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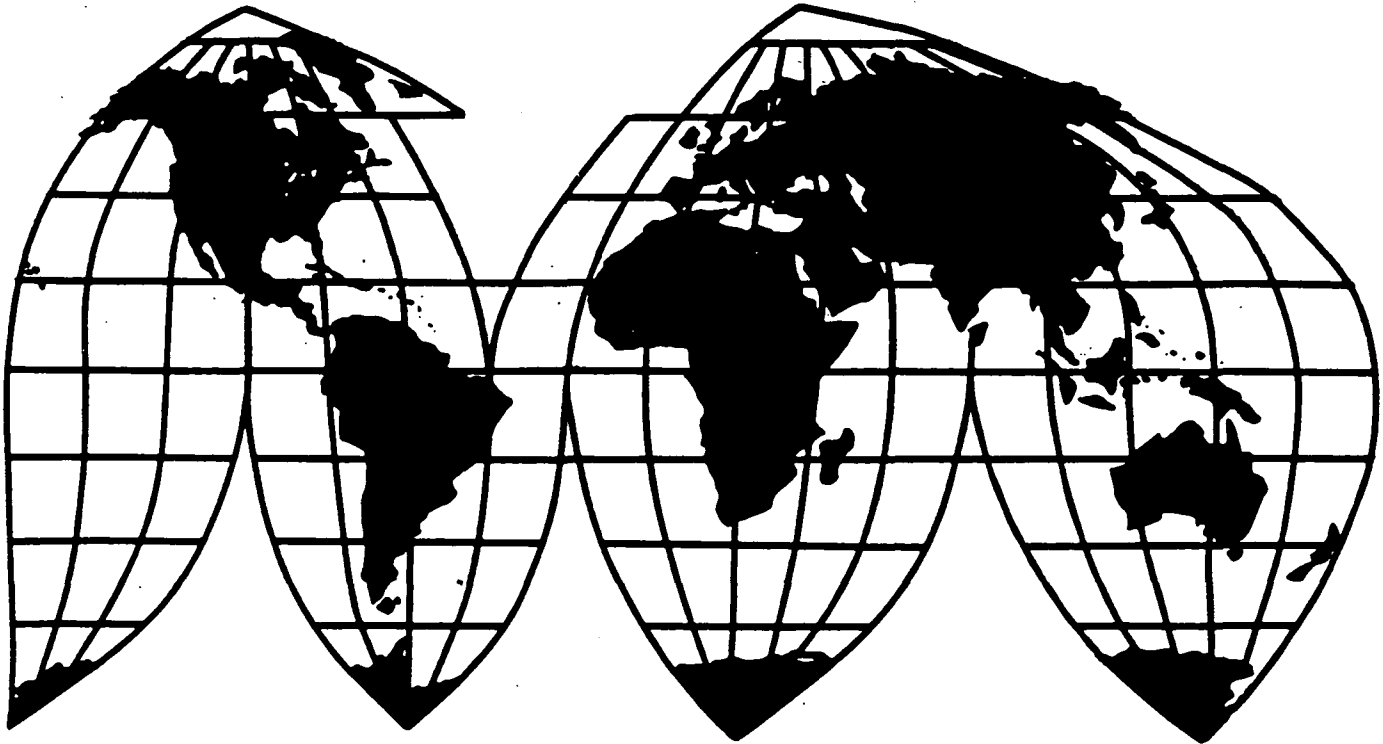
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Purpose and Scope of Report

On July 9, 1992, at the request of the Committee on Ways and Means, U.S. House of Representatives, the United States International Trade Commission (USITC) instituted investigation No. 332-327, *Steel Semiannual Monitoring Report*, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332 (g)). The purpose of this investigation is to provide semiannual monitoring reports to the House Committee on Ways and Means concerning the status of, and prospects for, the U.S. steel industry in the post-Voluntary-Restraint-Agreement (VRA) competitive environment, from January 1991 through December 1994.

The series of reports, to be submitted over a 3-year period beginning in September 1992, consist each year of two semiannual reports (to be submitted in April 1993, 1994, and 1995 and September 1992, 1993, and 1994) that analyze global industry trends and competitiveness issues and provide key product trade information. Each of the six reports contains detailed U.S. trade information (e.g., data by product and key country suppliers and/or markets); a summary of changes in U.S. trade flows; highlights of recent major developments in the U.S. steel industry; and selected international steel industry comparisons.

Each of the April issues focuses primarily on developments and conditions in the U.S. industry and highlights significant developments in the industry's competitiveness during the post-VRA period. The calendar year data that form the basis for this analysis are gathered by questionnaires requesting information on industry operating performance and competitive factors (e.g., capacity, production, shipments, financial operations, capital expenditures and R&D, technology, and environmental expenditures) sent to all raw steel producers as well as selected steel processors. Each of the September issues of these reports also contains a short analysis of country/regional industry developments and/or competitiveness issues, such as environmental regulations, technological developments, and globalization.

Three reports have been transmitted to the Committee to date—in September 1992, June 1993,¹ and September 1993. This report, the fourth in the series, focuses on current conditions in the U.S. industry, including information on recent developments in steel capacity, production, capital expenditures, environmental expenditures, spending on research and development, employment, and financial performance. In addition, the report provides detailed breakouts on U.S. shipments and U.S. trade for 20 major groups of

¹ The report transmitted in June 1993 was originally scheduled to be transmitted in April 1993, but was postponed to ensure that the study contained complete survey results.

steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products, and information on other recent developments in the U.S. industry.

The analysis is based on data developed from questionnaires sent to 220 producers and converters (i.e., companies that purchase certain steel mill products for conversion into other steel mill products—also known as steel processors) of steel mill products and from secondary sources. Responses were received from 165 producers and converters, which account for virtually all raw steel production (more than 95 percent) and include about 70 percent of steel converters surveyed.

Appendix A contains a more detailed overview of the structure of this report and notes on its product coverage and methodology. Appendices B and C, respectively, contain the study request letter from the Chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the notice of the Commission's investigation. Appendix D contains a description of the products subject to this investigation and definitions of certain terms.

Organization of Report

This introductory chapter is followed immediately by a series of figures and tables providing highlights of U.S. and international steel industry consumption and trade. Figures 1 to 4 presenting *U.S. Steel Industry Highlights* identify monthly trends in U.S. steel shipments, imports, exports, and import penetration. The figures and tables highlighting *International Production and Consumption* and *International Production Trends* indicate the geographic distribution and trend of world production and apparent consumption. The tables providing *International Trade Highlights* identify average annual import and export trends for various countries/country groups over a 20-year period. The section on *Recent Steel Industry Developments* highlights major events affecting both the U.S. and foreign steel industries. The *Special Focus* section examines current conditions in the U.S. steel industry, based on responses to questionnaires by producers and processors that provide insight on operating performance and competitive factors during 1992-93; this section includes an explanation of principal product category shifts in U.S. trade flows reflected by statistical tables contained in appendix E, tables E-1 through E-37.

Product Coverage and Trade Policy Perspective

The products covered in this report were subject to import quotas under VRAs in effect from late 1984 through March 31, 1992.² The President undertook the

² Products include carbon and certain alloy (other than stainless or tool) steel and specialty steel (stainless and alloy tool steel) semifinished, plate, sheet and strip, bars

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VRA program after the USITC made an affirmative determination in an investigation under section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2251) with respect to imports of certain carbon steel products.³ After receiving the Commission's report on that investigation, the President announced that he was not taking action under section 203 of the Trade Act but instead would negotiate bilateral restraints with steel-exporting countries to limit U.S. imports of steel and would enforce more vigorously the laws against unfair trade practices.⁴ Congress later passed the Steel Stabilization Act (title VII of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1984), which granted the President authority, for the 5-year period ending September 30, 1989, to enforce the terms of the bilateral steel arrangements. However, this legislation made continuation of such authority subject to the condition that the steel industry continue to modernize its plant and equipment and provide for appropriate worker retraining. Specifically, the President was required to make an annual affirmative determination that major steel companies were committing substantially all of their net cash-flow from steel operations to reinvestment and modernization of their steel operations and that a certain amount of funds was committed to worker retraining.⁵ In July 1989 the

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and light shapes, wire rod, wire, wire products, structural shapes and units, rails and related products, and pipe and tube product categories covered in app. E, tables E-1 through E-37.

³ USITC, *Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Products* (investigation No. TA-201-51), USITC publication 1553, July 1984.

⁴ Executive Communication 4046, Sept. 18, 1984 (H. Doc. 98-263).

⁵ Public Law 98-573, Oct. 30, 1984, (98 Stat. 3043).

President proposed a 2-1/2 year extension of the program. Congress later passed the Steel Trade Liberalization Program Implementation Act, extending the President's enforcement authority through March 31, 1992.⁶

As part of the Steel Trade Liberalization Program and the Bilateral Consensus Agreements negotiated under that umbrella, countries agreed to work towards a Multilateral Steel Agreement (MSA) that would address the underlying causes of unfair trade in steel. The MSA would eliminate tariffs, such nontariff measures as quotas, and most subsidies in the steel sector. The United States and 34 other countries took part in negotiations for an MSA as part of the Uruguay Round negotiations under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The MSA negotiations were suspended on March 31, 1992, the same day that the VRA program expired. Negotiations resumed in December 1992 and are continuing, but no agreement was reached in time to become part of the Uruguay Round package.⁷ Since the end of the VRAs, the U.S. industry has filed a large number of petitions under the U.S. antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) law with respect to many imported steel products once covered by the VRAs, including wire rope, bar, steel rail, pipe and tube, flat-rolled products, and other steel products once covered by the VRAs. Appendix F shows the status of AD and CVD investigations on steel products and ferroalloys since late 1991.

⁶ Public Law 101-221, Dec. 12, 1989, (103 Stat. 1886) (19 U.S.C. 2253 note).

⁷ The effect of the Uruguay Round on steel trade is addressed under *Recent Steel Industry Developments*.

Figure 1
U.S. average monthly steel shipments, 1989-93,
and monthly steel shipments, 1993

1,000 short tons

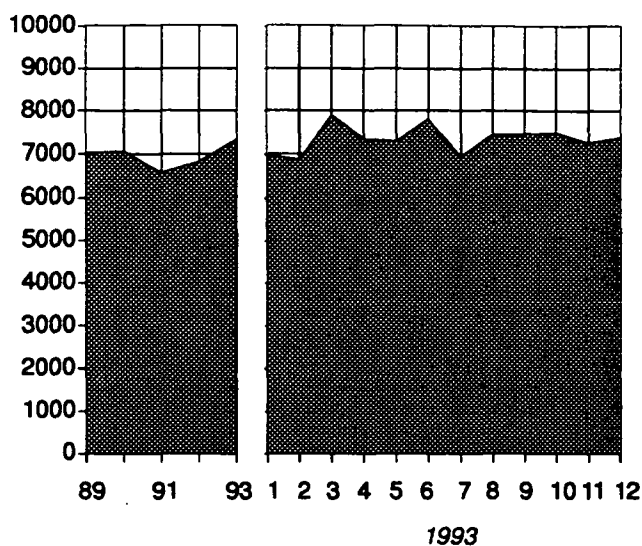


Figure 2
U.S. average monthly steel imports, 1989-93,
and monthly steel imports, 1993

1,000 short tons

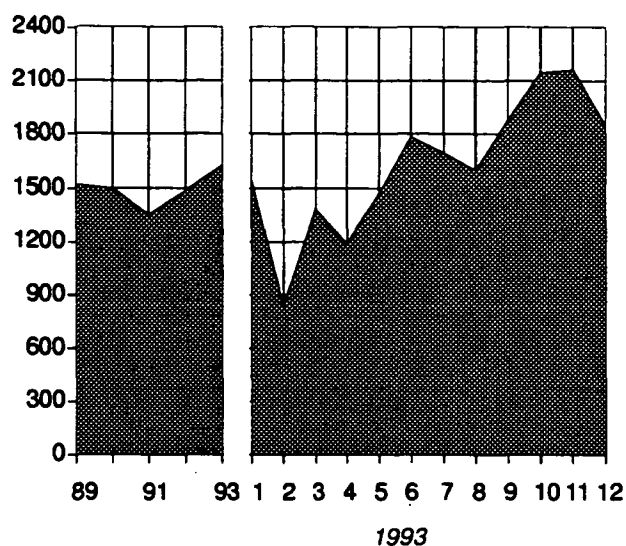


Figure 3
U.S. average monthly steel exports, 1989-93,
and monthly steel exports, 1993

1,000 short tons

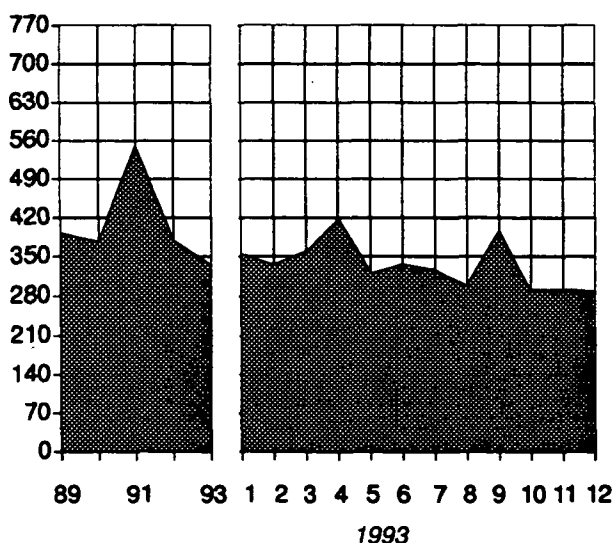
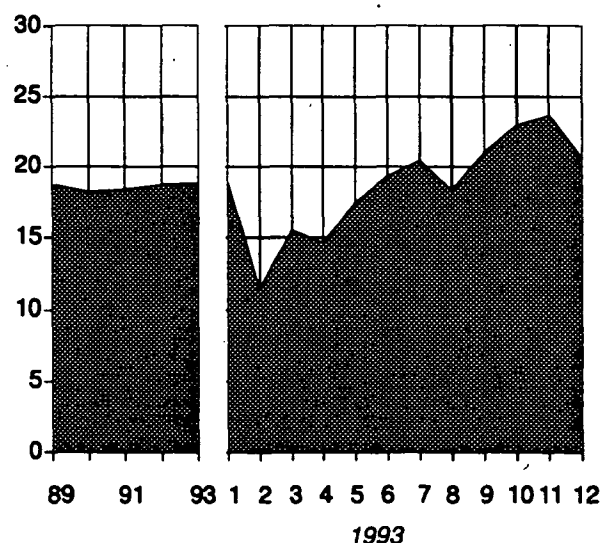


Figure 4
U.S. average monthly steel import penetration,
1989-93, and monthly steel import penetration,¹
1993

Percent

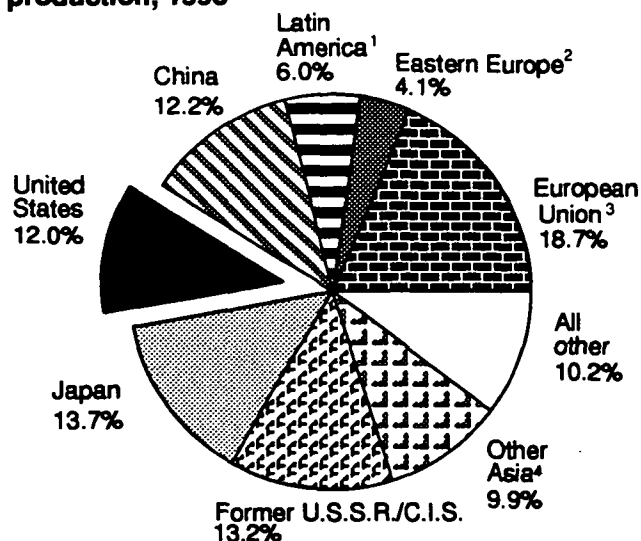


¹ Import penetration is defined as the percent of apparent consumption represented by imports.

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

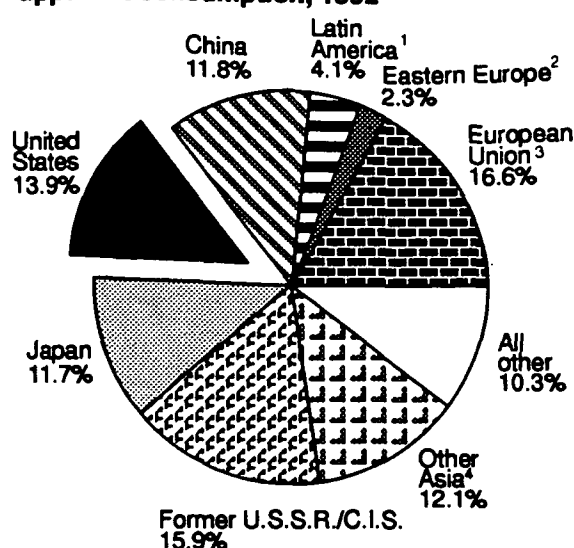
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Figure 5
Raw steel: Geographic distribution of world production, 1993



Total : 726.0 million metric tons

Figure 6
Raw steel: Geographic distribution of world apparent consumption, 1992⁵



Total : 720.5 million metric tons

¹ Includes Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean (including Cuba).

² Includes Albania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary, Poland, and Romania.

³ Formerly known as European Community. Includes former German Democratic Republic.

⁴ All Asian countries excluding Japan, China, North Korea, and the Middle East region.

⁵ Data for 1992 are the most recent data available.

Source: Compiled from statistics of the International Iron and Steel Institute.

Table 1
Raw steel: Production of top 20 steelmakers, 1983 and 1993

| Company | Country | 1983 | 1993 | Volume change 1983-93 | Percent change 1983-93 |
|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Million metric tons</i> | | | | | |
| Nippon Steel | Japan | 26.8 | 25.8 | (1.0) | (3.7) |
| Posco | South Korea | 8.4 | 22.5 | 14.1 | 167.9 |
| Usinor Sacilor | France | ¹ 17.1 | 17.6 | 0.5 | 2.9 |
| British Steel | United Kingdom | 12.7 | 12.3 | (0.4) | (3.1) |
| NKK | Japan | 11.4 | 11.1 | (0.3) | (2.6) |
| Sumitomo | Japan | 10.3 | 10.3 | - | - |
| USS | United States | 13.4 | 10.3 | (3.1) | (23.1) |
| Kawasaki | Japan | 10.4 | 10.1 | (0.3) | (2.9) |
| Magnitogorsk | Russia | (4) | 9.9 | (4) | (4) |
| SAIL | India | 6.1 | 9.8 | 3.7 | 60.7 |
| ILVA | Italy | ² 12.2 | 9.8 | (2.4) | (19.7) |
| Thyssen | Germany | 9.3 | 9.6 | 0.3 | 3.2 |
| Bethlehem | United States | 9.7 | 9.3 | (0.4) | (4.1) |
| Cherepovets | Russia | (4) | 8.5 | (4) | (4) |
| Anshan | China | (4) | 8.5 | (4) | (4) |
| BHP | Australia | 5.6 | 8.0 | 2.4 | 42.9 |
| LTV Steel | United States | ³ 7.0 | 7.2 | 0.2 | 2.9 |
| Shougang | China | (4) | 7.0 | (4) | (4) |
| Baoshan | China | (4) | 6.9 | (4) | (4) |
| Iscor | South Africa | 5.4 | 6.8 | 1.4 | 25.9 |

¹ Represents combined production of Usinor and Sacilor, which merged to form Usinor-Sacilor in 1987.

² Represents production of FINSIDER, many of whose facilities were taken over by ILVA in early 1989.

³ Represents combined production of Jones & Laughlin Steel and Republic Steel, which merged to form LTV Steel in 1984.

⁴ Not available.

Source: Metal Bulletin.

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Table 2

Raw steel: Average annual production, by specified countries/regions, by specified 5-year periods, 1959-93

| Period | United States | European Union-12 ¹ | Japan | Principal steel-producing developing countries ² | World total |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------|---|-------------|
| <i>Million metric tons</i> | | | | | |
| 1959-63 | 90.42 | 96.32 | 25.22 | 20.35 | 349.22 |
| 1964-68 | 118.17 | 119.32 | 51.56 | 26.79 | 477.86 |
| 1969-73 | 122.88 | 147.18 | 96.05 | 39.58 | 614.50 |
| 1974-78 | 118.43 | 147.44 | 106.27 | 56.67 | 683.01 |
| 1979-83 | 95.75 | 136.81 | 104.31 | 85.37 | 695.59 |
| 1984-88 | 81.91 | 132.02 | 102.67 | 120.32 | 731.56 |
| 1989-93 | 85.72 | 136.36 | 105.11 | 163.98 | 746.93 |
| <i>Percent of world production</i> | | | | | |
| 1959-63 | 25.89 | 27.58 | 7.22 | 5.83 | 100.00 |
| 1964-68 | 24.73 | 24.97 | 10.79 | 5.61 | 100.00 |
| 1969-73 | 20.00 | 23.95 | 15.63 | 6.44 | 100.00 |
| 1974-78 | 17.34 | 21.59 | 15.56 | 8.30 | 100.00 |
| 1979-83 | 13.77 | 19.67 | 15.00 | 12.27 | 100.00 |
| 1984-88 | 11.20 | 18.05 | 14.03 | 16.45 | 100.00 |
| 1989-93 | 11.48 | 18.26 | 14.07 | 21.95 | 100.00 |

¹ Formerly known as European Community. Includes former German Democratic Republic.

² Includes Brazil, People's Republic of China, India, Republic of Korea, Mexico, and Taiwan.

Source: Calculated from statistics of the International Iron and Steel Institute and the United Kingdom Iron and Steel Statistics Bureau.

Table 3

Raw steel: Production, by specified countries/regions, 1989-93

| Country/region | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | Percent Change 1989-93 |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| <i>1,000 metric tons</i> | | | | | | |
| Korea | 21,873 | 23,125 | 26,002 | 28,054 | 33,016 | 50.9 |
| Turkey | 7,799 | 9,322 | 9,336 | 10,254 | 11,436 | 46.6 |
| China | 61,590 | 66,349 | 70,436 | 80,037 | 88,676 | 44.0 |
| Taiwan | 9,047 | 9,747 | 10,973 | 10,705 | 12,038 | 33.1 |
| India | 14,608 | 14,963 | 17,100 | 18,117 | 18,531 | 26.9 |
| Mexico | 7,851 | 8,726 | 7,883 | 8,436 | 9,135 | 16.4 |
| Australia | 6,735 | 6,676 | 6,141 | 6,877 | 7,830 | 16.3 |
| Brazil | 25,055 | 20,567 | 22,617 | 23,895 | 25,149 | 0.4 |
| United States | 88,834 | 89,723 | 79,738 | 84,322 | 87,142 | (1.9) |
| EU-12 ¹ | 140,142 | 136,758 | 137,449 | 132,279 | 132,404 | (5.5) |
| Canada | 15,458 | 12,281 | 12,987 | 13,933 | 14,385 | (6.9) |
| Japan | 107,909 | 110,339 | 109,649 | 98,132 | 99,623 | (7.7) |
| Czechoslovakia | 15,466 | 14,877 | 12,071 | 11,140 | 10,739 | (30.6) |
| Poland | 15,094 | 13,625 | 10,439 | 9,785 | 9,900 | (34.4) |
| USSR/FSU | 160,096 | 154,414 | 132,839 | 116,827 | 95,688 | (40.2) |
| Total selected countries/regions | 697,557 | 691,492 | 665,660 | 652,793 | 655,692 | (6.0) |
| All other | 88,641 | 78,588 | 69,597 | 68,470 | 70,330 | (20.7) |
| World total | 786,198 | 770,080 | 735,257 | 721,263 | 726,022 | (7.7) |

¹ Formerly known as European Community.

Source: Compiled from statistics of the International Iron and Steel Institute.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE HIGHLIGHTS

Table 4
Steel mill products: Average annual exports, by countries/regions of origin, by specified 5-year periods, 1973-92¹

| Period | United States | European Union-12 ² | Japan | Principal steel-producing developing countries ³ | Other | World |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------|--------|---|------------------|---------|
| <i>1,000 metric tons</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 3,277 | 56,897 | 31,073 | 2,519 | 28,434 | 122,200 |
| 1978-82 | 2,618 | 64,207 | 29,661 | 7,645 | 35,915 | 140,046 |
| 1983-87 | 952 | 66,839 | 29,651 | 15,028 | 46,661 | 159,131 |
| 1988-92 | 3,916 | 72,836 | 19,232 | 24,142 | 50,733 | 170,859 |
| <i>Percent of world exports</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 2.7 | 46.6 | 25.4 | 2.1 | 23.3 | 100.0 |
| 1978-82 | 1.9 | 45.8 | 21.2 | 5.5 | 25.6 | 100.0 |
| 1983-87 | 0.6 | 42.0 | 18.6 | 9.4 | 29.3 | 100.0 |
| 1988-92 | 2.3 | 42.6 | 11.3 | 14.1 | 29.7 | 100.0 |
| <i>Percent of shipments⁴</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 3.7 | 47.9 | 33.7 | 6.6 | (⁵) | 23.1 |
| 1978-82 | 3.4 | 55.4 | 31.6 | 12.0 | 16.6 | 24.7 |
| 1983-87 | 1.5 | 61.5 | 31.5 | 17.0 | 19.6 | 26.9 |
| 1988-92 | 5.0 | 57.3 | 19.0 | 17.7 | 20.6 | 24.8 |

¹ Data for 1992 are the most recent data available.

² Formerly known as European Community. Includes all 12 countries for all years. Includes intra-EU trade.

³ Includes Brazil, People's Republic of China, India, Republic of Korea, Mexico, and Taiwan.

⁴ Derived by the staff of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

⁵ Not available.

Source: Calculated from statistics of the International Iron and Steel Institute and the United Kingdom Iron and Steel Statistics Bureau, except as noted.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE HIGHLIGHTS—Continued

Table 5

Steel mill products: Average annual imports, by countries/regions, by specified 5-year periods, 1973-92¹

| Period | United States | European Union-12 ² | Japan | Principal steel-producing developing countries ³ | Other | World |
|--|---------------|--------------------------------|-------|---|--------|---------|
| <i>1,000 metric tons</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 13,626 | 38,616 | 187 | 11,031 | 58,685 | 122,144 |
| 1978-82 | 16,202 | 41,232 | 1,312 | 14,839 | 67,074 | 140,660 |
| 1983-87 | 19,415 | 43,576 | 3,588 | 22,102 | 68,120 | 156,801 |
| 1988-92 | 16,087 | 60,345 | 7,320 | 22,152 | 66,424 | 172,328 |
| <i>Percent of world imports</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 11.2 | 31.6 | 0.2 | 9.0 | 48.0 | 100.0 |
| 1978-82 | 11.5 | 29.3 | 0.9 | 10.5 | 47.7 | 100.0 |
| 1983-87 | 12.4 | 27.8 | 2.3 | 14.1 | 43.4 | 100.0 |
| 1988-92 | 9.3 | 35.0 | 4.2 | 12.9 | 38.5 | 100.0 |
| <i>Percent of apparent consumption of finished steel</i> | | | | | | |
| 1973-77 | 13.8 | 38.5 | 0.3 | 23.6 | 26.4 | 23.1 |
| 1978-82 | 17.7 | 44.4 | 2.0 | 20.9 | 27.1 | 24.7 |
| 1983-87 | 23.7 | 51.0 | 5.3 | 23.2 | 26.3 | 26.6 |
| 1988-92 | 17.7 | 52.6 | 8.2 | 16.5 | 25.4 | 25.0 |

¹ Data for 1992 are the most recent data available.

² Formerly known as European Community. Includes all 12 countries for all years. Includes intra-EU trade.

³ Includes Brazil, People's Republic of China, India, Republic of Korea, Mexico, and Taiwan.

Source: Calculated from statistics of the International Iron and Steel Institute.

EU Restructuring Delay

Continuing efforts by the European Commission (EC) to reduce steelmaking capacity in the European Union (EU, formerly known as the European Community) have been further delayed. Steelmakers and the EC have agreed to postpone setting final capacity cuts until November 1994. The agreement, reached between industry executives and Martin Bangemann, the EC's industry commissioner, on March 23, 1994, concluded a series of difficult negotiations between the Commission and private steelmakers.

Under the agreement, the EC granted private sector steelmakers more time to finalize cuts in capacity, extending the deadline from April 22, 1994. In exchange, the EC will delay until November a decision on the status of a \$264 million aid package offered to the industry to help with restructuring and capacity cuts; steelmakers have offered to forego any further requests for state aid until November.⁸

The restructuring plans target a total reduction of between 19 million and 26 million metric tons of carbon steel hot-rolled product capacity in the EU industry, about 10 to 15 percent of 1993 capacity. Reductions in capacity will be concentrated on coils, plates, heavy structurals, and light long products.⁹ Most capacity reductions by private steelmakers are expected to result from mergers and takeovers. Restructuring by the EU industry will help reduce global excess capacity in steel. ■

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The Uruguay Round Will Affect Steel Trade

The multinational Uruguay Round Agreements (URA) of the GATT were recently completed and formal signing occurred on April 15, 1994, in Marrakesh, Morocco. A Multilateral Steel Agreement (MSA) was not part of the package; however, MSA negotiations continue in Geneva. Several areas of the URA package, however, will likely have an effect on steel trade, including the provisions on market access and those on antidumping and countervailing-duty measures.

⁸ Gillian Tett, Andrew Baxter, and John Simkins, "Europe's Steelmakers Win More Time for Cuts," *Financial Times*, Mar. 25, 1994, p. 18.

⁹ Official of the Commission of European Communities, USITC staff interview, Apr. 18, 1994.

Tariffs

In the URA, the United States, together with the European Union, Japan, Korea, Canada, Austria, Sweden, Finland, and Norway, agreed to eliminate tariffs on steel products over a 10-year period. Although Mexico did not agree to steel tariff eliminations in the URA, staged steel tariff elimination with U.S. products is already provided for under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Countries agreeing to "zero-for-zero" steel tariff elimination under the URA or with the United States under NAFTA collectively account for 77 percent of U.S. imports by value, and are the markets for 75 percent of the value of U.S. exports in this sector.

The current trade-weighted average of nominal U.S. tariffs for steel products is 5.2 percent with certain product areas having higher tariffs, notably carbon steel cold-rolled finished bars with a 7.5-percent tariff and specialty steel products with a trade-weighted average tariff of 8.2 percent.

In contrast to the nominal U.S. steel tariff range of 0.0 to 11.6 percent, steel tariffs in some of the major U.S. steel trading partners covered narrower ranges—0.0 to 8.2 percent in Japan, 0.0 to 10 percent in the EU, and 10 to 20 percent in Korea. For NAFTA countries, the steel tariffs applied to products from the United States are 0.0 to 12.5 percent in Canada and 0.0 to 15 percent in Mexico; these are being eliminated in stages under the Canada-United States Free-Trade Agreement (CFTA) and NAFTA.

Steel import tariff reductions under the URA will take place over a 10-year period during which domestic product differentiation and specialization in the steel area is expected to continue to increase, thereby lowering the impact of tariff changes. In addition, many large customers, notably automotive manufacturers, are making an effort to develop North American, rather than offshore, sources that can meet their specialized steel requirements.

On the export side, markets in Mexico and Canada, where tariffs on U.S. steel products are already being phased out under NAFTA and the CFTA, receive 65 percent of U.S. steel exports. However, in addition to benefits from the lowering of steel tariffs in non-NAFTA or non-CFTA markets, the sector is expected to benefit from the expected increased export sales by its customers, notably those manufacturing agricultural and other heavy equipment, which will in turn increase the domestic demand for steel.

Antidumping and Countervailing-duty Measures

Since the expiration of the voluntary restraint agreements (VRAs) on steel trade that limited steel exports to the United States, U.S. steel industries have sought and obtained relief under the antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) laws. New Uruguay

Round agreements¹⁰ relating to antidumping and countervailing duty actions will require changes in the U.S. AD and CVD laws through implementing legislation. The new agreements provide for, among other things, new definitions of "de minimis margins" and "negligible imports" for purposes of terminating investigations and a 5-year "sunset" on AD and CVD orders unless certain determinations are made upon review. All current AD and CVD orders, about one-fourth of which involve steel products, would be subject to review under these sunset provisions, in a manner to be defined in the implementing legislation.

The new agreements also define a subsidy and provide, for the first time, three areas of nonactionable subsidies. According to the Executive Summary of the results of the Uruguay Round,¹¹ nonactionable subsidies include certain assistance for research and predevelopment activity, limited to 75 and 50 percent of costs, respectively; certain assistance to disadvantaged regions; and certain assistance to adapt existing facilities to meet new environmental standards, limited to 20 percent of the costs. U.S. steel firms are concerned that these are exactly the types of foreign subsidies that are most likely to be provided in the future and advocate, among other things, that implementing legislation narrowly define nonactionable categories and not allow nonactionability for subsidies that predate the effective date of the URA.¹² Generally, however, state assistance given to a specific firm to build a new steel plant in a particular state or area would continue to be actionable as would other domestic subsidies if there is a determination of material injury or threat of material injury to the steel industry of the importing country. On export subsidies, the new agreements would prohibit such subsidies; they would be actionable without the injury determination now required.

As noted, U.S. implementing legislation is required in order to bring the U.S. law into conformity with the Uruguay Round AD and CVD agreements. A large segment of the industry, including integrated steel producers, pipe producers, and specialty steel producers, advocates changes which go further than conformity. According to specialty producers, implementing legislation should add provisions that "go beyond the issues specifically addressed in the GATT agreement" to "improve the opportunity for American industries and their workers to obtain redress

from unfair trade laws."¹³ Integrated producers advocate an implementing bill that achieves similar objectives and also "closes [perceived] loopholes in existing U.S. law and practice."¹⁴ Steel service centers,¹⁵ however, note that U.S. AD and CVD laws are used as models for laws in Mexico and other countries. Therefore, they argue, some of the changes advocated by the industry may also make it more difficult for the U.S. industry to win AD and CVD cases brought against U.S. exports in other countries in the future.¹⁶

Multilateral Steel Negotiations

Although an MSA has not been concluded, the draft MSA text has several provisions that, if agreed to multilaterally, would go beyond the URA for the steel industry. These include providing stricter disciplines on the use of subsidies (prohibiting, for example, regional subsidies to a steel industry, whether or not located in a disadvantaged region), reducing further both government and private sector nontariff steel trade barriers, providing a more global zero-for-zero steel tariff agreement, and providing a faster, more effective, method of dispute settlement. The most recent MSA negotiations were held in April 1994 and are tentatively scheduled to continue in June 1994. ■

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U.S. Metallurgical Coke Industry Faces Increasing Competitive Challenges

The U.S. coke industry faces several major challenges, including decreasing consumption, aging facilities, increasingly stringent environmental regulations, increased imports, and generally declining prices, according to an analysis of the industry recently completed by the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) in response to a request by the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ways and Means.¹⁷

¹³ Testimony of Robert Heaton, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Specialty Steel Industry of the United States, before the Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade, U.S. House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1994.

¹⁴ Testimony of Curtis Barnette, Chairman, Bethlehem Steel, on behalf of the American Iron and Steel Institute, before the Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate, Mar. 23, 1994.

¹⁵ Steel service centers are companies that purchase both domestic and imported steel, which they typically further process and distribute.

¹⁶ Charles Blum, counsel for Steel Service Center Institute, conversation with USITC staff, Mar. 14, 1994.

¹⁷ USITC, *Metallurgical Coke: Baseline Analysis of the U.S. Industry and Imports* (investigation No. 332-342), USITC publication 2745, Mar. 1994.

¹⁰ Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of GATT 1994 and Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures, Final Act Embodying the Results of the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations.

¹¹ Attachment to Memorandum from the President to the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and the President of the U.S. Senate, Dec. 15, 1993.

¹² Testimony of Thomas Usher, President U.S. Steel Group, USX, on behalf of the American Iron and Steel Association, before the Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate, Mar. 9, 1994.

The ITC report also examined the coke industries in Japan, China, Poland, and the Czech Republic and found that these international competitors face many of the same challenges as the U.S. coke industry. Other highlights of the report follow in summary fashion.

Production of coke in the United States declined between 1985 and 1992, falling from 25.8 million metric tons in 1985 to 21.2 million metric tons in 1992. This decline in production is mainly attributed to decreased integrated steel production, improvements in blast furnace efficiency, plant closings, and the advancing age of coke batteries.

New environmental regulations stemming from the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments have begun to raise operating and capital costs for domestic coke producers. Further cost increases are expected as additional regulations take effect over the next two decades.

Imports represented 8 percent of total U.S. consumption in 1992, up from 4 percent in 1990. The major sources of coke imports in 1992 were Japan, Australia, and Canada, accounting for 80.4 percent, 15.9 percent, and 2.5 percent of imports, respectively. The ability of imports to compete in the U.S. market seems to be limited currently to sites near ports or distant from domestic coke sellers.

Although imports of coke into the U.S. market have varied widely from year to year, they still have several general characteristics: (1) imports are from a limited number of sources, (2) coke is imported by a limited number of importers/consumers, (3) most current import sales are the result of long-term contracts, and (4) most imports are sold to facilities that at one time were self-sufficient in coke production but have shut down their coke ovens; thus, the imports replace captive production.

Even though captive consumption still dominates the U.S. coke market, coke in the United States is increasingly being traded on the open market. The increasing willingness of steelmakers to rely on non-captive sources for coke supplies should afford more opportunities for import competition as well as for merchant coke producers. When examining open

market sales alone, 1992 imports accounted for approximately 18 percent of the coke purchased by consumers, essentially the same share as in 1990.

The Japanese coke industry is facing challenges similar to those facing the U.S. industry, including decreasing domestic consumption and aging capacity. With coke capacity reported at 47.4 million metric tons, Japan has one of the world's largest coke industries.

Exports of coke from Japan totaled 3.1 million metric tons in 1992, approximately 7 percent of production, of which roughly half went to the United States. Over the past 10 years, Japan has exported coke to a wide variety of countries, although the United States, Brazil, and Romania have consistently been Japan's largest export markets.

China is the world's largest coke producer. China's total output of both metallurgical and non-metallurgical coke amounted to 78 million metric tons during 1992. A further expansion of its coking capacity is expected, but projected increases in steelmaking production will likely consume most of the increase. After an absence from the U.S. market since 1989, imports of metallurgical coke from China resumed in 1993.

Poland and the Czech Republic are the only net exporters of coke in the former Eastern bloc. Coke ovens in these countries are relatively new, and both countries have abundant coking coal reserves to support projected levels of coke production. Although both cokemaking and steelmaking capacity are declining in both Poland and the Czech Republic, cokemaking capacity is declining more slowly than steel capacity, thereby creating a surplus for export. In both countries, the imposition of environmental cleanup costs is increasing the costs of coke production and in some cases may result in the closing of facilities. There have been no recent imports of Czech coke to the U.S. market and no imports from Poland since 1989. Imports from Poland are expected to resume in early 1994. ■

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Market Conditions

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel

Growth in demand from the automotive, construction, and appliance industries, all principal consumers of steel, led to a 9-percent increase in U.S. apparent consumption of carbon and certain alloy steel in 1993 compared with 1992 (table 6); the growth was supplied by increases in both domestic shipments and imports of carbon and certain alloy steel products. Shipments to these three industries rose by 14 percent, 11 percent, and 5 percent, respectively, from 1992 to 1993. Steel consumption by the U.S. automobile industry increased in 1993 because of higher vehicle production levels and the increased steel content of some vehicles, partially because some automobile parts that were designed in plastic have returned to steel (particularly lightweight steels). Gradually increasing construction activity and the nascent use of steel framing rather than wood framing for new houses has also had a positive effect on steel consumption. Other industries receiving increased steel shipments include rail transportation (16 percent); oil and gas (14 percent); agriculture (11 percent); machinery, industrial equipment, and tools (11 percent); and containers, packaging, and shipping materials (8 percent). Industries receiving decreased shipments include shipbuilding and marine equipment (down by 19 percent) and aircraft and aerospace (7 percent).¹⁸

Stainless and Alloy Tool Steel

U.S. apparent consumption of stainless and alloy tool steel in 1993 increased by 15 percent compared with 1992 (table 6), reaching the highest level during 1989-93. The increase in consumption was supplied primarily by imports. Shipments to the automotive industry, where stainless steel is used in catalytic converter systems and in certain trim and parts (e.g., air bag inflators), increased by 26 percent, accounting for most of the increase in shipments. Other industries with significant increases include construction and contractors' products (up by 15 percent), in which stainless steel is being promoted in roofing, doorway, and wall panel applications.

Market Impact of U.S. Trade

The market for steel and, accordingly, U.S. imports and exports of steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products were influenced by the U.S. economic recession, which began in late-1990 and moderated by mid-1991,¹⁹ and by an economic

recession beginning in late-1991 in other major steel-consuming nations, notably East Asian countries. Reflecting this, U.S. exports as a share of shipments for all steel products declined from 9 percent in 1991 (the highest level in 20 years) to 5 percent in 1993. This decline in export tonnage, coupled with increased imports, caused the deficit in steel products to increase by 67 percent from 1991 to 1993. However, domestic shipments also increased from 1991 to 1993, and thus import penetration in the U.S. market rose only slightly from 19 percent to 20 percent. The data discussed in the remainder of this section are based on the data in appendix E, tables E-1 through E-37.

Imports

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel

Imports rose by 24 percent from 16.4 million short tons in 1991 to 20.4 million short tons in 1993 (table E-2), concurrent with a sharp increase in steel demand in the United States. This followed improvements in U.S. cost competitiveness and relatively strong demand in foreign markets during 1990-91 that reduced interest in exporting to the United States, and contributed to a decline of 10 percent in U.S. imports of carbon and certain alloy steel mill products (table E-2). Accompanying the renewed rising trend in imports in 1992-93 were antidumping and countervailing duty cases filed by U.S. producers. In July 1993, the USITC found that there was no material injury or threat of material injury from \$1.7 billion worth of imports of certain flat-rolled steel products, representing half of the total value of trade (\$3.4 billion) subject to the antidumping and countervailing duty cases filed against various foreign producers. The negative determinations meant that no countervailing duties or antidumping duties were imposed on the products involved in the investigations in which the Commission made negative determinations.

A strong recovery in U.S. automobile production largely contributed to a 13-percent increase in U.S. imports from Canada of carbon and certain alloy steel products from 1992 to 1993 (table E-17). Canada is the single largest country supplier of U.S. imports, supplying 25 percent of total carbon and certain alloy steel imports on the basis of quantity in 1993.

On a regional basis, the EU, East Asia, and Latin America are the largest suppliers of U.S. imports, accounting for 34 percent, 16 percent, and 13 percent, respectively, of imports of carbon and certain alloy steel on the basis of quantity in 1993 (table E-17). These shares remained steady compared with 1992 for Latin America, but declined by 10 percentage points for East Asia, and rose by 8 percentage points for the EU. In East Asia, major import suppliers such as Japan and Korea directed more of their exports to China where steel demand has expanded substantially in recent years. An ongoing recession in the EU has led to weak steel demand in that region and to increased exports from the EU to the United States.

¹⁸ Compiled from data of the American Iron and Steel Institute.

¹⁹ The Economic Report of the President, February 1992, pp. 37-42.

Table 6

Steel: U.S. shipments, imports, exports, apparent consumption, import penetration, exports as a percent of shipments, and trade balance, 1989-93

| Year | U.S. shipments | Imports | Exports | Apparent consumption ¹ | Import penetration ² | Exports/ shipments | Trade balance | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| | | | | | | | Volume | Value |
| | | 1,000 short tons | | | Percent | | 1,000 short tons | Million dollars |
| Carbon and certain alloy steel | | | | | | | | |
| 1989 | 82,720 | 17,948 | 4,657 | 96,011 | 18.7 | 5.6 | (13,291) | (6,036) |
| 1990 | 83,407 | 17,727 | 4,718 | 96,416 | 18.4 | 5.7 | (13,008) | (5,386) |
| 1991 | 77,341 | 15,953 | 6,537 | 86,758 | 18.4 | 8.5 | (9,416) | (3,788) |
| 1992 | 80,776 | 17,305 | 4,410 | 93,671 | 18.5 | 5.5 | (12,895) | (4,548) |
| 1993 | 86,799 | 19,674 | 4,175 | 102,298 | 19.2 | 4.8 | (15,499) | (5,184) |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel | | | | | | | | |
| 1989 | 1,539 | 397 | 121 | 1,815 | 21.9 | 7.9 | (275) | (716) |
| 1990 | 1,503 | 417 | 122 | 1,798 | 23.2 | 8.1 | (295) | (637) |
| 1991 | 1,500 | 428 | 175 | 1,754 | 24.4 | 11.6 | (254) | (535) |
| 1992 | 1,578 | 475 | 135 | 1,918 | 24.8 | 8.6 | (340) | (653) |
| 1993 | 1,601 | 720 | 113 | 2,208 | 32.6 | 7.1 | (607) | (1,016) |

¹ Apparent consumption is defined as shipments plus imports minus exports.

² Import penetration is defined as imports as a percent of apparent consumption.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not calculate to the results shown. Import penetration and exports/shipments percentages are based on quantity figures.

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

On a product basis, imports in most product categories in 1993 increased from 1992, with the most significant change occurring in semifinished imports, which more than doubled. Linked to this development, and a notable exception to the rise in imports, was a 16-percent decline in imports of sheet and strip in 1993. This decline is reportedly due in part to the preliminary affirmative determinations by the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) in December 1992 (CVD) and February 1993 (AD) that there were sales of imports, the production of which was subsidized, and/or sales of imports at less than fair value in several CVD and AD investigations on certain flat-rolled products.²⁰ The decline also reportedly reflects efforts by EU and East Asian exporters to restrain their exports to the United States following the USITC's July 1993 negative final determinations on a number of these investigations so as to avoid creating conditions that might encourage U.S. producers to file new petitions.²¹ Foreign producers have in part replaced their exports of flat-rolled products to the United States by increasing their exports of slab, the raw material for producing flat-rolled products. The ability of U.S. producers of flat-rolled products to supply growing demand in the automotive sector has been constrained by insufficient melting and casting capacity and by planned equipment outages.²² Domestic steel producers, including some who joined in the filing of AD/CVD petitions, are importing slabs for further processing to raise their output of finished products, thereby shifting the composition of steel import tonnage to lower-value-added products.

Stainless and Alloy Tool Steel

Total imports of stainless and alloy tool steel rose by 73 percent between 1990 and 1993 (table E-2), with the majority of the growth, 52 percent, occurring between 1992 and 1993. U.S. imports' share of apparent U.S. consumption rose from 25 percent in 1992 to 33 percent in 1993 (table E-5). This increase occurred despite the announcement by the domestic specialty steel industry that it was considering filing AD/CVD petitions.²³ Industry sources have attributed the sharp increase in imports in part to relatively higher U.S. prices for certain stainless steel products. In addition, the fact that some domestic producers are foreign owned, or have set up joint ventures with

producers in other countries, has contributed to increased intra- and intercompany trade among countries.

The increase occurred in all product categories, with imports of stainless semifinished products (which are generally hot-rolled into sheet) showing the largest increase during 1993, rising by more than 200 percent over their level in 1992 and elevating their share of apparent U.S. consumption to 75 percent. The next largest increase occurred in imports of stainless sheet and strip, which rose by 59 percent to 360,000 short tons (24 percent of apparent consumption) during 1993. On a regional basis, the EU accounted for the largest share of the increases, supplying 39 percent of the growth in imports of semifinished products and 54 percent of the growth in sheet and strip imports. Industry sources have attributed the increase in imports from the EU to excess production capacity for stainless steel in Western Europe and to recessionary economic conditions and reduced demand for steel in the EU. The strengthening of the dollar against a number of European currencies during 1992-93 has also made European products more competitive in the United States.

Exports

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel

In 1991, U.S. exports of carbon and certain alloy steel mill products reached their highest level in 20 years, 6.5 million short tons, representing 8.5 percent of shipments (table 6). The same factors that resulted in a decline in steel imports in 1991—improved U.S. cost competitiveness, favorable exchange rates, and strong steel demand in other countries—also spurred export growth that year. However, exports fell by 36 percent to 4.2 million short tons from 1991 to 1993. The decrease reflects both a better domestic market and less favorable global economic conditions. Neighboring Canada and Mexico remained the primary export markets, together receiving 65 percent of U.S. exports in 1993 (table E-17). A significant exception to the overall decline in exports from 1992 to 1993 is the renewal of Taiwan as a major growth market in 1993, exceeding its 1992 export level by five times although not reaching the peak growth that occurred from 1990 to 1991. The uneven trend reflects the fluctuations in the Taiwan construction industry's demand for steel, which rose sharply in 1993.²⁴

Overall, U.S. exports to East Asia fell by 72 percent from 1991 to 1993, primarily because of steep declines in exports to Japan and Korea (table E-17).²⁵ The reduction in shipments to Japan can be attributed to falling demand from the engineering, construction,

²⁰ Commerce's affirmative preliminary determinations meant that Commerce ordered the U.S. Customs Service to impose provisional CVD and/or AD duties on the products involved in the investigations in which Commerce made affirmative determinations. The duties are returned to the importers in the event of a negative final determination by Commerce or the Commission.

²¹ "Slab Prices Drop as EU Boosts U.S. Strip Sales," *Metal Bulletin*, Nov. 29, 1993.

²² PaineWebber, *Steel Industry*, Jan. 6, 1994.

²³ "Specialty Steel Imports Climbing," *American Metal Market*, Oct. 4, 1993.

²⁴ "Construction Tempts Taiwan's Minimills to Expand," *Metal Bulletin Monthly*, Nov. 1993.

²⁵ Korea's export levels are included in the category "all others" in table E-17. In 1991, exports to Korea were 861,000 tons and fell to about 27,000 tons in 1993.

industrial machinery, and automotive sectors.²⁶ Steady capacity expansion in Korea has enabled that country to supply its steel needs better internally and to reduce its reliance on imports.

Exports to Latin America, the United States' largest export market, declined by 17 percent from 1991 to 1993. Mexico received 79 percent of these exports in 1993. Exports to the EU declined steadily by 44 percent from 1991 to 1993. Recessionary conditions in the region have contributed in part to lower demand for foreign steel.

Stainless and Alloy Tool Steel

The increasing globalization of the stainless steel industry (in terms of growth in U.S. ownership of foreign production facilities as well as increased foreign ownership of U.S. facilities in recent years) has generally helped to boost exports, according to an industry spokesperson.²⁷ The fact that some domestic producers are foreign owned, or have set up joint ventures with producers in other countries, has contributed to increased intra- and intercompany trade among countries. Counter to the positive effects of these developments on exports, U.S. producers of stainless steel have indicated that exports declined in 1992 and 1993, largely because of recessionary economies in major export markets.

As with carbon steel, exports of stainless and alloy tool steel peaked in 1991, then fell off in 1992 and 1993 (table E-26). There was a 66-percent drop in exports to Mexico from 1992 to 1993 which contributed to a 60-percent drop in exports to the Latin American region during that period. Reduced exports of stainless sheet and strip accounted for the bulk of the decline in exports to Mexico. This may be the result of recently increased stainless flat-rolled capacity in Mexico, which has enabled that country to supply more of its stainless steel needs internally. Canada is the largest market for U.S. exports of these products, accounting for 42 percent of exports in 1993. On a regional basis, shipments to Latin America, East Asia, and the EU accounted for 18 percent, 14 percent, and 13 percent, respectively, of exports that year.

Factors Influencing Producers' Exports

Firms responding to the Commission's annual survey provided information on the quantity and value

²⁶ The WEFA Group, *U.S. & World Steel Executive Report*, Oct. 1992 and *Steel Market Outlook*, second quarter 1993.

²⁷ For example, France's Usinor Sacilor (Ugine stainless steel division) acquired J&L Specialty Products, a major U.S. producer of stainless steel flat-rolled products, in 1990. (Ugine recently announced plans to go public with J&L by means of a stock offering.) Korea's Sammi Steel owns Al Tech Specialty Steel Corp., a major U.S. producer of stainless steel bars.

of their exports for 1992-93 and identified new country markets supplied in these years. Producers were asked to rank factors affecting their ability to expand exports, to determine whether their exports had been adversely affected by nontariff barriers, and to rank the relative importance of government policy factors that may affect their ability to expand exports. A total of 109 firms provided information, presented in tables 7-9, although each section of the questionnaire may not have been completed.

Attempts by steel producers to develop new export markets appear to be significant, as 24 firms reported exporting to new²⁸ country markets in 1993. Canada and Mexico remained the leading new markets although Brazil and Venezuela were also frequently cited as they were a year ago; consistent with less favorable export market conditions, the number of countries offering new prospects were much fewer than listed a year ago.²⁹ Firms responding listed 31 countries as new markets, as shown by the following tabulation (in percent):³⁰

| New market | Percentage of times cited |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Canada | 9 |
| Mexico | 9 |
| Brazil | 7 |
| United Kingdom | 7 |
| Germany | 4 |
| Jamaica | 4 |
| Trinidad | 4 |
| Venezuela | 4 |
| All other | 52 |

On a regional basis most of the new markets were countries in Latin America (34 percent), Western Europe (17 percent), the Caribbean (14 percent) and East Asia (12 percent), although new markets were reported in virtually every region of the world. U.S. exports of steel mill products reported in questionnaires were 2.0 million short tons (\$1.6 billion) in 1993, representing 48 percent of total U.S. steel exports (based on quantity) that year.

Among those factors identified as "very important" in influencing producers' ability to expand steel mill product exports, relative prices were the most significant (table 7). In contrast, capacity constraints as a factor restraining export sales were cited as unimportant by almost half of the firms, despite

²⁸ For the purposes of this report, new country markets are those to which questionnaire respondents had not exported in the past.

²⁹ For further information, see USITC, *Steel Semiannual Monitoring Report* (investigation No. 332-327), USITC publication 2655, June 1993, p. 15.

³⁰ Compiled on the basis of data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

questionnaire data indicating that the steel industry operated at approximately 86 percent raw steelmaking capacity.³¹

Nontariff barriers (NTBs) apparently did not pose significant problems for most of the firms responding (table 8) and were identified along with tariff barriers as increasingly unimportant in affecting export opportunities.³² Government procurement policies

³¹ This level of capacity utilization is closer to maximum productive capability than it may seem. Capacity utilization, according to AISI, peaked at 89 percent (1988) in a period of extremely high demand, leading some analysts to believe that production at such levels represents full, or nearly full, effective production capability. See, for example, Peter F. Marcus and Karlis Kirsis, *Capacity Monitor #10*, World Steel Dynamics, Oct. 19, 1992.

³² For further information see USITC, *Steel Semiannual Monitoring Report*, USITC Publication 2655, pp. 16-17.

were cited as the most common NTBs by only 12 percent of total responses. Minimum domestic content was the only other NTB cited by a significant number of firms, although quotas were cited by an increased share of firms responding compared to a year ago. Some companies cited other NTBs such as cartel practices by foreign producers that hinder U.S. exports by impeding sales by U.S. companies.

Producers were asked to rank the importance of the implementation of the CFTA, the implementation of the NAFTA, the expected outcome of the MSA negotiations, and the expected outcome of the negotiations on the Uruguay Round of the GATT on their ability to expand exports. Also, each firm was asked to determine the nature of the effect as positive, negative, or no discernible effect.

The majority of companies perceived each of these government policy initiatives as having either a positive effect or no discernible effect on their ability to expand exports (table 9). An increased share of

Table 7
U.S. producers' perceptions of the factors influencing their ability to expand steel mill product export levels: Share of responding firms choosing each level of importance, and share of total questionnaire responses that commented on each factor, 1993

(Percent)

| Export factor | Very important | Important | Somewhat important | Unimportant | Percent response |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Capacity constraints | 17 | 15 | 25 | 44 | 100 |
| Customer product specifications | 13 | 24 | 36 | 28 | 99 |
| Exchange rates | 30 | 39 | 20 | 11 | 99 |
| Home-market demand | 24 | 32 | 26 | 18 | 100 |
| Relative price ¹ | 69 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 100 |
| Nontariff barriers | 18 | 33 | 24 | 25 | 98 |
| Tariff barriers | 35 | 34 | 19 | 13 | 97 |
| Other ² | 55 | 0 | 18 | 27 | 25 |

¹ Relative to prices in other markets.

² In most cases, respondents cited high freight costs and complicated credit terms.

Note.—Because of rounding, shares may not total to 100 percent.

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

Table 8
Share of total questionnaire responses that have reportedly encountered nontariff barriers to steel mill product exports¹, 1993

(Percent)

| Nontariff barriers | Share of responses |
|---|--------------------|
| Government procurement policies | 12 |
| Licensing requirements | 6 |
| Minimum domestic content requirements | 10 |
| Quotas | 6 |
| Restrictions on foreign direct investment | 3 |
| Other ² | 6 |

¹ There were 146 questionnaire respondents.

² Respondents cited Japanese cartel practices, product approval requirements, and packaging requirements.

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

Table 9

U.S. producers' perceptions of the effect of government policy on their ability to expand steel mill product export levels, number of respondents choosing each effect, and the share of respondents choosing each level of importance for each effect, 1993

| Government policy | Positive effect | | | | | Negative effect | | | | | No discernible effect | | | | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|
| | No. of respondents | Very important | Important | Somewhat important | Unimportant | No. of respondents | Very important | Important | Somewhat important | Unimportant | No. of respondents | Very important | Important | Somewhat important | Unimportant |
| | | Percent | | | | | Percent | | | | | Percent | | | |
| Implementation of the U.S.-Canada Free-Trade Agreement | 55 | 36 | 36 | 25 | 2 | 6 | 17 | 33 | 50 | 0 | 31 | 6 | 6 | 29 | 58 |
| Implementation of the North American Free-Trade Agreement | 62 | 35 | 34 | 27 | 3 | 4 | 25 | 50 | 25 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 15 | 27 | 58 |
| Multilateral Steel Agreement negotiations | 26 | 42 | 38 | 19 | 0 | 14 | 50 | 29 | 21 | 0 | 46 | 9 | 7 | 30 | 54 |
| Uruguay Round negotiations | 19 | 37 | 26 | 32 | 5 | 14 | 64 | 29 | 7 | 0 | 51 | 6 | 10 | 24 | 61 |
| Other ¹ | 3 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

¹ For positive effect, respondents cited proposed revisions to U.S. tax policy and regulations, and financial aid for the Commonwealth of Independent States directed to the oil and gas industries; for negative effect, respondents cited unfair trade practices by foreign governments.

Note.—Because of rounding, shares may not total to 100 percent.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the USITC.

firms responding considered NAFTA as having a positive effect whereas the majority of respondents continued to perceive the negotiation of an MSA and of a Uruguay Round agreement as having no discernible effect on their ability to expand steel exports.³³ However, the majority of those companies that perceived that the Uruguay Round negotiations had a negative effect on their ability to expand exports regarded it as being very important.

Production, Capacity, and Capacity Utilization

Raw steel production increased by about 5 percent from 93 million tons in 1992 to 98 million tons in 1993, in response to increased demand from the automotive, construction, and appliance industries. As a result, capacity utilization rose from 79 percent to 86 percent during 1992-93. Also contributing to the increase in capacity utilization was a decrease in U.S. raw steelmaking capacity by about 3 percent, to 114 million tons during this period (table 10). This represents a reversal in a series of capacity increases in recent years. Capacity was reduced because of continuing efforts to modernize, which removed capacity at times during the year; and by changes in product mix toward more sophisticated products requiring additional processing, but requiring less raw steelmaking capacity. Capacity is expected to increase in 1994-95 as several new flat-rolled, and bar and rod mills come on line.

Continuous strand-cast production³⁴ continues to rise as a share of total U.S. semifinished steel production. Recently constructed steel mills and modernization projects all include continuous strand casters. Significant advances have been made in steel metallurgy, casting, and rolling technology that reduce the relative proportion of certain types of steel and of shapes and sizes that are not amenable to continuous strand-casting.³⁵ Moreover, continuous strand-casting generates less scrap and provides significant time, labor, and energy savings relative to ingot casting.³⁶

³³ For further information see *Steel Semiannual Monitoring Report*, June 1993, p. 18.

³⁴ In continuous strand casting, semifinished steel shapes (slabs, blooms, and billets) are cast directly in the desired cross-sectional dimensions and are cut to desired length following solidification.

³⁵ Rimmed steel substitutes are one example of a steel that has largely supplanted the ingot-based product. USITC, *Certain Special Quality Carbon and Alloy Hot-Rolled Steel Bars and Rods and Semifinished Products from Brazil* (investigation No. 731-TA-572), USITC publication 2662, July 1993, p. I-9.

³⁶ In the ingot-based process, molten steel is poured or "teemed" into ingot molds. As the steel begins to solidify, the mold is stripped from the ingot and the ingot is transferred to a "soaking pit" where the temperature of the steel is equalized. Following removal from the soaking pit, the ingots are hot-rolled on a primary breakdown mill to slab, bloom, or billet sizes. As noted

More than 86 percent of the steel produced in the United States in 1993 was continuously cast, compared with 83 percent in 1992, as shown in the following tabulation of data received in response to Commission questionnaires:

| Item | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|-------|------|
| Total raw steel production (million tons) | 92.9 | 97.8 |
| Continuously cast production (million tons) | 177.3 | 84.5 |
| Share of production continuously cast (percent) | 183.2 | 86.4 |

¹ Revised.

The United States' continuous casting ratio remains lower than that achieved in other major producing countries, including: the EU (92 percent continuously cast in 1992); Japan (95 percent); and Korea (97 percent).³⁷

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel

Among carbon steel products, capacity utilization during 1993 increased in almost all product categories and was highest among bars and light structurals (88 percent) (table 11) and medium and heavy structurals (87 percent), of which the construction industry is a major consumer. Capacity utilization during 1993 was also high for sheet and strip products (84 percent) supplying consumers such as the automotive and appliance industries. Capacity utilization was lowest for pipes and tubes (64 percent) and rails and rail products (54 percent), items for which markets generally were weak in recent years.

Although integrated steel producers remained the primary producers of flat products—sheet, strip, and plate—during 1992-93, they were not the principal suppliers of other steel mill products. This reflects the continued movement of minimills³⁸ and steel

³⁶—Continued

earlier, continuous strand-casting bypasses several steps of the ingot-based process by casting steel directly into semifinished shapes in the desired cross-sectional dimensions. Continuous strand-casting possesses many benefits when compared to the ingot-based process, including improved product quality, increased yield, decreased energy consumption, and less pollution. However, the ingot-based process may be preferred to continuous-strand casting to produce certain products because of their desired sizes or chemistry.

³⁷ International Iron and Steel Institute (IISI), *Steel Statistical Yearbook 1993* (Brussels), 1993.

³⁸ This term is imprecise because of adoption of electric furnace steelmaking by former-integrated producers (who historically utilized only coke ovens, blast furnaces, and basic oxygen or open hearth furnaces to produce steel) and expansion of product mix by nonintegrated steelmakers (who melt scrap in electric arc furnaces) beyond typical minimill products.

Table 10

Steel: U.S. producers' and converters' reported capacity, production, and capacity utilization, 1992 and 1993

| Item | Capacity | | Production | | Capacity utilization | | Percentage change | |
|---|------------|--------|------------|--------|----------------------|------|-------------------|------------|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | Capacity | Production |
| | 1,000 tons | | | | Percent | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy steel: | | | | | | | | |
| Cokemaking | 124,451 | 19,739 | 20,584 | 18,501 | 79 | 94 | (19) | (10) |
| Ironmaking | 167,795 | 62,287 | 50,889 | 53,554 | 77 | 86 | (8) | 5 |
| Steelmaking: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic oxygen | | | | | | | | |
| process & other | 72,733 | 69,392 | 58,438 | 60,314 | 80 | 87 | (5) | 3 |
| Electric furnace | 42,040 | 41,382 | 32,179 | 35,257 | 77 | 85 | (2) | 10 |
| Products: | | | | | | | | |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-rolled | 67,566 | 64,964 | 51,732 | 56,431 | 77 | 87 | (4) | 9 |
| Cold-rolled | 39,750 | 38,626 | 28,061 | 30,835 | 71 | 80 | (3) | 10 |
| Galvanized | 13,250 | 12,694 | 10,498 | 10,772 | 79 | 85 | (4) | 3 |
| Other coated | 5,635 | 6,124 | 4,822 | 4,972 | 86 | 81 | 9 | 3 |
| Plates | 6,928 | 6,404 | 4,535 | 4,925 | 65 | 77 | (8) | 9 |
| Bars and light structurals: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 15,509 | 16,695 | 12,627 | 14,940 | 81 | 90 | 8 | 18 |
| Cold-finished | 1,920 | 1,413 | 1,425 | 1,120 | 74 | 79 | (26) | (21) |
| Medium and heavy structurals ² | 8,506 | 8,096 | 5,944 | 7,002 | 70 | 86 | (6) | 18 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipes and tubes | 2,253 | 2,434 | 1,238 | 1,762 | 55 | 72 | 8 | 42 |
| Welded pipes and tubes | 6,924 | 6,254 | 3,964 | 3,763 | 57 | 60 | (10) | (5) |
| Rails and rail products | 1,311 | 1,317 | 701 | 714 | 53 | 54 | 0.5 | 2 |
| Wire rods | 6,491 | 6,439 | 5,352 | 5,640 | 82 | 88 | (0.8) | 5 |
| Wire | 3,293 | 3,516 | 2,210 | 2,324 | 67 | 66 | 7 | 5 |
| Wire products | 1,931 | 1,531 | 1,123 | 896 | 58 | 59 | (20) | (20) |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | | | | | |
| Electric furnace | 2,810 | 3,123 | 2,259 | 2,216 | 80 | 71 | 11 | (2) |
| Products: | | | | | | | | |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-rolled | 2,063 | 2,065 | 1,187 | 1,295 | 58 | 63 | (3) | 9 |
| Cold-rolled | 1,705 | 1,876 | 1,136 | 1,242 | 67 | 66 | 7 | 9 |
| Plates | 228 | 192 | 111 | 129 | 49 | 67 | (16) | 16 |
| Bars and light structurals: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 130 | 146 | 67 | 114 | 52 | 78 | 12 | 70 |
| Cold-finished | 221 | 163 | 107 | 140 | 49 | 86 | (26) | 31 |
| Pipes and tubes | 95 | 92 | 63 | 63 | 66 | 68 | (3) | 0 |
| Wire rods | 69 | 66 | 21 | 26 | 30 | 39 | (4) | 24 |
| Wire and wire products | 48 | 48 | 34 | 39 | 72 | 81 | 0 | 15 |

¹ Revised.² Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.³ Less than 0.5 percent.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

Table 11

Carbon and certain alloy steel: Weighted average capacity utilization among major product groups, 1992 and 1993

| (Percent) | | |
|---|------|------|
| Item | 1992 | 1993 |
| Sheet and strip | 75 | 84 |
| Plate | 65 | 77 |
| Bars and light structurals | 81 | 88 |
| Medium and heavy structurals ¹ | 70 | 87 |
| Pipes and tubes | 57 | 64 |
| Rails and rail products | 53 | 54 |
| Wire rod, wire, and wire products | 74 | 77 |

¹ Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.

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

converters³⁹ into markets, such as medium and heavy structurals, which were once predominantly supplied by the integrated mills. The production of merchant bars, structurals, and wire rods was dominated by minimills during 1992-93, with minimills accounting for more than 79 percent of wire rod production and for more than 85 percent of total medium and heavy structural production and of hot-rolled bar production in 1993.⁴⁰

Minimills are also expanding into sheet production, spurred by the success of Nucor Corp.'s thin-slab-casting facilities in Crawfordsville, IN, and Hickman, AR. Nucor has announced plans to add 1.4 million tons of capacity to its two existing thin-slab facilities and to enter a joint venture with Oregon Steel Mills Inc. to construct a 1.0 million-ton-per-year mill on the West coast. Dofasco Inc., Canada's leading integrated steelmaker, has entered into a joint venture with Co-Steel, a Canadian minimill firm, to build a thin-slab casting facility in the United States. Acme Metals Inc., Birmingham Steel Corp., Chaparral Steel Co., IPSCO Inc. (Canada) and North Star Steel Co. have all indicated an interest in construction of thin-slab facilities in the near future. Steel converters, finding their niche in less capital-intensive product markets, were the leading producers of fabricated steel mill products such as pipe and tube during 1992-93.

Stainless and Alloy Tool Steel

Capacity to produce stainless and alloy tool steel products declined in a number of product categories during 1992-93 (table 10), reflecting in part the ongoing restructuring and product line realignment in this segment of the industry. Production rose in all product categories during 1992-93 as producers responded to increased demand for their products, in particular from the automotive industry for use in

exhaust systems and air-bag inflators. As a result, capacity utilization rose for most stainless products although it was generally somewhat lower than that in the carbon segment. The low level of capacity utilization for stainless wire rod has been attributed by the domestic industry to the increase in imports of this product (table E-2). U.S. producers filed antidumping petitions against imports of stainless wire rod from Brazil, France, and India in February 1993 (appendix F). Producers also filed antidumping petitions against welded stainless steel pipe from Malaysia in April 1993 and against stainless steel bar from Brazil, India, Italy, Japan, and Spain in February 1994.

Labor Conditions, Compensation, and Productivity

Members of the United Steelworkers of America (USWA) ratified labor agreements at several major integrated steel producing companies in 1993.⁴¹ The agreements, which represent a breakthrough in labor relations by creating a new cooperative partnership between management and labor, all meet the "New Directions Bargaining Program" goals adopted by the USWA's Basic Steel Industry Conference (BSIC) in January 1993. Top BSIC priorities were employment security, worker empowerment, wage and benefit increases, and training.⁴² Industry sources have attributed the changed approach to labor-management relations to increased global competition (and the resultant need to improve productivity and profitability), the movement to improve product quality, and the USWA's desire for more input in the workplace.⁴³ The USWA contracts also call for

⁴¹ Companies ratifying contracts include Acme Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Inland Steel, LTV Steel, National Steel, North Star Steel, Republic Steel, and U.S. Steel.

⁴² United Steelworkers of America, *Steellabor*, May/June 1993 and Sept./Oct. 1993.

⁴³ "Sharing Managerial Power with the Worker," *New Steel*, Feb. 1994.

³⁹ Steel converters purchase steel mill products for conversion into other steel mill products.

⁴⁰ Derived from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

Bethlehem, LTV, National, Inland, and U.S. Steel to join the union in conducting a Steel Industry Strategic Study. The purpose of the study is to develop strategies outside of the collective bargaining process for dealing with long-term trends in the industry.⁴⁴

Total production workers employed by the steel industry declined by 4 percent during 1992-93 to 181,700 workers (table 12). Nominal hourly compensation for workers in the industry rose by 8 percent during that period.⁴⁵ In 1993, steel industry workers received \$16.39 per hour, about 1.5 times the level of total compensation per annum of manufacturing workers as a whole. Steelworkers' nominal hourly earnings declined by 3 percent from 1992 to 1993, whereas nominal hourly earnings paid to workers in manufacturing industries in general rose by 2 percent during the period. The decline in steelworkers' nominal hourly earnings in 1993 was more than off-set by growth in other payments to workers, which caused the rise in nominal hourly compensation from 1992 to 1993.

As the industry has downsized and invested in new capital equipment, significant improvements have been made in worker productivity, as measured in output per employee hour. Steel industry productivity rose by 92 percent from 1982 to 1992 (compared with 32 percent for all manufacturing).

Capital Expenditures

Firms surveyed itemized their capital investments for 1992-93 for each product facility, providing data on capital expenditures for environmental control purposes, and total capital expenditures and reasons for those expenditures. The principal reasons given for investment were for facility maintenance and replacement, improvements in operating efficiency, improvements in product quality and service in response to customer demand, government regulation, and increasing capacity (tables G-1 and G-2). Responses were grouped by product type (i.e., carbon and certain alloy steel and stainless and alloy tool steel) and by producer type (i.e., integrated, minimill, and specialty) as discussed below.

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel

Carbon steel producers reported capital expenditures of \$2.3 billion in 1993, 9 percent lower than 1992 reported capital expenditures of \$2.5 billion (table 13). Environmental expenditures accounted for 11 percent and 10 percent of total capital expenditures in 1992 and 1993, respectively.

⁴⁴ Ibid.

⁴⁵ For further information, see definition of compensation in footnote 3 of table 12.

Continuous strand-casting facilities accounted for the largest portion of total capital expenditures—14 percent in 1993, up 8 percent from capital expenditures made in 1992 for continuous casting. This reflects ongoing conversion to this method of producing semifinished steel forms, which has resulted in major improvements in costs and efficiency over the ingot-teeming method of producing semifinished steel. Although electric arc furnace steelmakers are predominantly scrap-based, improvements in steelmaking inputs (direct reduced iron, hot briquetted iron, and iron carbide, for example) or improved scrap sorting and chemistry control have enabled these steelmakers to broaden their product mix. As these steelmakers expand into flat-rolled products, they are studying ways to further reduce slab conversion costs. Concepts under review include thin slab casting (the slab measures 2 to 4 inches thick compared with a conventional 8 to 10-inch thick slab), or compact strip casting (strip is cast directly, bypassing slab casting and hot rolling reduction processes). Also under study are soft-rolling mills (slabs are reduced while their centers are still hot), and hot-rolling reversing mills (Steckel mills). The capital investment required and minimum efficient scale are significantly less than for an integrated steelmaking facility.⁴⁶ Investment in ironmaking facilities (accounting for 13 percent of total capital expenditures in 1993, up 79 percent over similar expenditures in 1992) reflected facility improvements; capital expenditures for cokemaking facilities (9 percent of total capital expenditures, down 38 percent from the 1992 level) represents the industry's continuing effort to modernize and to meet emission regulations. Investments in sheet and strip mills, including hot-rolled, cold-rolled, and coating operations, accounted for 20 percent of expenditures in 1993, reflecting facility upgrades and improvement in operating efficiency.

There were also significant increases in levels of spending to upgrade bar and rod mills. These investments in existing mills allow them to produce more technically demanding products with closer dimensional tolerances, tighter chemistry and metallurgical quality, and better surface finish. Such improvements might allow the substitution of hot-rolled bars for cold-finished bars, and allow rod producers to expand further into cold-heading (fasteners) and automotive applications, for example. Several companies also are adding wire rod rolling mills onto their existing bar mills (Inland Steel Bar Co. and USS/Kobe, for example). These additions are ascribed to improvements in rod quality and rod production efficiency that have allowed this segment to expand into markets that have traditionally consumed bars. (See related discussion in "Financial Conditions.")

⁴⁶ George J. McManus, "Scaling Down Slab Conversion Costs," *Iron Age*, Jan. 1993, pp. 12-14.

Table 12

Employment: Average annual employment of the steel industry, and productivity, nominal earnings, and nominal compensation for workers in steel and all manufacturing industries, 1992 and 1993

| Year | Number of workers | | Productivity Index ¹ | | Nominal earnings ² | | Nominal compensation ³ | |
|------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| | Total | Production | Steel | Manufacturing | Steel | Manufacturing | Steel ⁴ | Manufacturing |
| | | | | | Dollars per hour | | | |
| 1992 | ⁵ 250,100 | ⁵ 188,700 | 191.9 | 131.9 | ⁵ 16.87 | ⁵ 10.96 | 29.57 | ⁵ 20.40 |
| 1993 | 238,300 | 181,700 | (⁶) | ⁷ 135.7 | 16.39 | ⁷ 11.20 | 31.89 | 20.96 |

¹ 1982=100.

² Including overtime earnings.

³ Compensation, as defined in the national income and products account includes both direct and indirect payments to workers. Direct payments include payment for time worked (e.g., wages), payment for time not worked (e.g., vacation and holiday pay), bonuses, and other incentive or special pay. Indirect payments include employer contributions to insurance programs and contractual and private benefit plans.

⁴ Data provided by American Iron and Steel Institute.

⁵ Revised.

⁶ Not available.

⁷ Estimated on the basis of data provided in Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Employment and Earnings*, various issues and Bureau of Labor Statistics Office of Productivity and Technology.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, except as noted.

Table 13
Carbon and certain alloy steel: U.S. producers' and converters' capital expenditures,¹ 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | | 1993 | | Percentage change | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|
| | Environ- mental | Total | Environ- mental | Total | Environ- mental | Total |
| <i>Thousand dollars</i> | | | | | | |
| Cokemaking facilities | 107,273 | 325,928 | 92,774 | 203,286 | (13) | (38) |
| Ironmaking facilities | 25,376 | 169,080 | 25,335 | 303,542 | (2) | 79 |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | |
| Basic oxygen process | 50,405 | 91,057 | 34,838 | 70,890 | (31) | (22) |
| Electric furnace | 41,895 | 138,802 | 23,928 | 129,673 | (43) | (7) |
| Continuous casting | 5,305 | 304,609 | 1,879 | 330,256 | (65) | 8 |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ³ | (4) | 1,717 | (4) | 9,560 | (4) | 457 |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | 1,064 | 26,473 | (4) | 42,537 | (4) | 61 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | (4) | 235,846 | 7,053 | 186,287 | (4) | (21) |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 10,141 | 164,450 | 3,300 | 183,882 | (67) | 12 |
| Galvanizing facilities | 5,810 | 203,166 | 2,005 | 43,247 | (65) | (79) |
| Other coating facilities | 2,404 | 57,466 | 1,359 | 38,817 | (43) | (32) |
| Bars, shapes, and light structural mills: | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 64 | 72,703 | (4) | 166,724 | (4) | 129 |
| Cold-finished | 712 | 2,977 | (4) | 13,661 | (4) | 359 |
| Medium and heavy structural mills ⁵ | (4) | 26,167 | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) |
| Rail mills | 0 | 4,079 | 0 | (4) | 0 | (4) |
| Wire rod mills | (4) | 6,436 | (4) | 18,520 | (4) | 188 |
| Wire drawing machines | 2,793 | 22,103 | 1,133 | 24,159 | (59) | 9 |
| Wire products | 854 | 27,712 | 1,808 | 34,846 | 112 | 26 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe mills | 1,022 | 35,266 | 502 | 14,651 | (51) | (58) |
| Welded pipe mills | 4,245 | 38,707 | 1,946 | 49,301 | (54) | 27 |
| Other ⁶ | 22,405 | 581,193 | 33,994 | 197,265 | 46 | (66) |
| Total | 287,281 | 2,535,937 | 235,992 | 2,297,658 | (18) | (9) |

¹ Includes expenditures for the specific type of facility as well as related facilities. Also includes expenditures for plant and equipment, land and land improvement, occupational safety and health, and environmental control.

² Less than 0.5 percent.

³ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁴ Not shown.

⁵ Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.

⁶ Includes expenditures that companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

Despite the lower level of capital expenditures in 1993 compared with 1992, the U.S. steel industry continues to modernize, as reflected in questionnaire responses that list most frequently facility maintenance and replacement and operating efficiency improvements among reasons for capital expenditures. Investments to improve quality and service, to respond to Government regulation, and to increase capacity, although considered important, were more secondary objectives according to survey results.

Lower levels of capital expenditures overall can be attributed in part to an emerging segment of the carbon

steel industry devoted to finishing hot-rolled steel mill flat products. The flat-rolled segment of the steel industry has traditionally relied on outside processors to convert large coils into exact forms and quantities needed by customers; new independent pickling, cold-rolling, and coating processors perform with greater flexibility services that have traditionally been integral parts of basic steelmaking.⁴⁷

⁴⁷ George J. McManus, "Processors Take on Pickling and Cold-Reducing, Too," *New Steel*, Mar. 1994, pp. 18-22.

Stainless and Alloy Tool Steel

Specialty steel producers reported an increase of 5 percent to \$140 million in total capital expenditures between 1992 and 1993 (table 14). Expenditures for environmental control declined 51 percent to \$5 million during the same period although such investments are much less than for the industry segment producing carbon steels because stainless producers do not operate cokemaking and ironmaking facilities.

Investment made for flat-rolled products (plate, hot- and cold-rolled sheet and strip) accounted for 28 percent of total capital expenditures in 1993. Capital expenditures on mills that cold-roll sheet accounted for approximately 89 percent of flat-rolled product investments. Overall, investments focused on facility maintenance and replacement and on improvements in operating efficiency; producers reported that capacity increases, Government regulation, and improvements in product quality and service were secondary objectives.

Integrated Producers

Capital expenditures by the integrated producers accounted for 56 percent (\$1.3 billion) of all capital expenditures reported to the Commission by steel producers in 1993.⁴⁸ Expenditures in 1993 were 19 percent lower than in 1992. Investments were concentrated in cokemaking (10 percent) and ironmaking (14 percent), in continuous casting (16 percent), and in sheet and strip mills (18 percent) in 1993. Excepting investment in ironmaking facilities, capital expenditures declined between 1992 and 1993 reflecting a winding down of expansion projects begun in previous years (e.g., expansion of galvanizing capacity) and the lower levels of capital expenditures needed to upgrade existing units.⁴⁹ Investment in

⁴⁸ Derived from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

⁴⁹ George W. Hess, "Big Steel is Still Spending More than 1 Billion a Year," *Iron Age*, Sept. 1993, p. 39.

Table 14
Stainless and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' and converters' capital expenditures,¹ 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | | 1993 | | Percentage change | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------|
| | Environ- mental | Total | Environ- mental | Total | Environ- mental | Total |
| <i>Thousand dollars</i> | | | | | | |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | |
| Electric furnace (42) | | 2,105 | 14,344 | 1,756 | 8,329 | (17) |
| Continuous casting | (2) | 19,922 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ³ | (2) | 832 | 0 | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | (2) | 2,132 | (2) | 2,220 | (2) | 4 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | (2) | (2) | (2) | 2,261 | (2) | (2) |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 611 | 12,338 | 162 | 34,726 | (82) | 147 |
| Bars and shapes: | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | (2) | 389 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Cold-finished | (2) | 834 | (2) | 1,024 | (2) | 23 |
| Wire rod mills | 0 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Wire drawing machines | (2) | 1,488 | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe mills | 0 | (2) | 0 | (2) | 0 | (2) |
| Welded pipe mills | 2,382 | 5,357 | (2) | 7,243 | (2) | 35 |
| Other ⁴ | 2,984 | 71,013 | 1,507 | 76,145 | (49) | 7 |
| Total | 10,141 | 132,784 | 4,980 | 139,762 | (51) | 5 |

¹ Includes expenditures for the specific type of facility as well as related facilities. Also includes expenditures for plant and equipment, land and land improvement, occupational safety and health, and environmental control.

² Not shown.

³ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁴ Includes expenditures that companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

ironmaking facilities increased nearly 80 percent between 1992 and 1993, according to the Commission's survey, reflecting in part the installation of pulverized coal injection equipment (which allows the use of lower quality coal and lowers coke consumption) and the purchase by LTV Steel Company of a Corex-based ironmaking facility.⁵⁰ Elsewhere, Geneva Steel has applied to be the site of the commercialization phase of the AISI-DOE direct-ironmaking project.⁵¹ Significant investments were also made in upgrading steelmaking furnaces, secondary steelmaking facilities, and plate mills. The most often-cited reason for investment was facility maintenance and replacement, followed by improvement in operating efficiency, and improvements in product quality and service.

Minimill Steel Producers

Capital expenditures by the "minimill" industry segment accounted for 30 percent (\$680 million) of all capital expenditures by steel producers in 1993, according to survey results.⁵² These expenditures fell 6 percent between 1992 and 1993. Electric furnace investment accounted for more than 26 percent of expenditures in 1993; reportedly, much of this investment is in obtaining greater operational efficiency through utilization of direct-current electric furnaces, scrap preheating and continuous charging, other energy-conserving measures, and the utilization of scrap substitutes.⁵³ Modernization of bar mills and wire rod mills were also leading investment areas, as noted earlier. Facility maintenance and replacement and improvements in operating efficiency were the most commonly cited reasons for capital investments in this segment of the steel industry.

Specialty Steel Producers

Capital expenditures by the specialty steel producers (those who make primarily stainless and alloy tool steel) accounted for 6 percent (\$130 million)

of all capital expenditures by steel producers in 1993.⁵⁴ Investments in steelmaking facilities and in flat-rolling mills (plate, sheet, and strip) accounted for 29 percent of total capital expenditures by this segment of the steel industry in 1993 according to survey results; investment in cold-rolling mills, focused on improving gauge control, accounted for the bulk of flat-rolled capital expenditures. Facility maintenance and replacement and improvements in operating efficiency were the reasons for investment that the specialty steel producers cited most often.

Environmental Control and Related Expenditures

Restrictions under the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA) continued to dominate U.S. steelmakers' environmental concerns in 1993. As regulations on cokemaking become increasingly more restrictive, raising the costs of producing and purchasing coke, integrated steelmakers must decide whether to invest in more environmental control systems, purchase coke, or switch to alternative feedstocks.⁵⁵ Requirements under the CAAA reportedly have already contributed to several integrated steelmakers exiting the cokemaking business, including Inland Steel's decision to idle their ovens in 1993, a year earlier than had been planned.

U.S. steelmakers' expenditures on environmental controls continued to account for a significant portion of total capital expenditures in 1993. Environmental capital expenditures by carbon and certain alloy steel producers fell by 17 percent from 1992 to 1993 (table 15), but accounted for about 10-11 percent of total capital expenditures in each year. Spending on air quality control, mostly spurred by the CAAA, dominated total environmental capital expenditures, accounting for 72 percent in 1993 (63 percent in 1992), followed by water quality and solid waste control. Environmental capital expenditures by carbon and certain alloy steelmakers in 1993 were directed primarily at cokemaking facilities.

Capital expenditures on environmental controls by stainless and alloy tool steel producers also decreased from 1992 to 1993, falling by 51 percent (table 16). Expenditures on environmental control were relatively low compared with similar expenditures by carbon and certain alloy steelmakers, accounting for 7.6 and 3.6 percent of total capital expenditures in 1992 and 1993,

⁵⁰ George J. McManus, "The Direct Approach to Making Iron," *Iron Age*, Sept. 1993, p. 56.

⁵¹ This project has as its goal the replacement of current ironmaking process technology, coke ovens and blast furnaces, by a direct process of iron smelting. The project's sponsors are the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), under the Clean Coal Technology Act, and the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI). See, USITC, *Steel: Semiannual Monitoring Report*, USITC Publication 2655, p. 27.

⁵² Derived from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

⁵³ For a listing of capital investment projects by minimill operators, see George W. Hess, "High-voltage Spending by the Electric Steelmakers," *Iron Age*, Sept. 1993, pp. 30-37.

⁵⁴ Derived from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires. The sum of the shares of capital expenditures by integrated, minimill, and specialty producers equals approximately 92 percent of total capital expenditures reported in response to the Commission's questionnaire. The remainder is accounted for by steel processors that responded to the questionnaire.

⁵⁵ A more detailed discussion of these issues can be found in USITC, *Metallurgical Coke: Baseline Analysis of the U.S. Industry and Imports* (Investigation No. 332-342), USITC publication 2745, Mar. 1994.

Table 15
Carbon and certain alloy steel: U.S. producers' expenditures on environmental control, 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | 1993 | Percent change |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|
| <i>— Thousand dollars —</i> | | | |
| Capital expenditures: | | | |
| Air | 182,108 | 169,980 | (7) |
| Water | 73,890 | 45,679 | (38) |
| Solid waste | 31,274 | 20,333 | (35) |
| Subtotal | 287,280 | 235,992 | (18) |
| Operating expenditures: | | | |
| Air | 324,814 | 248,276 | (24) |
| Water | 199,519 | 154,083 | (23) |
| Solid waste | 110,420 | 93,955 | (15) |
| Subtotal | 634,753 | 496,314 | (22) |
| Environmental fines | 12,141 | 8,872 | (27) |
| Environmental litigation costs | 8,131 | 7,691 | (5) |

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

Table 16
Stainless and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' expenditures on environmental control, 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | 1993 | Percent change |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|----------------|
| <i>— Thousand dollars —</i> | | | |
| Capital expenditures: | | | |
| Air | 2,385 | 3,165 | 33 |
| Water | 5,064 | 1,457 | (71) |
| Solid waste | 2,692 | 358 | (87) |
| Subtotal | 10,141 | 4,980 | (51) |
| Operating expenditures: | | | |
| Air | 16,162 | 17,429 | 8 |
| Water | 23,275 | 23,543 | 1 |
| Solid waste | 17,098 | 19,080 | 12 |
| Subtotal | 56,535 | 60,052 | 6 |
| Environmental fines | 367 | 332 | (10) |
| Environmental litigation costs | 4,080 | 363 | (91) |

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

respectively. Spending on air quality control dominated capital spending by specialty steelmakers and reflected the only year-to-year increase in environmental outlays, accounting for 64 percent of total capital expenditures in 1993 compared with 24 percent in 1992. Spending on air quality apparently outstripped spending on water quality for the first time, reflecting spending on electric furnace facilities.⁵⁶

⁵⁶ USITC staff note that trends for specialty steelmakers may be somewhat distorted because a major producer did not respond to this section of the Commission's questionnaire.

U.S. steelmakers' expenditures for operating all categories of environmental equipment decreased from 1992 to 1993, falling by 22 percent (to \$496 million) for carbon and certain alloy steel producers but increasing by 6 percent (to \$60 million) for specialty steel producers. Operating expenditures for air quality control dominated spending by carbon and certain alloy steel producers in 1993 (50 percent of total), whereas specialty steelmakers focused on water quality (39 percent of total). Operating expenditures for specialty steelmakers accounted for 92 percent of total

environmental expenditures, compared to only 68 percent for carbon and certain alloy steelmakers, suggesting that the latter are continuing to make commitments to install new environmental control equipment.

Carbon and certain alloy steel producers reported 244 environmental violations in 1993, resulting in \$8.9 million in fines. Fines assessed for air pollution accounted for 41 percent of the total in 1993, 40 percent for water, and 19 percent for solid waste. Carbon and certain alloy steelmakers' expenditures on environmental litigation costs, as reported in the Commission's survey, fell slightly by 5 percent to \$7.7 million in 1993.

Stainless and alloy tool steelmakers reported 4 environmental violations in 1993, resulting in \$332,000 in fines. Fines assessed for air pollution accounted for 64 percent of the total in 1993, 25 percent for water, and 11 percent for solid waste. Specialty steelmakers' expenditures on environmental litigation costs fell by 93 percent to \$363,000 in 1993.

Research and Development

As reported in the Commission's survey, steel industry expenditures for research and development (R&D) represented 0.31 percent of net sales for the industry as a whole, somewhat lower than for other metals industries. However, R&D expenditures differ between the two industry segments examined in this report. Expenditures for R&D by producers of carbon and certain alloy steel declined by about 6 percent, to \$104 million between 1992 and 1993 (table 17), and represented 0.24 percent of net sales in 1993. Within the industry segment producing carbon and certain alloy steel integrated producers spent more, both overall and in relation to their net sales, than did their minimill counterparts. Expenditures for R&D by producers of specialty steel (stainless steel and alloy tool steel) declined 3 percent to \$45 million between 1992 and 1993 (table 17), although the specialty steel segment's R&D expenditures represented 0.99 percent of net sales. This higher ratio represents the segment's greater profitability and generally stronger financial condition when compared to the industry segment producing carbon and certain alloy steel.

In the carbon steel segment of the steel industry, R&D expenditures for the production of cold-rolled and coated sheet accounted for nearly 39 percent (\$40 million) of total R&D expenditures in 1993 (table 17). Investments focus as well on improvements in ironmaking (\$8 million) and steelmaking (\$14 million) technology, and continuous casting (\$8 million). Improvements in product quality (including developing new products) and operating efficiency, and reducing energy consumption or pollution levels were reasons cited by survey respondents most often (tables H-1 and H-2). The steel industry continues to utilize cooperative research programs to spread the cost of

R&D and to disseminate more widely the information gained.⁵⁷

Financial Conditions

Gross profits generated by the steel industry significantly increased from 1992 to 1993, and the industry as a whole recorded operating profits before other expenses and taxes of \$2.7 billion in 1993 (table 18). Data reported in the Commission's survey indicate that all industry segments reported positive operating profits and net income before taxes in 1993 (tables 19 and 20). This position contrasts with industry financial results reported in 1992, and profitability is generally attributed to higher operating levels and increased shipments and prices. An examination of financial performance on a product basis reveals that the greatest losses occurred in the carbon steel segment among semifinished forms, plate, and certain types of tubular goods. The highest returns within the carbon steel segment were among long products (including bar and rod), wire, and mechanical pipe and tube; certain coated flat-rolled products (sheet and strip) also were profitable on a product-line basis (table 21). Products within the stainless and alloy tool steel segment were generally profitable on an operating income basis (2 to 11 percent), except rod (minus 1.6 percent). Producers of carbon flat-rolled steel, carbon bar and rod, and stainless steel products, allege that imports of dumped and subsidized products adversely affected their financial performance during the 1991-92 period and that the effects of dumped and subsidized imports carried over into 1993.⁵⁸ However, the trade cases filed in 1992 and 1993 impacted imports because the cases covered large percentages of imports from main trading partners in major product groups, and lower import levels (because of affirmative antidumping findings in certain cases) facilitated some of the price increases.

The continuing U.S. economic recovery in 1993 contributed to upturns in shipments, capacity utilization, and operating profits from 1992 to 1993. Growth in steel demand occurred in nearly all major

⁵⁷ For more detailed information on these cooperative research programs and on the introduction of newer technologies and techniques, see USITC, *Steel Semiannual Monitoring Report*, USITC Publication 2655, pp. 25-28.

⁵⁸ For example, information submitted in connection with USITC, *Certain Flat-Rolled Carbon Steel Products from Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom* (Investigation Nos. 701-TA-319-332, 334, 336-342, 344, 347-353 and 731-TA-573-579, 581-592, 594-597, 599-609, and 612-619), USITC Publication 2664, August 1993; USITC, *Stainless Steel Wire rod from India* (Investigation No. 731-TA-638), USITC Publication 2704, November 1993; and, USITC, *Certain Steel Wire Rod from Brazil and Japan* (Investigation Nos. 731-TA-646 and 648), USITC Publication 2761, March 1994.

Table 17
Research and development expenditures, by processes and products, 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | | 1993 | | Percentage change | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Carbon and certain alloy steel | Stainless and alloy tool steel | Carbon and certain alloy steel | Stainless and alloy tool steel | Carbon and certain alloy steel | Stainless and alloy tool steel |
| | 1,000 dollars | | | | | |
| Cokemaking facilities | 4,097 | (1) | 3,478 | (1) | (15) | (2) |
| Ironmaking facilities | 5,930 | (1) | 4,400 | (1) | (26) | (2) |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | |
| Basic oxygen process & other | 8,226 | (1) | 5,753 | (1) | (30) | (2) |
| Electric furnace | 7,767 | 510 | 8,194 | (4) | 6 | (2) |
| Continuous casting | 6,449 | 0 | 6,978 | (4) | 8 | (2) |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ³ | 362 | (4) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | 5,599 | (4) | 6,549 | (4) | 17 | (2) |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | 7,153 | (4) | 4,870 | (4) | (32) | (2) |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 17,946 | (4) | 14,978 | (4) | (16) | (2) |
| Galvanizing facilities | 8,580 | (1) | 14,037 | (1) | 64 | (2) |
| Other coating facilities | 16,417 | (1) | 11,210 | (1) | (32) | (2) |
| Bars, shapes, and light structural mills: | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 2,766 | (4) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Cold-finished | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Medium and heavy structural mills ⁵ | (4) | (1) | (4) | (1) | (2) | (2) |
| Rail mills | (4) | (1) | (4) | (1) | (2) | (2) |
| Wire rod mills | 742 | (4) | 272 | 92 | (63) | (2) |
| Wire drawing machines | 339 | (4) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Wire products | (4) | (1) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe and tube mills | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) | (2) | (2) |
| Welded pipe and tube mills | 873 | (4) | 2,060 | (4) | 136 | (2) |
| Other ⁶ | 13,595 | 16,663 | 12,795 | 17,606 | (6) | 6 |
| Total | 111,499 | 46,533 | 104,327 | 45,183 | (6) | (3) |

¹ None reported.

² Not applicable.

³ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁴ Not shown.

⁵ Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.

⁶ Includes expenditures that could not be effectively allocated to product groups.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to USITC questionnaires.

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Table 18
Financial experience of U.S. steel producers and converters,¹ 1992 and 1993

(1,000 dollars)

| Item | Carbon and certain alloy steel | | Stainless and alloy tool steel | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| Total net sales ² : | 39,440,189 | 43,234,544 | 4,159,107 | 4,542,744 |
| Cost of goods sold (including intracompany and intercompany transfers): | | | | |
| Raw materials | 10,958,817 | 10,642,943 | 1,654,479 | 1,459,579 |
| Direct labor | 5,491,389 | 5,142,122 | 492,750 | 419,569 |
| Other | 12,679,728 | 11,495,676 | 1,376,128 | 1,170,604 |
| Total cost of goods sold ³ | 37,416,954 | 38,975,091 | 3,573,993 | 3,762,741 |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 2,023,235 | 4,259,452 | 585,114 | 780,003 |
| General, selling, and administrative expenses | 2,272,565 | 2,021,295 | 284,038 | 309,614 |
| Operating income or (loss) | (249,330) | 2,238,157 | 301,076 | 470,389 |
| Other income or (expense): | | | | |
| Net interest income or (expense) | (703,627) | (820,716) | (70,916) | (66,270) |
| All other income or (expense) ⁴ | (477,531) | 441,834 | (49,240) | (3,555) |
| Total other income or (expense) | (1,181,158) | (174,743) | (120,156) | (69,825) |
| Net income or (loss) before taxes | (1,494,466) | 2,063,414 | 180,920 | 400,563 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 1,753,156 | 1,843,944 | 112,697 | 221,516 |

¹ Certain respondents included financial information on related products.

² Includes intracompany and intercompany transfers, less discounts, returns, and allowances.

³ Including nonitemized figures

⁴ Certain respondents reported extraordinary and nonrecurring expenses.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

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

Table 19
Financial experience of U.S. steel producers and converters,¹ 1992

(1,000 dollars)

| Item | Integrated | Minimills | Specialty | Processors |
|---|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Total net sales ² | 23,382,764 | 9,891,204 | 4,318,344 | 6,006,984 |
| Cost of goods sold (including intracompany and intercompany transfers): | | | | |
| Raw materials | 4,903,514 | 2,601,366 | 1,590,534 | 3,517,882 |
| Direct labor | 4,003,340 | 925,970 | 559,700 | 495,129 |
| Other | 8,426,214 | 3,030,671 | 1,551,154 | 1,047,817 |
| Total cost of goods sold ³ | 23,066,840 | 8,892,658 | 3,751,561 | 5,279,888 |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 315,924 | 998,546 | 566,783 | 727,096 |
| General, selling, and administrative expenses | 1,222,209 | 570,048 | 294,637 | 469,709 |
| Operating income or (loss) | (906,285) | 428,498 | 272,146 | 257,388 |
| Other income or (expense): | | | | |
| Net interest income or (expense) | (411,840) | (186,546) | (72,684) | (103,473) |
| All other income or (expense) ⁴ | (127,677) | (321,752) | (50,630) | (26,712) |
| Total other income or (expense) | (539,517) | (508,298) | (123,314) | (130,185) |
| Net income or (loss) before taxes | (1,445,802) | (136,860) | 148,832 | 120,284 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 1,131,521 | 407,024 | 124,792 | 202,516 |

¹ Certain respondents included financial information on related products.

² Includes intracompany and intercompany transfers, less discounts, returns, and allowances.

³ Including nonitemized figures.

⁴ Certain respondents reported extraordinary and nonrecurring expenses.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

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

Table 20
Financial experience of U.S. steel producers and converters¹, 1993
(1,000 dollars)

| Item | Integrated | Minimills | Specialty | Processors |
|---|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Total net sales ² : | 24,810,736 | 12,309,798 | 4,644,018 | 6,012,737 |
| Cost of goods sold (including intracompany and intercompany transfers): | | | | |
| Raw materials | 4,147,302 | 3,029,669 | 1,297,616 | 3,627,936 |
| Direct labor | 3,689,203 | 1,010,972 | 403,898 | 457,618 |
| Other | 7,043,647 | 3,409,800 | 1,178,970 | 1,033,864 |
| Total cost of goods sold ³ | 23,383,214 | 10,907,414 | 3,877,694 | 4,569,511 |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 1,27,5228 | 1,402,384 | 766,324 | 1,443,226 |
| General, selling, and administrative expenses | 991,284 | 595,186 | 312,477 | 431,962 |
| Operating income or (loss) | 436,238 | 807,198 | 453,847 | 1,011,263 |
| Other income or (expense): | | | | |
| Net interest income or (expense) | (544,901) | (189,808) | (67,929) | (89,348) |
| All other income or (expense) ⁴ | 616,276 | (156,572) | 15,027 | (36,451) |
| Total other income or (expense) | 224,995 | (295,566) | (52,902) | (121,095) |
| Net income or (loss) before taxes | 661,233 | 511,632 | 400,945 | 890,168 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 1,223,977 | 528,224 | 134,204 | 179,056 |

¹ Certain respondents included financial information on related products.

² Includes intracompany and intercompany transfers, less discounts, returns, and allowances.

³ Includes nonitemized figures.

⁴ Certain respondents reported extraordinary and nonrecurring expenses.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

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

Table 21

Steel: Total net sales and net operating income or (loss) as a percentage of sales, by selected products, 1992 and 1993

| Item | Total net sales ¹ | | Operating income or (loss) as a percent of sales | |
|--|------------------------------|------------|---|--------|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| <i>Thousand dollars</i> | | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 847,422 | 971,355 | (5.79) | (4.92) |
| Plates | 2,115,442 | 2,128,709 | (1.71) | (3.20) |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot-rolled | 6,270,979 | 7,369,802 | (6.27) | (0.34) |
| Cold-rolled | 6,007,602 | 6,687,069 | (4.64) | (0.80) |
| Galvanized | 5,846,214 | 6,272,934 | 1.06 | 1.42 |
| Other | 3,549,335 | 3,641,878 | 3.31 | 3.31 |
| Subtotal, sheet and strip | 21,674,130 | 27,066,747 | (2.27) | 0.64 |
| Bars: | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 4,130,485 | 4,968,364 | 1.84 | 4.68 |
| Cold-finished | 533,482 | 839,808 | 2.17 | 5.93 |
| Subtotal, bars | 4,663,967 | 5,808,172 | 1.87 | 4.86 |
| Wire rod | 1,418,931 | 1,614,009 | 1.83 | 4.51 |
| Wire | 1,025,094 | 1,168,309 | 3.06 | 6.34 |
| Wire products | 756,994 | 613,768 | 2.69 | 3.58 |
| Structural shapes and units | 2,235,890 | 2,058,552 | 5.20 | 2.26 |
| Rails and related products | 364,897 | 407,478 | 2.81 | (1.68) |
| Pipe and tube: | | | | |
| Line | 803,555 | 566,490 | 1.26 | (4.94) |
| Mechanical | 950,250 | 849,867 | 6.44 | 12.69 |
| Oil country tubular goods | 437,528 | 703,531 | (10.17) | (5.68) |
| Structural | 271,269 | 227,800 | 8.36 | 5.51 |
| Pressure | 120,660 | 167,160 | (0.20) | (1.17) |
| Other | 1,057,028 | 1,223,522 | 6.29 | 6.42 |
| Subtotal, pipe and tube | 3,640,290 | 3,738,370 | 3.18 | 3.45 |
| Subtotal, carbon and certain alloy steel | 38,743,057 | 42,475,405 | (0.44) | 1.86 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 209,869 | 345,834 | (1.05) | 1.96 |
| Plates | 443,995 | 489,043 | 10.92 | 8.77 |
| Sheet and strip | 2,382,693 | 2,554,384 | 10.69 | 10.65 |
| Bars and shapes | 634,946 | 696,167 | (0.64) | 4.36 |
| Wire rod | 77,040 | 71,783 | (18.04) | (1.62) |
| Wire | 151,880 | 160,754 | 5.05 | 10.85 |
| Pipe and tube | 235,528 | 228,097 | 2.29 | 4.39 |
| Subtotal, stainless and alloy tool steel | 4,135,951 | 4,546,062 | 7.16 | 8.32 |
| Total | 42,879,008 | 47,021,467 | 0.29 | 2.49 |

¹ Includes intracompany and intercompany transfers, less discounts, returns, and allowances.

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

sectors (including automotive, machinery and industrial equipment, appliance, and construction), reflected by increases in shipments of between 5 and 16 percent. In addition, during 1993 there was some hedge buying in anticipation of rising prices and a possible strike at any one of five major integrated mills, likely coupled with rebuilding of inventories; inventory levels had slipped to relatively low levels during 1991-92 in response to declining prices and shortened lead-times, according to industry executives.

The apparent strength of the recovery of the U.S. steel industry also is reflected by strong increases in purchases of imported semifinished steel forms (slab and billet) by primary producers, purchase allocation programs, and significant increases in delivery lead times.⁵⁹ Price increases, on the order of \$50 to \$100 per ton (5 to 25 percent), announced by producers of steel mill products contributed to increased operating profits. However, these price increases were offset to some extent by rising costs of scrap and other inputs, and certain electric furnace steelmakers specifically cited rising scrap costs as the reason for increasing prices.⁶⁰

Other factors influencing corporate financial performance are reported in the categories of "other income or expense" and include the added obligations stemming from the recognition of certain expenses, liabilities, and assets. The change of largest magnitude has been the recognition of liabilities for company retirees, other than pension costs, under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) 106.⁶¹ For instance, National Steel incurred a charge of \$14.8 million for retirement benefits.⁶² Several other companies implemented SFAS 106 during 1993. In addition to recognizing certain postretirement costs, several steelmakers reported plant closure and special restructuring expenses that are also included in the categories of "extraordinary expenses," (i.e., below operating income). Sharon Steel Inc. (which had operated as debtor-in-possession in Chapter XI since November 1992) closed during 1993 after selling its inventory to pay back-wages to its workers. A U.S. bankruptcy judge rejected Sharon Steel's business plan, which would have permitted executives to reopen the Farrell, PA, steel mill, reportedly terming it "too optimistic." The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation assumed its pension plans.⁶³ There

reportedly was one announced tender offer for its melt shop, caster, and some related assets by an investor, but company management deemed the bid too low.⁶⁴

Rising steel prices and profitability, continued streamlining of production, increased consumer demand and optimism, greater access to capital markets, and lower investment costs have encouraged acquisitions and expansion among steelmakers. There are reportedly eight new steel mills currently under consideration or under construction in the United States; if all these mills became operational, production capacity would increase by approximately 5 to 6 million tons per year (about 9 to 12 percent) for carbon steel flat-rolled products (sheet and strip) and by approximately 1 to 2 million tons (4 to 8 percent) for carbon steel bar and rod. Low capital investment requirements (about \$350 per annual ton) has enabled planned expansion of the flat-rolled steel (sheet and strip) segment of the industry. These mills are all reportedly based on electric arc furnace steelmaking coupled with thin-slab or compact strip casting. These projects include a joint venture between Dofasco and CoSteel (Canadian companies) currently under construction in Gallatin, KY; a mill by Ipsco (Canada) at a location still-to-be named;⁶⁵ a joint venture between Nucor Corp. and Oregon Steel, currently seeking a location in the Pacific Northwest or California; a mill to be constructed by Steel Dynamics (formed by former-Nucor executives) in the Midwest; and Nucor's proposed additional mills, one on the East Coast and another in the upper-Midwest. These proposed increases in steelmaking and flat-rolled capacity are in addition to about 2 million tons of new corrosion-resistant coating capacity installed by four integrated steelmakers during 1992-93 to serve the needs of automobile producers. These companies include Bethlehem Steel (three facilities), Nucor, USX-Kobe (Protec), and Wheeling Pitt-Nisshin.⁶⁶

CoSteel (Canada) announced it was in the initial planning stages (to be completed by September 1994) for a 500,000 to 1 million ton-per-year bar and rod mill to be located in Kentucky to serve the automotive markets. North Star Steel has indicated that it soon may decide whether to construct a mill in Arizona to serve rod markets in the Mountain States. Oregon

⁶⁴ "Judge Keeps Sharon Idle," *American Metal Market*, Apr. 27, 1993, p. 1.

⁶⁵ IPSCO apparently has not finalized its decision locating this proposed mill (valued at \$360 million) in Iowa. The company reportedly is negotiating with legislative leaders in that state as well as in two other states.

⁶⁶ Some of this new coating capacity is the subject of joint ventures by U.S. and Japanese steelmakers. Also, DNN, a joint venture of National Steel (US), NKK (Japan), and Dofasco (Canada) started a 400,000 ton-per-year coating facility in Ontario, Canada during 1993 to service the U.S. and Canadian auto markets. Japan Steel Information Center, *Joint Ventures in the U.S. by Japanese Steel Makers*, June 1992. Also, *Iron and Steel Engineer*, Feb. 1993, p. 52.

⁵⁹ USITC, *Certain Flat-Rolled Carbon Steel Products*, pp. I-155 and USITC, *Certain Steel Wire Rod*, pp. II-15 and II-52.

⁶⁰ USITC, *Certain Steel Wire Rod*, p. II-49.

⁶¹ For a discussion of the impact on company balance sheets and income statements, and effect on credit, stock, and bond ratings see USITC, *Steel: Semiannual Monitoring Report*, USITC Publication 2655, pp. 30-31.

⁶² Company annual report.

⁶³ The principal reasons for the bankruptcy filing were the company's underfunded pension plan obligations, and worker and retiree health insurance costs.

Steel purchased CF&I (a producer of steel railroad rails, bar and rod, and tubular goods), assuming operational control during February 1993; Oregon Steel reportedly is to invest approximately \$180 million to modernize equipment and production lines at CF&I. Inland Steel Bar Co. cobbled a wire rod mill onto its existing bar rolling line; this mill is scheduled to become operational during April 1994 and produce up to 50,000 tons of high-end cold-heading quality rod for automotive applications. Also supplementing its bar production, USS/Kobe (a joint venture between USX Corp. and Kobe Steel) is constructing a rod mill at a cost of about \$70 million at its facility in Lorraine, OH; this new rod mill currently is scheduled to be operational during 1995.

Industry restructuring was also driven by a number of acquisitions and divestitures during 1993, often resulting in companies streamlining their product mixes. Armco apparently intends to concentrate on the production of stainless flat-rolled products. For example, in the carbon steel segment, Armco sold its Midwest facility to GS Technologies for \$80 million. GS Technologies intends to operate the Kansas City, MO rod mill as GS Steel.⁶⁷ In April 1994, Armco sold its share in Armco Steel Co., L.P. (carbon flat-rolled production at Middletown and Ashland, OH, a joint venture with Kawasaki Steel (Japan)). Armco announced during 1993 that it intends to divest the

⁶⁷ This sale included the grinding ball mill at the same facility and Armco's 50-percent partnership with Leggett and Platt, a large U.S. wire drawer.

Cytemp division (acquired from Cyclops Industries in 1992), and it substantially discontinued operations at its Baltimore, MD, stainless steel rod mill. Armco's joint venture with Acerinox (Spain), North American Stainless, began operating in 1993 and rolls stainless sheet and strip. Bethlehem Steel sold its Bar, Rod, and Wire Division (comprising the mills at Lackawanna and Johnstown, PA) to Veritas Capital Inc. in February 1994, and Bethlehem exited those product lines;⁶⁸ Bethlehem reportedly will not produce large structurals, following restructuring and modernization of its Bethlehem, PA, mill.

Other companies moved to broaden the range of products produced. In the stainless segment, Lukens purchased Washington Steel (a producer of stainless plate) and Allegheny Ludlum bought Athlone Industries (the Jessop Steel subsidiary produces stainless plate). Both transactions were reportedly undertaken to round out product lines. Birmingham Steel, a carbon steel producer, diversified its product mix beyond concrete reinforcing bar and mine roof bolts and expanded into more technologically demanding products through its purchase of American Steel and Wire (a premier U.S. producer of rod and wire for cold-heading applications). ■

⁶⁸ During 1993, Caribbean Ispat Limited (which produces rod and wire products in Trinidad and Tobago, Malaysia, and India) tried to purchase Bethlehem's Bar, Rod, and Wire division. The transaction failed because a labor accord could not be reached.

APPENDIX A

Structure of the Report and Notes on Product Coverage and Methodology

Structure

- The figures and tables presenting international production and consumption highlight the geographic distribution of world production and apparent consumption.
- The tables on international trade highlights present average annual import and export data for various countries/country groups over a 20-year time period.
- The section on recent steel industry developments highlights major events in both the U.S. and foreign steel industries.
- The special focus section analyzes current conditions in the U.S. industry, including information on recent developments in steel consumption, trade, capacity, production, capital expenditures, environmental expenditures, spending on research and development, employment, and financial performance. Data on U.S. industry conditions, compiled primarily from questionnaires, are provided in tables 6 through 21. U.S. shipment and trade data, compiled from secondary sources, are provided in appendix E, tables E-1 through E-37, described below.
- Tables E-1 through E-5 show data on shipments, imports, exports, apparent consumption, and imports as a percent of apparent consumption by major product for all grades of steel, plus carbon and specialty products separately.
- Tables E-6 through E-26 show data on the quantity of major carbon and specialty steel imports and exports on a product-by-product basis. The top 15 country suppliers, the top 10 country markets, and major regional groupings are specified.
- Table E-27 show data on the total value of carbon and specialty steel imports and exports on a product basis.
- Tables E-28 and E-29 show data on the unit values of selected imports and exports of carbon and specialty steel products.
- Tables E-30 and E-31 show data on imports and exports of selected carbon and specialty steel products. The tables also provide information that permits an examination of the extent to which shifts in product mix within major product categories occur.
- Tables E-32 through E-37 show data on imports of steel mill products and certain fabricated products, by U.S. customs area.

Notes

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

The products for which foreign trade data are collected generally correspond to those covered by the VRAs. Since the VRAs included certain fabricated products (defined as wire strand, wire ropes, cables, cordage, and fabricated structural units), the data may exceed that compiled by other organizations such as the AISI. The additional tonnage, however, is relatively small. In 1993, AISI reported imports of 19.5 million tons, which compares to the 20.4 million tons indicated in this report. The product categories most affected are structural shapes and units (which include fabricated structurals in this report) and wire and wire products (which include wire rope and wire strand).

The regional groupings in tables E-6 through E-26 are defined as follows:

- East Asia includes Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Laos, Macao, Malaysia, Philippines, Ryukyu Islands, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and South Vietnam;
- EU12 (formerly the European Community) includes Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, France, Germany (beginning in 1992, including former East Germany), Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, and the United Kingdom;
- Eastern Europe includes Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic (formerly Czechoslovakia), East Germany (included only through 1991), Hungary, Poland, and Romania;
- The Latin American Integration Association (LAIA) is the former LAFTA and includes Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

Trade data include imports under sections 9802.0060 and 9802.0080 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule*. These provisions apply to U.S. merchandise that is exported, processed, and reimported into the United States.

Data on tool steel imports exclude bearing steel products. This is consistent with industry practice and reports, which treat bearing steel as an alloy steel and categorize it according to its end form—either plate, sheet and strip, or rod. Unlike data on imports and shipments, available data on tool steel exports include some bearing steel products. As a result, apparent consumption calculations (see table E-4) are slightly understated in the case of tool steel, and slightly overstated in the case of plate, sheet and strip, and rod. The USITC staff estimates, however, that the degree of understatement/overstatement is minor, as exports of bearing steel products are believed to be relatively low.

Following consultation with the U.S. Department of Commerce, the USITC staff made the following revision to the June, July, and September 1990 export data: 686 tons of June 1990 tool steel exports to Iraq, valued at \$1,411,000, have been reclassified as electrical sheet and strip; 1,681 tons of July 1990 tool steel exports to Iraq, valued at \$2,360,000, have been similarly reclassified; and 25,122 tons of September 1990 stainless plate exports to France, valued at \$9,162,041, have been reclassified as carbon slab exports.

Other data revisions announced by AISI include: 7,609 tons (\$1,927,000) of February 1990 tool steel imports from Mexico, which were reclassified as carbon semifinished imports; 1,258 tons (\$1,537,000) of February 1991 tool steel exports to Mexico, which were reclassified as alloy bar exports; and 19,920 tons (\$3,443,000) of May 1993 hot-rolled carbon steel plate imports, which were reclassified as carbon steel semifinished imports.

The rails and related products category includes both new and used rails (see appendix D for complete definition). Of the 268,764 tons of rails and related products imported into the United States during 1993, 29 percent (or 77,272 tons) were used rails.

In tables E-28 and E-29, unit values are calculated using unrounded data. Import values are customs value, i.e., the data do not include insurance and freight charges from the country of origin to the United States.

To reflect industry terminology and operations more accurately, coiled plate products are included in the sheet and strip product category rather than the plate product category, effective with the June 1993 report. To adjust import data accordingly, HS subheadings 7208.11.0000, 7208.12.0000, 7208.21.1000, 7208.21.5000, 7208.22.1000, 7208.22.5000, 7211.12.0000, 7211.22.0090, 7225.30.3000, 7225.30.3005, 7225.30.3050, and 7226.91.5000 were transferred from the carbon and certain alloy plate product categories to the hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy sheet categories, and HS subheadings 7219.11.0000, 7219.12.0000, 7219.12.0005, 7219.12.0015, 7219.12.0030, 7219.12.0045, 7219.12.0060,

7219.12.0075, 7219.12.0080, and 7220.11.0000 were transferred from the stainless steel plate category to the stainless steel sheet and strip category. To adjust export data, Schedule B subheadings 7208.11.0000, 7208.12.0000, 7208.21.0000, 7208.22.0000, 7211.12.0000, 7211.22.0000, and 7225.30.0000 were reassigned from the carbon and certain alloy plate category to hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy sheet, and Schedule B subheadings 7219.11.0000, 7219.12.0000, and 7220.11.0000 were transferred from stainless steel plate to stainless steel sheet and strip.

APPENDIX B

**Request Letter from the
Honorable Dan Rostenkowski,
Chairman of the Committee on
Ways and Means,
U.S. House of Representatives**

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June 11, 1992

The Honorable Donald Newquist
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U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The recent expiration of the Voluntary Restraint Agreements (VRAs), the apparent collapse of the negotiations for a Multilateral Steel Agreement (MSA) and the filing of trade cases by the U.S. industry have combined to create an uncertain future for U.S. steel trade that is a source of continued concern to the Committee on Ways and Means. In light of this, the Committee hereby requests the U.S. International Trade Commission to provide it with semi-annual monitoring reports, under Section 332 of the Tariff Act of 1930, on the the status of, and prospects for, the U.S. steel industry for the period from January 1992 through December 1994.

This series of reports should combine concise analysis of global industry trends and competitiveness issues with key product trade information. They should generally follow the format of, and contain trade data and information similar to that provided in, the reports on all carbon and alloy (including stainless steel) mill products which the Commission has been providing under investigation No. 332-226. In addition, each year one of the reports should contain an annual review focusing primarily on developments and conditions in the U.S. industry and should highlight significant developments in the industry's competitiveness since 1990 (e.g. operating performance, capital expenditures and R&D, technology, and environmental expenditures). Finally, the Committee recognizes that limited primary data gathering, particularly the use of questionnaires, is necessary to examine these developments.


As you know, the Commission's current series of quarterly reports on the steel industry will be completed in June 1992, and will contain data through March 1992, when the recent VRAs expired. The first report under the new series should be published in September 1992 (covering data from January through

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June 1992). Subsequent reports should then appear in April and September, with the April report containing an annual review of the domestic industry. I request that the Commission provide the Committee with these semiannual reports through April 1995, at which time the Committee will reevaluate the Commission's monitoring efforts in terms of their relevance to the global steel trade environment.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours



Dan Rostenkowski
Chairman

APPENDIX C

Notice of the Commission's Investigation

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC

(332-327)

Steel: Semiannual Monitoring Report

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission

ACTION: Institution of investigation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 9, 1992

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Nancy Fulcher, Office of Industries/Minerals and Metals Division (202-205-3434), or Mr. Mark Paulson, Office of Industries/Minerals and Metals Division (202-205-3429), U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20436. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this investigation can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-2648.

BACKGROUND AND SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION: Following receipt on June 11, 1992, of a request from the Committee on Ways and Means of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Commission on July 9, 1992, instituted investigation No. 332-327, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)) concerning the status of, and prospects for, the U.S. steel industry for the period from January 1991 through December 1994.

As requested by the Committee, the Commission will provide semiannual reports in which it will seek to combine concise analysis of global industry trends and competitiveness issues with key product trade information. The reports will generally follow the format of, and contain trade data and information similar to that provided in, the reports on all carbon and alloy (including stainless steel) mill products which the Commission provided under investigation No. 332-226: Quarterly Report on the Status of the Steel Industry. In addition, each year one of the reports will contain an annual review focusing primarily on developments and conditions in the U.S. industry and will highlight significant developments in the industry's competitiveness since 1990 (e.g., operating performance, capital expenditures and R&D, technology, and environmental expenditures).

As requested by the Committee, the Commission intends to submit its first report under the new series no later than September 1992 (covering data from January through June 1992). Subsequent reports will be submitted in April and September, with the April report containing the annual review of the domestic industry. Reports will be provided through April 1995.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: Interested persons are invited to submit written statements concerning the matters to be addressed in the report containing the Commission's annual review of the domestic industry. Commercial or financial information that a party desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. (Generally, submission of separate confidential and public versions of the submission would be appropriate.) All

submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of § 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission for inspection by interested persons. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements should be submitted to the Commission at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than February 26, 1993; February 25, 1994; and February 24, 1995. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary to the Commission at the Commission's Office in Washington, DC.

By order of the Commission.



Paul R. Bardos
Acting Secretary

Issued: July 10, 1992

APPENDIX D
Definitions of Certain Terms
and Descriptions of the Products
Subject to the Investigation

1. *Steel*.—An alloy of iron and carbon that 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, that by weight contains 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 that contains any of the elements listed in definition 2 (above) in excess of its specified quantity.

(i) *Stainless steel*.—Any alloy steel that 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 steels that contain the following combinations of elements in the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:

More than 1.2 percent carbon and more than 10.5 percent chromium;
or
Not less than 0.3 percent carbon and 1.25 percent or more but less than 10.5 percent chromium; or
Not less than 0.85 percent carbon and 1 percent to 1.8 percent, inclusive, manganese; or
0.9 percent to 1.2 percent, inclusive, chromium and 0.9 percent to 1.4 percent, inclusive, molybdenum; or
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.

(iii) *Certain alloy steel*.—Alloy steel not covered under 3.(i) "Stainless steel" or 3.(ii) "Tool steel."

4. *Galvanized*.—Steel which has been coated or plated with zinc.

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

6. *Cold-rolled*.—Steel 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 does 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 data

comparability with previous Commission reports under investigation No. 332-226 (*Monthly and Quarterly Reports on the Status of the Steel Industry*), 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, slabs 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.

For certain products, export categories under the Schedule B classification system are broader than import product categories under the *Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States* (HTS); therefore, there is no overall one-to-one correspondence between the two classification systems. For this reason, export classifications are listed separately from import classifications in the following definitions.

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 that 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 investigation, semifinished 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 subheadings 7206.10.0000, 7206.90.0000, 7224.10.0005, 7224.10.0075 of the HTS.

(B) *Stainless steel ingots*; provided for in subheading 7218.10.0000 of the HTS.

(ii) *Blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars*.—Other continuous cast products of 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.

(A) *Carbon and certain alloy blooms and billets*; provided for in subheadings 7207.11.0000, 7207.12.0010, 7207.19.0030, 7207.19.0090, 7207.20.0025, 7207.20.0075, 7207.20.0090, 7224.90.0005, 7224.90.0045, 7224.90.0065, 7224.90.0075 of the HTS.

(B) *Carbon and certain alloy slabs and sheet bars*; provided for in subheadings 7207.12.0050, 7207.20.0045, 7224.90.0055 of the HTS.

(C) *Stainless steel blooms and billets*; provided for in subheadings 7218.90.0005, 7218.90.0015, 7218.90.0025, 7218.90.0032, 7218.90.0040, 7218.90.0050, 7218.90.0060, 7218.90.0075, 7218.90.0085, 7218.90.0095 of the HTS.

(D) *Stainless steel slabs and sheet bars*; provided for in subheading 7218.90.0038 of the HTS.

Exports of carbon and certain alloy semifinished products are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7206.10.0000, 7206.90.0000, 7207.11.0000, 7207.12.0000, 7207.19.0000, 7207.20.0000, 7224.10.0000, 7224.90.0000.

Exports of stainless steel semifinished products are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7218.10.0000, 7218.90.0000.

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 (cut-to-length).*—Flat-rolled products with a thickness equal to or exceeding 4.75 mm, not in coils. Plates are included in AISI product group No. 6A.

(A) *Carbon plate;* provided for in subheadings 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, 7211.21.0000, 7211.22.0045 of the HTS.

Exports of carbon plates are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7208.31.0000, 7208.32.0000, 7208.33.0000, 7208.41.0000, 7208.42.0000, 7208.43.0000, 7210.90.1000, 7211.11.0000, 7211.21.0000.

(B) *Certain alloy plate;* provided for in subheadings 7225.40.1015, 7225.40.3005, 7225.40.3050, 7225.50.6000 of the HTS.

Exports of certain alloy plates are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7225.30.0000, 7225.40.0000.

(C) *Stainless steel plate;* provided for in subheadings 7219.21.0005, 7219.21.0050, 7219.22.0005, 7219.22.0050, 7219.31.0010, 7219.31.0050 of the HTS.

Exports of stainless steel plates are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7219.21.0000, 7219.22.0000, 7219.31.0000.

(ii) *Sheets and strip (including coiled plate).*—Flat-rolled products in either coils or straight lengths. Sheet has a width equal to or exceeding 600 mm; strip width is less than 600 mm (but at least 10 times the thickness). Sheets and strip are included in AISI product group Nos. 6B, 28, 29, 29A, 30, 31, 32, 33A, 33B, 34, 35, 36, and 37. For the purposes of this investigation, sheets and strip are classified as follows:

(A) *Hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy sheet;* provided for in subheadings 7208.11.0000, 7208.12.0000, 7208.13.1000, 7208.13.5000, 7208.14.1000, 7208.14.5000, 7208.21.1000, 7208.21.5000, 7208.22.1000, 7208.22.5000, 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, 7208.90.0000, 7211.12.0000, 7211.22.0090, 7225.30.3000, 7225.30.3005, 7225.30.3050, 7225.30.5030, 7225.30.7000, 7225.40.5030, 7225.40.7000, 7226.91.1530, 7226.91.5000 of the HTS.

Exports of hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy sheet are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7208.11.0000, 7208.12.0000, 7208.13.0000, 7208.14.0000, 7208.21.0000, 7208.22.0000, 7208.23.0000, 7208.24.0000, 7208.34.0000, 7208.35.0000, 7208.44.0000, 7208.45.0000, 7208.90.0000, 7211.12.0000, 7211.22.0000, 7225.30.0000.

(B) *Hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy strip;* provided for in subheadings 7211.19.1000, 7211.19.5000, 7211.29.1000, 7211.29.3000, 7211.29.5000, 7211.29.7030, 7211.29.7060, 7211.29.7090, 7226.91.2530, 7226.91.7000, 7226.91.8000 of the HTS.

Exports of hot-rolled carbon and certain alloy strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7211.19.0000, 7211.29.0000, 7226.91.0000.

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

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

Exports of black plate are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7209.24.1000.

(b) *Electrical sheet and strip*; provided for in subheadings 7225.10.0030, 7225.10.0060, 7226.10.1030, 7226.10.1060, 7226.10.5015, 7226.10.5020 of the HTS.

Exports of electrical sheet and strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7225.10.0000, 7226.10.0000.

(c) *Other sheet*; provided for in subheadings 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, 7209.42.0000, 7209.43.0000, 7209.44.0000, 7209.90.0000, 7210.70.3000, 7225.50.1030, 7225.50.7000, 7225.50.8000, 7225.90.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of other cold-rolled sheet are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7209.11.0000, 7209.12.0000, 7209.13.0000, 7209.14.0000, 7209.21.0000, 7209.22.0000, 7209.23.0000, 7209.24.0000, 7209.24.5000, 7209.31.0000, 7209.32.0000, 7209.33.0000, 7209.34.0000, 7209.41.0000, 7209.42.0000, 7209.43.0000, 7209.44.0000, 7209.90.0000, 7225.50.0000, 7225.90.0000.

(d) *Other strip*; provided for in subheadings 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, 7211.90.0000, 7212.40.1000, 7212.40.5000, 7226.92.1030, 7226.92.3030, 7226.92.5000, 7226.92.7005, 7226.92.7050, 7226.92.8005, 7226.92.8050, 7226.99.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of other cold-rolled strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7210.70.0000, 7211.30.0000, 7211.41.0000, 7211.49.0000, 7211.90.0000, 7212.40.0000, 7226.92.4000, 7226.99.0000.

(D) *Galvanized sheet and strip*; provided for in subheadings 7210.31.0000, 7210.39.0000, 7210.41.0000, 7210.49.0030, 7210.49.0090, 7210.70.6030, 7210.70.6060, 7212.21.0000, 7212.29.0000, 7212.30.1030, 7212.30.1090, 7212.30.3000, 7212.30.5000 of the HTS.

Exports of galvanized sheet and strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7210.31.0000, 7210.39.0000, 7210.41.0000, 7210.49.0000, 7212.21.0000, 7212.29.0000, 7212.30.0000.

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

Exports of tin plate are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7210.11.0000, 7210.12.0000, 7212.10.0000.

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

Exports of tin free sheets are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7210.50.0000.

(G) *Other metallic coated sheet and strip*; provided for in subheadings 7210.20.0000, 7210.60.0000, 7210.70.6090, 7210.90.6000, 7210.90.9000, 7212.50.0000, 7212.60.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of other metallic coated sheet and strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7210.20.0000, 7210.60.0000, 7210.90.5000, 7212.50.0000, 7212.60.0000.

(H) *Stainless steel hot-rolled sheet*; provided for in subheadings 7219.11.0000, 7219.12.0000, 7219.12.0005, 7219.12.0015, 7219.12.0030, 7219.12.0045, 7219.12.0060, 7219.12.0075, 7219.12.0080, 7219.13.0030, 7219.13.0060, 7219.14.0030, 7219.14.0060, 7219.23.0030, 7219.23.0060, 7219.24.0030, 7219.24.0060, 7220.11.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of stainless steel hot-rolled sheet are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7219.11.0000, 7219.12.0000, 7219.13.0000, 7219.14.0000, 7219.23.0000, 7219.24.0000, 7220.11.0000.

(I) *Stainless steel cold-rolled sheet*; provided for in subheadings 7219.32.0015, 7219.32.0030, 7219.32.0045, 7219.32.0060, 7219.33.0015, 7219.33.0030, 7219.33.0045, 7219.33.0060, 7219.34.0010, 7219.34.0050, 7219.35.0010, 7219.35.0050, 7219.90.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of stainless steel cold-rolled sheet are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7219.32.0000, 7219.33.0000, 7219.34.0000, 7219.35.0000, 7219.90.0000.

(J) *Stainless steel strip*; provided for in subheadings 7220.12.1000, 7220.12.5000, 7220.20.1000, 7220.20.6005, 7220.20.6050, 7220.20.7005, 7220.20.7050, 7220.20.8000, 7220.20.9000, 7220.90.0000 of the HTS.

Exports of stainless steel strip are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7220.12.0000, 7220.20.0000, 7220.90.0000.

11. *Bars*.— Hot-rolled products, over 0.55 inches (14mm) in diameter, 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 subheadings 7213.39.0060, 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, 7215.90.1000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

Exports of hot-rolled carbon bars are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7213.20.0000, 7214.10.0000, 7214.30.0000, 7214.40.0000, 7214.50.0000, 7214.60.0000.

(ii) *Hot-rolled certain alloy bars*.—Provided for in subheadings 7227.20.0000, 7227.90.6005, 7227.90.6050, 7228.20.1000, 7228.30.8005, 7228.30.8050, 7228.40.0000, 7228.60.6000, 7228.80.0000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14.

Exports of hot-rolled alloy bars are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7227.20.0000, 7228.20.0000, 7228.30.8000, 7228.40.0000, 7228.60.5000, 7228.80.0000.

(iii) *Cold-formed carbon bars*.—Provided for in subheadings 7215.10.0000, 7215.20.0000, 7215.30.0000, 7215.40.0000, 7215.90.3000, 7215.90.5000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 16.

Exports of cold-formed carbon bars are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7215.10.0000, 7215.20.0000, 7215.30.0000, 7215.40.0000, 7215.90.0000.

(iv) *Cold-formed certain alloy bars*.—Provided for in subheadings 7228.20.5000, 7228.50.5005, 7228.50.5050, 7228.60.8000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 16.

Exports of cold-formed certain alloy bars are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7228.50.5000.

(v) *Reinforcing carbon and certain alloy steel bars.*—Hot-rolled steel bars, of solid cross section, having deformations of various patterns on their surfaces; provided for in subheadings 7213.10.0000, 7214.20.0000 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 15.

Exports of reinforcing carbon and certain alloy steel bars are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7213.10.0000, 7214.20.0000.

(vi) *Light structural shapes.*—Bar-size light shapes having a cross-sectional dimension of less than 7.62 cm provided for in subheadings 7216.10.0010, 7216.10.0050, 7216.21.0000, 7216.22.0000, 7228.70.3060, 7228.70.3080 of the HTS, and included in AISI product group No. 14A.

Exports of light structural shapes are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7216.10.0000, 7216.21.0000, 7216.22.0000.

(vii) *Stainless steel bars and shapes.*—Provided for in subheadings 7221.00.0005, 7221.00.0045, 7221.00.0075, 7222.10.0005, 7222.10.0050, 7222.20.0005, 7222.20.0045, 7222.20.0075, 7222.30.0000, 7222.40.3060, 7222.40.3080 of the HTS and included in AISI product group Nos. 14, 15, and 16.

Exports of stainless steel bars and shapes are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7222.10.0000, 7222.20.0000, 7222.30.0000, 7222.40.0000.

12. Wire rods and related products:

(i) *Wire rods.*—Coiled, semifinished, hot-rolled products of solid cross section, approximately round in cross section, not over 19mm in diameter. Wire rods are included in AISI product group No. 3.

For the purposes of this investigation, wire rods are classified as follows:

(A) *Carbon steel wire rods;* provided for in subheadings 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, 7213.50.0080 of the HTS.

Exports of carbon steel wire rods are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7213.31.0000, 7213.39.0000, 7213.41.0000, 7213.49.0000, 7213.50.0000.

(B) *Certain alloy steel wire rods;* provided for in subheadings 7227.90.1030, 7227.90.2030, 7228.30.2000, 7228.50.1010, 7228.60.1030 of the HTS.

Exports of certain alloy steel wire rods are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7227.90.0000.

(C) *Stainless steel wire rods;* provided for in subheadings 7221.00.0015, 7221.00.0030 of the HTS.

Exports of stainless steel wire rods are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7221.00.0000.

(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 investigation, steel wire is classified as follows:

(A) *Carbon steel wire;* provided for in subheadings 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, 7217.21.3045, 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, 7217.39.5000 of the HTS.

Exports of carbon steel wire are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7217.11.0000, 7217.12.0000, 7217.13.0000, 7217.19.0000, 7217.21.0000, 7217.22.0000, 7217.23.0000, 7217.29.0000, 7217.31.0000, 7217.32.0000, 7217.33.0000, 7217.39.0000.

(B) *Certain alloy steel wire*; provided for in subheadings 7229.20.0000, 7229.90.1000, 7229.90.5015, 7229.90.5030, 7229.90.5050, 7229.90.9000 of the HTS.

Exports of certain alloy steel wire are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7229.20.0000, 7229.90.0000.

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

Exports of stainless steel wire are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7223.00.0000.

(iii) *Carbon and certain alloy steel wire products*.—As defined by the following:

(A) *Nails and brads, spikes, staples, and tacks*; 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 subheadings 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, 7317.00.5590, 7317.00.7500, 8305.20.0000 of the HTS. Nails and staples are included in AISI product group No. 51 (pt.).

Exports of nails and brads, spikes, staples, and tacks are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7317.00.1000, 7317.00.9000, 8305.20.0000.

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

Exports of barbed wire are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7313.00.0000.

(C) *Wire expanded metal, grill and fencing*; products, 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 cm² or more, whether or not such wire is covered with plastics; as provided for in subheadings 7314.20.0000, 7314.30.1000, 7314.30.5000, 7314.41.0030, 7314.41.0060, 7314.42.0030, 7314.42.0060, 7314.49.3000, 7314.49.6000 of the HTS. The products are included in AISI product group No. 50.

Exports of wire expanded metal, grill and fencing are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7314.20.0000, 7314.30.0000, 7314.41.0000, 7314.42.0000, 7314.49.0000.

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

(E) *Wire strand*; two or more wires that 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, as provided for in subheadings 7312.10.1030, 7312.10.1050, 7312.10.1070, 7312.10.3005, 7312.10.3010, 7312.10.3012, 7312.10.3020, 7312.10.3065, 7312.10.3070, 7312.10.3074, 7312.10.3080 of the HTS. Wire strand is included in AISI product group No. 47.

Exports of wire strand are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7312.10.3015, 7312.10.3500.

(F) *Wire ropes, cables, and cordage*; 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 subheadings 7312.10.6000, 7312.10.9030, 7312.10.9060, 7312.10.9090 of the HTS. Wire ropes, cables, and cordage are included in AISI product group No. 46.

Exports of wire ropes, cables, and cordage are provided for in Schedule B subheading 7312.10.8500.

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*.—Products having a maximum cross-sectional dimension of 7.62 cm or more, and *sheet piling*; as provided for in subheadings 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, 7301.10.0000 of the HTS. These products are included in AISI product group Nos. 4 and 5.

Exports of heavy structural shapes and sheet piling are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7216.31.0000, 7216.32.0000, 7216.33.0000, 7216.40.0000, 7216.50.0000, 7216.60.0000, 7216.90.0000, 7301.10.0000.

(ii) *Fabricated structural units*.—Columns, pillars, posts, beams, girders, and similar structural units; as provided for in subheadings 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 Nos. 38 and 39.

Exports of fabricated structural units are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7228.70.0000, 7301.20.1000, 7301.20.5000, 7308.10.0000, 7308.20.0000, 7308.40.0000, 7308.90.1000, 7308.90.9030, 7308.90.9090, 8430.49.4000.

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

(i) *Rails*.—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 subheadings 7302.10.1010, 7302.10.1015, 7302.10.1025, 7302.10.1035, 7302.10.1045, 7302.10.1055, 7302.10.1065, 7302.10.1075, 7302.10.5020, 7302.10.5040, 7302.10.5060 of the HTS. Rails are included in AISI product group Nos. 7, 8, and 41.

Exports of rails are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7302.10.1020, 7302.10.1030, 7302.10.1080, 7302.10.5000.

(ii) *Joint bars*.—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 to protect the ties; all the foregoing, as provided for in subheadings 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.

Exports of joint bars, tie plates, and other railway track material are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7302.20.0000, 7302.30.0000, 7302.40.0000, 7302.90.0000.

(iii) *Railway track spikes*.—Products of one-piece construction, used to secure tie plates or ties; as provided for in subheadings 7317.00.6530, 7317.00.6560 of the HTS. Railway track spikes are included in AISI product group No. 42 (pt.).

(iv) *Railroad and railway (RR) axles and wheels, parts thereof, and axle bars*.—Provided for in subheadings 8607.19.1000, 8607.19.2000 of the HTS. These articles are included in AISI product group No. 43.

Exports of railroad and railway (RR) axles and wheels, parts thereof, and axle bars are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 8607.19.1000 and 8607.19.2000.

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 subheadings 7304.20.1000, 7304.20.1010, 7304.20.1020, 7304.20.1030, 7304.20.1040, 7304.20.1050, 7304.20.1060, 7304.20.1080, 7304.20.2000, 7304.20.2010, 7304.20.2020, 7304.20.2030, 7304.20.2040, 7304.20.2050, 7304.20.2060, 7304.20.2080, 7304.20.3000, 7304.20.3010, 7304.20.3020, 7304.20.3030, 7304.20.3040, 7304.20.3050, 7304.20.3060, 7304.20.3080, 7304.20.4010, 7304.20.4020, 7304.20.4030, 7304.20.4040, 7304.20.4050, 7304.20.4060, 7304.20.4080, 7304.20.5015, 7304.20.5030, 7304.20.5045, 7304.20.5060, 7304.20.5075, 7304.20.6015, 7304.20.6030, 7304.20.6045, 7304.20.6060, 7304.20.6075, 7304.20.7000, 7304.20.8030, 7304.20.8045, 7304.20.8060, 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.

Exports of oil country tubular goods are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7304.20.1500, 7304.20.3500, 7304.20.5000, 7304.20.6000, 7304.20.7000, 7304.20.8000, 7305.20.3000, 7305.20.7000, 7306.20.1500, 7306.20.2500, 7306.20.6000, 7306.20.8000.

(ii) *Line pipe.*—Provided for in subheadings 7304.10.1020, 7304.10.1030, 7304.10.1045, 7304.10.1060, 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, 7306.10.1050, 7306.10.5010, 7306.10.5050 of the HTS. Line pipe is included in AISI product group No. 20.

Exports of line pipe are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7304.10.1020, 7304.10.1050, 7304.10.1080, 7304.10.5020, 7304.10.5050, 7304.10.5080, 7305.11.1000, 7305.11.5000, 7305.12.1000, 7305.12.5000, 7305.19.1000, 7305.19.5000, 7306.10.1000, 7306.10.5000.

(iii) *Mechanical pipe.*—Provided for in subheadings 7304.31.3000, 7304.31.6050, 7304.39.0028, 7304.39.0032, 7304.39.0040, 7304.39.0044, 7304.39.0052, 7304.39.0056, 7304.39.0068, 7304.39.0072, 7304.51.1000, 7304.51.5060, 7304.59.1000, 7304.59.6000, 7304.59.8020, 7304.59.8025, 7304.59.8035, 7304.59.8040, 7304.59.8050, 7304.59.8055, 7304.59.8065, 7304.59.8070, 7304.90.5000, 7304.90.7000, 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.5015, 7306.30.5020, 7306.30.5035, 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 No. 21A.

(iv) *Structural pipe.*—Provided for in subheadings 7304.90.1000, 7304.90.3000, 7305.31.2000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6000, 7306.30.3000, 7306.50.3000, 7306.60.1000, 7306.60.3000 of the HTS. Structural pipe is included in AISI product group No. 22A.

(v) *Pressure tubing.*—Provided for in subheadings 7304.31.6010, 7304.39.0002, 7304.39.0004, 7304.39.0006, 7304.39.0008, 7304.51.5015, 7304.51.5045, 7304.59.2030, 7304.59.2040, 7304.59.2045, 7304.59.2055, 7304.59.2060, 7304.59.2070, 7304.59.2080, 7306.30.5010, 7306.50.5010 of the HTS. Pressure tubing is included in AISI product group No. 21B.

(vi) *Stainless steel pipes and tubes.*—Provided for in subheadings 7304.41.0005, 7304.41.0015, 7304.41.0045, 7304.41.3005, 7304.41.3015, 7304.41.3045, 7304.41.6005, 7304.41.6015, 7304.41.6045, 7304.49.0005, 7304.49.0015, 7304.49.0045, 7304.49.0060, 7306.40.1000, 7306.40.5005, 7306.40.5015, 7306.40.5045, 7306.40.5060, 7306.40.5075 of the HTS. Stainless steel pipes and tubes are included in AISI product group Nos. 21C and 21D.

Exports of stainless steel pipes and tubes are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7304.41.0000, 7304.49.0010, 7304.49.0040, 7306.40.1000, 7306.40.5000.

(vii) *Other, including standard*.—Provided for in subheadings 7304.39.0016, 7304.39.0020, 7304.39.0024, 7304.39.0036, 7304.39.0048, 7304.39.0062, 7304.39.0076, 7304.39.0080, 7304.39.0090, 7304.51.5005, 7304.59.8010, 7304.59.8015, 7304.59.8030, 7304.59.8045, 7304.59.8060, 7304.59.8080, 7305.39.1000, 7305.39.5000, 7305.90.1000, 7305.90.5000, 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5028, 7306.30.5032, 7306.30.5040, 7306.30.5055, 7306.30.5085, 7306.30.5090, 7306.90.1000, 7306.90.5000 of the HTS. Other, including standard pipe is included in AISI product group Nos. 18, 21E, and 22B.

Exports of other pipes and tubes, including mechanical, structural, pressure, and standard are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7304.31.0000, 7304.39.0000, 7304.51.0000, 7304.59.0000, 7304.90.4000, 7304.90.6000, 7305.31.2000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6000, 7305.39.1000, 7305.39.5000, 7305.90.1000, 7305.90.5000, 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.1500, 7306.50.1000, 7306.50.4500, 7306.60.2500, 7306.60.6500, 7306.90.1000, 7306.90.5000.

16. *Alloy tool steel (all forms)*.—Provided for in subheadings 7224.10.0045, 7224.90.0015, 7224.90.0025, 7224.90.0035, 7225.20.0000, 7225.30.1000, 7225.30.5060, 7225.40.1090, 7225.40.5060, 7225.50.1060, 7226.20.0000, 7226.91.0500, 7226.91.1560, 7226.91.2560, 7226.92.1060, 7226.92.3060, 7227.10.0000, 7227.90.1060, 7227.90.2060, 7228.10.0010, 7228.10.0030, 7228.10.0060, 7228.30.4000, 7228.30.6000, 7228.50.1020, 7228.50.1040, 7228.50.1060, 7228.50.1080, 7228.60.1060, 7229.10.0000 of the HTS. Alloy tool steel is included in AISI product group No. 17.

Exports of alloy tool steel (all forms) are provided for in Schedule B subheadings 7225.20.0000, 7226.20.0000, 7226.92.2000, 7227.10.0000, 7228.10.0000, 7228.30.5000, 7228.50.1000, 7228.60.1000, 7229.10.0000.

Please refer to appendix A, Notes on Product Coverage and Methodology, for further explanation.

APPENDIX E

Statistical Tables on U.S. Shipments (of) and U.S. Trade in Steel Mill Products and Certain Fabricated Steel Products, 1990-93

Table E-1
Steel mill products:¹ U.S. producers' shipments, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93
(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| All grades of steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 1,916,575 | 2,548,961 | 2,292,847 | 2,481,939 |
| Plate | 5,131,846 | 4,271,412 | 4,361,596 | 4,769,891 |
| Sheet and strip | 46,628,513 | 43,300,206 | 46,456,874 | 50,275,252 |
| Bars & certain shapes ² | 14,726,831 | 12,840,512 | 13,435,487 | 14,305,414 |
| Wire rod | 4,325,740 | 4,365,595 | 4,486,926 | 4,875,336 |
| Wire | 917,950 | 865,092 | 880,710 | 792,182 |
| Wire products | (³) | (³) | (³) | (³) |
| Structural shapes & units | 6,092,821 | 5,675,786 | 5,716,306 | 5,808,514 |
| Rails & related products | 518,593 | 486,185 | 525,582 | 645,893 |
| Pipe and tube | 4,651,570 | 4,488,014 | 4,197,881 | 4,445,436 |
| Total | 84,910,439 | 78,841,763 | 82,354,209 | 88,399,857 |
| Carbon & certain alloy⁴ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 1,873,588 | 2,469,217 | 2,226,029 | 2,436,843 |
| Plate | 5,016,698 | 4,174,312 | 4,266,415 | 4,664,022 |
| Sheet and strip | 45,577,983 | 42,254,291 | 45,325,716 | 49,104,314 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 14,531,409 | 12,654,917 | 13,236,284 | 14,100,686 |
| Wire rod | 4,291,153 | 4,331,673 | 4,457,404 | 4,850,148 |
| Wire | 894,750 | 841,602 | 856,252 | 767,983 |
| Wire products | (³) | (³) | (³) | (³) |
| Structural shapes & units | 6,092,821 | 5,675,786 | 5,716,306 | 5,808,514 |
| Rails & related products | 518,593 | 486,185 | 525,582 | 645,893 |
| Pipe and tube | 4,610,197 | 4,453,781 | 4,166,362 | 4,420,107 |
| Total | 83,407,192 | 77,341,764 | 80,776,350 | 86,798,510 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 42,987 | 79,744 | 66,818 | 45,096 |
| Plate | 115,148 | 97,100 | 95,181 | 105,869 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,050,530 | 1,045,915 | 1,131,158 | 1,170,938 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 137,717 | 134,405 | 135,293 | 137,184 |
| Wire rod | 34,587 | 33,922 | 29,522 | 25,188 |
| Wire | 23,200 | 23,490 | 24,458 | 24,199 |
| Pipe and tube | 41,373 | 34,233 | 31,519 | 25,329 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 57,705 | 51,190 | 63,910 | 67,544 |
| Total stainless and tool | 1,503,247 | 1,499,999 | 1,577,859 | 1,601,347 |

¹ Shipment data compiled by AISI exclude certain fabricated products (wire strand, wire ropes, cables, cordage, and fabricated structural units).

² Includes tool steel.

³ Not applicable. Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and reported in the category designated "wire."

⁴ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

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

Table E-2

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| All grades of steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 2,362,820 | 2,045,572 | 2,344,321 | 4,972,667 |
| Plate | 933,290 | 792,605 | 893,403 | 731,274 |
| Sheet and strip | 7,697,057 | 7,107,749 | 8,793,326 | 7,568,536 |
| Bars & certain shapes ¹ | 1,119,085 | 1,041,496 | 1,152,617 | 1,514,351 |
| Wire rod | 979,241 | 846,923 | 1,146,420 | 1,397,196 |
| Wire | 432,336 | 391,804 | 430,981 | 528,192 |
| Wire products | 660,325 | 511,839 | 586,916 | 614,823 |
| Structural shapes & units | 1,020,593 | 604,361 | 589,613 | 742,074 |
| Rails & related products | 349,555 | 303,596 | 299,418 | 268,764 |
| Pipe and tube | 2,589,409 | 2,735,372 | 1,543,490 | 2,056,092 |
| Total | 18,143,711 | 16,381,316 | 17,780,504 | 20,393,968 |
| Carbon & certain alloy² steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 2,301,998 | 1,996,610 | 2,307,144 | 4,879,125 |
| Plate | 922,826 | 779,002 | 878,172 | 692,291 |
| Sheet and strip | 7,524,025 | 6,930,919 | 8,567,140 | 7,208,481 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 1,035,255 | 943,845 | 1,057,195 | 1,393,135 |
| Wire rod | 956,113 | 821,026 | 1,106,805 | 1,356,489 |
| Wire | 414,008 | 374,750 | 411,892 | 506,223 |
| Wire products | 660,325 | 511,839 | 586,916 | 614,823 |
| Structural shapes & units | 1,020,593 | 604,361 | 589,613 | 742,074 |
| Rails & related products | 349,555 | 303,596 | 299,418 | 268,764 |
| Pipe and tube | 2,542,189 | 2,687,154 | 1,500,877 | 2,012,557 |
| Total | 17,726,887 | 15,953,102 | 17,305,171 | 19,673,962 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 60,822 | 48,962 | 37,177 | 113,462 |
| Plate | 10,464 | 13,602 | 15,231 | 19,063 |
| Sheet and strip | 173,033 | 176,830 | 226,186 | 360,054 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 44,526 | 52,493 | 57,499 | 70,067 |
| Wire rod | 23,128 | 25,897 | 39,616 | 40,707 |
| Wire | 18,328 | 17,054 | 19,089 | 21,969 |
| Pipe and tube | 47,220 | 48,218 | 42,612 | 43,535 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 39,304 | 45,158 | 37,923 | 51,150 |
| Total stainless and tool | 416,824 | 428,214 | 475,333 | 720,007 |

¹ Includes tool steel.² "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Note.—Imports of steel mill products only (excluding fabricated steel products): 17,33 short tons, 1990; 15,748,077 short tons, 1991; 17,062,421 short tons, 1992; 19,981,671 short tons, 1993.

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

Table E-3

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| All grades of steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 497,199 | 699,080 | 422,911 | 537,030 |
| Plate | 167,416 | 245,035 | 172,083 | 173,292 |
| Sheet and strip | 2,161,482 | 3,355,880 | 1,996,522 | 1,526,290 |
| Bars & certain shapes ¹ | 451,278 | 585,849 | 536,713 | 644,677 |
| Wire rod | 106,632 | 166,455 | 70,846 | 62,31 |
| Wire | 70,052 | 89,415 | 90,138 | 90,361 |
| Wire products | 41,548 | 51,552 | 56,573 | 71,370 |
| Structural shapes & units | 495,007 | 657,019 | 446,412 | 498,413 |
| Rails & related products | 379,039 | 108,056 | 74,208 | 115,447 |
| Pipe and tube | 470,779 | 753,109 | 679,283 | 568,414 |
| Total | 4,840,433 | 6,711,450 | 4,545,690 | 4,287,605 |
| Carbon & certain alloy² steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 515,848 | 679,017 | 417,424 | 529,560 |
| Plate | 133,760 | 235,842 | 165,485 | 166,481 |
| Sheet and strip | 2,099,903 | 3,257,888 | 1,918,453 | 1,465,044 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 428,311 | 560,268 | 510,804 | 626,675 |
| Wire rod | 101,219 | 162,231 | 68,590 | 59,749 |
| Wire | 66,453 | 86,775 | 87,957 | 87,811 |
| Wire products | 41,548 | 51,552 | 56,573 | 71,370 |
| Structural shapes & units | 495,007 | 657,019 | 446,412 | 498,413 |
| Rails & related products | 379,039 | 108,056 | 74,208 | 115,447 |
| Pipe and tube | 457,336 | 738,176 | 664,582 | 554,303 |
| Total | 4,718,426 | 6,536,824 | 4,410,489 | 4,174,853 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 6,472 | 20,063 | 5,487 | 7,470 |
| Plate | 8,534 | 9,193 | 6,598 | 6,811 |
| Sheet and strip | 63,947 | 97,991 | 78,069 | 61,246 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 16,005 | 16,989 | 19,935 | 11,457 |
| Wire rod | 5,413 | 4,224 | 2,256 | 2,561 |
| Wire | 3,599 | 2,640 | 2,181 | 2,550 |
| Pipe and tube | 13,443 | 14,934 | 14,701 | 14,111 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 4,594 | 8,592 | 5,974 | 6,545 |
| Total stainless and tool | 122,007 | 174,626 | 135,201 | 112,752 |

¹ Includes tool steel.² "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Note.—Exports of steel mill products only (excluding fabricated steel products): 4,602,490 short tons, 1990; 6,392,652 short tons, 1991; 4,304,215 short tons, 1992; 4,033,607 short tons, 1993.

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

Table E-4
Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Apparent U.S. consumption, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| All grades of steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 3,782,196 | 3,895,453 | 4,214,257 | 6,917,576 |
| Plate | 5,897,720 | 4,818,982 | 5,082,916 | 5,327,873 |
| Sheet and strip | 52,164,088 | 47,052,075 | 53,253,678 | 56,317,498 |
| Bars & certain shapes ¹ | 15,394,638 | 13,296,159 | 14,051,391 | 15,175,088 |
| Wire rod | 5,198,349 | 5,046,063 | 5,562,500 | 6,210,222 |
| Wire | 1,899,011 | 1,627,768 | 1,751,896 | 1,773,466 |
| Wire products | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Structural shapes & units | 6,618,407 | 5,623,128 | 5,859,507 | 6,052,175 |
| Rails & related products | 489,109 | 681,725 | 750,792 | 799,210 |
| Pipe and tube | 6,770,200 | 6,470,277 | 5,062,088 | 5,933,114 |
| Total | 98,213,718 | 88,511,630 | 95,589,025 | 104,506,222 |
| Carbon & certain alloy³ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 3,659,738 | 3,786,810 | 4,115,749 | 6,766,488 |
| Plate | 5,805,764 | 4,717,472 | 4,979,102 | 5,209,752 |
| Sheet and strip | 51,002,105 | 45,927,322 | 51,974,403 | 54,847,751 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 15,138,353 | 13,038,494 | 13,782,675 | 14,867,146 |
| Wire rod | 5,146,047 | 4,990,468 | 5,495,619 | 6,146,888 |
| Wire | 1,861,082 | 1,589,864 | 1,710,530 | 1,729,848 |
| Wire products | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Structural shapes & units | 6,618,407 | 5,623,128 | 5,859,507 | 6,052,175 |
| Rails & related products | 489,109 | 681,725 | 750,792 | 799,210 |
| Pipe and tube | 6,695,050 | 6,402,759 | 5,002,657 | 5,878,361 |
| Total | 96,415,655 | 86,758,042 | 93,671,034 | 102,297,619 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 97,337 | 108,643 | 98,508 | 151,088 |
| Plate | 117,078 | 101,509 | 103,814 | 118,121 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,159,616 | 1,124,754 | 1,279,275 | 1,469,746 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 166,238 | 169,909 | 172,857 | 195,794 |
| Wire rod | 52,302 | 55,595 | 66,882 | 63,334 |
| Wire | 37,929 | 37,904 | 41,366 | 43,618 |
| Pipe and tube | 75,150 | 67,517 | 59,430 | 54,753 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 92,415 | 87,756 | 95,859 | 112,149 |
| Total stainless and tool | 1,798,065 | 1,753,587 | 1,917,991 | 2,208,603 |

¹ Includes tool steel.

² Not applicable. Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and reported in the category designated "wire."

³ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Note.—Apparent consumption of steel mill products only (excluding fabricated steel products): 97,644,359 short tons, 1990; 88,201,112 short tons, 1991; 95,112,415 short tons, 1992; 104,347,921 short tons, 1993.

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

Table E-5**Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports as a percent of apparent consumption, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93***(Percent)*

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| All grades of steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 62.5 | 52.5 | 55.6 | 71.9 |
| Plate | 15.8 | 16.4 | 17.6 | 13.7 |
| Sheet and strip | 14.8 | 15.1 | 16.5 | 13.4 |
| Bars & certain shapes ¹ | 7.3 | 7.8 | 8.2 | 10.0 |
| Wire rod | 18.8 | 16.8 | 20.6 | 22.5 |
| Wire | 57.5 | 55.5 | 58.1 | 64.5 |
| Wire products | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Structural shapes & units | 15.4 | 10.7 | 10.1 | 12.3 |
| Rails & related products | 71.5 | 44.5 | 39.9 | 33.6 |
| Pipe and tube | 38.2 | 42.3 | 30.5 | 34.7 |
| Total | 18.5 | 18.5 | 18.6 | 19.5 |
| Carbon & certain alloy³ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 62.9 | 52.7 | 56.1 | 71.8 |
| Plate | 15.9 | 16.5 | 17.6 | 13.7 |
| Sheet and strip | 14.8 | 15.1 | 16.5 | 13.1 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.7 | 9.4 |
| Wire rod | 18.6 | 16.5 | 20.1 | 22.1 |
| Wire | 57.7 | 55.8 | 58.4 | 64.8 |
| Wire products | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Structural shapes & units | 15.4 | 10.7 | 10.1 | 12.3 |
| Rails & related products | 71.5 | 44.5 | 39.9 | 33.6 |
| Pipe and tube | 38.0 | 42.0 | 30.0 | 34.2 |
| Total | 18.4 | 18.4 | 18.5 | 19.2 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 62.5 | 45.1 | 37.7 | 75.1 |
| Plate | 8.9 | 13.4 | 14.7 | 16.1 |
| Sheet and strip | 14.9 | 15.7 | 17.7 | 24.5 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 26.8 | 30.9 | 33.3 | 35.8 |
| Wire rod | 44.2 | 46.6 | 59.2 | 64.3 |
| Wire | 48.3 | 45.0 | 46.1 | 50.4 |
| Pipe and tube | 62.8 | 71.4 | 71.7 | 79.5 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 42.5 | 51.5 | 39.6 | 45.6 |
| Total stainless and tool | 23.2 | 24.4 | 24.8 | 32.6 |

¹ Includes tool steel.² Not applicable. Shipment and apparent consumption data for wire and wire products have been combined and reported in the category designated "wire."³ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

Note.—U.S. imports as a percent of apparent consumption of steel mill products only (excluding fabricated steel products): 17.8 percent, 1990; 17.9 percent, 1991; 17.9 percent, 1992; 19.1 percent, 1993.

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

Table E-6

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 3,203,970 | 3,189,823 | 4,493,860 | 5,093,245 |
| Germany | 1,591,850 | 1,448,397 | 1,383,401 | 1,920,246 |
| Japan | 3,205,475 | 2,880,969 | 2,716,559 | 1,852,809 |
| Brazil | 1,486,654 | 1,321,907 | 1,565,028 | 1,449,134 |
| Korea | 1,520,641 | 1,583,466 | 1,759,996 | 1,181,779 |
| France | 1,161,981 | 929,415 | 962,084 | 1,166,881 |
| Italy | 382,145 | 330,724 | 267,509 | 1,072,949 |
| Mexico | 689,260 | 534,216 | 456,236 | 893,621 |
| Netherlands | 459,375 | 494,184 | 563,949 | 742,267 |
| Belgium | 485,121 | 452,790 | 397,624 | 726,661 |
| United Kingdom | 823,983 | 626,679 | 619,573 | 707,917 |
| Australia | 310,515 | 368,973 | 369,910 | 439,439 |
| Republic of South Africa | 1,290 | 415 | 254,958 | 406,554 |
| Sweden | 295,108 | 302,844 | 343,420 | 279,663 |
| Spain | 346,450 | 222,981 | 212,128 | 275,161 |
| All others | 2,179,894 | 1,693,533 | 1,414,271 | 2,185,643 |
| Total | 18,143,711 | 16,381,316 | 17,780,504 | 20,393,968 |
| East Asia | 5,098,669 | 4,689,214 | 4,680,736 | 3,296,709 |
| EU-12 | 5,550,937 | 4,749,489 | 4,627,807 | 6,930,701 |
| Eastern Europe | 169,471 | 201,883 | 110,322 | 194,592 |
| LAIA ¹ | 2,607,940 | 2,184,428 | 2,215,447 | 2,654,271 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 2,041,948 | 1,729,394 | 1,481,796 | 1,762,054 |
| Mexico | 730,368 | 1,370,880 | 1,464,634 | 1,024,569 |
| Taiwan | 20,268 | 441,809 | 53,324 | 261,974 |
| Ecuador | 48,803 | 32,850 | 71,428 | 112,504 |
| Japan | 479,781 | 704,128 | 134,455 | 105,597 |
| China | 9,093 | 100,367 | 97,331 | 101,681 |
| Hong Kong | 24,219 | 50,857 | 61,192 | 68,246 |
| Colombia | 20,377 | 14,971 | 66,597 | 48,779 |
| United Kingdom | 49,717 | 47,017 | 66,152 | 44,954 |
| Thailand | 63,403 | 37,506 | 81,927 | 43,777 |
| All others | 1,352,458 | 2,181,671 | 966,854 | 713,469 |
| Total | 4,840,433 | 6,711,450 | 4,545,690 | 4,287,605 |
| East Asia | 1,001,759 | 2,435,240 | 643,201 | 683,868 |
| EU-12 | 331,469 | 273,576 | 201,201 | 149,667 |
| Eastern Europe | 1,627 | 2,244 | 3,672 | 4,439 |
| LAIA ¹ | 895,848 | 1,596,980 | 1,735,554 | 1,294,449 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-7

Carbon and certain alloy¹ semifinished steel: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Brazil | 813,302 | 704,348 | 967,561 | 1,083,108 |
| Germany | 238,170 | 244,191 | 282,030 | 654,325 |
| Italy | 49,399 | 29 | 6 | 646,301 |
| France | 122,970 | 125,539 | 39,083 | 537,021 |
| Mexico | 235,733 | 201,417 | 124,381 | 449,445 |
| Belgium | 88,307 | 60,690 | 97,312 | 349,205 |
| Australia | 129,746 | 160,936 | 149,901 | 314,715 |
| Canada | 188,925 | 82,534 | 177,583 | 220,378 |
| Netherlands | 60,499 | 63,861 | 69,044 | 201,339 |
| United Kingdom | 289,099 | 212,479 | 223,297 | 154,636 |
| Sweden | 64,589 | 90,597 | 76,174 | 76,814 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 59,495 |
| Venezuela | 0 | 0 | 44,130 | 44,372 |
| Japan | 9,574 | 3,450 | 21 | 27,974 |
| Finland | 6,383 | 46,472 | 31,939 | 23,832 |
| All others | 5,301 | 66 | 24,682 | 36,166 |
| Total | 2,301,998 | 1,996,610 | 2,307,144 | 4,879,125 |
| East Asia | 9,679 | 3,451 | 21,688 | 28,015 |
| EU-12 | 852,870 | 706,828 | 710,791 | 2,565,254 |
| Eastern Europe | 45 | 0 | 0 | 1,165 |
| LAIA ² | 1,049,244 | 905,765 | 1,136,072 | 1,576,925 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Taiwan | 663 | 184,829 | 23,917 | 165,432 |
| Ecuador | 39,225 | 11,869 | 58,739 | 101,016 |
| Mexico | 15,231 | 58,606 | 169,090 | 91,049 |
| Canada | 89,628 | 64,671 | 30,603 | 66,264 |
| Japan | 66,077 | 54,715 | 6,606 | 33,035 |
| China | 44 | 96 | 105 | 21,980 |
| Panama | 92 | 747 | 3,898 | 8,028 |
| Philippines | 2 | 8 | 149 | 7,922 |
| Dominican Republic | 43,091 | 5,731 | 3,722 | 7,031 |
| Thailand | 27,609 | 1,447 | 76 | 4,465 |
| All others | 234,187 | 296,297 | 120,520 | 23,339 |
| Total | 515,848 | 679,017 | 417,424 | 529,560 |
| East Asia | 145,864 | 374,529 | 75,978 | 234,236 |
| EU-12 | 52,558 | 40,556 | 23,087 | 8,350 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 2 | 14 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 61,725 | 76,435 | 252,335 | 194,739 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-8

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel plate²: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Ukraine | 0 | 0 | 13,835 | 116,752 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 79,295 | 102,752 |
| India | 62,315 | 0 | 18,124 | 97,460 |
| Canada | 86,548 | 92,872 | 202,904 | 83,566 |
| Belgium | 123,382 | 97,096 | 62,666 | 62,468 |
| Sweden | 111,517 | 87,154 | 113,894 | 36,958 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31,515 |
| The Czech Republic | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26,711 |
| Macedonia | 0 | 0 | 18,115 | 26,061 |
| Germany | 59,855 | 47,197 | 31,478 | 23,520 |
| Finland | 83,803 | 55,762 | 47,579 | 23,200 |
| Japan | 23,122 | 27,425 | 10,656 | 15,231 |
| France | 18,556 | 20,064 | 14,696 | 13,028 |
| Brazil | 61,723 | 73,958 | 50,508 | 12,588 |
| Denmark | 6,694 | 2,815 | 3,217 | 11,498 |
| All others | 285,312 | 274,659 | 211,205 | 8,982 |
| Total | 922,826 | 779,002 | 878,172 | 692,291 |
| East Asia | 44,483 | 42,611 | 20,243 | 31,060 |
| EU-12 | 333,940 | 291,632 | 193,350 | 95,774 |
| Eastern Europe | 79,915 | 106,306 | 47,924 | 30,591 |
| LAIA ³ | 103,243 | 93,301 | 110,505 | 13,087 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 104,891 | 79,648 | 54,275 | 61,349 |
| Mexico | 8,288 | 37,765 | 66,617 | 49,692 |
| Japan | 93 | 47,684 | 6,119 | 19,651 |
| Taiwan | 157 | 11,436 | 4,595 | 18,128 |
| Korea | 53 | 33,687 | 17,716 | 12,091 |
| Turkey | 44 | 0 | 115 | 628 |
| Chile | 48 | 297 | 242 | 497 |
| Venezuela | 1,137 | 534 | 10,885 | 403 |
| Surinam | 411 | 209 | 295 | 353 |
| Guyana | 0 | 45 | 354 | 351 |
| All others | 18,638 | 24,537 | 4,272 | 3,339 |
| Total | 133,760 | 235,842 | 165,485 | 166,481 |
| East Asia | 12,181 | 112,521 | 30,245 | 50,172 |
| EU-12 | 2,474 | 1,310 | 263 | 458 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ³ | 11,013 | 40,132 | 77,947 | 51,055 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Excluding coiled plate. See app. A for details.³ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-9

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel sheet and strip²: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 1,055,992 | 1,158,944 | 1,933,969 | 2,159,802 |
| Japan | 1,945,407 | 1,655,243 | 1,796,481 | 816,681 |
| Germany | 855,292 | 684,639 | 777,922 | 768,143 |
| Korea | 865,358 | 953,719 | 1,239,400 | 586,675 |
| Netherlands | 383,180 | 416,072 | 478,970 | 504,213 |
| France | 677,938 | 501,952 | 657,044 | 276,636 |
| Italy | 174,742 | 173,042 | 202,651 | 258,294 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 130,982 | 219,125 |
| Mexico | 130,962 | 88,650 | 113,764 | 179,271 |
| Belgium | 154,385 | 209,306 | 143,226 | 168,243 |
| Finland | 107,072 | 81,194 | 94,010 | 138,453 |
| United Kingdom | 72,326 | 57,572 | 61,851 | 124,489 |
| Australia | 150,757 | 182,149 | 197,748 | 89,246 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 3,333 | 84,375 |
| Brazil | 306,719 | 254,375 | 313,010 | 80,779 |
| All others | 643,895 | 514,062 | 422,778 | 754,057 |
| Total | 7,524,025 | 6,930,919 | 8,567,140 | 7,208,481 |
| East Asia | 2,912,560 | 2,662,545 | 3,073,699 | 1,496,615 |
| EU-12 | 2,411,822 | 2,144,354 | 2,429,159 | 2,334,209 |
| Eastern Europe | 26,912 | 15,448 | 38,611 | 130,726 |
| LAIA ³ | 589,106 | 467,724 | 471,219 | 379,300 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 739,050 | 732,203 | 650,698 | 706,579 |
| Mexico | 368,733 | 743,429 | 751,139 | 463,473 |
| Japan | 336,185 | 527,868 | 110,320 | 44,023 |
| Taiwan | 7,537 | 222,969 | 7,140 | 36,962 |
| Italy | 70,018 | 43,004 | 43,279 | 31,508 |
| Hong Kong | 20,997 | 28,667 | 40,091 | 29,505 |
| India | 20,805 | 12,509 | 17,332 | 21,331 |
| Brazil | 8,922 | 5,446 | 18,923 | 18,510 |
| Pakistan | 20,894 | 18,099 | 20,571 | 18,297 |
| Argentina | 18,004 | 17,836 | 14,349 | 9,388 |
| All others | 488,757 | 905,857 | 244,611 | 85,468 |
| Total | 2,099,903 | 3,257,888 | 1,918,453 | 1,465,044 |
| East Asia | 643,125 | 1,536,791 | 284,435 | 133,061 |
| EU-12 | 150,432 | 99,314 | 62,669 | 49,387 |
| Eastern Europe | 520 | 152 | 344 | 332 |
| LAIA ³ | 409,555 | 803,492 | 809,943 | 507,442 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Including coiled plate. See app. A for details.³ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-10

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel bars and light shapes: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 339,393 | 341,964 | 512,747 | 732,079 |
| United Kingdom | 162,112 | 159,667 | 139,106 | 182,128 |
| Brazil | 84,587 | 85,635 | 55,550 | 85,535 |
| Japan | 92,407 | 84,049 | 86,218 | 75,714 |
| France | 65,807 | 68,718 | 60,035 | 60,077 |
| Turkey | 31,970 | 27,370 | 60,002 | 56,078 |
| Germany | 53,152 | 48,104 | 52,893 | 44,888 |
| Mexico | 13,193 | 11,194 | 7,254 | 26,103 |
| Netherlands | 3,676 | 3,599 | 3,010 | 22,106 |
| Australia | 996 | 2,005 | 3,802 | 18,315 |
| India | 9,639 | 5,740 | 10,687 | 13,928 |
| Spain | 16,397 | 10,259 | 9,598 | 12,823 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 31,873 | 8,520 | 11,461 | 10,720 |
| Sweden | 4,759 | 5,775 | 5,472 | 9,982 |
| Argentina | 22,515 | 6,389 | 375 | 7,716 |
| All others | 102,778 | 74,857 | 38,987 | 34,942 |
| Total | 1,035,255 | 943,845 | 1,057,195 | 1,393,135 |
| East Asia | 146,212 | 110,440 | 99,060 | 83,312 |
| EU-12 | 304,883 | 292,972 | 270,071 | 327,518 |
| Eastern Europe | 2,212 | 730 | 344 | 3,585 |
| LAIA ² | 159,525 | 146,281 | 80,836 | 126,197 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 257,120 | 226,334 | 195,480 | 293,536 |
| Mexico | 49,232 | 171,716 | 158,183 | 127,117 |
| China | 74 | 86 | 11,220 | 44,844 |
| Taiwan | 1,448 | 904 | 7,879 | 34,464 |
| Hong Kong | 651 | 574 | 436 | 26,794 |
| Thailand | 6,628 | 21 | 24,259 | 22,526 |
| Guatemala | 8,587 | 8,468 | 16,113 | 9,081 |
| Malaysia | 5,008 | 143 | 7,324 | 8,134 |
| United Arab Emirates | 44 | 116 | 17 | 5,987 |
| Korea | 15,016 | 1,188 | 27,197 | 5,398 |
| All others | 84,505 | 150,718 | 62,695 | 48,795 |
| Total | 428,311 | 560,268 | 510,804 | 626,675 |
| East Asia | 42,175 | 28,050 | 79,835 | 143,972 |
| EU-12 | 12,255 | 7,242 | 6,988 | 11,574 |
| Eastern Europe | 102 | 110 | 61 | 552 |
| LAIA ² | 71,141 | 180,199 | 178,583 | 134,521 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-11

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 344,955 | 378,768 | 505,521 | 488,006 |
| Japan | 182,818 | 193,795 | 229,977 | 234,623 |
| Germany | 7,467 | 17,051 | 30,813 | 188,480 |
| France | 77,171 | 50,167 | 3,781 | 135,012 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 36,782 | 45,466 | 80,986 | 93,648 |
| Brazil | 70,254 | 19,547 | 90,035 | 46,845 |
| Belgium | 111 | 126 | 1,357 | 41,277 |
| United Kingdom | 7,410 | 705 | 6,310 | 39,983 |
| Turkey | 89,832 | 64,336 | 2,693 | 21,459 |
| Netherlands | 264 | 354 | 613 | 17,177 |
| Australia | 9,962 | 16,836 | 11,128 | 9,891 |
| Italy | 1,824 | 2,070 | 1,226 | 8,056 |
| Spain | 36,721 | 471 | 52,578 | 7,628 |
| Switzerland | 3 | 15 | 50 | 7,348 |
| The Czech Republic | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4,924 |
| All others | 90,540 | 31,320 | 39,736 | 12,129 |
| Total | 956,113 | 821,026 | 1,106,805 | 1,356,489 |
| East Asia | 189,584 | 194,490 | 230,639 | 235,308 |
| EU-12 | 147,053 | 83,344 | 115,422 | 439,255 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,323 |
| LAIA ² | 117,364 | 29,080 | 104,989 | 51,786 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Mexico | 33,667 | 51,094 | 35,768 | 29,943 |
| Canada | 45,217 | 54,997 | 23,842 | 23,091 |
| China | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3,345 |
| Guyana | 0 | 170 | 0 | 810 |
| Venezuela | 422 | 1,094 | 1,270 | 739 |
| Korea | 363 | 24,557 | 94 | 460 |
| Costa Rica | 0 | 25 | 22 | 389 |
| Peru | 107 | 908 | 0 | 105 |
| Argentina | 0 | 1 | 381 | 82 |
| Germany | 85 | 97 | 11 | 74 |
| All others | 21,359 | 29,290 | 7,196 | 711 |
| Total | 101,219 | 162,231 | 68,590 | 59,749 |
| East Asia | 20,496 | 42,925 | 6,068 | 3,923 |
| EU-12 | 566 | 541 | 214 | 239 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 34,502 | 60,630 | 37,543 | 0,947 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-12

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 160,741 | 153,425 | 182,612 | 226,810 |
| Japan | 3,483 | 9,440 | 4,382 | 68,223 |
| Belgium | 45,978 | 33,139 | 36,734 | 43,482 |
| France | 29,468 | 24,759 | 28,062 | 30,787 |
| United Kingdom | 19,881 | 15,959 | 16,648 | 19,676 |
| Brazil | 8,504 | 13,397 | 9,962 | 13,760 |
| Germany | 13,996 | 11,351 | 11,905 | 10,897 |
| Taiwan | 8,060 | 10,308 | 11,835 | 10,890 |
| Sweden | 7,240 | 7,738 | 7,119 | 10,278 |
| China | 8,228 | 7,418 | 7,397 | 9,719 |
| Turkey | 142 | 0 | 20 | 8,607 |
| Korea | 4,003 | 4,944 | 3,525 | 7,680 |
| Venezuela | 6,092 | 8,124 | 6,645 | 7,607 |
| India | 6,759 | 6,653 | 5,300 | 5,584 |
| Argentina | 11,209 | 2,117 | 1,909 | 5,323 |
| All others | 20,223 | 15,978 | 17,838 | 26,901 |
| Total | 414,008 | 374,750 | 411,892 | 506,223 |
| East Asia | 84,131 | 82,454 | 87,910 | 98,041 |
| EU-12 | 115,313 | 88,833 | 97,861 | 112,889 |
| Eastern Europe | 122 | 215 | 223 | 385 |
| LAIA ² | 30,091 | 28,282 | 21,997 | 30,690 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 34,294 | 33,308 | 39,994 | 47,416 |
| Mexico | 13,064 | 18,163 | 25,919 | 26,893 |
| Brazil | 625 | 3,987 | 687 | 1,951 |
| Philippines | 31 | 100 | 229 | 1,032 |
| Venezuela | 328 | 175 | 331 | 990 |
| Germany | 1,004 | 1,091 | 867 | 835 |
| United Kingdom | 540 | 1,345 | 696 | 830 |
| Costa Rica | 677 | 792 | 594 | 721 |
| Panama | 85 | 328 | 94 | 642 |
| Korea | 82 | 22,124 | 114 | 605 |
| All others | 15,722 | 5,363 | 18,434 | 5,897 |
| Total | 66,453 | 86,775 | 87,957 | 87,811 |
| East Asia | 11,675 | 22,932 | 11,768 | 2,358 |
| EU-12 | 1,986 | 2,820 | 2,391 | 2,363 |
| Eastern Europe | 635 | 985 | 682 | 253 |
| LAIA ² | 14,792 | 22,628 | 27,363 | 30,823 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-13

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel wire products: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Korea | 185,686 | 155,381 | 164,631 | 176,287 |
| Canada | 98,435 | 97,098 | 102,061 | 109,392 |
| Japan | 59,622 | 41,508 | 48,096 | 49,847 |
| China | 42,136 | 23,727 | 47,279 | 37,821 |
| Spain | 23,142 | 16,375 | 25,263 | 26,468 |
| Mexico | 34,023 | 26,959 | 27,825 | 23,660 |
| Indonesia | 22,699 | 14,540 | 26,684 | 20,670 |
| Brazil | 12,446 | 11,622 | 13,258 | 17,146 |
| Italy | 8,244 | 12,639 | 13,303 | 16,014 |
| Taiwan | 14,687 | 11,071 | 14,592 | 15,348 |
| Belgium | 16,284 | 10,201 | 12,905 | 14,531 |
| Turkey | 12,540 | 6,891 | 9,703 | 10,771 |
| France | 10,257 | 8,655 | 11,076 | 9,940 |
| United Arab Emirates | 10,333 | 7,294 | 6,659 | 8,622 |
| Germany | 7,164 | 6,222 | 7,899 | 7,069 |
| All others | 102,627 | 61,656 | 55,684 | 71,236 |
| Total | 660,325 | 511,839 | 586,916 | 614,823 |
| East Asia | 333,007 | 249,162 | 305,438 | 307,181 |
| EU-12 | 78,806 | 63,172 | 79,239 | 82,825 |
| Eastern Europe | 14,985 | 12,840 | 8,506 | 8,271 |
| LAIA ² | 83,842 | 54,541 | 53,852 | 58,921 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 18,671 | 21,473 | 28,376 | 36,253 |
| Mexico | 5,625 | 9,620 | 6,584 | 13,316 |
| Panama | 412 | 760 | 1,664 | 3,286 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 795 | 1,397 |
| Dominican Republic | 733 | 392 | 988 | 1,128 |
| Australia | 491 | 370 | 512 | 1,111 |
| Bahamas | 1,165 | 778 | 1,061 | 1,040 |
| United Arab Emirates | 226 | 148 | 85 | 798 |
| Chile | 535 | 536 | 935 | 792 |
| Germany | 836 | 919 | 725 | 566 |
| All others | 12,854 | 16,556 | 14,849 | 11,682 |
| Total | 41,548 | 51,552 | 56,573 | 71,370 |
| East Asia | 2,635 | 2,437 | 4,401 | 2,574 |
| EU-12 | 3,937 | 3,185 | 2,086 | 1,918 |
| Eastern Europe | 13 | 33 | 22 | 13 |
| LAIA ² | 6,797 | 12,654 | 9,644 | 15,727 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-14

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel structural shapes and units: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 278,669 | 217,538 | 233,622 | 275,218 |
| United Kingdom | 163,073 | 82,168 | 69,872 | 111,853 |
| Luxembourg | 160,457 | 88,005 | 101,856 | 102,884 |
| Spain | 93,138 | 41,845 | 19,445 | 52,765 |
| Mexico | 36,696 | 13,031 | 8,936 | 35,576 |
| Japan | 114,932 | 48,069 | 44,362 | 34,147 |
| Germany | 35,696 | 19,376 | 26,210 | 33,725 |
| Belgium | 42,548 | 22,295 | 32,745 | 26,837 |
| Brazil | 6,509 | 10,883 | 5,735 | 17,377 |
| France | 39,444 | 8,512 | 16,000 | 12,015 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12,009 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 299 | 15,266 | 7,143 |
| Poland | 15,062 | 24,309 | 3,231 | 6,929 |
| Norway | 1,121 | 39 | 105 | 2,581 |
| Venezuela | 183 | 165 | 152 | 1,681 |
| All others | 33,067 | 27,827 | 12,076 | 9,334 |
| Total | 1,020,593 | 604,361 | 589,613 | 742,074 |
| East Asia | 133,779 | 63,441 | 49,265 | 37,496 |
| EU-12 | 537,513 | 263,352 | 267,931 | 342,570 |
| Eastern Europe | 15,193 | 24,371 | 3,231 | 7,064 |
| LAIA ² | 48,745 | 31,620 | 14,937 | 54,639 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 220,316 | 202,996 | 139,901 | 160,709 |
| Mexico | 80,558 | 120,608 | 133,102 | 113,828 |
| China | 1,007 | 636 | 75 | 22,304 |
| Guatemala | 2,075 | 2,500 | 3,171 | 16,229 |
| Venezuela | 4,586 | 8,477 | 13,780 | 16,172 |
| United Kingdom | 6,997 | 13,166 | 27,140 | 14,839 |
| Philippines | 1,307 | 511 | 6,310 | 14,207 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 859 | 404 | 1,174 | 13,384 |
| Panama | 2,324 | 5,901 | 7,313 | 10,083 |
| Thailand | 6,298 | 2,671 | 19,990 | 7,548 |
| All others | 168,681 | 299,149 | 94,456 | 109,110 |
| Total | 495,007 | 657,019 | 446,412 | 498,413 |
| East Asia | 81,859 | 173,428 | 50,577 | 76,719 |
| EU-12 | 33,485 | 36,435 | 34,839 | 28,937 |
| Eastern Europe | 89 | 655 | 68 | 52 |
| LAIA ² | 88,965 | 133,113 | 152,611 | 151,944 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-15

Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel rails and related products: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 200,252 | 144,179 | 133,453 | 136,602 |
| Japan | 87,191 | 97,927 | 79,538 | 93,357 |
| Luxembourg | 20,156 | 18,162 | 23,979 | 12,686 |
| Germany | 12,930 | 7,791 | 7,069 | 10,589 |
| Austria | 6,319 | 3,642 | 7,505 | 3,761 |
| Brazil | 1,336 | 1,272 | 2,770 | 3,152 |
| Korea | 4,025 | 3,609 | 3,312 | 1,260 |
| France | 552 | 72 | 5,336 | 999 |
| Argentina | 2 | 2,999 | 173 | 984 |
| Australia | 3,657 | 1,324 | 1,769 | 940 |
| Poland | 0 | 6 | 454 | 832 |
| United Kingdom | 9,977 | 17,636 | 30,948 | 647 |
| Belgium | 195 | 191 | 321 | 533 |
| Republic of South Africa | 1,290 | 63 | 10 | 456 |
| Italy | 587 | 461 | 368 | 359 |
| All others | 1,084 | 1,462 | 2,414 | 1,608 |
| Total | 349,555 | 303,596 | 299,418 | 268,764 |
| East Asia | 91,557 | 101,908 | 83,125 | 95,065 |
| EU-12 | 44,423 | 47,188 | 68,024 | 25,841 |
| Eastern Europe | 30 | 46 | 455 | 869 |
| LAIA ² | 1,523 | 4,510 | 3,230 | 4,371 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 274,018 | 25,407 | 32,837 | 50,768 |
| Mexico | 88,527 | 63,187 | 29,051 | 45,965 |
| Egypt | 2,471 | 4,345 | 3,602 | 4,378 |
| Peru | 797 | 1,017 | 1,128 | 2,089 |
| Taiwan | 153 | 152 | 805 | 1,672 |
| Australia | 402 | 896 | 412 | 1,509 |
| Belize | 390 | 587 | 912 | 1,297 |
| Chile | 297 | 253 | 108 | 956 |
| Panama | 175 | 972 | 81 | 706 |
| Korea | 311 | 294 | 207 | 648 |
| All others | 11,498 | 10,946 | 5,064 | 5,457 |
| Total | 379,039 | 108,056 | 74,208 | 115,447 |
| East Asia | 1,138 | 1,621 | 1,506 | 2,645 |
| EU-12 | 305 | 684 | 1,152 | 1,075 |
| Eastern Europe | 70 | 55 | 8 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 93,212 | 67,276 | 31,731 | 50,465 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-16
Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel pipe and tube: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 400,098 | 473,741 | 459,583 | 576,166 |
| Korea | 374,528 | 397,957 | 287,013 | 361,099 |
| Japan | 540,343 | 579,441 | 263,132 | 329,051 |
| Germany | 276,053 | 334,299 | 120,549 | 121,661 |
| Mexico | 140,133 | 133,064 | 68,642 | 111,547 |
| Italy | 116,589 | 101,440 | 18,917 | 85,501 |
| Argentina | 90,315 | 71,650 | 45,992 | 82,782 |
| Brazil | 111,315 | 138,046 | 43,673 | 71,547 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 20,059 | 44,111 |
| France | 83,086 | 82,614 | 30,827 | 40,783 |
| Spain | 33,736 | 25,830 | 11,398 | 32,592 |
| Thailand | 11,312 | 6,519 | 20,466 | 29,798 |
| Turkey | 9,010 | 5,709 | 5,950 | 15,092 |
| United Kingdom | 19,866 | 14,188 | 23,899 | 14,119 |
| Netherlands | 5,975 | 7,919 | 9,055 | 12,822 |
| All others | 329,828 | 314,738 | 71,723 | 83,884 |
| Total | 2,542,189 | 2,687,154 | 1,500,877 | 2,012,557 |
| East Asia | 1,037,566 | 1,053,805 | 581,110 | 728,032 |
| EU-12 | 573,065 | 616,761 | 227,256 | 320,504 |
| Eastern Europe | 29,638 | 39,145 | 10,840 | 4,155 |
| LAIA ² | 391,387 | 381,849 | 162,346 | 276,122 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 216,756 | 247,967 | 244,367 | 269,279 |
| Mexico | 29,676 | 41,690 | 42,937 | 47,478 |
| Russia | 0 | 0 | 34,342 | 35,361 |
| Colombia | 4,961 | 6,995 | 29,614 | 31,841 |
| United Kingdom | 9,009 | 8,282 | 13,154 | 15,521 |
| Syria | 646 | 6,979 | 3,044 | 14,080 |
| Algeria | 316 | 43,178 | 22,560 | 13,650 |
| Venezuela | 18,685 | 71,970 | 19,119 | 11,994 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 8,252 | 8,612 | 11,457 | 11,930 |
| Italy | 39,183 | 21,674 | 9,170 | 6,037 |
| All others | 129,852 | 280,829 | 234,818 | 97,133 |
| Total | 457,336 | 738,176 | 664,582 | 554,303 |
| East Asia | 29,009 | 113,178 | 88,451 | 18,568 |
| EU-12 | 60,468 | 50,794 | 46,958 | 30,948 |
| Eastern Europe | 90 | 174 | 2,454 | 3,136 |
| LAIA ² | 62,876 | 140,473 | 106,071 | 106,200 |

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

² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-17

Total, carbon and certain alloy¹ steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 3,154,008 | 3,141,061 | 4,444,054 | 5,008,020 |
| Germany | 1,559,775 | 1,420,222 | 1,348,768 | 1,863,298 |
| Japan | 3,118,898 | 2,790,348 | 2,622,861 | 1,744,848 |
| Brazil | 1,476,696 | 1,313,084 | 1,552,062 | 1,431,837 |
| Korea | 1,502,300 | 1,562,912 | 1,739,892 | 1,150,756 |
| France | 1,125,248 | 893,852 | 915,940 | 1,116,296 |
| Italy | 368,274 | 312,350 | 247,679 | 1,023,655 |
| Mexico | 665,777 | 501,740 | 413,781 | 828,755 |
| Netherlands | 458,713 | 493,465 | 563,182 | 740,411 |
| Belgium | 481,998 | 443,048 | 389,542 | 710,257 |
| United Kingdom | 792,907 | 600,606 | 597,606 | 654,591 |
| Australia | 309,960 | 368,963 | 369,906 | 439,397 |
| Republic of South Africa | 1,290 | 413 | 248,381 | 380,529 |
| Sweden | 256,296 | 263,341 | 303,499 | 228,728 |
| Spain | 312,752 | 190,585 | 174,899 | 219,557 |
| All others | 2,141,993 | 1,657,113 | 1,373,117 | 2,133,027 |
| Total | 17,726,887 | 15,953,102 | 17,305,171 | 19,673,962 |
| East Asia | 4,982,558 | 4,564,307 | 4,552,176 | 3,140,127 |
| EU-12 | 5,399,689 | 4,598,435 | 4,459,103 | 6,646,640 |
| Eastern Europe | 169,052 | 199,101 | 110,133 | 194,134 |
| LAIA ² | 2,574,068 | 2,142,954 | 2,159,982 | 2,572,039 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 1,999,961 | 1,689,005 | 1,440,372 | 1,715,244 |
| Mexico | 692,601 | 1,315,877 | 1,418,389 | 1,008,753 |
| Taiwan | 17,553 | 437,815 | 51,094 | 259,859 |
| Ecuador | 48,750 | 32,785 | 71,372 | 112,383 |
| Japan | 478,055 | 701,950 | 132,888 | 102,029 |
| China | 8,646 | 100,217 | 97,126 | 100,339 |
| Hong Kong | 23,021 | 46,844 | 59,549 | 64,668 |
| Colombia | 19,920 | 14,152 | 66,067 | 47,568 |
| Thailand | 63,108 | 37,057 | 81,640 | 43,512 |
| Italy | 125,208 | 77,458 | 55,465 | 43,154 |
| All others | 1,241,602 | 2,083,663 | 936,526 | 677,345 |
| Total | 4,718,426 | 6,536,824 | 4,410,489 | 4,174,853 |
| East Asia | 990,157 | 2,408,414 | 633,263 | 668,226 |
| EU-12 | 318,466 | 242,881 | 180,649 | 135,248 |
| Eastern Europe | 1,518 | 2,198 | 3,653 | 4,338 |
| LAIA ² | 854,578 | 1,537,031 | 1,683,771 | 1,273,863 |

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

² Latin American Integration Association.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the US Department of Commerce.

Table E-18

Stainless semifinished steel: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Canada | 26,379 | 21,273 | 19,831 | 42,837 |
| United Kingdom | 11,705 | 7,316 | 157 | 26,935 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 213 | 17,866 |
| Sweden | 12,320 | 14,318 | 11,385 | 16,819 |
| Germany | 104 | 1,012 | 2,783 | 4,564 |
| Italy | 728 | 2,354 | 1,840 | 2,234 |
| Japan | 1,679 | 2,101 | 654 | 997 |
| Belgium | 2 | 0 | 0 | 925 |
| Spain | 7,502 | 66 | 29 | 129 |
| Mexico | 275 | 65 | 107 | 95 |
| Korea | 85 | 1 | 0 | 54 |
| Finland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| France | 0 | 1 | 117 | 2 |
| China | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Switzerland | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| All others | 43 | 455 | 61 | 1 |
| Total | 60,822 | 48,962 | 37,177 | 113,462 |
| East Asia | 1,764 | 2,101 | 654 | 1,052 |
| EU-12 | 20,041 | 10,749 | 4,927 | 34,788 |
| Eastern Europe | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 275 | 65 | 136 | 95 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Mexico | 895 | 713 | 1,794 | 1,845 |
| Dominican Republic | 12 | 45 | 9 | 1,312 |
| Canada | 780 | 754 | 655 | 803 |
| Jamaica | 71 | 23 | 55 | 578 |
| Korea | 427 | 541 | 43 | 362 |
| Japan | 220 | 334 | 392 | 278 |
| United Kingdom | 313 | 458 | 275 | 246 |
| Singapore | 224 | 134 | 70 | 244 |
| Hong Kong | 65 | 34 | 248 | 214 |
| China | 0 | 9 | 24 | 174 |
| All others | 3,465 | 17,018 | 1,922 | 1,414 |
| Total | 16,472 | 20,063 | 5,487 | 7,470 |
| East Asia | 1,056 | 1,298 | 1,092 | 1,379 |
| EU-12 | 1,339 | 15,155 | 542 | 696 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 1,440 | 1,510 | 2,140 | 1,995 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-19
Stainless steel plate¹: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Belgium | 973 | 4,070 | 3,358 | 5,863 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 2 | 1,959 | 3,393 |
| Germany | 1,868 | 2,689 | 2,209 | 2,172 |
| Japan | 2,462 | 2,508 | 2,003 | 1,313 |
| Finland | 905 | 397 | 798 | 1,191 |
| Ukraine | 0 | 0 | 0 | 945 |
| Sweden | 1,031 | 659 | 673 | 859 |
| Brazil | 0 | 0 | 89 | 686 |
| Canada | 42 | 18 | 135 | 665 |
| United Kingdom | 2,951 | 2,598 | 2,845 | 625 |
| France | 32 | 65 | 679 | 483 |
| Spain | 88 | 49 | 212 | 386 |
| Korea | 0 | 17 | 0 | 267 |
| Austria | 112 | 464 | 259 | 175 |
| India | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| All others | 0 | 66 | 13 | 20 |
| Total | 10,464 | 13,602 | 15,231 | 19,063 |
| East Asia | 2,462 | 2,525 | 2,003 | 1,579 |
| EU-12 | 5,911 | 9,538 | 9,316 | 9,538 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 0 | 0 | 89 | 686 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 6,390 | 4,029 | 5,307 | 5,061 |
| Portugal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 764 |
| Mexico | 873 | 938 | 811 | 493 |
| Venezuela | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126 |
| Germany | 187 | 0 | 93 | 50 |
| Dominican Republic | 0 | 0 | 18 | 47 |
| Brazil | 2 | 13 | 0 | 42 |
| Australia | 2 | 0 | 22 | 41 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 |
| Honduras | 16 | 87 | 70 | 35 |
| All others | 1,064 | 4,125 | 277 | 114 |
| Total | 8,534 | 9,193 | 6,598 | 6,811 |
| East Asia | 738 | 3,545 | 174 | 78 |
| EU-12 | 299 | 423 | 153 | 838 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 926 | 985 | 813 | 669 |

¹ Excluding coiled plate. See app. A for details.

² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-20

Stainless steel sheet and strip¹: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Mexico | 22,362 | 31,782 | 41,268 | 64,095 |
| Japan | 43,270 | 43,150 | 44,261 | 58,100 |
| Spain | 15,893 | 17,318 | 22,978 | 39,986 |
| France | 24,833 | 23,317 | 26,263 | 33,019 |
| Germany | 12,114 | 12,216 | 14,962 | 31,453 |
| Italy | 3,264 | 4,483 | 5,165 | 26,322 |
| Korea | 10,002 | 8,687 | 13,523 | 20,648 |
| Canada | 2,741 | 3,326 | 14,089 | 19,050 |
| United Kingdom | 10,558 | 10,469 | 11,974 | 17,157 |
| Sweden | 6,008 | 7,003 | 7,814 | 14,002 |
| Finland | 14,904 | 8,438 | 11,749 | 11,383 |
| Belgium | 1,629 | 5,205 | 4,167 | 8,856 |
| Brazil | 2,239 | 730 | 2,091 | 5,101 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 4,406 | 4,574 |
| India | 2,773 | 361 | 1,145 | 4,361 |
| All others | 443 | 346 | 332 | 1,948 |
| Total | 173,033 | 176,830 | 226,186 | 360,054 |
| East Asia | 53,376 | 51,906 | 57,817 | 79,301 |
| EU-12 | 68,491 | 73,078 | 85,568 | 157,297 |
| Eastern Europe | 34 | 19 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ² | 24,641 | 32,511 | 43,359 | 69,195 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 19,612 | 22,743 | 22,131 | 27,750 |
| Mexico | 27,952 | 42,876 | 35,168 | 5,017 |
| France | 528 | 1,527 | 3,033 | 4,234 |
| Hong Kong | 624 | 3,175 | 918 | 3,181 |
| United Kingdom | 3,892 | 3,800 | 1,545 | 2,862 |
| Germany | 700 | 1,963 | 3,667 | 2,432 |
| Japan | 465 | 728 | 217 | 2,227 |
| Australia | 794 | 781 | 666 | 2,159 |
| Taiwan | 985 | 1,554 | 1,568 | 1,698 |
| Korea | 1,502 | 7,240 | 457 | 1,282 |
| All others | 6,894 | 11,604 | 8,698 | 8,405 |
| Total | 63,947 | 97,991 | 78,069 | 61,246 |
| East Asia | 4,006 | 14,676 | 4,053 | 9,548 |
| EU-12 | 5,995 | 9,829 | 10,999 | 10,124 |
| Eastern Europe | 105 | 19 | 9 | 98 |
| LAIA ² | 28,932 | 44,854 | 37,446 | 7,338 |

¹ Including coiled plate. See app. A for details.² Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-21

Stainless steel bars and shapes: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Japan | 17,777 | 19,988 | 19,742 | 20,965 |
| Canada | 5,374 | 5,089 | 5,762 | 8,466 |
| Spain | 4,127 | 5,626 | 5,971 | 7,773 |
| Italy | 1,743 | 3,347 | 4,537 | 7,556 |
| Brazil | 3,318 | 3,334 | 4,716 | 5,096 |
| France | 2,444 | 3,047 | 4,293 | 4,402 |
| India | 1,084 | 1,404 | 2,226 | 4,314 |
| Korea | 2,610 | 3,822 | 3,343 | 3,546 |
| Sweden | 3,308 | 3,595 | 3,379 | 2,221 |
| Germany | 717 | 566 | 1,308 | 2,045 |
| United Kingdom | 1,770 | 1,757 | 1,240 | 1,574 |
| Slovenia | 0 | 0 | 63 | 580 |
| Poland | 0 | 0 | 60 | 300 |
| Switzerland | 15 | 321 | 312 | 287 |
| Taiwan | 3 | 125 | 150 | 283 |
| All others | 235 | 473 | 395 | 659 |
| Total | 44,526 | 52,493 | 57,499 | 70,067 |
| East Asia | 20,389 | 23,946 | 23,275 | 25,037 |
| EU-12 | 10,817 | 14,349 | 17,396 | 23,407 |
| Eastern Europe | 53 | 259 | 132 | 300 |
| LAIA ¹ | 3,351 | 3,349 | 4,723 | 5,183 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 4,479 | 3,590 | 3,340 | 2,755 |
| Mexico | 639 | 1,202 | 1,695 | 2,181 |
| Saudi Arabia | 190 | 207 | 489 | 1,324 |
| Dominican Republic | 64 | 177 | 419 | 931 |
| Japan | 697 | 963 | 777 | 511 |
| United Kingdom | 1,552 | 1,285 | 6,334 | 509 |
| Venezuela | 577 | 596 | 1,255 | 507 |
| Iceland | 4 | 2 | 0 | 352 |
| France | 77 | 153 | 140 | 327 |
| Switzerland | 187 | 272 | 168 | 234 |
| All others | 7,539 | 8,543 | 5,318 | 1,825 |
| Total | 16,005 | 16,989 | 19,935 | 11,457 |
| East Asia | 3,055 | 3,096 | 1,835 | 920 |
| EU-12 | 3,525 | 3,294 | 7,268 | 1,151 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| LAIA ¹ | 1,428 | 2,073 | 3,227 | 2,922 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-22

Stainless steel wire rod: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Japan | 5,195 | 4,574 | 7,356 | 6,559 |
| France | 4,525 | 5,547 | 10,475 | 6,205 |
| Sweden | 4,621 | 4,244 | 5,191 | 6,023 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 126 | 924 | 4,681 |
| Spain | 3,354 | 3,309 | 3,828 | 4,603 |
| Italy | 2,484 | 2,922 | 2,890 | 4,117 |
| India | 97 | 1,729 | 4,305 | 3,680 |
| Korea | 861 | 1,604 | 750 | 2,800 |
| United Kingdom | 184 | 120 | 523 | 1,131 |
| Brazil | 1,413 | 1,671 | 3,243 | 788 |
| Germany | 218 | 0 | 98 | 112 |
| Netherlands | 8 | 0 | 21 | 4 |
| Mexico | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Austria | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| All others | 168 | 48 | 10 | 0 |
| Total | 23,128 | 25,897 | 39,616 | 40,707 |
| East Asia | 6,057 | 6,305 | 9,030 | 14,040 |
| EU-12 | 10,772 | 11,898 | 17,836 | 16,173 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 1,413 | 1,671 | 3,243 | 789 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 1,666 | 674 | 215 | 969 |
| Japan | 29 | 33 | 18 | 306 |
| Venezuela | 29 | 63 | 191 | 258 |
| Germany | 59 | 25 | 20 | 171 |
| Mexico | 1,439 | 875 | 156 | 143 |
| Israel | 75 | 144 | 45 | 100 |
| United Kingdom | 73 | 105 | 72 | 71 |
| China | 3 | 0 | 6 | 63 |
| Argentina | 1 | 6 | 65 | 58 |
| Surinam | 0 | 0 | 0 | 52 |
| All others | 2,040 | 2,300 | 1,467 | 370 |
| Total | 5,413 | 4,224 | 2,256 | 2,561 |
| East Asia | 225 | 1,186 | 593 | 519 |
| EU-12 | 215 | 161 | 155 | 304 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 2,038 | 1,702 | 1,076 | 478 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-23

Stainless steel wire: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Sweden | 2,051 | 2,531 | 3,099 | 3,121 |
| Canada | 2,404 | 2,156 | 2,370 | 2,884 |
| Italy | 1,081 | 1,447 | 1,271 | 2,673 |
| Japan | 3,393 | 2,677 | 2,702 | 2,595 |
| France | 2,354 | 1,862 | 1,894 | 1,489 |
| United Kingdom | 1,441 | 1,082 | 1,560 | 1,446 |
| Taiwan | 867 | 1,441 | 2,090 | 1,420 |
| Korea | 619 | 778 | 905 | 1,313 |
| India | 1,613 | 337 | 341 | 1,124 |
| Spain | 635 | 932 | 677 | 1,005 |
| Belgium | 448 | 386 | 511 | 621 |
| Switzerland | 284 | 591 | 467 | 603 |
| Thailand | 175 | 105 | 191 | 600 |
| Germany | 484 | 361 | 646 | 495 |
| Brazil | 446 | 321 | 22 | 434 |
| All others | 32 | 47 | 342 | 146 |
| Total | 18,328 | 17,054 | 19,089 | 21,969 |
| East Asia | 5,055 | 5,002 | 5,904 | 5,945 |
| EU-12 | 6,443 | 6,070 | 6,581 | 7,731 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 466 | 341 | 162 | 455 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 1,311 | 1,119 | 1,029 | 1,164 |
| Mexico | 507 | 507 | 356 | 453 |
| Germany | 288 | 105 | 74 | 116 |
| United Kingdom | 177 | 171 | 96 | 102 |
| France | 58 | 51 | 26 | 88 |
| Korea | 78 | 12 | 43 | 61 |
| Dominican Republic | 44 | 0 | 5 | 50 |
| Sweden | 39 | 57 | 17 | 43 |
| Chile | 2 | 1 | 2 | 39 |
| Panama | 0 | 116 | 1 | 32 |
| All others | 1,094 | 499 | 533 | 402 |
| Total | 3,599 | 2,640 | 2,181 | 2,550 |
| East Asia | 388 | 122 | 140 | 156 |
| EU-12 | 652 | 397 | 285 | 349 |
| Eastern Europe | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| LAIA ¹ | 551 | 530 | 454 | 571 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-24

Stainless steel pipe and tube: U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Japan | 8,787 | 11,333 | 11,932 | 11,715 |
| Canada | 5,711 | 4,479 | 3,457 | 5,883 |
| Italy | 2,845 | 2,729 | 3,452 | 5,103 |
| Taiwan | 8,216 | 9,333 | 4,172 | 4,005 |
| United Kingdom | 724 | 1,238 | 2,409 | 3,302 |
| Malaysia | 0 | 159 | 3,573 | 2,449 |
| Korea | 3,470 | 5,391 | 1,445 | 1,701 |
| France | 1,561 | 1,446 | 1,504 | 1,675 |
| Spain | 2,084 | 4,969 | 3,400 | 1,612 |
| Netherlands | 412 | 650 | 675 | 1,225 |
| Singapore | 1,038 | 1,529 | 1,991 | 801 |
| Thailand | 152 | 191 | 871 | 657 |
| Sweden | 3,225 | 908 | 690 | 640 |
| Germany | 6,885 | 517 | 1,447 | 516 |
| Mexico | 597 | 511 | 607 | 493 |
| All others | 1,513 | 2,836 | 985 | 1,758 |
| Total | 47,220 | 48,218 | 42,612 | 43,535 |
| East Asia | 22,159 | 28,278 | 24,176 | 21,419 |
| EU-12 | 14,525 | 11,554 | 12,904 | 13,440 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 1,993 | 1 | 1 |
| LAIA ¹ | 598 | 526 | 618 | 584 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 6,423 | 5,623 | 6,386 | 5,739 |
| Mexico | 3,458 | 2,652 | 3,911 | 3,513 |
| Korea | 579 | 2,050 | 590 | 789 |
| Singapore | 672 | 342 | 731 | 752 |
| Nigeria | 0 | 0 | 0 | 342 |
| Brazil | 17 | 6 | 82 | 273 |
| China | 183 | 46 | 80 | 268 |
| Egypt | 0 | 32 | 295 | 268 |
| Italy | 28 | 15 | 10 | 208 |
| Chile | 94 | 67 | 67 | 176 |
| All others | 1,988 | 4,102 | 2,550 | 1,782 |
| Total | 13,443 | 14,934 | 14,701 | 14,111 |
| East Asia | 1,834 | 2,673 | 1,849 | 2,173 |
| EU-12 | 571 | 816 | 380 | 575 |
| Eastern Europe | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 3,830 | 2,971 | 4,224 | 4,221 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-25

Alloy tool steel (all forms): U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Germany | 9,686 | 10,814 | 11,179 | 15,592 |
| Sweden | 6,247 | 6,246 | 7,687 | 7,250 |
| Japan | 4,015 | 4,291 | 5,047 | 5,717 |
| Canada | 7,142 | 12,371 | 4,151 | 5,440 |
| Brazil | 2,542 | 2,766 | 2,770 | 5,104 |
| France | 984 | 277 | 919 | 3,309 |
| Austria | 2,810 | 4,139 | 3,013 | 3,079 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 0 | 324 | 1,299 |
| Italy | 1,726 | 1,027 | 674 | 1,291 |
| United Kingdom | 1,741 | 1,493 | 1,259 | 1,156 |
| Korea | 694 | 254 | 138 | 695 |
| China | 74 | 299 | 191 | 496 |
| Poland | 289 | 276 | 56 | 158 |
| Mexico | 230 | 83 | 326 | 141 |
| Belgium | 58 | 82 | 7 | 128 |
| All others | 1,067 | 740 | 180 | 293 |
| Total | 39,304 | 45,158 | 37,923 | 51,150 |
| East Asia | 4,848 | 4,844 | 5,701 | 8,208 |
| EU-12 | 14,247 | 13,818 | 14,177 | 21,688 |
| Eastern Europe | 289 | 506 | 56 | 158 |
| LAIA ¹ | 3,127 | 3,011 | 3,134 | 5,245 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 1,326 | 1,859 | 2,360 | 2,568 |
| Mexico | 2,005 | 5,241 | 2,355 | 2,170 |
| China | 63 | 0 | 1 | 700 |
| Germany | 231 | 270 | 338 | 229 |
| Colombia | 21 | 2 | 3 | 113 |
| Taiwan | 44 | 59 | 59 | 75 |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 0 | 0 | 0 | 72 |
| Costa Rica | 8 | 0 | 3 | 67 |
| United Kingdom | 33 | 177 | 159 | 53 |
| Japan | 79 | 47 | 33 | 49 |
| All others | 786 | 937 | 663 | 448 |
| Total | 4,594 | 8,592 | 5,974 | 6,545 |
| East Asia | 300 | 230 | 202 | 870 |
| EU-12 | 408 | 621 | 769 | 381 |
| Eastern Europe | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| LAIA ¹ | 2,124 | 5,322 | 2,403 | 2,392 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-26

Total, stainless and alloy tool steel products: U.S. imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by selected countries and country groups, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Japan | 86,577 | 90,622 | 93,697 | 107,961 |
| Canada | 49,962 | 48,761 | 49,806 | 85,226 |
| Mexico | 23,483 | 32,476 | 42,455 | 64,865 |
| Germany | 32,075 | 28,175 | 34,633 | 56,948 |
| Spain | 33,698 | 32,396 | 37,230 | 55,604 |
| United Kingdom | 31,076 | 26,073 | 21,966 | 53,326 |
| Sweden | 38,812 | 39,503 | 39,920 | 50,936 |
| France | 36,733 | 35,562 | 46,144 | 50,584 |
| Italy | 13,870 | 18,374 | 19,830 | 49,295 |
| Korea | 18,341 | 20,554 | 20,104 | 31,023 |
| Republic of South Africa | 0 | 2 | 6,577 | 26,024 |
| Brazil | 9,958 | 8,823 | 12,966 | 17,297 |
| Belgium | 3,123 | 9,742 | 8,082 | 16,404 |
| India | 5,686 | 3,837 | 8,080 | 13,721 |
| Finland | 15,809 | 9,018 | 12,582 | 12,891 |
| All others | 17,622 | 24,296 | 21,262 | 27,901 |
| Total | 416,824 | 428,214 | 475,333 | 720,007 |
| East Asia | 116,110 | 124,908 | 128,560 | 156,582 |
| EU-12 | 151,247 | 151,054 | 168,705 | 284,062 |
| Eastern Europe | 419 | 2,782 | 189 | 459 |
| LAIA ¹ | 33,871 | 41,474 | 55,465 | 82,232 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Canada | 41,987 | 40,390 | 41,424 | 46,810 |
| Mexico | 37,767 | 55,003 | 46,245 | 15,816 |
| France | 855 | 4,425 | 3,293 | 4,815 |
| United Kingdom | 6,379 | 6,347 | 8,662 | 4,006 |
| Hong Kong | 1,197 | 4,013 | 1,643 | 3,578 |
| Japan | 1,725 | 2,178 | 1,567 | 3,568 |
| Germany | 2,269 | 7,791 | 4,628 | 3,284 |
| Korea | 2,842 | 13,313 | 1,589 | 2,598 |
| Australia | 1,365 | 1,272 | 881 | 2,504 |
| Dominican Republic | 219 | 421 | 583 | 2,475 |
| All others | 25,402 | 39,475 | 24,686 | 23,299 |
| Total | 122,007 | 174,626 | 135,201 | 112,752 |
| East Asia | 11,602 | 26,826 | 9,937 | 15,642 |
| EU-12 | 13,003 | 30,695 | 20,552 | 14,419 |
| Eastern Europe | 109 | 46 | 19 | 101 |
| LAIA ¹ | 41,270 | 59,949 | 51,783 | 20,586 |

¹ Latin American Integration Association.

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

Table E-27

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Value of U.S. Imports for consumption, U.S. exports, by products and grades of steel, 1990-93

(1,000 dollars)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| U.S. imports for consumption: | | | | |
| Carbon & certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 538,223 | 505,791 | 500,125 | 1,025,150 |
| Plate | 369,279 | 305,405 | 303,747 | 250,502 |
| Sheet and strip | 3,465,061 | 3,089,470 | 3,717,099 | 3,086,184 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 476,540 | 440,348 | 459,340 | 616,117 |
| Wire rod | 340,591 | 294,588 | 377,494 | 480,795 |
| Wire | 309,503 | 278,526 | 312,454 | 360,385 |
| Wire products | 658,004 | 527,030 | 604,201 | 646,520 |
| Structural shapes & units | 476,520 | 325,913 | 296,698 | 396,549 |
| Rails & related products | 136,287 | 134,028 | 146,054 | 140,226 |
| Pipe and tube | 1,473,676 | 7,661,570 | 894,401 | 1,143,233 |
| Subtotal | 8,243,685 | 7,562,669 | 7,611,614 | 8,145,661 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 79,442 | 73,116 | 55,367 | 129,127 |
| Plate | 25,949 | 35,120 | 33,566 | 36,872 |
| Sheet and strip | 344,553 | 348,586 | 423,746 | 633,706 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 118,157 | 133,704 | 133,954 | 149,893 |
| Wire rod | 56,004 | 60,057 | 78,746 | 77,044 |
| Wire | 71,776 | 69,145 | 73,179 | 78,583 |
| Pipe and tube | 186,548 | 194,508 | 173,769 | 161,252 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 87,814 | 78,904 | 80,677 | 96,162 |
| Subtotal | 970,242 | 993,141 | 1,053,004 | 1,362,641 |
| Total | 9,213,927 | 8,555,810 | 8,664,618 | 9,508,302 |
| U.S. exports: | | | | |
| Carbon & certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 201,044 | 244,988 | 170,144 | 184,337 |
| Plate | 69,493 | 98,910 | 79,752 | 77,558 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,112,867 | 1,472,553 | 1,102,121 | 932,151 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 235,173 | 284,511 | 271,458 | 309,102 |
| Wire rod | 46,256 | 64,478 | 34,571 | 27,339 |
| Wire | 76,122 | 91,063 | 94,553 | 107,740 |
| Wire products | 90,155 | 90,003 | 115,954 | 132,016 |
| Structural shapes & units | 427,462 | 595,121 | 403,889 | 485,054 |
| Rails & related products | 83,716 | 82,168 | 64,789 | 89,498 |
| Pipe and tube | 515,023 | 752,052 | 726,230 | 616,680 |
| Subtotal | 2,857,312 | 3,775,847 | 3,063,460 | 2,961,475 |
| Stainless & alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished | 21,655 | 49,913 | 30,847 | 28,953 |
| Plate | 19,175 | 21,569 | 19,747 | 17,838 |
| Sheet and strip | 142,479 | 214,439 | 195,163 | 153,601 |
| Bars & certain shapes | 46,062 | 55,686 | 41,667 | 33,809 |
| Wire rod | 13,055 | 12,170 | 7,044 | 7,820 |
| Wire | 17,245 | 14,235 | 12,317 | 16,273 |
| Pipe and tube | 59,660 | 66,996 | 67,284 | 62,713 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 13,610 | 21,482 | 25,478 | 25,766 |
| Subtotal | 332,941 | 456,490 | 399,547 | 346,773 |
| Total | 3,190,253 | 4,232,337 | 3,463,008 | 3,308,248 |

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

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

Table E-28

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Unit value of U.S. imports for consumption, 1990-93

(Per short ton)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | \$234 | \$253 | \$217 | \$211 |
| Plate | 400 | 392 | 346 | 352 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 331 | 317 | 299 | 306 |
| Cold rolled | 502 | 492 | 486 | 505 |
| Galvanized | 581 | 542 | 545 | 499 |
| Tin plate | 616 | 624 | 617 | 614 |
| Tin free | 581 | 606 | 614 | 611 |
| Other coated | 643 | 619 | 588 | 589 |
| Average, sheet and strip | 461 | 446 | 434 | 428 |
| Bar: | | | | |
| Hot finished | 463 | 462 | 434 | 433 |
| Cold finished | 684 | 701 | 701 | 652 |
| Reinforcing | 316 | 319 | 258 | 259 |
| Light shapes | 336 | 328 | 321 | 322 |
| Average, bar | 460 | 467 | 434 | 442 |
| Wire rod | 356 | 359 | 341 | 354 |
| Wire | 748 | 743 | 759 | 712 |
| Wire products | 996 | 1,030 | 1,029 | 1,052 |
| Structural shapes and units: | | | | |
| Heavy structurals | 359 | 403 | 374 | 376 |
| Fabricated structurals | 1,371 | 1,373 | 1,255 | 1,176 |
| Average, structurals | 467 | 539 | 503 | 534 |
| Rails and related products | 390 | 441 | 488 | 522 |
| Pipe and tube: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 728 | 757 | 989 | 685 |
| Line pipe | 510 | 597 | 541 | 475 |
| Mechanical pipe | 891 | 920 | 886 | 814 |
| Structural pipe | 538 | 519 | 477 | 480 |
| Pressure tubing | 1,093 | 1,082 | 1,081 | 1,011 |
| Other (incl. standard) | 503 | 522 | 517 | 516 |
| Average, pipe and tube | 580 | 618 | 596 | 568 |
| Average, all carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel | 465 | 474 | 440 | 414 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | \$1,306 | \$1,493 | \$1,489 | \$1,138 |
| Plate | 2,480 | 2,582 | 2,204 | 1,934 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet | 1,841 | 1,798 | 1,712 | 1,647 |
| Strip | 3,084 | 3,211 | 3,304 | 3,020 |
| Average, sheet and strip | 1,991 | 1,971 | 1,873 | 1,760 |
| Bars and shapes | 2,654 | 2,547 | 2,330 | 2,139 |
| Wire rod | 2,421 | 2,319 | 1,988 | 1,893 |
| Wire | 3,916 | 4,054 | 3,834 | 3,577 |
| Pipe and tube | 3,951 | 4,034 | 4,078 | 3,704 |
| Alloy tool steel (all forms) | 2,234 | 1,747 | 2,127 | 1,880 |
| Average, all stainless and alloy tool steel | 2,328 | 2,319 | 2,215 | 1,893 |

¹ Includes alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

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

Table E-29
Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: Unit value of U.S. exports, 1990-93
(Per short ton)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | \$390 | \$361 | \$408 | 348 |
| Plate | 520 | 419 | 482 | 466 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 369 | 329 | 393 | 419 |
| Cold rolled | 679 | 652 | 697 | 713 |
| Galvanized | 689 | 694 | 671 | 693 |
| Tin plate | 465 | 518 | 527 | 515 |
| Tin free | 621 | 624 | 613 | 600 |
| Other coated | 1,227 | 1,150 | 1,051 | 964 |
| Average, sheet and strip | 530 | 452 | 574 | 636 |
| Bar: | | | | |
| Hot finished | 606 | 634 | 660 | 581 |
| Cold finished | 1,005 | 1,023 | 830 | 890 |
| Reinforcing | 321 | 288 | 286 | 283 |
| Light shapes | 444 | 465 | 484 | 467 |
| Average, bar | 549 | 508 | 531 | 493 |
| Wire rod | 457 | 397 | 504 | 458 |
| Wire | 1,146 | 1,049 | 1,075 | 1,227 |
| Wire products | 2,170 | 1,746 | 2,050 | 1,850 |
| Structural shapes and units: | | | | |
| Heavy structurals | 436 | 423 | 453 | 477 |
| Fabricated structurals | 1,555 | 1,682 | 1,675 | 1,845 |
| Average, structurals | 864 | 906 | 905 | 973 |
| Rails and related products | 221 | 760 | 873 | 775 |
| Pipe and tube: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 932 | 919 | 1,082 | 1,080 |
| Line pipe | 997 | 891 | 925 | 950 |
| Other ³ | 1,376 | 1,286 | 1,228 | 1,214 |
| Average, pipe and tube | 1,126 | 1,019 | 1,093 | 1,113 |
| Average, all carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel | 606 | 578 | 695 | 709 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | \$3,346 | \$2,488 | \$5,622 | \$3,876 |
| Plate | 2,247 | 2,346 | 2,993 | 2,619 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet | 2,304 | 2,226 | 2,604 | 2,350 |
| Strip | 2,185 | 2,156 | 2,426 | 2,622 |
| Average, sheet and strip | 2,228 | 2,188 | 2,500 | 2,508 |
| Bars and shapes | 2,878 | 3,278 | 2,090 | 2,951 |
| Wire rod | 2,412 | 2,881 | 3,122 | 3,054 |
| Wire | 4,792 | 5,392 | 5,648 | 6,382 |
| Pipe and tube | 4,438 | 4,486 | 4,577 | 4,444 |
| Alloy tool steel (all forms) | 2,962 | 2,500 | 4,265 | 3,937 |
| Average, all stainless and alloy tool steel | 2,729 | 2,614 | 2,955 | 3,076 |

¹ Includes alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.

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

³ Includes mechanical, standard, structural, and pressure pipe and tube.

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

Table E-30

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, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <i>Quantity (short tons)</i> | | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished: | | | | |
| Ingots | 65,400 | 2,706 | 4,922 | 17,795 |
| Blooms and billets | 496,389 | 586,127 | 680,504 | 838,106 |
| Slabs and sheet bars | 1,740,209 | 1,407,776 | 1,621,717 | 4,003,304 |
| Total | 2,301,998 | 1,996,610 | 2,307,144 | 4,859,205 |
| Plate: | | | | |
| Carbon | 835,904 | 694,877 | 784,529 | 551,838 |
| Alloy | 86,923 | 84,125 | 93,643 | 160,373 |
| Total | 922,826 | 779,002 | 878,172 | 712,211 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Sheet | 2,904,187 | 2,606,689 | 3,360,533 | 2,865,498 |
| Strip | 96,349 | 105,520 | 136,782 | 144,431 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Black plate | 146,079 | 129,488 | 152,394 | 85,178 |
| Electrical | 76,163 | 81,976 | 81,842 | 114,857 |
| Other sheet | 1,913,520 | 1,744,854 | 1,954,906 | 1,849,048 |
| Other strip | 118,377 | 119,987 | 147,309 | 141,282 |
| Galvanized | 1,649,264 | 1,527,317 | 1,995,612 | 1,473,969 |
| Tin plate | 313,549 | 310,962 | 321,674 | 260,038 |
| Tin free | 114,045 | 114,267 | 132,334 | 127,086 |
| Other coated | 192,491 | 189,857 | 283,754 | 147,094 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 7,524,025 | 6,930,919 | 8,567,140 | 7,208,481 |
| Bars: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 464,375 | 421,611 | 448,213 | 522,137 |
| Alloy | 202,466 | 231,736 | 290,495 | 418,563 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 91,358 | 79,946 | 84,107 | 156,047 |
| Alloy | 44,295 | 38,520 | 32,088 | 58,837 |
| Reinforcing | 147,882 | 107,344 | 119,273 | 120,665 |
| Light structural shapes | 84,880 | 64,689 | 83,021 | 116,886 |
| Total, bars | 1,035,255 | 943,845 | 1,057,195 | 1,393,135 |
| Wire rod and related products: | | | | |
| Wire rod: | | | | |
| Carbon | 936,837 | 800,363 | 1,078,013 | 1,319,508 |
| Alloy | 19,276 | 20,663 | 28,792 | 36,981 |
| Wire: | | | | |
| Carbon | 375,454 | 337,141 | 373,587 | 462,777 |
| Alloy | 38,555 | 37,609 | 38,305 | 43,446 |
| Wire products: | | | | |
| Nails | 373,685 | 286,915 | 339,944 | 353,957 |
| Barbed wire | 15,350 | 11,167 | 12,106 | 16,740 |
| Wire fencing | 46,164 | 36,793 | 38,382 | 38,813 |
| Bale ties | 696 | 497 | 558 | 896 |
| Wire strand | 152,051 | 102,065 | 122,722 | 133,926 |
| Wire rope | 72,380 | 74,402 | 73,204 | 70,491 |
| Total, wire rod and related products | 2,030,446 | 1,707,616 | 2,105,612 | 2,477,534 |
| Structurals: | | | | |
| Heavy | 911,556 | 519,377 | 503,124 | 594,921 |
| Fabricated | 109,037 | 84,984 | 86,488 | 147,153 |
| Total | 1,020,593 | 604,361 | 589,613 | 742,074 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table E-30—Continued

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, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <i>Quantity (short tons)</i> | | | | |
| Rails and related products: | | | | |
| Rails | 301,410 | 254,189 | 245,144 | 204,265 |
| Joint bars and tie plates | 10,205 | 12,991 | 9,596 | 12,670 |
| Track spikes | 2,602 | 3,352 | 3,094 | 2,985 |
| Wheels and axles | 35,337 | 33,064 | 41,586 | 48,844 |
| Total | 349,555 | 303,596 | 299,418 | 268,764 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 381,022 | 412,616 | 100,646 | 353,300 |
| Line pipe | 695,930 | 1,003,500 | 404,234 | 514,241 |
| Mechanical pipe | 186,242 | 169,832 | 147,732 | 195,861 |
| Structural pipe | 275,432 | 209,824 | 227,314 | 288,680 |
| Pressure tubing | 38,044 | 35,881 | 27,536 | 37,351 |
| Other (including standard) | 965,519 | 855,502 | 593,415 | 623,125 |
| Total | 2,542,189 | 2,687,154 | 1,500,877 | 2,012,557 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless: | | | | |
| Semifinished: | | | | |
| Ingots | 273 | 2,702 | 340 | 987 |
| Blooms and billets | 41,560 | 32,516 | 26,317 | 59,432 |
| Slabs and sheet bars | 18,989 | 13,744 | 10,520 | 53,043 |
| Total | 60,822 | 48,962 | 37,177 | 113,462 |
| Plate | 10,464 | 13,602 | 15,231 | 19,063 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 17,009 | 12,595 | 29,254 | 60,122 |
| Cold rolled | 135,126 | 142,537 | 174,041 | 270,327 |
| Strip | 20,898 | 21,698 | 22,891 | 29,605 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 173,033 | 176,830 | 226,186 | 360,054 |
| Bars and shapes | 44,526 | 52,493 | 57,499 | 70,067 |
| Wire rod | 23,128 | 25,897 | 39,616 | 40,707 |
| Wire | 18,328 | 17,054 | 19,089 | 21,969 |
| Pipe and tube | 47,220 | 48,218 | 42,612 | 43,535 |
| Alloy tool steel (all forms): | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 6,771 | 10,608 | 2,348 | 7,850 |
| Bars | 26,843 | 25,407 | 25,509 | 27,845 |
| Other | 5,690 | 9,143 | 10,066 | 15,454 |
| Total, stainless and alloy tool steel | 39,304 | 45,158 | 37,923 | 51,150 |
| <i>Share of product group total (percent)</i> | | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished: | | | | |
| Ingots | 2.84 | 0.14 | 0.21 | 0.37 |
| Blooms and billets | 21.56 | 29.36 | 29.50 | 17.25 |
| Slabs and sheet bars | 75.60 | 70.51 | 70.29 | 82.39 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Plate: | | | | |
| Carbon | 90.58 | 89.20 | 89.34 | 77.48 |
| Alloy | 9.42 | 10.80 | 10.66 | 22.52 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table E-30—Continued

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, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <i>Share of product group total (percent)—Continued</i> | | | | |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Sheet | 38.60 | 37.61 | 39.23 | 39.75 |
| Strip | 1.28 | 1.52 | 1.60 | 2.00 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Black plate | 1.94 | 1.87 | 1.78 | 1.18 |
| Electrical | 1.01 | 1.18 | 0.96 | 1.59 |
| Other sheet | 25.43 | 25.17 | 22.82 | 25.65 |
| Other strip | 1.57 | 1.73 | 1.72 | 1.96 |
| Galvanized | 21.92 | 22.04 | 23.29 | 20.45 |
| Tin plate | 4.17 | 4.49 | 3.75 | 3.61 |
| Tin free | 1.52 | 1.65 | 1.54 | 1.76 |
| Other coated | 2.56 | 2.74 | 3.31 | 2.04 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Bars: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 44.86 | 44.67 | 42.40 | 37.48 |
| Alloy | 19.56 | 24.55 | 27.48 | 30.04 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 8.82 | 8.47 | 7.96 | 11.20 |
| Alloy | 4.28 | 4.08 | 3.04 | 4.22 |
| Reinforcing | 14.28 | 11.37 | 11.28 | 8.66 |
| Light structural shapes | 8.20 | 6.85 | 7.85 | 8.39 |
| Total, bars | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Wire rod and related products: | | | | |
| Wire rod: | | | | |
| Carbon | 46.14 | 46.87 | 51.20 | 53.26 |
| Alloy | 0.95 | 1.21 | 1.37 | 1.49 |
| Wire: | | | | |
| Carbon | 18.49 | 19.74 | 17.74 | 18.68 |
| Alloy | 1.90 | 2.20 | 1.82 | 1.75 |
| Wire products: | | | | |
| Nails | 18.40 | 16.80 | 16.14 | 14.29 |
| Barbed wire | 0.76 | 0.65 | 0.57 | 0.68 |
| Wire fencing | 2.27 | 2.15 | 1.82 | 1.57 |
| Bale ties | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| Wire strand | 7.49 | 5.98 | 5.83 | 5.41 |
| Wire rope | 3.56 | 4.36 | 3.48 | 2.85 |
| Total, wire rod and related products | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Structurals: | | | | |
| Heavy | 89.32 | 85.94 | 85.33 | 80.17 |
| Fabricated | 10.68 | 14.06 | 14.67 | 19.83 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Rails and related products: | | | | |
| Rails | 86.23 | 83.73 | 81.87 | 76.00 |
| Joint bars and tie plates | 2.92 | 4.28 | 3.20 | 4.71 |
| Track spikes | 0.74 | 1.10 | 1.03 | 1.11 |
| Wheels and axles | 10.11 | 10.89 | 13.89 | 18.17 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 14.99 | 15.36 | 6.71 | 17.55 |
| Line pipe | 27.38 | 37.34 | 26.93 | 25.55 |
| Mechanical pipe | 7.33 | 6.32 | 9.84 | 9.73 |
| Structural pipe | 10.83 | 7.81 | 15.15 | 14.34 |
| Pressure tubing | 1.50 | 1.34 | 1.83 | 1.86 |
| Other (including standard) | 37.98 | 31.84 | 39.54 | 30.96 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table E-30—Continued

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, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <i>Share of product group total (percent)—Continued</i> | | | | |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless: | | | | |
| Semifinished: | | | | |
| Ingots | 0.45 | 5.52 | 0.91 | 0.87 |
| Blooms and billets | 68.33 | 66.41 | 70.79 | 52.38 |
| Slabs and sheet bars | 31.22 | 28.07 | 28.30 | 46.75 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Plate | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 9.83 | 7.12 | 12.93 | 16.70 |
| Cold rolled | 78.09 | 80.61 | 76.95 | 75.08 |
| Strip | 12.08 | 12.27 | 10.12 | 8.22 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Bars and shapes | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Wire rod | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Wire | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Pipe and tube | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Alloy tool steel (all forms): | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 17.23 | 23.49 | 6.19 | 15.35 |
| Bars | 68.30 | 56.26 | 67.26 | 54.44 |
| Other | 14.48 | 20.25 | 26.54 | 30.21 |
| Total, stainless and alloy tool steel | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

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

Table E-31

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. exports of specified products and exports as a percent of major product groupings, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | <i>Quantity (short tons)</i> | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 515,848 | 679,017 | 417,424 | 529,560 |
| Plate: | | | | |
| Carbon | 122,632 | 219,715 | 150,589 | 148,242 |
| Alloy | 11,129 | 16,128 | 14,895 | 18,239 |
| Total | 133,760 | 235,842 | 165,485 | 166,481 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Sheet | 990,947 | 2,063,015 | 619,949 | 262,778 |
| Strip | 47,658 | 36,709 | 56,051 | 38,027 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Black plate | 2,382 | 4,883 | 4,734 | 6,462 |
| Electrical | 47,574 | 84,184 | 47,875 | 52,226 |
| Other sheet | 346,747 | 380,228 | 338,486 | 343,143 |
| Other strip | 133,623 | 126,341 | 127,654 | 121,387 |
| Galvanized | 286,377 | 303,358 | 297,788 | 268,182 |
| Tin plate | 147,705 | 150,737 | 279,122 | 192,715 |
| Tin free | 25,605 | 37,987 | 59,805 | 70,921 |
| Other coated | 71,284 | 70,446 | 86,990 | 109,203 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 2,099,903 | 3,257,888 | 1,918,453 | 1,465,044 |
| Bars: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 137,475 | 136,338 | 125,435 | 141,944 |
| Alloy | 73,738 | 91,126 | 91,015 | 127,628 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 40,412 | 38,469 | 51,764 | 49,970 |
| Alloy | 4,846 | 10,179 | 13,046 | 14,816 |
| Reinforcing | 118,919 | 234,616 | 183,557 | 227,254 |
| Light structural shapes | 52,921 | 49,540 | 45,987 | 65,063 |
| Total, bars | 428,311 | 560,268 | 510,804 | 626,675 |
| Wire rod and related products: | | | | |
| Wire rod: | | | | |
| Carbon | 94,960 | 155,710 | 58,416 | 47,786 |
| Alloy | 6,260 | 6,522 | 10,174 | 11,964 |
| Wire: | | | | |
| Carbon | 54,841 | 75,236 | 76,421 | 72,473 |
| Alloy | 11,611 | 11,539 | 11,536 | 15,337 |
| Wire products: | | | | |
| Nails | 11,853 | 14,135 | 17,143 | 17,819 |
| Barbed wire | 2,715 | 3,997 | 2,124 | 2,938 |
| Wire fencing | 7,694 | 10,794 | 14,209 | 20,667 |
| Wire strand | 14,704 | 18,245 | 18,170 | 21,485 |
| Wire rope | 4,582 | 4,380 | 4,927 | 8,461 |
| Total, all wire rod and related products | 209,220 | 300,559 | 213,121 | 218,930 |
| Structurals: | | | | |
| Heavy | 305,804 | 405,222 | 281,533 | 317,701 |
| Fabricated | 189,204 | 251,796 | 164,879 | 180,713 |
| Total | 495,007 | 657,019 | 446,412 | 498,413 |
| Rails and related products: | | | | |
| Rails | 110,214 | 77,005 | 34,769 | 62,255 |
| Joint bars and tie plates | 261,635 | 15,601 | 19,416 | 31,302 |
| Wheels and axles | 7,191 | 15,450 | 20,023 | 21,890 |
| Total | 379,039 | 108,056 | 74,208 | 115,447 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 194,770 | 362,765 | 227,245 | 171,759 |
| Line pipe | 73,420 | 162,052 | 187,652 | 125,818 |
| Other ³ | 189,147 | 213,358 | 249,684 | 256,725 |
| Total | 457,336 | 738,176 | 664,582 | 554,303 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table E-31—Continued

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. exports of specified products and exports as a percent of major product groupings, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| <i>Quantity (short tons)—Continued</i> | | | | |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 6,472 | 20,063 | 5,487 | 7,470 |
| Plate | 8,534 | 9,193 | 6,598 | 6,811 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 5,876 | 14,500 | 9,239 | 3,781 |
| Cold rolled | 17,266 | 30,906 | 23,204 | 21,943 |
| Strip | 40,806 | 52,586 | 45,625 | 35,522 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 63,947 | 97,991 | 78,069 | 61,246 |
| Bars and shapes | 16,005 | 16,989 | 19,935 | 11,457 |
| Wire rod | 5,413 | 4,224 | 2,256 | 2,561 |
| Wire | 3,599 | 2,640 | 2,181 | 2,550 |
| Pipe and tube | 13,443 | 14,934 | 14,701 | 14,111 |
| Alloy tool steel (all forms) | 4,594 | 8,592 | 5,974 | 6,545 |
| Total, stainless and alloy tool steel | 122,007 | 174,626 | 135,201 | 112,752 |
| <i>Share of product group total (percent)</i> | | | | |
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Plate: | | | | |
| Carbon | 91.68 | 93.16 | 91.00 | 89.04 |
| Alloy | 8.32 | 6.84 | 9.00 | 10.96 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Sheet | 47.19 | 63.32 | 32.32 | 17.94 |
| Strip | 2.27 | 1.13 | 2.92 | 2.60 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Black plate | 0.11 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.44 |
| Electrical | 2.27 | 2.58 | 2.50 | 3.56 |
| Other sheet | 16.51 | 11.67 | 17.64 | 23.42 |
| Other strip | 6.36 | 3.88 | 6.65 | 8.29 |
| Galvanized | 13.64 | 9.31 | 15.52 | 18.31 |
| Tin plate | 7.03 | 4.63 | 14.55 | 13.15 |
| Tin free | 1.22 | 1.17 | 3.12 | 4.84 |
| Other coated | 3.39 | 2.16 | 4.53 | 7.45 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Bars: | | | | |
| Hot rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 32.10 | 24.33 | 24.56 | 22.65 |
| Alloy | 17.22 | 16.26 | 17.82 | 20.37 |
| Cold rolled: | | | | |
| Carbon | 9.44 | 6.87 | 10.13 | 7.97 |
| Alloy | 1.13 | 1.82 | 2.55 | 2.36 |
| Reinforcing | 27.76 | 41.88 | 35.93 | 36.26 |
| Light structural shapes | 12.36 | 8.84 | 9.00 | 10.38 |
| Total, bars | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table E-31—Continued

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. exports of specified products and exports as a percent of major product groupings, 1990-93

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <i>Share of product group total (percent)—Continued</i> | | | | |
| Wire rod and related products: | | | | |
| Wire rod: | | | | |
| Carbon | 45.39 | 51.81 | 27.41 | 21.83 |
| Alloy | 2.99 | 2.17 | 4.77 | 5.46 |
| Wire: | | | | |
| Carbon | 26.21 | 25.03 | 35.86 | 33.10 |
| Alloy | 5.55 | 3.84 | 5.41 | 7.01 |
| Wire products: | | | | |
| Nails | 5.67 | 4.70 | 8.04 | 8.14 |
| Barbed wire | 1.30 | 1.33 | 1.00 | 1.34 |
| Wire fencing | 3.68 | 3.59 | 6.67 | 9.44 |
| Wire strand | 7.03 | 6.07 | 8.53 | 9.81 |
| Wire rope | 2.19 | 1.46 | 2.31 | 3.86 |
| Total, all wire rod and related products | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Structurals: | | | | |
| Heavy | 61.78 | 61.68 | 63.07 | 63.74 |
| Fabricated | 38.22 | 38.32 | 36.93 | 36.26 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Rails and related products: | | | | |
| Rails | 29.08 | 71.26 | 46.85 | 53.93 |
| Joint bars and tie plates | 69.03 | 14.44 | 26.16 | 27.11 |
| Wheels and axles | 1.90 | 14.30 | 26.98 | 18.96 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | |
| Oil country tubular goods | 42.59 | 49.14 | 34.19 | 30.99 |
| Line pipe | 16.05 | 21.95 | 28.24 | 22.70 |
| Other ³ | 41.36 | 28.90 | 37.57 | 46.31 |
| Total | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Plate | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | |
| Sheet: | | | | |
| Hot rolled | 9.19 | 14.80 | 11.83 | 6.17 |
| Cold rolled | 27.00 | 31.54 | 29.72 | 35.83 |
| Strip | 63.81 | 53.66 | 58.44 | 58.00 |
| Total, sheet and strip | 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) | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Total, stainless and alloy tool steel | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.³ Includes mechanical, standard, structural, and pressure pipe and tube.

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

Table E-32**Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports for consumption, by customs areas, 1990-93**

| <i>(Short tons)</i> | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
| Atlantic Coast | 2,928,879 | 2,796,230 | 2,856,868 | 2,987,820 |
| Great Lakes-Canadian border | 5,846,525 | 5,092,319 | 6,788,052 | 8,602,841 |
| Gulf Coast-Mexican border | 4,633,694 | 4,388,184 | 4,051,683 | 5,107,798 |
| Off-shore | 309,270 | 267,302 | 293,409 | 308,971 |
| Pacific Coast | 4,425,344 | 3,837,281 | 3,790,493 | 3,386,538 |
| Total | 18,143,711 | 16,381,316 | 17,780,504 | 20,393,968 |

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

Table E-33**Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports for consumption through the Atlantic coast customs area, 1990-93***(Short tons)*

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 172,652 | 215,983 | 197,728 | 359,030 |
| Plate | 140,747 | 135,459 | 119,918 | 101,359 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,288,286 | 1,363,034 | 1,474,263 | 1,244,121 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 102,207 | 75,641 | 90,076 | 81,101 |
| Wire rod | 185,722 | 150,070 | 206,153 | 264,586 |
| Wire | 76,338 | 56,557 | 60,118 | 80,773 |
| Wire products | 211,516 | 142,681 | 180,784 | 197,623 |
| Structural shapes and units | 192,938 | 91,410 | 85,277 | 127,664 |
| Rails and related products | 26,018 | 27,479 | 22,651 | 15,049 |
| Pipe and tube | 360,166 | 366,760 | 216,592 | 177,944 |
| Total | 2,756,591 | 2,625,076 | 2,653,559 | 2,649,250 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 21,028 | 14,741 | 12,091 | 61,457 |
| Plate | 3,317 | 3,742 | 6,506 | 9,815 |
| Sheet and strip | 62,975 | 66,343 | 85,256 | 155,033 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 19,501 | 23,850 | 27,003 | 33,816 |
| Wire rod | 17,513 | 18,497 | 31,080 | 31,087 |
| Wire | 10,169 | 9,195 | 9,461 | 12,318 |
| Pipe and tube | 18,163 | 15,230 | 11,508 | 12,916 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 19,621 | 19,555 | 20,405 | 22,127 |
| Total, stainless and tool | 172,288 | 171,154 | 203,309 | 338,570 |
| Grand total | 2,928,879 | 2,796,230 | 2,856,868 | 2,987,820 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

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

Table E-34**Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports for consumption through the Great Lakes-Canadian border customs area, 1990-93***(Short tons)*

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 376,130 | 147,430 | 497,809 | 1,752,089 |
| Plate | 275,279 | 225,946 | 296,303 | 198,824 |
| Sheet and strip | 2,769,747 | 2,472,889 | 3,409,624 | 3,425,242 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 590,935 | 557,758 | 722,328 | 990,709 |
| Wire rod | 387,724 | 394,153 | 527,597 | 618,847 |
| Wire | 202,258 | 197,111 | 231,314 | 288,854 |
| Wire products | 96,089 | 87,258 | 100,003 | 104,274 |
| Structural shapes and units | 399,695 | 267,925 | 284,051 | 331,629 |
| Rails and related products | 196,840 | 125,448 | 128,874 | 119,670 |
| Pipe and tube | 446,874 | 517,440 | 481,639 | 604,683 |
| Total | 5,741,573 | 4,993,357 | 6,679,543 | 8,434,821 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 26,516 | 21,834 | 19,847 | 43,838 |
| Plate | 2,036 | 1,496 | 1,883 | 3,485 |
| Sheet and strip | 38,187 | 29,589 | 48,531 | 67,160 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 8,597 | 9,236 | 11,456 | 14,093 |
| Wire rod | 1,064 | 1,866 | 2,765 | 2,971 |
| Wire | 4,816 | 5,214 | 6,311 | 7,475 |
| Pipe and tube | 7,942 | 7,264 | 6,080 | 8,634 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 15,794 | 22,463 | 11,637 | 20,364 |
| Total, stainless and tool | 104,951 | 98,962 | 108,509 | 168,020 |
| Grand total | 5,846,525 | 5,092,319 | 6,788,052 | 8,602,841 |

¹ "Certain alloy" refers to alloy steel other than stainless or tool steel.² Semifinished steel includes ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, and sheet bars.

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

Table E-35

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. imports for consumption through the Gulf coast-Mexican border customs area, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 616,184 | 603,254 | 576,719 | 1,500,259 |
| Plate | 424,239 | 361,340 | 418,292 | 352,910 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,455,723 | 1,369,315 | 1,646,240 | 1,259,810 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 124,950 | 150,691 | 100,628 | 153,957 |
| Wire rod | 217,475 | 197,187 | 302,093 | 398,005 |
| Wire | 53,333 | 44,736 | 48,401 | 53,152 |
| Wire products | 175,874 | 133,800 | 152,177 | 158,996 |
| Structural shapes and units | 197,391 | 128,798 | 124,448 | 190,693 |
| Rails and related products | 55,424 | 61,407 | 72,166 | 44,184 |
| Pipe and tube | 1,229,715 | 1,233,838 | 503,817 | 852,849 |
| Total | 4,550,308 | 4,284,367 | 3,944,981 | 4,964,815 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 13,275 | 11,879 | 5,145 | 7,629 |
| Plate | 3,042 | 6,001 | 4,933 | 4,147 |
| Sheet and strip | 39,834 | 54,715 | 62,099 | 94,195 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 8,266 | 10,425 | 10,128 | 11,626 |
| Wire rod | 1,824 | 2,142 | 1,769 | 2,188 |
| Wire | 2,162 | 1,848 | 2,224 | 1,326 |
| Pipe and tube | 12,488 | 15,145 | 16,738 | 15,456 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 2,495 | 1,663 | 3,666 | 6,415 |
| Total, stainless and tool | 83,386 | 103,818 | 106,701 | 142,983 |
| Grand total | 4,633,694 | 4,388,184 | 4,051,683 | 5,107,798 |

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

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

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

Table E-36

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports for consumption through the offshore customs area, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|
| Carbon and certain alloy ¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | (³) | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Plate | 6,066 | 5,182 | 3,615 | 5,819 |
| Sheet and strip | 100,253 | 66,482 | 87,630 | 84,308 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 115,415 | 99,676 | 98,240 | 115,183 |
| Wire rod | 15,574 | 12,199 | 10,073 | 16,870 |
| Wire | 12,654 | 13,339 | 10,667 | 10,851 |
| Wire products | 8,213 | 5,953 | 5,300 | 6,199 |
| Structural shapes and units | 12,233 | 11,587 | 12,444 | 10,575 |
| Rails and related products | 624 | 439 | 1,040 | 1,061 |
| Pipe and tube | 37,894 | 49,995 | 63,428 | 58,092 |
| Total | 308,925 | 264,852 | 292,438 | 308,960 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 0 | 0 | (³) | 0 |
| Plate | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sheet and strip | 244 | 0 | (³) | 10 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 10 | 0 | (³) | 0 |
| Wire rod | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire | 64 | 64 | (³) | (³) |
| Pipe and tube | 8 | 2,386 | 970 | 1 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total, stainless and tool | 345 | 2,450 | 971 | 11 |
| Grand total | 309,270 | 267,302 | 293,409 | 308,971 |

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

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

³ Less than 0.5 short tons.

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

Table E-37

Steel mill products and certain fabricated steel products: U.S. Imports for consumption through the Pacific coast customs area, 1990-93

(Short tons)

| Item | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Carbon and certain alloy¹ steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 1,137,032 | 1,029,943 | 1,034,887 | 1,247,824 |
| Plate | 76,496 | 51,075 | 40,044 | 53,298 |
| Sheet and strip | 1,910,016 | 1,659,198 | 1,949,383 | 1,195,000 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 101,747 | 60,079 | 45,923 | 52,185 |
| Wire rod | 149,617 | 67,417 | 60,889 | 58,181 |
| Wire | 69,425 | 63,008 | 61,391 | 72,594 |
| Wire products | 168,632 | 142,147 | 148,652 | 147,730 |
| Structural shapes and units | 218,336 | 104,641 | 83,393 | 81,513 |
| Rails and related products | 70,650 | 88,822 | 74,687 | 88,801 |
| Pipe and tube | 467,540 | 519,121 | 235,402 | 318,989 |
| Total | 4,369,490 | 3,785,451 | 3,734,651 | 3,316,116 |
| Stainless and alloy tool steel: | | | | |
| Stainless steel: | | | | |
| Semifinished ² | 3 | 507 | 94 | 538 |
| Plate | 2,068 | 2,363 | 1,910 | 1,615 |
| Sheet and strip | 31,792 | 26,184 | 30,299 | 43,657 |
| Bars and certain shapes | 8,152 | 8,981 | 8,912 | 10,532 |
| Wire rod | 2,728 | 3,392 | 4,002 | 4,461 |
| Wire | 1,117 | 733 | 1,094 | 849 |
| Pipe and tube | 8,619 | 8,193 | 7,315 | 6,527 |
| Tool steel (all forms) | 1,376 | 1,478 | 2,215 | 2,244 |
| Total, stainless and tool | 55,854 | 51,831 | 55,842 | 70,423 |
| Grand total | 4,425,344 | 3,837,281 | 3,790,493 | 3,386,538 |

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

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

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

APPENDIX F
Status Of Recent AD and CVD
Investigations on Steel Products and
Ferroalloys

Table F-1
Status of recent AD and CVD Investigations on steel products and ferroalloys

| Product description | Country | AD (731-TA) | CVD (701-TA) | USITC preliminary determination | | USITC final determination | |
|---|----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|
| | | | | Date ¹ | Outcome | Date ¹ | Outcome |
| Certain carbon steel buttweld pipe fittings ... | China | 520 | | 7-8-91 | A | 6-24-92 | A |
| | Thailand | 521 | | 7-8-91 | A | 6-24-92 | A |
| Certain circular, welded nonalloy steel pipes and tubes | Brazil | 532 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | A |
| | Korea | 533 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | A |
| | Mexico | 534 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | A |
| | Romania | 535 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | N |
| | Taiwan | 536 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | A |
| | Venezuela | 537 | | 11-8-91 | A | 10-26-92 | A |
| Certain welded stainless steel pipes | Korea | 540 | | 1-2-92 | A | 12-18-92 | A |
| | Taiwan | 541 | | 1-2-92 | A | 12-18-92 | A |
| Steel wire rope | Korea | 546 | | 5-26-92 | A | 3-15-93 | A |
| | Mexico | 547 | | 5-26-92 | A | 3-15-93 | A |
| Certain hot-rolled lead and bismuth carbon steel products | Brazil | 552 | 314 | 5-28-92 | A | 3-10-93 | A |
| | France | 553 | 315 | 5-28-92 | A | 3-10-93 | A |
| | Germany | 554 | 316 | 5-28-92 | A | 3-10-93 | A |
| | United Kingdom | 555 | 317 | 5-28-92 | A | 3-10-93 | A |
| New steel rails | Japan | 557 | | 6-15-92 | N | | |
| | Luxembourg | 558 | | 6-15-92 | N | | |
| | United Kingdom | 559 | | 6-15-92 | A | 3-26-93 | N |
| Certain stainless steel buttweld pipe fittings | Korea | 563 | | 7-6-92 | A | 2-16-93 | A |
| | Taiwan | 564 | | 7-6-92 | A | 6-3-93 | A |
| Ferrosilicon | Argentina | 565 | | 7-6-92 | A | (2) | |
| | Kazakhstan | 566 | | 7-6-92 | A | 3-23-93 | A |
| | China | 567 | | 7-6-92 | A | 3-4-93 | A |
| | Russia | 568 | | 7-6-92 | A | 6-16-93 | A |
| | Ukraine | 569 | | 7-6-92 | A | 3-23-93 | A |
| | Venezuela | 570 | | 7-6-92 | A | 6-16-93 | A |
| | Brazil | 641 | | 2-23-93 | A | | |
| | Egypt | 642 | | 2-23-93 | A | 10-22-93 | |
| Special quality carbon and certain alloy hot-rolled steel bars and rods and semi- finished products | Brazil | 572 | | 7-24-92 | A | 7-9-93 | N |
| Certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products | Belgium | 588 | 329 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Brazil | 589 | 330 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Canada | 590 | A | 8-9-93 | N | | |
| | France | 591 | 331 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Germany | 592 | 332 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Italy | 593 | 333 | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| | Japan | 594 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Korea | 595 | 334 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Netherlands | 596 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | New Zealand | | 335 | 8-14-92 | N | | |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table F-1-Continued

Status of recent AD and CVD Investigations on steel products and ferroalloys

| Product description | Country | AD (731-TA) | CVD (701-TA) | USITC preliminary determination | | USITC final determination | |
|---|----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|
| | | | | Date ¹ | Outcome | Date ¹ | Outcome |
| Cold-rolled carbon steel flat products | Argentina | 597 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Australia | 598 | | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| | Austria | 599 | 336 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Belgium | 600 | 337 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Brazil | 601 | 338 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Canada | 602 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | France | 603 | 339 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Germany | 604 | 340 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Italy | 605 | 341 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Japan | 606 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Korea | 607 | 342 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Netherlands | 608 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | New Zealand | | 343 | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| | Spain | 609 | 344 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Taiwan | 610 | 345 | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| | United Kingdom | 611 | 346 | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| Certain corrosion- resistant carbon steel flat products | Australia | 612 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Brazil | 613 | 347 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Canada | 614 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | France | 615 | 348 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Germany | 616 | 349 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Japan | 617 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Korea | 618 | 350 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Mexico | 619 | 351 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | New Zealand | | 352 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Sweden | | 353 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Taiwan | 620 | 354 | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| Cut-to-length carbon steel plate | Belgium | 573 | 319 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Brazil | 574 | 320 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Canada | 575 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Finland | 576 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | France | 577 | 321 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Germany | 578 | 322 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Italy | 579 | 323 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Japan | 580 | | 8-14-92 | N | | |
| | Korea | 581 | 324 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | N |
| | Mexico | 582 | 325 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Poland | 583 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Romania | 584 | | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Spain | 585 | 326 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | Sweden | 586 | 327 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| | United Kingdom | 587 | 328 | 8-14-92 | A | 8-9-93 | A |
| Compact ductile iron waterworks fittings | China | 621 | | 8-24-92 | A | 8-19-93 | A |
| Stainless steel wire rod | Brazil | 636 | | 2-16-93 | A | 1-21-94 | A |
| | France | 637 | | 2-16-93 | A | 1-21-94 | A |
| | India | 638 | | 2-16-93 | A | 11-23-93 | A |
| Stainless steel flanges | India | 639 | | 2-16-93 | A | 2-2-94 | A |
| | Taiwan | 640 | | 2-16-93 | A | 2-2-94 | A |
| Welded stainless steel pipe | Malaysia | 644 | | 4-2-93 | A | 3-7-94 | N |

See footnotes at end of table.

Table F-1-Continued
Status of recent AD and CVD investigations on steel products and ferroalloys

| Product description | Country | AD (731-TA) | CVD (701-TA) | USITC preliminary determination | | USITC final determination | |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|
| | | | | Date ¹ | Outcome | Date ¹ | Outcome |
| Carbon steel wire rod | Brazil | 646 | | 6-7-93 | A | 3-25-94 | N |
| | Canada | 647 | | 6-7-93 | A | 5-25-94 | |
| | Japan | 648 | | 6-7-93 | A | 3-25-94 | N |
| | Trinidad and Tobago | 649 | | 6-7-93 | N | | |
| Class 150 stainless steel threaded pipe fittings | Taiwan | 658 | | 9-16-93 | A | 9-6-94 | |
| Grain-oriented silicon electrical steel | Italy | 659 | 355 | 10-12-93 | A | 8-8-94 | |
| | Japan | 660 | | 10-12-93 | A | 8-8-94 | |
| Silicomanganese | Brazil | 671 | | 12-27-93 | A | | |
| | The People's Republic of China | 672 | | 12-27-93 | A | | |
| | Ukraine | 673 | | 12-27-93 | A | | |
| | Venezuela | 674 | | 12-27-93 | A | | |
| Stainless steel bar | Brazil | 678 | | 2-14-94 | A | | |
| | India | 679 | | 2-14-94 | A | | |
| | Italy | 680 | | 2-14-94 | A | | |
| | Japan | 681 | | 2-14-94 | A | | |
| | Spain | 682 | | 2-14-94 | A | | |
| Certain steel wire rod | Belgium | 686 | | 3-31-94 | A | | |
| | Germany | 687 | 359 | 3-31-94 | N | | |
| Certain carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings | France | 688 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | India | 689 | 360 | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | Israel | 690 | 361 | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | Malaysia | 691 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | Korea | 692 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | Thailand | 693 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | United Kingdom | 694 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | Venezuela | 695 | | 4-14-94 | A | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Stainless steel angles | Japan | 699 | | 5-23-94 | | | |

¹ Date that the Commission officially reports its determination to the U.S. Department of Commerce. Votes by the Commission take place approximately 1 week prior to the determination date. USITC final determinations may be awaiting Commerce's preliminary dumping/subsidy determination.

² The Department of Commerce reached negative preliminary and final determinations with respect to this case resulting in its termination.

APPENDIX G
U.S. Producers' and Converters'
Capital Expenditures and
Reasons for Such Expenditures,
1992 and 1993

Table G-1

Carbon and certain alloy steel: U.S. producers' and converters' capital expenditures and reasons for such expenditures,¹ 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | | Reasons for expenditures ² | | | | | | | 1993 | | Reasons for expenditures ² | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|----|-----|----|-----|---|--------------------|------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|-----|----|----|---|--|--|
| | Environ- mental | Total | A | B | C | D | E | F | Environ- mental | Total | A | B | C | D | E | F | | |
| | — \$1,000 — | | — Number of responses — | | | | | | | — \$1,000 — | | — Number of responses — | | | | | | |
| Cokemaking facilities | 107,273 | 325,928 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 92,774 | 203,286 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 0 | | |
| Ironmaking facilities | 25,376 | 169,080 | 12 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 25,335 | 303,542 | 14 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 0 | | |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic oxygen process | 50,405 | 91,057 | 12 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 34,838 | 70,890 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 0 | | |
| Electric furnace. | 41,895 | 138,802 | 22 | 8 | 23 | 7 | 20 | 1 | 23,928 | 129,673 | 30 | 14 | 21 | 9 | 11 | 1 | | |
| Continuous casting | 5,305 | 304,609 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 1,879 | 330,256 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | | |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ⁴ | (³) | 1,717 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | (³) | 9,560 | 13 | 5 | 14 | 10 | 3 | 1 | | |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | 1,064 | 26,473 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | (³) | 42,537 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | (³) | 235,846 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 7,053 | 186,287 | 12 | 1 | 13 | 9 | 3 | 0 | | |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 10,141 | 164,450 | 11 | 2 | 11 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 3,300 | 183,882 | 15 | 7 | 16 | 9 | 3 | 0 | | |
| Galvanizing facilities | 5,810 | 203,166 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 6 | 0 | 2,005 | 43,247 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 0 | | |
| Other coating facilities | 2,404 | 57,466 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1,359 | 38,817 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Bars, shapes, and light structural mills: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 64 | 72,703 | 19 | 4 | 15 | 10 | 3 | 0 | (³) | 166,724 | 18 | 7 | 13 | 9 | 4 | 0 | | |
| Cold-finished | 712 | 2,977 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | (³) | 13,661 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | | |
| Medium and heavy structural mills ⁵ | (³) | 26,167 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | (³) | (³) | 6 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Rail mills | 0 | 4,079 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (³) | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Wire rod mills | (³) | 6,436 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | (³) | 18,520 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Wire drawing machines | 2,793 | 22,103 | 16 | 7 | 10 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 1,133 | 24,159 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 1 | | |
| Wire products | 854 | 27,712 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1,808 | 34,846 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 0 | | |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe and tube mills .. | 1,022 | 35,266 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 502 | 14,651 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Welded pipe and tube mills ... | 4,245 | 38,707 | 14 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 1,946 | 49,301 | 12 | 5 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 0 | | |
| Other ⁶ | 22,405 | 581,193 | 29 | 4 | 15 | 7 | 16 | 1 | 32,775 | 197,265 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 287,281 | 2,535,937 | 209 | 51 | 161 | 99 | 113 | 4 | 234,773 | 2,297,658 | 196 | 64 | 160 | 97 | 68 | 4 | | |

¹ Includes expenditures for the specific type of facility as well as related facilities. Also includes expenditures for plant and equipment, land and land improvement, occupational safety and health, and environmental control.

² Principal reason(s) for investment are coded as follows: A = Facility maintenance and replacement; B = Increased capacity; C = Improvement in operating efficiency; D = Improvement in response to increased customer demand for higher quality products and improved service; E = Government regulation; F = Other (primarily safety reasons).

³ Not shown.

⁴ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslog remelting, etc.).

⁵ Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.

⁶ Includes expenditures which companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the USITC.

Table G-2

Stainless and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' and converters' capital expenditures and reasons for such expenditures,¹ 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | | Reasons for expenditures ² | | | | | | | 1993 | | Reasons for expenditures ² | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|---|--------------------|------------------|----|---------------------------------------|----|---|----|---|--|--|
| | Environ- mental | Total | A | B | C | D | E | F | Environ- mental | Total | A | B | C | D | E | F | | |
| | — \$1,000 — | | — Number of responses — | | | | | | | — \$1,000 — | | — Number of responses — | | | | | | |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electric furnace | 2,105 | 14,344 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1,756 | 8,329 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 0 | | |
| Continuous casting | (³) | 19,922 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | (³) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ⁴ | (³) | 832 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | (³) | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | (³) | 2,132 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (³) | 2,220 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | (³) | (³) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | (³) | 2,261 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 611 | 12,338 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 162 | 34,726 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | | |
| Bars and shapes: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | (³) | 389 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | (³) | (³) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | | |
| Cold-finished | (³) | 834 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 0 | (³) | 1,024 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Wire rod mills | 0 | (³) | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (³) | (³) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | | |
| Wire drawing machines | (³) | 1,488 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | (³) | (³) | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe and tube mills .. | 0 | (³) | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (³) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Welded pipe and tube mills ... | 2,382 | 5,357 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | (³) | 7,243 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Other ⁵ | 2,984 | 71,013 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 1,507 | 76,145 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 10,141 | 132,784 | 48 | 21 | 43 | 17 | 24 | 1 | 4,980 | 139,762 | 28 | 14 | 29 | 6 | 12 | 2 | | |

¹ Includes expenditures for the specific type of facility as well as related facilities. Also includes expenditures for plant and equipment, land and land improvement, occupational safety and health, and environmental control.

² Principal reason(s) for investment are coded as follows: A = Facility maintenance and replacement; B = Increased capacity; C = Improvement in operating efficiency; D = Improvement in response to increased customer demand for higher quality products and improved service; E = Government regulation; F = Other (primarily safety reasons).

³ Not shown.

⁴ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁵ Includes expenditures which companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the USITC.

APPENDIX H
U.S. Producers' and Converters'
Research and Development Expenditures
and Reasons for Such Expenditures,
1992 and 1993

Table H-1

Carbon and certain alloy steel: U.S. producers' and converters' research and development expenditures and reasons for such expenditures, 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | 1993 | Reasons for expenditures in 1993 ¹ | | | | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|---|----|----|----|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| | — | \$1,000 | Number of responses | | | | | |
| Cokemaking facilities | 4,097 | 3,478 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Ironmaking facilities | 5,930 | 4,400 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | | | |
| Basic oxygen process | 8,226 | 5,753 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Electric furnace | 7,767 | 8,194 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 |
| Continuous casting | 6,449 | 6,978 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ³ | 362 | (²) | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | 5,599 | 6,549 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | 7,153 | 4,870 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | 17,946 | 14,978 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Galvanizing facilities | 8,580 | 14,037 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 0 |
| Other coating facilities | 16,417 | 11,210 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Bars, shapes, and light structural mills: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | 2,766 | (²) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Cold-finished | (²) | (²) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Medium and heavy structural mills ⁴ | (²) | (²) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Rail mills | (²) | (²) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire rod mills | 742 | 272 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire drawing machines | 339 | (²) | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire products | (²) | (²) | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe and tube mills | (²) | (²) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Welded pipe and tube mills | 873 | 2,060 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Other ⁵ | 13,595 | 12,795 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 111,499 | 104,327 | 52 | 55 | 45 | 44 | 9 | 0 |

¹ Principal reason(s) for R&D expenditures are coded as follows: A = To improve operating efficiency; B = To respond to increased customer demand for higher quality products; C = To reduce energy consumption and/or pollution levels; D = To develop new steel products; E = To develop new steelmaking processes; F = Other.

² Not shown.

³ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁴ Structural shapes with a cross-section exceeding 3 inches.

⁵ Includes expenditures which companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the USITC.

Table H-2

Stainless and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' and converters' research and development expenditures and reasons for such expenditures, 1992 and 1993

| Item | 1992 | 1993 | Reasons for expenditures in 1993 ¹ | | | | | |
|---|-------------|--------|---|----|---|---|---|---|
| | | | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| | — \$1,000 — | | Number of responses | | | | | |
| Raw steelmaking facilities: | | | | | | | | |
| Electric furnace | 510 | (2) | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Continuous casting | 0 | (2) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Secondary steelmaking facilities ³ | (2) | (2) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Flat-rolled products: | | | | | | | | |
| Plate mills | (2) | (2) | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sheet and strip: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot strip mills | (2) | (2) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Cold-rolled sheet mills | (2) | (2) | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Bars and shapes: | | | | | | | | |
| Hot-finished | (2) | (2) | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Cold-finished | (2) | (2) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire rod mills | (2) | 92 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wire drawing machines | (2) | (2) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Pipes and tubes: | | | | | | | | |
| Seamless pipe and tube mills | (2) | (2) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Welded pipe and tube mills | (2) | (2) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other ⁴ | 16,663 | 17,606 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 46,533 | 45,183 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 |

¹ Principal reason(s) for R&D expenditures are coded as follows: A = To improve operating efficiency; B = To respond to increased customer demand for higher quality products; C = To reduce energy consumption and/or pollution levels; D = To develop new steel products; E = To develop new steelmaking processes; F = Other.

² Not shown.

³ Includes ladle treatment (heat balance, alloy addition, degassing, decarburization, etc.) and other secondary refining processes (vacuum arc remelt, electroslag remelting, etc.).

⁴ Includes expenditures which companies could not allocate to product groups.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to totals shown.

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