

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Exhibit 2b. U.S. Imports For Consumption of Stainless Steel Products

Quantity in metric tons/value In thousands of dollars. Details may not equal totals due to rounding.

Commodity Grouping	September 2005 Cumulative To Date - Final		September 2004 Cumulative To Date - Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Total Selected Commodities	681,711	2,326,150	648,974	1,747,844
Ingots And Steel For Castings	11,853	29,505	4,172	7,978
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	103,950	294,254	117,414	251,989
Wire Rods	29,221	81,889	25,052	59,002
Structural Shapes Heavy	1,226	5,116	2,210	7,151
Plates Cut Lengths	30,446	117,785	23,406	57,100
Plates In Coils	27,635	85,803	25,546	69,693
Bars - Hot Rolled	17,468	69,363	15,042	44,343
Bars - Light Shaped	5,151	16,565	10,268	27,048
Bars - Cold Finished	71,545	274,591	43,789	129,422
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	92,447	487,730	82,302	345,429
Wire Drawn	30,265	132,468	27,859	103,061
Sheets Hot Rolled	9,221	18,154	7,081	14,486
Sheets Cold Rolled	220,501	589,657	236,357	535,751
Strip - Hot Rolled	2,059	6,098	1,199	2,930
Strip - Cold Rolled	28,724	117,174	27,277	92,461

NOTE: See the cover report specifically explaining the current month's preliminary steel imports trade data or www.census.gov/foreign-trade/Press-Release/steel_index.html.