

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	December 2005 Cumulative To Date - Final		December 2004 Cumulative To Date - Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Total Selected Commodities	885,591	3,022,794	916,583	2,521,984
Ingots And Steel For Castings	16,573	44,096	8,560	17,200
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	128,035	363,197	166,557	370,850
Wire Rods	35,593	100,398	37,593	90,364
Structural Shapes Heavy	1,500	6,229	2,838	9,513
Plates Cut Lengths	42,778	155,607	30,591	80,247
Plates In Coils	32,898	101,014	31,679	87,109
Bars - Hot Rolled	22,686	92,712	19,700	60,598
Bars - Light Shaped	6,913	21,730	13,533	36,611
Bars - Cold Finished	92,340	357,077	61,797	190,258
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	121,963	657,324	107,949	464,946
Wire Drawn	39,777	173,951	38,086	142,706
Sheets Hot Rolled	13,978	27,291	15,378	36,505
Sheets Cold Rolled	289,837	760,682	341,503	800,017
Strip - Hot Rolled	3,425	9,926	1,570	3,942
Strip - Cold Rolled	37,297	151,560	39,249	131,117

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.