

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	February 2006 Cumulative To Date - Final		February 2005 Cumulative To Date - Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Total Selected Commodities	145,849	476,120	161,961	515,113
Ingots And Steel For Castings	1,706	6,689	4,112	8,799
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	16,454	43,545	22,582	60,506
Wire Rods	4,614	12,300	7,246	18,987
Structural Shapes Heavy	222	794	255	990
Plates Cut Lengths	7,372	26,198	5,881	19,003
Plates In Coils	3,717	10,142	4,302	12,471
Bars - Hot Rolled	2,780	12,194	3,395	13,460
Bars - Light Shaped	974	2,828	2,095	6,284
Bars - Cold Finished	12,397	46,935	14,079	55,085
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	19,897	113,443	19,997	96,615
Wire Drawn	6,729	29,513	6,574	26,648
Sheets Hot Rolled	3,248	5,172	1,553	3,341
Sheets Cold Rolled	59,433	141,549	63,132	166,583
Strip - Hot Rolled	619	1,559	177	409
Strip - Cold Rolled	5,688	23,257	6,581	25,932

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.