,988 :	23,206 :	10,218 :	23,077
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	11,669 :	12,254 :	5,834 :	11,038
Canada -----:	6,868 :	8,573 :	3,942 :	4,907
Argentina -----:	70 :	42 :	42 :	108
India -----:	0 :	19 :	0 :	1/
Switzerland -----:	1/ :	1/ :	0 :	0
United Arab Emirates -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	179
Malaysia -----:	2 :	0 :	0 :	0
Taiwan -----:	1/ :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	18,609 :	20,888 :	9,818 :	16,232
Grand total-----:	40,597 :	44,094 :	20,036 :	39,309

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Table 28.--Alloy tool steel (all forms): U.S. imports for consumption, by specified sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	31 :	0 :	0 :	41
Austria -----:	5,895 :	6,561 :	3,297 :	2,587
Brazil -----:	1,349 :	3,560 :	2,024 :	1,808
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	33 :	12 :	0
East Germany -----:	0 :	6 :	0 :	0
EC countries-----:	18,504 :	23,173 :	10,094 :	16,350
Finland -----:	37 :	15 :	0 :	0
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	30
Japan -----:	12,370 :	14,883 :	6,322 :	9,952
Mexico -----:	142 :	434 :	254 :	122
Peoples Rep of China -----:	4 :	149 :	0 :	0
Poland -----:	454 :	468 :	62 :	115
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Romania -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Korea, Republic of -----:	2,097 :	1,303 :	526 :	792
Spain -----:	54 :	40 :	24 :	26
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Venezuela -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	40,937 :	50,625 :	22,615 :	31,823
Other countries:				
Sweden -----:	28,049 :	30,589 :	13,380 :	17,832
Canada -----:	9,342 :	12,019 :	5,395 :	6,443
Argentina -----:	122 :	65 :	65 :	88
India -----:	0 :	16 :	0 :	4
Switzerland -----:	2 :	2 :	0 :	0
United Arab Emirates -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	149
Malaysia -----:	1 :	0 :	0 :	0
Taiwan -----:	1 :	0 :	0 :	0
Total-----:	37,517 :	42,691 :	18,840 :	24,516
Grand total-----:	78,454 :	93,316 :	41,455 :	56,339

^{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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January--May		
			1988	1989	
	Quantity (short tons)				
VRA countries:					
Australia -----:	20 :	24 :	1 :	19	
Austria -----:	3,368 :	3,901 :	1,761 :	1,500	
Brazil -----:	17,456 :	8,863 :	3,237 :	3,238	
Czechoslovakia -----:	0 :	21 :	2 :	0	
East Germany -----:	0 :	4 :	0 :	0	
EC countries-----:	85,998 :	100,430 :	41,445 :	53,649	
Finland -----:	8,687 :	8,780 :	4,055 :	1,512	
Hungary -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	67	
Japan -----:	73,238 :	66,251 :	27,519 :	38,587	
Mexico -----:	19,741 :	10,160 :	4,662 :	4,926	
Peoples Rep of China -----:	26 :	106 :	2 :	4	
Poland -----:	375 :	323 :	40 :	327	
Portugal -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	0	
Romania -----:	0 :	18 :	18 :	0	
Republic of South Africa -----:	0 :	0 :	0 :	1/	
Korea, Republic of -----:	15,689 :	12,105 :	5,777 :	5,187	
Spain -----:	20,193 :	27,906 :	7,412 :	14,551	
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0 :	138 :	0 :	0	
Venezuela -----:	0 :	7 :	0 :	0	
Yugoslavia -----:	0 :	17 :	17 :	3	
Total-----:	244,791 :	239,054 :	95,948 :	123,570	
Other countries:					
Canada -----:	45,739 :	57,153 :	23,295 :	29,603	
Sweden -----:	42,482 :	52,761 :	24,708 :	23,956	
Taiwan -----:	5,484 :	8,227 :	3,236 :	1,486	
India -----:	544 :	546 :	181 :	574	
Switzerland -----:	116 :	270 :	123 :	191	
Thailand -----:	0 :	188 :	27 :	208	
Argentina -----:	181 :	42 :	42 :	157	
Honduras -----:	0 :	19 :	19 :	0	
Anguilla -----:	0 :	5 :	0 :	0	
Israel -----:	65 :	4 :	1/	1/	
All others-----:	167 :	4 :	2 :	186	
Total-----:	94,778 :	119,219 :	51,633 :	56,361	
Grand total-----:	339,569 :	358,273 :	147,581 :	179,931	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Table 29.--Total, stainless and alloy tool steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January--May	
			1988	1989
	Value (thousand dollars)			
VRA countries:				
Australia -----:	95	174	22	78
Austria -----:	8,529	12,639	5,069	5,841
Brazil -----:	9,993	12,173	5,613	6,796
Czechoslovakia -----:	0	33	12	0
East Germany -----:	0	6	0	0
EC countries-----:	152,144	223,422	81,504	130,559
Finland -----:	13,461	19,623	7,476	4,603
Hungary -----:	0	0	0	30
Japan -----:	144,150	175,325	64,953	99,452
Mexico -----:	31,955	19,948	7,618	11,931
Peoples Rep of China -----:	108	189	40	12
Poland -----:	470	570	62	587
Portugal -----:	0	0	0	0
Romania -----:	0	30	30	0
Republic of South Africa -----:	0	0	0	4
Korea, Republic of -----:	25,652	26,936	10,739	13,619
Spain -----:	32,952	56,181	15,339	25,635
Trinidad and Tobago -----:	0	202	0	0
Venezuela -----:	0	32	0	0
Yugoslavia -----:	0	22	22	4
Total-----:	419,509	547,505	198,499	299,151
Other countries:				
Canada -----:	68,819	112,639	40,561	68,846
Sweden -----:	93,649	137,391	55,001	64,197
Taiwan -----:	13,631	25,622	8,170	5,674
India -----:	851	1,039	314	1,304
Switzerland -----:	469	1,434	565	959
Thailand -----:	0	458	57	482
Argentina -----:	323	65	65	176
Honduras -----:	0	35	35	0
Anguilla -----:	0	9	0	0
Israel -----:	134	77	19	2
All others-----:	269	35	26	229
Total-----:	178,145	278,804	104,813	141,869
Grand total-----:	597,654	826,309	303,312	441,020

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Per short ton)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988		1989
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	211	240	230		259
Plate-----	332	405	386		405
Sheet and strip:					
Hot rolled-----	308	364	346		387
Cold rolled-----	449	509	488		557
Galvanized-----	503	552	538		570
Tin plate-----	533	567	550		601
Tin free-----	509	542	536		570
Other coated-----	528	590	575		596
Average, sheet and strip-----	433	481	467		514
Bar:					
Hot finished-----	369	406	394		435
Cold finished-----	831	598	563		644
Reinforcing-----	248	262	242		293
Light shapes-----	315	382	369		356
Average, bar-----	400	396	388		427
Wire rod-----	315	347	330		375
Wire-----	631	691	673		737
Wire products-----	628	659	637		1,036
Structural shapes and units:					
Heavy structurals-----	304	376	360		374
Fabricated structurals-----	898	939	902		1,064
Average, structurals-----	378	436	424		436
Rails and related products-----	325	383	396		502
Pipe and tube:					
Oil country tubular goods-----	536	730	699		798
Line pipe-----	421	529	490		580
Mechanical pipe-----	623	675	624		703
Structural pipe-----	368	507	472		570
Pressure tubing-----	688	793	694		882
Other (incl. standard)-----	415	487	460		506
Average, pipe and tube-----	459	600	564		618
Average, carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel-----	399	450	435		494

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 30.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Unit value of U.S. imports for consumption, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Per short ton)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988	1989	
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	816	1,490	1,351		1,688
Plate-----	1,766	2,207	1,896		2,963
Sheet and strip:					
Sheet-----	1,566	2,067	1,739		2,157
Strip-----	2,555	3,331	2,872		3,333
Average, sheet and strip:	1,637	2,149	1,822		2,341
Bars and shapes-----	1,874	2,296	1,973		2,916
Hire rod-----	1,747	2,357	1,957		3,019
Hire-----	3,007	3,642	3,375		4,108
Pipe and tube-----	3,063	3,706	3,215		4,647
Alloy tool steel (all forms)-----	1,932	2,116	2,069		1,933
Average, stainless and alloy steel-----	1,760	2,306	2,055		2,451

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January-May			
			1988	1989		
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Quantity (short tons)						
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Carbon and certain alloy 3/ steel:						
Semifinished 2/						
Ingots-----	103,967	103,282	42,372	20,581		
Blooms and billets-----	426,208	581,907	265,411	259,339		
Slabs and sheet bars-----	<u>1,702,095</u>	<u>2,097,383</u>	<u>889,653</u>	<u>562,999</u>		
Total-----	2,232,270	2,782,572	1,197,435	842,920		
Plate:						
Carbon-----	1,450,898	1,750,917	744,363	521,565		
Alloy-----	<u>104,678</u>	<u>106,172</u>	<u>44,967</u>	<u>43,204</u>		
Total-----	1,555,577	1,857,090	789,330	564,769		
Sheet and strip:						
Hot rolled:						
Sheet-----	2,123,804	2,199,268	889,843	674,659		
Strip-----	43,197	49,553	18,414	46,370		
Cold rolled:						
Black plate-----	159,779	145,166	54,402	62,010		
Electrical-----	64,822	64,684	28,911	36,043		
Other sheet-----	2,156,348	2,011,242	876,265	621,127		
Other strip-----	135,227	126,534	60,218	49,127		
Galvanized-----	2,306,233	1,948,811	922,886	627,348		
Tin plate-----	332,306	294,552	117,232	143,746		
Tin free-----	101,172	97,460	35,076	49,573		
Other coated-----	<u>323,709</u>	<u>248,111</u>	<u>108,802</u>	<u>102,033</u>		
Total-----	7,746,596	7,185,380	3,112,050	2,412,034		
Bar:						
Hot rolled:						
Carbon-----	443,037	476,951	183,191	173,762		
Alloy-----	160,811	186,902	84,133	63,754		
Cold rolled:						
Carbon-----	152,283	161,345	70,221	53,929		
Alloy-----	40,927	52,093	19,952	22,104		
Reinforcing-----	351,632	357,253	114,088	111,779		
Light structural shapes-----	<u>132,477</u>	<u>126,568</u>	<u>53,627</u>	<u>50,015</u>		
Total-----	1,281,168	1,361,113	525,213	475,341		
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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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January-May	
			1988	1989
Quantity (short tons)				
Wire rod and related products:				
Wire rod:				
Carbon-----	1,341,257	1,355,951	626,267	440,486
Alloy-----	107,463	118,672	50,800	46,923
Wire:				
Carbon-----	504,898	486,699	213,054	191,267
Alloy-----	31,999	33,028	13,656	18,265
Wire products:				
Nails-----	440,746	364,748	157,531	145,220
Barbed wire-----	16,643	15,538	7,923	6,245
Wire fencing-----	13,263	12,052	6,026	20,954
Bale ties-----	1,719	1,849	732	510
Wire strand-----	98,898	88,300	34,352	66,943
Wire rope-----	65,683	77,564	29,443	51,997
Milliners wire-----	12,426	12,400	6,204	1/
Total-----	2,634,993	2,566,801	1,145,987	988,810
Structurals:				
Heavy-----	1,884,684	1,955,762	811,742	750,322
Fabricated-----	268,985	232,705	109,147	73,966
Total-----	2,153,669	2,188,467	920,889	824,288
Rails and related products:				
Rails-----	213,530	260,006	98,115	115,299
Joint bars and tie plates-----	13,969	8,487	7,491	8,939
Track spikes-----	370	205	129	3,543
Wheels and axles-----	18,120	50,734	21,576	25,858
Total-----	245,988	319,432	127,311	153,638
Pipes and tubes:				
Oil country tubular goods-----	594,463	1,032,296	473,077	158,711
Line pipe-----	526,047	507,914	223,401	186,722
Mechanical pipe-----	284,807	382,270	181,299	171,180
Structural pipe-----	428,758	278,870	132,858	145,142
Pressure tubing-----	27,122	52,100	22,525	24,550
Other (including standard)-----	887,446	996,487	467,495	312,383
Total-----	2,748,644	3,249,937	1,500,655	998,688

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January-May	
			1988	1989
	Quantity (short tons)			
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Stainless and alloy tool steel:				
Stainless:				
Semifinished:				
Ingots-----:	1,106	3,877	126	36
Blooms and billets-----:	48,955	40,772	15,348	20,583
Slabs and sheet bars-----:	6,664	17,758	7,086	9,931
Total-----:	56,725	62,407	22,560	30,549
Plate-----:	11,118	15,847	6,349	8,028
Sheet and strip:				
Sheet:				
Hot rolled-----:	5,179	7,331	2,888	3,747
Cold rolled-----:	114,806	103,577	42,794	41,474
Strip-----:	9,309	7,676	3,590	8,397
Total-----:	129,295	118,584	49,272	53,617
Bars and shapes-----:	37,991	40,724	17,159	12,696
Wire rod-----:	18,311	19,210	7,222	8,449
Wire-----:	19,084	20,653	7,919	10,181
Pipe and tube-----:	26,448	36,752	17,069	17,103
Alloy tool steel (all forms):				
Semifinished 2/-----:	6,880	4,408	1,775	500
Bars-----:	19,792	28,867	13,425	853
Other-----:	13,927	10,820	4,834	37,956
Total-----:	40,599	44,095	20,034	39,310

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

Item	1987	1988	January-May			
			1988	1989		
Share of product group totals (percent)						

Carbon and certain alloy 3/ steel:						
Semifinished 2/						
Ingots-----	4.66	3.71	3.54	2.44		
Blooms and billets-----	19.09	20.91	22.16	30.77		
Slabs and sheet bars-----	76.25	75.38	74.30	66.79		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Plate:						
Carbon-----	93.27	94.28	94.30	92.35		
Alloy-----	6.73	5.72	5.70	7.65		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Sheet and strip:						
Hot rolled:						
Sheet-----	27.42	30.61	28.59	27.97		
Strip-----	0.56	0.69	0.59	1.92		
Cold rolled:						
Black plate-----	2.06	2.02	1.75	2.57		
Electrical-----	0.84	0.90	0.93	1.49		
Other sheet-----	27.84	27.99	28.16	25.75		
Other strip-----	1.75	1.76	1.94	2.04		
Galvanized-----	29.77	27.12	29.66	26.01		
Tin plate-----	4.29	4.10	3.77	5.96		
Tin free-----	1.31	1.36	1.13	2.06		
Other coated-----	4.18	3.45	3.50	4.23		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		
Bar:						
Hot rolled:						
Carbon-----	34.58	35.04	34.88	36.56		
Alloy-----	12.55	13.73	16.02	13.41		
Cold rolled:						
Carbon-----	11.89	11.85	13.37	11.35		
Alloy-----	3.19	3.83	3.80	4.65		
Reinforcing-----	27.45	26.25	21.72	23.52		
Light structural shapes-----	10.34	9.30	10.21	10.52		
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00		

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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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January-May		

			Share of product group totals (percent)		

Wire rod and related products:					
Wire rod:					
Carbon-----	50.90	52.83	54.65		44.55
Alloy-----	4.08	4.62	4.43		4.75
Wire:					
Carbon-----	19.16	18.96	18.59		19.34
Alloy-----	1.21	1.29	1.19		1.85
Wire products:					
Nails-----	16.73	14.21	13.75		14.69
Barbed wire-----	0.63	0.61	0.69		0.63
Wire fencing-----	0.50	0.47	0.53		2.12
Bale ties-----	0.07	0.07	0.06		0.05
Wire strand-----	3.75	3.44	3.00		6.77
Wire rope-----	2.49	3.02	2.57		5.26
Milliners wire-----	0.47	0.48	0.54		1/
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00
Structurals:					
Heavy-----	87.51	89.37	88.15		91.03
Fabricated-----	12.49	10.63	11.85		8.97
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00
Rails and related products:					
Rails-----	86.80	81.40	77.07		75.05
Joint bars and tie plates-----	5.68	2.66	5.88		5.82
Track spikes-----	0.15	0.06	0.10		2.31
Wheels and axles-----	7.37	15.88	16.95		16.83
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00
Pipes and tubes:					
Oil country tubular goods-----	21.63	31.76	31.52		15.89
Line pipe-----	19.14	15.63	14.89		18.70
Mechanical pipe-----	10.36	11.76	12.08		17.14
Structural pipe-----	15.60	8.58	8.85		14.53
Pressure tubing-----	0.99	1.60	1.50		2.46
Other (including standard)-----	32.29	30.66	31.15		31.28
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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989--Continued

Item	1987	1988	January-May				
			1988	1989			
Share of product group totals (percent)							

Stainless and alloy tool steel:							
Stainless:							
Semifinished:							
Ingots-----	1.95	6.21	0.56	0.12			
Blooms and billets-----	86.30	65.33	68.03	67.38			
Slabs and sheet bars-----	11.75	28.45	31.41	32.51			
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00			
Plate-----	100.00	100.00	99.99	99.99			
Sheet and strip:							
Sheet:							
Hot rolled-----	4.01	6.18	5.86	6.99			
Cold rolled-----	88.79	87.34	86.85	77.35			
Strip-----	7.20	6.47	7.29	15.66			
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/	16.95	10.00	8.86	1.27			
Bars-----	48.75	65.47	67.01	2.17			
Other-----	34.30	24.54	24.13	96.56			
Total-----	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00			
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1/ Milliners wire is included in total wire products.

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

3/ 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 32.--Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products:
U.S. imports for consumption, by customs areas, 1987, 1988, and by
specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988	1989	
Atlantic Coast	4,673,187	4,743,215	2,365,187	1,787,678	
Great Lakes-Canadian border	6,594,724	6,342,613	2,167,764	1,946,949	
Gulf Coast-Mexican border	4,930,247	5,938,464	2,884,077	1,968,912	
Off-shore	374,262	403,506	128,963	171,409	
Pacific Coast	4,366,056	4,441,267	1,920,463	1,565,474	
Total	20,938,475	21,869,065	9,466,454	7,440,422	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988		1989
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	384,562	471,964	256,219		185,103
Plate-----	258,880	331,537	160,584		102,211
Sheet and strip-----	1,900,352	1,771,637	956,098		646,971
Bars and certain shapes-----	222,055	220,708	94,887		65,859
Wire rod-----	310,731	297,606	140,138		102,524
Wire-----	119,558	108,857	48,819		39,290
Wire products-----	266,335	220,011	90,555		106,723
Structural shapes and units-----	581,450	602,240	291,072		273,230
Rails and related products-----	25,273	36,885	20,309		17,301
Pipe and tube-----	462,405	523,784	238,784		161,355
Total-----	4,531,600	4,585,229	2,297,465		1,700,566
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	15,595	24,249	9,000		7,772
Plate-----	4,167	6,134	2,405		4,465
Sheet and strip-----	42,918	45,874	19,506		21,621
Bars and certain shapes-----	19,945	22,371	10,461		7,420
Wire rod-----	13,117	13,526	5,157		6,177
Wire-----	10,357	10,593	4,027		5,524
Pipe and tube-----	10,147	12,391	6,101		5,858
Tool steel (all forms)-----	25,340	22,848	11,064		28,276
Total-----	141,586	157,986	67,722		87,112
Grand Total-----	4,673,187	4,743,215	2,365,187		1,787,678

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988	1989	
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	498,851	414,978	104,173	121,030	
Plate-----	663,496	723,681	248,950	177,662	
Sheet and strip-----	2,630,195	2,396,464	709,846	603,950	
Bars and certain shapes-----	561,285	625,771	234,788	210,817	
Wire rod-----	565,070	545,070	225,412	206,446	
Wire-----	251,126	253,271	111,121	108,940	
Wire products-----	95,457	83,750	37,442	43,641	
Structural shapes and units-----	566,003	522,423	181,510	134,947	
Rails and related products-----	107,729	179,981	57,195	67,348	
Pipe and tube-----	564,259	488,579	217,331	225,658	
Total-----	6,503,470	6,233,970	2,127,767	1,900,439	
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	27,149	34,966	12,410	18,934	
Plate-----	1,971	3,246	848	895	
Sheet and strip-----	34,156	33,923	11,618	11,091	
Bars and certain shapes-----	4,170	4,098	1,314	451	
Wire rod-----	1,047	661	196	327	
Wire-----	4,794	6,053	2,497	2,710	
Pipe and tube-----	6,134	7,833	3,828	3,523	
Tool steel (all forms)-----	11,832	17,864	7,285	8,578	
Total-----	91,254	108,644	39,997	46,510	
Grand Total-----	6,594,724	6,342,613	2,167,764	1,946,949	

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988	1989	
				1988	1989
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	866,421	1,061,770	548,018		327,091
Plate	419,658	567,614	292,970		187,538
Sheet and strip	1,515,043	1,558,244	782,537		583,218
Bars and certain shapes	131,573	137,056	66,316		60,194
Wire rod	257,709	349,946	185,335		93,851
Wire	76,094	64,524	27,400		25,889
Wire products	107,410	105,823	48,378		56,704
Structural shapes and units	473,758	493,074	203,421		177,419
Rails and related products	61,358	64,016	30,554		50,435
Pipe and tube	959,115	1,493,874	679,788		380,652
Total	4,868,139	5,895,942	2,864,716		1,942,991
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-	13,974	3,131	1,109		3,844
Plate	2,714	3,233	1,980		1,861
Sheet and strip	29,042	16,038	7,744		10,173
Bars and certain shapes	5,951	6,668	2,757		2,074
Wire rod	1,117	1,220	397		646
Wire	1,350	606	262		484
Pipe and tube	6,665	10,896	4,679		6,101
Tool steel (all forms)	1,295	730	434		738
Total	62,108	42,523	19,361		25,921
Grand Total	4,930,247	5,938,464	2,884,077		1,968,912

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988		1989
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	0	3/	0	0	0
Plate-----	6,693	13,906	4,660	3,062	
Sheet and strip-----	90,238	72,445	25,363	28,998	
Bars and certain shapes-----	164,360	157,820	53,558	82,882	
Wire rod-----	11,940	16,953	2,910	5,174	
Wire-----	11,147	14,739	5,866	4,963	
Wire products-----	7,285	10,190	4,118	2,374	
Structural shapes and units-----	22,499	21,786	6,362	17,868	
Rails and related products-----	445	88	7	211	
Pipe and tube-----	58,545	93,829	25,456	24,887	
Total-----	373,151	401,758	128,300	170,419	
Stainless and alloy tool steel::					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	0	0	0	0	0
Plate-----	0	3/	0	0	
Sheet and strip-----	1	0	0	0	36
Bars and certain shapes-----	0	15	0	0	3/
Wire red-----	0	0	0	0	0
Wire-----	1,074	1,690	622	641	
Pipe and tube-----	36	42	42	18	
Tool steel (all forms)-----	0	0	0	295	
Total-----	1,111	1,748	663	990	
Grand Total-----	374,262	403,506	128,963	171,409	

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

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

3/ Less than 0.5 short tons.

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, 1987, 1988, and by specified periods, 1988 and 1989

(Short tons)

Item	1987	1988	January-May		
			1988		1989
Carbon and certain alloy 1/ steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	482,436	833,859	289,026		209,696
Plate-----	206,851	220,352	82,167		94,296
Sheet and strip-----	1,610,768	1,386,590	638,206		548,897
Bars and certain shapes-----	201,894	219,758	75,665		55,590
Wire rod-----	303,270	265,048	123,273		79,414
Wire-----	78,972	78,336	33,504		30,450
Wire products-----	172,890	152,677	61,717		82,428
Structural shapes and units-----	509,959	548,943	238,524		220,824
Rails and related products-----	51,183	38,461	19,245		18,344
Pipe and tube-----	704,321	649,871	339,296		206,136
Total-----	4,322,545	4,393,893	1,900,623		1,546,074
Stainless and alloy tool steel:					
Stainless steel:					
Semifinished 2/-----	7	61	40		0
Plate-----	2,266	3,233	1,116		806
Sheet and strip-----	23,178	22,749	10,404		10,696
Bars and certain shapes-----	7,925	7,573	2,627		2,751
Wire rod-----	3,030	3,803	1,472		1,299
Wire-----	1,508	1,711	511		822
Pipe and tube-----	3,465	5,590	2,419		1,602
Tool steel (all forms)-----	2,132	2,653	1,251		1,423
Total-----	43,511	47,373	19,840		19,400
Grand Total-----	4,366,056	4,441,267	1,920,463		1,565,474

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 and which contains by weight 2 percent or less of carbon. Steel may contain other elements, but iron must predominate, by weight, over each of the other elements.
2. Carbon steel.--Steel , other than chromium, which contains by weight 2 percent or less of carbon, and in which none of the elements listed below meets or 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
 - 0.40 percent of copper, or
 - 0.30 percent of aluminum, or
 - 0.30 percent of chromium, or
 - 0.30 percent of cobalt, or
 - 0.40 percent of lead, or
 - 0.30 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 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements.
 - (ii) Tool steel.--Alloy steel which contains the combinations of elements in the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated in Chapter XXII, subchapter III, section (viii) of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS). (See appendix B).
4. Galvanized.--Steel which has been coated or plated with zinc.
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.

Unlike the TSUSA system of classification, the HTS do not differentiate by dimension those steel products formerly referred to as blooms and billets, slabs and sheet bars, plate, sheet, and strip. Instead, these products are included in two larger categories: flat rolled and semifinished (described below). However, for purposes of comparability with previous Monthly Reports, and in the interest of providing useful information and coverage of the steel industry, this report will continue to designate such product categories (e.g. blooms and billets, slab and sheet bars, plate, hot-rolled and cold rolled sheet, and strip). A partial basis for classification are those definitions found in Federal Register Notice 52897, December 29, 1988 (Appendix C).

9. Semifinished products include:

Continuous cast products of solid section, not presented in coils, whether or not subjected to primary hot-rolling.

Other products of solid section which have not been further worked than subjected to primary hot-rolling or roughly shaped by forging, including blanks, angles, shapes, or sections.

For the purposes of this legislation semi-finished products are classified as follows:

(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.

(A) Carbon and certain alloy ingots; provided for in items 7206.10.0000, 7206.90.0000, 7224.10.0090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States (HTS).

(ii) Blooms billets, slabs, and sheet bars.--Other continuous cast products solid cross section, which have not been further worked than subjected to primary hot-rolling or roughly shaped by forging including blanks for angles, shapes or sections. These products are not presented in coils and are included in AISI product group No. 1B.

(B) Carbon and certain alloy blooms and billets; provided for in items 7207.11.0000, 7207.12.0010, 7207.19.0030, 7207.19.0090, 7207.20.0025, 7207.20.75, 7207.20.0090, 7224.90.0040, 7224.90.0060, of the HTS.

(C) Carbon and certain alloy slabs and sheet bars; provided for in items 7207.12.0050, 7207.20.0045, 7224.90.0050, 7224.90.0070 of the HTS.

(D) Stainless steel ingots; provided for in item 7218.10.0000 of the HTS.

(E) Stainless steel blooms and billets; provided for in items 7218.90.0010, 7218.90.0020, 7218.90.0030, 7218.90.0045, 7218.90.0055, 7218.90.0065, 7218.90.0070, 7218.90.0080 and 7218.90.0090 of the HTS.

(F) Stainless steel slabs and sheet bars; provided for in item 7218.90.0035 of the HTS.

10. Flat-rolled products.--Rolled products of solid rectangular (other than square) cross section, whether perforated, corrugated, polished, or with a pattern derived from rolling, which do not conform to the definition of semifinished products above in the form of:

- coils of successively superimposed layers, or
- straight lengths, which if of a thickness less than 4.75 mm are of a width measuring at least 10 times the thickness or if of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more are of a width which exceeds 150 mm and measures at least twice the thickness. Also those products of a shape other than rectangular or square of a width of 600 mm or more, not elsewhere specified.

(i) Plates.--Flat rolled products whether or not corrugated or crimped, in coils or cut to length. Plates are 4.7625 mm inch or more in thickness and, if not cold rolled, over 20.32 cm in width, or if cold rolled, over 30.45 cm in width. Plates are included in AISI product group No. 6. For the purposes of this investigation, plates are classified as follows:

(A) Carbon plate; provided for in items 7208.11.0000, 7208.12.0000, 7208.21.1000, 7208.21.5000, 7208.22.1000, 7208.22.5000, 7208.31.0000, 7208.32.0000, 7208.33.1000, 7208.33.5000, 7208.41.0000, 7208.42.0000, 7208.43.0000, 7210.90.1000, 7211.11.0000, 7211.12.0000, 7211.21.0000, 7211.22.0045, 7211.22.0090 of the HTS.

(B) Alloy plate; provided for in items 7225.30.3000, 7225.40.3000, 7225.50.6000, 7226.91.5000 of the HTS.

(C) Stainless steel plate; provided for in items 7219.11.0000, 7219.12.0000, 7219.21.0000, 7219.22.0000, 7219.31.0010, 7220.11.0000 of the HTS.

(ii) Sheets and strip.--Flat rolled products whether or not corrugated or crimped, in coils or cut to length. Sheet is less than 4.7625 mm in thickness and over 30.48 cm inches in width. Strip is less than 4.7625 mm in thickness, not over 30.48 cm in width and, if cold rolled, over 1.27 cm 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:

(A) Hot-rolled carbon and alloy sheet--provided for in items 7208.13.1000, 7208.13.1350, 7208.14.1000, 7208.14.5000, 7208.23.1000, 7208.23.5030, 7208.23.5090, 7208.24.1000, 7208.24.5030, 7208.24.5090, 7208.34.1000, 7208.34.5000, 7208.35.1000, 7208.35.5000, 7208.44.0000, 7208.45.0000, 7225.30.7000, 7225.40.7000 of the HTS.

(B) Hot-rolled carbon and alloy strip; provided for in items 7211.19.1000, 7211.19.5000, 7211.29.1000, 7211.29.3000, 7211.29.5000, 7211.297030, 7211.29.7060, 7211.29.7090, 7226.91.7000 and 7226.91.8000 of the HTS.

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

(a) Black plate; provided for in item 7209.24.1000 of the HTS.

(b) Electrical sheet and strip; provided for in items 7225.10.0000, 7226.10.1000, 7226.10.5030, 7226.10.5060 of the HTS.

(c) Other sheet; provided for in items 7209.11.0000, 7209.12.0030, 7209.12.0090, 7209.13.0030, 7209.13.0090, 7209.14.0030, 7209.14.0090, 7209.21.0000, 7209.22.0000, 7209.23.0000, 7209.24.5000, 7209.31.0000, 7209.32.0000, 7209.33.0000, 7209.34.0000, 7209.41.0000, 7209.42.000, 7209.43.0000, 7209.44.0000, 7210.70.3000, 7225.50.7000, 7225.50.8000 of the HTS.

(d) Other strip; provided for in items 7211.30.1030, 7211.30.1090, 7211.30.3000, 7211.30.5000, 7211.41.1000, 7211.41.3030, 7211.41.3090, 7211.41.5000, 7211.41.7030, 7211.41.7060, 7211.41.7090, 7211.49.1030, 7211.49.1090, 7211.49.3000, 7211.49.5030, 7211.49.5060, 7211.49.5090, 7212.40.1000, 7212.40.5000, 7226.92.5000, 7226.92.7000, 7226.92.8000, 7226.99.0000 of the HTS.

(D) Galvanized sheet and strip; provided for in items 7210.31.0000, 7210.39.0000, 7210.41.0000, 7210.49.0030, 7210.49.0090, 7210.70.6060, 7212.21.0000, 7212.29.0000, 7212.30.1030, 7212.30.1090, 7212.30.3000, and 7212.30.5000 of the HTS.

(E) Tin plate; provided for in items 7210.11.0000, 7210.12.0000, and 7212.10.0000 of the HTS.

(F) Tin free; provided for in item 7210.50.0000 of the HTS.

(G) Other metallic coated; provided for in items 7210.20.0000, 7210.60.0000, 7210.70.6090, 7210.90.6000, 7210.90.90000, 7212.50.0000, and 7212.60.0000 of the HTS.

(H) Stainless steel hot-rolled sheet; provided for in items 7219.13.0030, 7219.13.0060, 7219.14.0030, 7219.14.0060, 7219.23.0030, 7219.23.0060, 7219.24.0030, and 7219.24.0060 of the HTS.

(I) Stainless steel cold-rolled sheet; provided for in items 7219.32.0015, 7219.32.0030, 7219.32.0045, 7219.32.0060, 7219.33.0010, 7219.33.0015, 7219.33.0030, 7219.33.0045, 7219.33.0060, 7219.34.0010, 7219.34.0050, 7219.35.0010, and 7219.35.0050 of the HTS.

(J) Stainless steel strip; provided for in items 7220.12.1000, 7220.12.5000, 7220.20.1000, 7220.20.6000, 7220.20.7000, 7220.20.8000, 7220.20.9000, 7220.90.0000 of the HTS.

11. Bars.-- Hot-rolled products whether or not in irregularly wound coils, which have a solid cross section along their length in the shape of circles, segments of circles, ovals, rectangles (including squares), triangles, or other convex polygons. Such products may

- have indentations, ribs, grooves or other deformations produced during the rolling process (reinforcing bars and rods);
- be twisted after rolling

For purposes of this investigation the term "bars" also includes hollow drill steel, which is a hollow product suitable for making mining drills or mining drill rods, of which the greatest external dimension of the cross-section exceeds 15 mm but does not exceed 52 mm, and of which the greatest internal dimension does not exceed one-half of the greatest external dimension. Bars and hollow drill steel are found in AISI product groups nos. 14, 14A, 15, and 16.

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

(i) Hot-rolled carbon bars; provided for in items 7213.390060, 7213.49.0060, 7213.50.0060, 7214.10.0000, 7214.30.0000, 7214.40.0010, 7214.40.0030, 7214.40.0050, 7214.50.0010, 7214.50.0030, 7214.50.0050, 7214.60.0010, 7214.60.0030, 7214.60.0050, and 7215.90.1000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

(ii) Hot-rolled alloy bars; provided for in items 7227.20.0000, 7227.90.6000, 7228.20.1000, 7228.30.8000, 7228.40.0000, 7228.60.6000, 7228.80.0000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

(iii) Cold-formed carbon bars; provided for in items 7215.100000, 7215.20.0000, 7215.30.0000, 7215.40.0000 7215.90.3000 and 7215.90.5000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 16.

(iv) Cold-formed alloy bars; provided for in items 7228.20.5000, 7228.50.5000, and 7228.60.8000 of the HTS, 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 7213.10.0000 and 7214.20.0000 of the HTS, 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 7.62 cm provided for in items 7216.10.0010, 7216.10.0050, 7216.21.0000, 7216.22.0000, 7228.70.3060, and 7228.70.3080 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14A.

(vii) Stainless steel bars and shapes; provided for in items 7221.10.0000, 7221.00.0060, 7221.00.0080, 7222.20.0030, 7222.20.0060, 7222.30.0000 7222.40.3060, 7222.40.3080 of the HTS.

12. 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 14mm nor over 19mm 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 7213.31.3000, 7213.31.6000, 7213.39.0030, 7213.39.0090, 7213.41.3000, 7213.41.6000, 7213.49.0030, 7213.49.0090, 7213.50.0020, 7213.50.0040 and 7213.50.0080 of the HTS.

(B) Alloy steel wire rod; provided for in items 7227.20.0000, and 7227.90.6000 of the HTS.

(C) Stainless steel wire rod; provided for in items 7221.00.0020 and 7221.00.0040 of the HTS.

(ii) Steel wire.--Cold-formed products in coils, of any uniform solid cross section along their whole length, which do not conform to the definition of flat-rolled products. Steel wire is included in AISI product group No. 23.

For the purpose of this legislation, steel wire is classified as follows:

(A) Carbon steel wire; provided for in items 7217.11.1000, 7217.11.2000, 7217.11.3000, 7217.11.5020, 7217.11.5040, 7217.11.5060, 7217.11.5080, 7217.11.7030, 7217.11.7090, 7217.11.9000, 7217.12.1000, 7217.12.3030, 7217.12.3060, 7217.12.5000, 7217.12.7000, 7217.13.1000, 7217.13.3030, 7217.13.3060, 7217.13.5000, 7217.13.7000, 7217.19.5000, 7217.21.1000, 7217.21.3015, 7217.21.3030, 7217.31.3045, 7217.31.3060, 7217.21.3045, 7217.21.3060, 7217.21.3075, 7217.21.3090, 7217.21.5000, 7217.22.1015, 7217.22.1030, 7217.22.1050, 7217.22.5000, 7217.23.1015, 7217.23.1030, 7217.23.1050, 7217.23.5000, 7217.29.5000, 7217.31.1000, 7217.31.3015, 7217.31.3030, 7217.31.3045, 7217.31.3060, 7217.31.3075, 7217.31.3090, 7217.31.5000, 7217.32.1015, 7217.32.1030, 7217.32.1050, 7217.32.5000, 7217.33.1015, 7217.33.1030, 7217.33.1050, 7217.33.5000, and 7217.39.5000 of the HTS.

(B) Alloy steel wire; provided for in items 7229.20.000, 7229.90.1000, 7229.90.5015, 7229.90.5030, 7229.90.5050, 7229.90.9000 of the HTS.

(C) Stainless steel wire; provided for in items 7223.00.1015, 7223.00.1030, 7223.00.1045, 7223.00.1060, 7223.00.1075, 7223.00.5000, and 7223.00.9000 of the HTS.

(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 7317.00.1000, 7317.00.5505, 7317.00.5510, 7317.00.5520, 7317.00.5530, 7317.00.5540, 7317.00.5550, 7317.00.5560, 7317.00.5570, 7317.00.5580, and 7317.00.5590, 7317.00.7500, and 8305.20.0000 of the HTS. Nails and staples, are included in AISI product group No. 51 (pt.).

(B) Barbed wire is a wire, or strand of twisted wires, armed with barbs or sharp points; as provided for in item 7313.00.0000 of the HTS. Barbed wire is included in AISI product group No. 52.

(C) Wire expanded metal, grill and fencing include whether or not galvanized wholly of round wire with a maximum cross-sectional diameter of 3 mm or more, having a mesh size of 100 cm³ or more, whether or not such wire is covered with plastics; as provided for in items 7314.20.0000, 7314.30.1000 7314.30.5000, 7314.41.1000 7314.42.0000, 7314.49.3000 7314.49.6000, and 7314.50.0000 of the HTS. The products are included in AISI product group No. 50.

(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 item 7326.20.0010 of the HTS and included in AISI product group No. 53.

(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 7312.10.1030, 7312.10.1060, 7312.10.3005, 7312.10.3015, 731.10.3045 7312.10.3065, 7312.10.3075, and 7312.10.3090 of the HTS. Wire strand is included in AISI product group No. 41.

(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 7312.10.6000, 7312.10.8000, 7312.10.9030, 7312.10.9060, and 7312.10.9090 of the HTS. Wire ropes, cables, and cordage are included in AISI product group No. 47.

13. Structurals.--Nontubular products not conforming completely to the respective specifications set forth in the HTS for semi-finished, flat-rolled, bars and rod or wire.

(i) Heavy structural shapes having a maximum cross-sectional dimension of 7.62 cm or more, and sheet piling; as provided for in items 7216.31.0000, 7216.32.0000, 7216.33.0030, 7216.33.0060, 7216.33.0090, 7216.40.0010, 7216.40.0050, 7216.50.0000, 7222.40.3020, 7222.40.3040, 7228.70.3020, 7228.70.3040, and 7301.10.0000 of the HTS and are included in AISI product group 4.

(ii) Fabricated structural units, which include columns, pillars, posts, beams, girders, and similar structural units; as provided for in items 7216.60.0000, 7216.90.0000, 7222.40.6000, 7228.70.6000, 7301.20.1000, 7301.20.5000, 7308.10.0000, 7308.20.0000, 7308.40.0000, 7308.90.3000, 7308.90.6000, 7308.90.9030, 7308.90.9090, 8430.49.4000 of the HTS. These products, are included in AISI product group No. 38 and 39.

14. 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 7302.10.5000, 7302.10.1020, 7302.10.1040, 7302.10.1060, and 7302.10.1080 of the HTS. Rails are included in AISI product group Nos. 7, 8 and 41.

(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 7302.20.0000, 7302.30.0000, 7302.40.0000, 7302.90.0000 of the HTS. Joint bars and tie plates are included in AISI product group Nos. 9 and 42.

(iii) Railway track spikes, of one piece construction, used to secure tie plates or ties; as provided for in item 7317.00.6530, 7317.00.6560 of the HTS. Railway track spikes are included in AISI product group No. 51 (pt.).

(iv) Railroad and railway (RR) axles and wheels, parts thereof, and axle bars; as provided for in items 8607.19.1000, 8607.19.2000 of the HTS. These articles are included in AISI product group No. 43.

15. 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 7304.20.1000, 7304.20.2000, 7304.20.3000, 7304.20.4000, 7304.20.5010, 7304.20.5050, 7304.20.6010, 7304.20.6050, 7304.20.7000, 7304.20.8000, 7305.20.2000, 7305.20.4000, 7305.20.6000, 7305.20.8000, 7306.20.1030, 7306.20.1090, 7306.20.2000, 7306.20.3000, 7306.20.4000, 7306.20.6010, 7306.20.6050, 7306.20.8010, 7306.20.8050 of the HTS. Oil country tubular goods are included in AISI product group No. 19.

(ii) Line pipe; provided for in items 7304.101020, 7304.10.1050, 7304.10.1080, 7304.10.5020, 7304.10.5050, 7304.10.5080, 7305.11.1030, 7305.11.1060, 7305.11.5000, 7305.12.1030, 7305.12.1060, 7305.12.5000, 7305.19.1030, 7305.19.1060, 7305.19.5000, 7306.10.1010, and 7306.10.1050 7306.10.5010, 7306.10.5050 of the HTS. Line pipe is included in AISI product group No. 20.

(iii) Mechanical pipe; provided for in items 7304.31.3000, 7304.31.6050, 7304.39.0050, 7304.39.0075, 7304.51.5000, 7304.51.5090, 7304.59.1000, 7304.59.6000, 7304.59.8000, 7304.90.5000, 7304.90.7000, 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.5015, 7306.30.5020, 7306.30.5035, 7306.3.5060, 7306.30.5075, 7306.50.1000, 7306.50.5030, 7306.50.5050, 7306.50.5070, 7306.60.5000, 7306.60.7000 of the HTS. Mechanical pipe is included in AISI product group 21A.

(iv) Structural pipe; provided for in items 7304.90.1000, 7304.903000, 7305.312000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6000, 7306.30.3000, 7306.50.3000, 7306.60.1000, and 7306.60.3000 of the HTS. Structural pipe is included in AISI product category 22A.

(v) Pressure tubing; provided for in items 7304.31.6010, 7304.39.0005, 7304.51.5030, 7304.51.5050, 7304.59.2030, 7304.59.2050, 7306.30.5010 and 7306.50.5010 of the HTS. Pressure tubing is included in AISI product category 21B.

(vi) Stainless steel pipes and tubes; provided for in items 7304.41.0010, 7304.41.0050, 7304.49.0010, 7304.49.0030, 7304.49.0050, 7306.40.1000, 7306.40.5010, 7306.40.5030, 7306.40.5050, and 7306.40.5070 of the HTS. Stainless steel pipes and tubes are included in AISI product categories 21C and D.

(vii) Other, including standard; provided for in items 7304.39.0015, 7304.39.0030, 7304.39.0040, 7304.39.0070, 7304.39.0090, 7305.31.4000, 7305.39.1000, 7305.39.5000, 7305.90.1000, 7305.90.5000, 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5030, 7306.30.5040, 7306.30.5050 and 7306.30.5065, 7306.30.5070, 7306.90.1000, 7306.90.5000 of the HTS. Other, including standard pipe is included in AISI product categories 18, 21E and 22B.

16. Alloy tool steel (all forms) provided for in items 7224.10.0030, 7224.90.0010, 7224.90.0020, 7224.90.0030, 7225.20.0000, 7225.30.1000, 7225.30.5030, 7225.30.5060, 7225.40.1015, 7225.40.1090, 7225.40.5030, 7225.40.5060, 7225.50.1030, 7225.50.1060, 7226.20.0000, 7226.91.1030, 7226.91.1060, 7226.91.3030, 7226.91.3060, 7226.92.1030, 7226.92.1060, 7226.92.3030, 7226.92.3060, 7227.10.000, 7227.90.1030, 7227.90.1060, 7227.90.2030, 7227.90.2060, 7228.10.0010, 7228.10.0030, 7228.10.0060, 7228.30.2000, 7228.30.4000, 7228.30.6000, 7228.50.1010, 7228.50.1020, 7228.50.1040, 7228.50.1060, 7228.50.1080, 7228.60.1030, 7228.60.1060, and 7229.10.0000 of the HTS. 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 1(h) of chapter 72 of the HTS, which is commonly referred to as bearing steel, is included with "certain alloy" products.

Appendix B

**Definitions of Certain Specialty Steels
Including Alloy Tool Steel**

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SUBCHAPTER III

TEMPORARY MODIFICATIONS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO TRADE LEGISLATION

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1. This subchapter contains the temporary modifications of the provisions in the tariff schedule established pursuant to trade legislation. Unless otherwise stated, the modified provisions are effective until suspended or terminated. Unless the context requires otherwise, any article described in the provisions of this subchapter, for which rates of duty are herein provided, if entered during the period specified, is subject to duty at the rate set forth herein in lieu of the rate provided therefor in chapters 1 to 98.
2. For the purposes of subheadings 9803.17.05 through 9803.17.30, inclusive, the term "product of the European Economic Community" refers to products of the member states of this instrumentality which includes Belgium, Denmark, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and the United Kingdom.
3. For the purposes of subheadings 9803.41.05 and 9803.41.10, the duties provided for in this subchapter are cumulative duties which apply in addition to the duties otherwise imposed on the articles involved.
4. Additional duties and quantitative limitations on certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel.--The provisions of this note apply to subheadings 9803.72.00 through 9803.72.44 of this subchapter. The duties provided for in subheadings 9803.72.00 and 9803.72.01 and the quantitative limitations set forth in subheadings 9803.72.10 through 9803.72.34 are in addition to the duties provided for the subject articles in chapter 72 or in subheading 9808.00.30, where applicable.

(a) Definitions.--For the purposes of this subchapter:

- (i) The term "restraint period" refers to a period provided for in the article description column for subheadings 9803.72.10 through 9803.72.34;
- (ii) The terms "razor blade steel" and "chipper knife steel" are defined as provided in additional U.S. notes 1(d) and 1(f), respectively, to chapter 72;
- (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:
 - (A) carbon: not less than 0.47 nor more than 0.53 percent;
 - (B) manganese: not less than 0.6 nor more than 0.9 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 0.1 nor more than 0.25 percent;
 - (F) chromium: not less than 0.9 nor more than 1.1 percent;
 - (G) nickel: not less than 0.5 nor more than 0.7 percent;
 - (H) molybdenum: not less than 0.9 nor more than 1.1 percent; and
 - (IJ) vanadium: not less than 0.08 percent nor more than 0.15 percent;
- (iv) The term "cladding grade 434 stainless steel flat-rolled products" refers to stainless steel flat-rolled products, not under 1.397 mm and not over 1.651 mm in thickness, not under 64.77 cm and not over 66.675 cm 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 U.S. note 4(a)(v) to this subchapter" 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:
 - (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 percent;
chromium: not less than 19.5 percent nor more than 20.5 percent;
nickel: not less than 17.5 percent nor more than 18.5 percent;
molybdenum: not less than 6 percent nor more than 6.5 percent;
nitrogen: not less than 0.18 percent nor more than 0.22 percent;
copper: not less than 0.5 percent nor more than 1 percent;
sulfur: not more than 0.03 percent;
phosphorus: not more than 0.04 percent; or

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(h) Regarding shipments of mold blocks from Canada into the United States:

- (i) The term "mold blocks" refers to products of either stainless steel bar or alloy tool steel whose chemistry meets that of either H13 hot-work tool steel forged bars, P20 mold steel forged bars, or hardenable Cr stainless steel 420 forged bars, as defined in subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) below:
 - (A) "H13 hot-work tool steel forged bars" refers to forged bars of the alloy tool steel grade containing by weight, in addition to iron, not less than 0.32 percent nor more than 0.45 percent carbon; not less than 4.75 percent nor more than 5.50 percent chromium; not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.5 percent manganese; not less than 1.10 percent nor more than 1.75 percent molybdenum; not more than 0.030 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; not less than 0.80 percent nor more than 1.20 percent silicon; and not less than 0.80 percent nor more than 1.20 percent vanadium.
 - (B) "P20 mold steel forged blocks" refers to forged bars of the alloy tool steel grade containing by weight, in addition to iron, not less than 0.28 percent nor more than 0.40 percent carbon; not less than 1.40 percent nor more than 2.00 percent chromium; not less than 0.60 percent nor more than 1.00 percent manganese; not less than 0.30 percent nor more than 0.55 percent molybdenum; not more than 0.030 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; and not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.80 percent silicon.
 - (C) "Hardenable Cr Stainless Steel 420 forged bars" refers to stainless steel forged bars containing by weight over 0.15 percent carbon; not less than 12.00 percent nor more than 14 percent chromium; not more than 1.00 percent manganese; not more than 0.040 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; not more than 1.00 percent silicon.
- (ii) Mold blocks may only be forged bars of P20 mold steel, forged bars of H13 hot-work tool steel, and hardenable Cr stainless steel 420 forged bars of Canadian origin which are used in the United States to produce plastic injection molds, die-casting molds, and metal forming dies for automotive components. If rectangular, these bars must be between 10.16 and 101.6 cm in thickness and between 33.02 and 182.88 cm in width. Round bars of these steels must be between 20.32 and 60.96 cm in diameter. The rectangular bars must be machined on four faces at 90 degrees. In addition, one surface must be machined not to exceed 250AA roughness height (250 R.M.S. value), and surfaces must be perpendicular within 0.1588 cm. The round bars must be machined on both end faces, and their periphery must be machined not to exceed 250AA roughness height (250 R.M.S. value).
- (iii) In order for the product to be considered a mold block, the Canadian government and the importer must certify that the product meets the requirements set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) above. The Canadian government will certify that the tonnage in the shipment, when added to other such certified shipments during the same restraint period, does not exceed the tonnage allowed under subheading 9903.72.40, 9903.72.42, or 9903.72.44, as appropriate. Such certification must be endorsed by the competent Canadian government authorities and presented to U.S. Customs at the time of entry into the United States.
- (iv) The Government of the United States will allow entry of such mold blocks only to the extent that the quantity of mold blocks entered does not exceed the quantities set forth in subheadings 9903.72.40, 9903.72.42, and 9903.72.44, respectively. Entries in excess of such quantity will be subject to the restraint levels described in subheadings 9903.72.10, 9903.72.12, 9903.72.14, 9903.72.30, 9903.72.32, and 9903.72.34, as appropriate.

Quantitative limitations on certain tungsten articles.--The provisions of this note apply to subheadings 9903.28.05 through 9903.28.25, inclusive. The limitations imposed are in addition to the duties provided for the restrained articles in chapter 28 or in chapter 98, where applicable. The quantitative limitations shall include imports entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, informal entries, temporary imports under bond, and imports under chapter 98.

(a) Definitions.--For purposes of this subchapter--

- (1) the term "tungsten articles" means ammonium paratungstate provided for in subheading 2841.80 and tungstic acid provided for in subheading 2825.90.50;
- (b) Export certificate.--Effective January 1, 1988, none of the tungsten articles provided for herein that are exported from the People's Republic of China (the PRC) shall be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, unless such tungsten articles are accompanied by a validated export certificate issued by the competent authority of the Government of the People's Republic of China;
- (c) Carryover.--Whenever the specified limit of imports has not been entered during a period, an amount not to exceed 5 percent (except that the United States Trade Representative may by prior determination permit a carryover of greater than 5 percent) of the limit specified in the period in which the shortfall occurred may be entered in the subsequent period.

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(F)	carbon: not less than 0.92 percent nor more than 1.02 percent; manganese: not less than 0.25 percent nor more than 0.4 percent; sulfur: not more than 0.025 percent; phosphorus: not more than 0.025 percent; silicon: not less than 0.25 percent nor more than 0.4 percent; chromium: not less than 1.65 percent nor more than 1.95 percent; nickel: not more than 0.25 percent; copper: not more than 0.35 percent; molybdenum: not less than 0.18 percent nor more than 0.4 percent; aluminum: not more than 0.05 percent;
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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.

- (ix) The term "stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter" refers to stainless steel which contains by weight less than 1 percent carbon and over 11.5 percent chromium.
- (b) Shortfall.--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 Federal Register.
- (c) Carryover.--Whenever the quota quantity specified for any of the individually named countries for an item has not been entered during any semi-annual restraint period, entry may be made during the subsequent semi-annual restraint period of an amount up to 20 percent (10 percent in the case of shortfalls occurring in the second semi-annual restraint period in any quota 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 thereof.
- (d) Exceeding restraint levels.--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 the first semi-annual restraint period in any quota year, by not more than 3 percent in the second semi-annual restraint period in any quota year and shall not be exceeded in the period from July 20, 1989 through September 30, 1989. If a quota quantity is exceeded during a restraint period, a downward adjustment of the corresponding quota quantity for the next semi-annual restraint period in the absolute amount the preceding restraint level was exceeded shall be made.
- (e) Adjustments.--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.
- (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.
- (g) Products Subject to Certain Export Restraint Agreements.--
 - (i) The duties provided for in subheadings 9903.72.00 and 9903.72.01 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. The duties provided for in subheadings 9903.72.00 and 9903.72.01 shall not apply to products of Trinidad and Tobago exported to the United States on or after October 15, 1987.
 - (ii) The quantitative limitations provided for in subheadings 9903.72.10 through 9903.72.24, inclusive, shall not apply to products of 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.
 - (iii) The quantitative limitations provided for in subheadings 9903.72.30 through 9903.72.34, inclusive, 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.

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- (h) Regarding shipments of mold blocks from Canada into the United States:
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 - (A) "H13 hot-work tool steel forged bars" refers to forged bars of the alloy tool steel grade containing by weight, in addition to iron, not less than 0.32 percent nor more than 0.45 percent carbon; not less than 4.75 percent nor more than 5.50 percent chromium; not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.5 percent manganese; not less than 1.10 percent nor more than 1.75 percent molybdenum; not more than 0.030 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; not less than 0.80 percent nor more than 1.20 percent silicon; and not less than 0.80 percent nor more than 1.20 percent vanadium.
 - (B) "P20 mold steel forged blocks" refers to forged bars of the alloy tool steel grade containing by weight, in addition to iron, not less than 0.28 percent nor more than 0.40 percent carbon; not less than 1.40 percent nor more than 2.00 percent chromium; not less than 0.50 percent nor more than 1.00 percent manganese; not less than 0.30 percent nor more than 0.55 percent molybdenum; not more than 0.030 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; and not less than 0.20 percent nor more than 0.80 percent silicon.
 - (C) "Hardenable Cr Stainless Steel 420 forged bars" refers to stainless steel forged bars containing by weight over 0.15 percent carbon; not less than 12.00 percent nor more than 14 percent chromium; not more than 1.00 percent manganese; not more than 0.040 percent phosphorous; not more than 0.030 percent sulfur; not more than 1.00 percent silicon.
 - (ii) Mold blocks may only be forged bars of P20 mold steel, forged bars of H13 hot-work tool steel, and hardenable Cr stainless steel 420 forged bars of Canadian origin which are used in the United States to produce plastic injection molds, die-casting molds, and metal forming dies for automotive components. If rectangular, these bars must be between 10.16 and 101.6 cm in thickness and between 33.02 and 182.88 cm in width. Round bars of these steels must be between 20.32 and 60.96 cm in diameter. The rectangular bars must be machined on four faces at 90 degrees. In addition, one surface must be machined not to exceed 250AA roughness height (250 R.M.S. value), and surfaces must be perpendicular within 0.1588 cm. The round bars must be machined on both end faces, and their periphery must be machined not to exceed 250AA roughness height (250 R.M.S. value).
 - (iii) In order for the product to be considered a mold block, the Canadian government and the importer must certify that the product meets the requirements set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) above. The Canadian government will certify that the tonnage in the shipment, when added to other such certified shipments during the same restraint period, does not exceed the tonnage allowed under subheading 9903.72.40, 9903.72.42, or 9903.72.44, as appropriate. Such certification must be endorsed by the competent Canadian government authorities and presented to U.S. Customs at the time of entry into the United States.
 - (iv) The Government of the United States will allow entry of such mold blocks only to the extent that the quantity of mold blocks entered does not exceed the quantities set forth in subheadings 9903.72.40, 9903.72.42, and 9903.72.44, respectively. Entries in excess of such quantity will be subject to the restraint levels described in subheadings 9903.72.10, 9903.72.12, 9903.72.14, 9903.72.30, 9903.72.32, and 9903.72.34, as appropriate.
5. Quantitative limitations on certain tungsten articles.--The provisions of this note apply to subheadings 9903.28.05 through 9903.28.25, inclusive. The limitations imposed are in addition to the duties provided for the restrained articles in chapter 28 or in chapter 98, where applicable. The quantitative limitations shall include imports entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, informal entries, temporary imports under bond, and imports under chapter 98.
- (a) Definitions.--For purposes of this subchapter--
 - (i) the term "tungsten articles" means ammonium paratungstate provided for in subheading 2841.80 and tungstic acid provided for in subheading 2825.90.50;
 - (b) Export certificate.--Effective January 1, 1988, none of the tungsten articles provided for herein that are exported from the People's Republic of China (the PRC) shall be entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, unless such tungsten articles are accompanied by a validated export certificate issued by the competent authority of the Government of the People's Republic of China;
 - (c) Carryover.--Whenever the specified limit of imports has not been entered during a period, an amount not to exceed 5 percent (except that the United States Trade Representative may by prior determination permit a carryover of greater than 5 percent) of the limit specified in the period in which the shortfall occurred may be entered in the subsequent period.

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- (d) Exceeding restraint levels.--The USTR may by Federal Register notice authorize an increase in the specified limits of imports by not more than 10 percent during any period, except that the USTR may by prior determination permit an increase of greater than 10 percent. If a specified limit of imports is exceeded during a period, there shall be a downward adjustment of the specified limit for the next period in the amount the preceding specified limit was exceeded. To the extent that imports of the tungsten articles provided for herein exceed 771,114 kilograms tungsten content for calendar year 1987, the specified limits for subsequent periods will be reduced according to the following schedule: the 1988 calendar year specified limit shall be reduced by 50 percent of the excess; the specified limit of 1989 shall each be reduced by 30 percent of the excess; and the specified limit of 1990 shall be reduced by 20 percent of the excess.
- (e) United States International Trade Commission (USITC) surveys.--The USITC shall conduct annual surveys (pursuant to section 332 of the Tariff Act of 1930) to obtain data on ammonium paratungstate, tungstic acid and tungsten oxide (provided for in subheading 2825.90.30) from producers in the United States by calendar quarter on shipments, profits, capacity and capacity utilization, and annual data on capital expenditures and research and development expenditures; and to obtain data on such products from importers by calendar quarter on prices, orders, and inventories. The initial survey shall cover calendar year 1987 and shall be published by March 31, 1988, and the results of subsequent annual surveys shall be published on March 31 of each year thereafter as long as the agreement is in effect.
- (f) Administration of import limitations.--Imports accounting for no more than 65 percent of each annual specified limit may be entered in any two consecutive quarters in that year unless authorized by a determination of the USTR.
6. The following provisions have been suspended pursuant to executive action: subheadings 9903.04.05 through 9903.04.55, inclusive, subheadings 9903.23.00 through 9903.23.35, inclusive, subheading 9903.41.25, and subheadings 9903.41.35 through 9903.41.45, inclusive.

Appendix C

**Definitions of Certain Steel Products and
Specialty Steel Relief Provisions
(Federal Register Notice 52897)**

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
Implementation of Modifications in Specialty Steel Import Relief
AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice converts to the Harmonized System product definitions for imports of certain specialty steel subject to increased tariffs or quotas and makes modifications to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to implement such conversion.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1989.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Robert Cassidy, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-4510 or Michael Rollin, Office of Agreements Compliance, Import Administration, Department of Commerce, (202) 377-4037.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Presidential Proclamation 5679 of July 16, 1987 (52 FR 27308) provided for the temporary imposition of increased tariffs and quantitative restrictions on certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel imported into the United States, pursuant to section 203 of the Trade Act of 1974. Proclamation 5679 authorizes the U.S. Trade Representative to take such actions and perform such functions for the United States as may be necessary to administer and implement the relief, including negotiating orderly marketing agreements and allocating quota quantities on a country-by-country basis. The U.S. Trade Representative is also authorized to make modifications in the TSUS heading of items proclaimed by the President in order to implement such actions.

On January 1, 1989, the TSUS will be replaced by the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS). Accordingly, the U.S. Trade Representative has determined that the following revisions to Chapter 98, subchapter III, of the HTS are required for continued implementation of Proclamation 5679 after December 31, 1988.

Replace the entire text of U.S. note 4(a)(ii) with the following:

The term "razor blade steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ii) to this subchapter" refers to products of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter, which are flat rolled, not over 0.254mm in thickness and not over 2.286cm in width—and, when cold rolled, are over 1.27cm in width—contain by weight not less than 11.5 percent, and not

over 14.7 percent chromium, and are certified at the time of entry to be used in the manufacture of razor blades. The terms "concrete reinforcing bars and rods," "chipper knife steel," and "ball bearing steel" are defined as provided in additional U.S. notes 1(c), 1(f) and 1(h), respectively, the chapter 72.

Replace the entire text of U.S. note 4(a)(vi) with the following:

The term "flapper valve steel" refers products of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter, which are flat rolled, not over 1.27mm in thickness and not over 30.48cm in width—and, when cold rolled, are over 1.27cm in width—and are 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:

Replace the entire text of U.S. note 4(a)(vii) with the following:

The term "rotor steel for hysteresis motors" refers to products of tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xi) to this subchapter, which are flat rolled, not over 1.27mm in thickness and not over 30.48cm in width—and, when cold rolled, are over 1.27cm in width—contain by weight not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 3.5 percent tungsten, and are 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:

Replace the period (".") at the end of U.S. note 4(a)(ix) with a semicolon (";").

Insert the following new U.S. notes after U.S. note 4(a)(ix):

4(a)(x) The term "alloy steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(x) to this subchapter" refers to steel which contains one or more of the following elements in the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:
over 1.65 percent manganese, or
over 0.25 percent phosphorus, or
over 0.36 percent sulfur, or
over 0.80 percent silicon, or
over 0.80 percent copper, or
over 0.20 percent aluminum, or
over 0.30 percent chromium, or
over 0.30 percent cobalt, or
over 0.15 percent lead, or
over 0.50 percent nickel, or
over 0.30 percent tungsten, or
over 0.10 percent of any other metallic element;

4(a)(xi) The term "tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xi) to this subchapter" refers to alloy steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(x) to this subchapter containing the following combination 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 0.3 percent carbon and 1.25 percent of 11.0 percent inclusive chromium; or
- (C) Not less than 0.85 percent carbon and 1.0 percent to 1.8 percent inclusive manganese;

(D) 0.8 percent to 1.2 percent inclusive chromium and 0.8 percent to 1.4 percent inclusive molybdenum; or

(E) not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 3.5 percent molybdenum; or

(F) not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 5.5 percent tungsten;

4(a)(xii) The term "high speed tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xii) to this subchapter" refers to all tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xi) to this subchapter containing by weight not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 3.5 percent molybdenum, or not less than 0.5 percent carbon and not less than 5.5 percent tungsten;

4(a)(xiii) The term "plate of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xiii) to this subchapter" refers to products which are flat rolled, whether or not corrugated or crimped, 4.7625mm or more in thickness and over 30.32cm in width when hot rolled or over 30.48cm in width when cold rolled;

4(a)(xiv) The term "sheet of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xiv) to this subchapter" refers to products which are flat rolled, whether or not corrugated or crimped, less than 4.7625mm in thickness and over 30.48cm in width;

4(a)(xv) The term "strip of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xv) to this subchapter" refers to products which are flat rolled, whether or not corrugated or crimped, less than 4.7625mm in thickness, not over 30.48cm in width and, if cold rolled, over 1.27cm in width;

4(a)(xvi) The term "wire of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xvi) to this subchapter" refers to products which are either cold drawn, in coils, of any cross-sectional configuration and not over 17.8562mm in maximum cross-sectional dimension; or in coils with a cold rolled finish, of solid rectangular cross section, not over 0.38mm in thickness and not over 1.27cm in width;

4(a)(xvii) The term "wire rod of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xvii) to this subchapter" refers to products which are hot rolled, in coils, approximately round in cross section, and at least 5.08mm but not exceeding 18.756mm in diameter.

Replace the entire text of subheading 9903.72.00 with the following:

Flat rolled products and bars and rods which have been flat rolled, all the foregoing of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter, under 4.7625mm in thickness and, if cold rolled, over 1.27mm in width (except when over 30.48cm in width and coated, plated or clad with metal; 30.48cm or under in width and electrolytically coated or plated with base metal other than tin, lead or zinc; cut, pressed or stamped to nonrectangular shape; worked after rolling other than by corrugation or crimping; as provided for in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter; razor blade steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ii) to this subchapter; cladding grade 434 stainless steel flat-rolled products over 30.48cm in width; cold-rolled flat-rolled products of stainless steel over 180.34cm in width; stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(vi) to

this subchapter; and flapper valve steel) provided for in subheading 7219.12, 7219.13, 7219.14, 7219.22, 7219.23, 7219.24, 7219.31, 7219.32, 7219.33, 7219.34, 7219.35, 7219.90, 7220.11, 7220.12.10, 7220.12.50, 7220.20.10, 7220.20.60, 7220.20.70, 7220.20.90, 7220.90, 7222.10, 7222.20, 7222.30 or 7223.00.50, all the foregoing, whether or not entitled to duty-free treatment under subheading 9808.00.30 * * *

Replace the entire text of subheading 9903.72.01 with the following:

Flat-rolled products and bars and rods which have been flat-rolled, all the foregoing of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter, 4.7625mm or more in thickness, over 20.32cm in width if hot rolled or over 30.48cm in width if cold

rolled (except if: coated, plated or clad with metal; cut, pressed or stamped to nonrectangular shape; worked after rolling other than by corrugation or crimping; as provided for in U.S. note 4(g)(i) to this subchapter; and stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(v) to this subchapter) provided for in subheading 7219.11, 7219.12, 7219.21, 7219.22, 7219.31, 7219.90, 7220.11, 7220.20.10, 7220.90, 7222.10, 7220.20 or 7222.30, all the foregoing, whether or not entitled to duty-free treatment under subheading 9808.00.30 * * *

Replace the entire text of the superior heading, at the first indentation, to subheadings 9903.72.10, 9903.72.12 and 9903.72.14 with the following:

Bars and rods, flat-rolled products and wire, all the foregoing of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(ix) to this subchapter (except if: worked after rolling other than by corrugation or crimping; plate, sheet, strip, wire and wire rod of the type described in U.S. notes 4(a)(xiii), 4(a)(xiv), 4(a)(xv), 4(a)(xvi) and 4(a)(xvii), respectively, to this subchapter; concrete reinforcing bars and rods; and stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(v) to this subchapter) provided for in subheading 7220.11, 7220.20.10, 7220.20.60, 7220.90, 7221.00, 7220.10, 7222.20, 7222.30, 7223.00.10, 7223.00.50 or 7223.00.90:

Replace all quota quantities for subheadings 9903.72.10, 9903.72.12, and 9903.72.14 with the following:

Item	Articles	Quota Quantity (in kilograms)	
		If entered during the restraint period:	
		July 20 through January 19	January 20 through July 19
9903.72.10	If entered during the period from October 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988 inclusive:		
	Austria	n/a	97,977
	Canada	250,386	501,678
	Japan	3,213,281	6,427,470
	Korea	439,969	880,885
	Mexico	25,401	51,710
	Spain	997,913	1,995,827
	Sweden	308,446	616,892
	Taiwan	22,660	45,360
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter	99,791	97,070
9903.72.12	If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989 inclusive:		
	Austria	97,070	97,977
	Canada	512,565	512,565
	Japan	6,572,621	6,572,621
	Korea	891,772	892,679
	Mexico	58,060	58,968
	Spain	2,041,187	2,041,187
	Sweden	630,500	631,407
	Taiwan	48,267	47,174
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter	107,956	104,327
9903.72.14	If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989 inclusive:		
	Austria	39,009	(*)
	Canada	211,376	(*)
	Japan	2,707,974	(*)
	Korea	367,414	(*)
	Mexico	24,494	(*)
	Spain	840,969	(*)
	Sweden	259,457	(*)
	Taiwan	19,051	(*)
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter	44,453	(*)

Replace the entire text of the superior heading, at the first indentation, to subheadings 9903.72.20, 9903.72.22 and 9903.72.24 with the following:

Bars and rods of stainless steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a) (ix) to this subchapter, approximately round in cross-section, at least 5.08mm but not exceeding 18.79mm in diameter (except concrete reinforcing bars and rods and stainless steel

of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(v) to this subchapter) provided for in subheading 7221.00:

Replace all quota quantities for subheadings 9903.72.20, 9903.72.22, and 9903.72.24 with the following:

Item	Articles	Quota Quantity (in kilograms)	
		If entered during the restraint period:	
		July 20 through January 19	January 20 through July 19
9903.72.20	If entered during the period from October 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988 inclusive: Austria.....	n/a	25,401
	Japan.....	* 1,439,717	2,879,434
	Korea.....	* 238,592	476,277
	Spain.....	* 421,845	844,598
	Sweden.....	* 899,936	1,799,873
9903.72.22	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989 inclusive: Austria.....	* 87,998	151,501
	Japan.....	48,988	25,401
	Korea.....	2,944,752	2,944,752
	Spain.....	489,885	490,792
	Sweden.....	862,742	863,649
9903.72.24	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989 inclusive: Austria.....	1,840,697	1,840,697
	Japan.....	129,729	151,501
	Korea.....	9,979	(*)
	Spain.....	1,212,918	(*)
	Sweden.....	355,620	(*)
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter.....	355,620	(*)
		758,414	(*)
		63,504	(*)

Replace the entire text of the superior heading, at the first indentation, to subheadings 9903.72.30, 9903.72.32 and 9903.72.34 with the following:

Flat-rolled products, bars and rods and wire, all the foregoing of tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xi) to this subchapter (except if: worked after rolling other than by corrugation or crimping; plate of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xiii) to this subchapter which has been coated, plated or clad with metal or cut, pressed or stamped to nonrectangular shape; sheet of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xiv) to this subchapter which has been coated, plated or clad with metal or cut, pressed or stamped to nonrectangular shape; strip of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xv) to this subchapter which has been coated or plated with base metal other than tin, lead or zinc or cut, pressed or stamped to nonrectangular shape; concrete reinforcing bars and rods; wire of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(xvi) to this subchapter other than round wire of high speed tool steel as described in

U.S. note 4(a)(xii) to this subchapter; chipper knife steel; band saw steel; ball bearing steel; rotor steel for hysteresis motors; and tool steel of the type described in U.S. note 4(a)(viii) to this subchapter) provided for in subheading 7208.11, 7208.12, 7208.13, 7208.13.10, 7208.13.50, 7208.14.10, 7208.14.50, 7208.21.10, 7208.21.50, 7208.22.10, 7208.22.50, 7208.23.10, 7208.23.50, 7208.24.10, 7208.24.50, 7208.31, 7208.32, 7208.33.10, 7208.33.50, 7208.34.10, 7208.34.50, 7208.35.10, 7208.35.50, 7208.41, 7208.42, 7208.43, 7208.44, 7208.45, 7208.90, 7209.11, 7209.12, 7209.13, 7209.14, 7209.21, 7209.22, 7209.23, 7209.24.50, 7209.31, 7209.32, 7209.33, 7209.34, 7209.41, 7209.42, 7209.43, 7209.44, 7209.90, 7210.70.30, 7210.90.90, 7211.11, 7211.12, 7211.19.10, 7211.19.50, 7211.21, 7211.22, 7211.29.10, 7211.29.30, 7211.29.50, 7211.30.50, 7211.49.10, 7211.49.30, 7211.49.50, 7211.90, 7212.10, 7212.21, 7212.29, 7213.30.10, 7212.30.30, 7212.30.50, 7212.40.10, 7212.40.50, 7212.50, 7212.60, 7213.20, 7213.41.30, 7213.41.60, 7213.49, 7213.50, 7214.10, 7214.30, 7214.50, 7214.60, 7215.10, 7215.30, 7215.40, 7215.90.10, 7215.90.30, 7215.90.50, 7217.21.10.

7217.21.30, 7217.21.50, 7217.22.10, 7117.22.50, 7217.23.10, 7217.23.50, 7217.29.10, 7217.29.50, 7217.31.10, 7217.31.30, 7217.31.50, 7217.32.10, 7217.32.50, 7217.33.10, 7217.33.50, 7217.39.10, 7217.39.50, 7219.11, 7219.12, 7219.13, 7219.14, 7219.21, 7219.22, 7219.23, 7219.24, 7219.31, 7219.32, 7219.33, 7219.34, 7219.35, 7219.90, 7220.11, 7220.12.10, 7220.12.50, 7220.20.10, 7220.20.60, 7220.20.70, 7220.20.80, 7220.20.90, 7220.90, 7221.00, 7222.10, 7222.20, 7222.30, 7223.00.10, 7223.00.50, 7223.00.90, 7225.20, 7225.30.10, 7225.30.30, 7225.30.50, 7225.30.70, 7225.40.10, 7225.40.30, 7225.40.50, 7225.40.70, 7225.50.10, 7225.50.60, 7225.50.70, 7225.50.80, 7225.90, 7226.20, 7226.91.10, 7226.91.30, 7226.91.50, 7226.91.70, 7226.91.80, 7226.92.10, 7226.92.30, 7226.92.50, 7226.92.70, 7226.92.80, 7226.98, 7227.10, 7227.90.10, 7227.90.20, 7227.90.60, 7228.10, 7228.30.60, 7228.30.80, 7228.40, 7228.50.10, 7228.50.50, 7228.60.10, 7228.60.80, 7228.80.80, 7229.10, 7229.90.10, 7229.90.50, 7229.90.90.

Change all quota quantities for subheadings 9903.72.30, 9903.72.32, and 9903.72.34 to the following:

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		If entered during the restraint period:	
		July 20 through January 19	January 20 through July 19
9903.72.30	If entered during the period from October 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988 inclusive:		
	Canada	8360156	719405
	Japan	31048716	2098340
	Korea	2345641	691282
	Mexico	258060	117935
	Poland	277111	155130
	Spain	240824	83482
	Sweden	21979497	3958995
9903.72.32	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter.		
	If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989 inclusive:		
	Canada	276204	147873
	Japan	735734	736642
	Korea	2144607	2145514
	Mexico	713055	712147
	Poland	126100	126100
	Spain	151501	152409
	Sweden	85276	85276
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter.	4048807	4048807
9903.72.34	If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989 inclusive:		
	Canada	148780	147873
	Japan	303003	(*)
	Korea	883607	(*)
	Mexico	203931	(*)
	Poland	51710	(*)
	Spain	62596	(*)
	Sweden	35381	(*)
	Other, except as provided in U.S. note 4(g)(ii) to this subchapter.	1687423	(*)
		61689	(*)

Change all quota quantities for subheadings 9903.72.40, 9903.72.42, and 9903.72.44 to the following:

Item	Articles	Quota Quantity (in kilograms)	
		If entered during the restraint period:	
		July 20 through January 19	January 20 through July 19
9903.72.40	If entered during the period from November 20, 1987, through July 19, 1988 inclusive:		
	Canada	997913	1995827
9903.72.42	If entered during the period from July 20, 1988, through July 19, 1989 inclusive:		
	Canada	1995827	1995827
9903.72.44	If entered during the period from July 20, 1989, through September 30, 1989 inclusive:		
	Canada	798331	(*)

