#### 2008

#### MA331B — STEEL MILL PRODUCTS

#### **DEFINITIONS AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1. Scope of survey

This survey covers all known producers of steel mill products.

#### 2. Figures to be reported

Companies with more than one establishment manufacturing the products covered by this survey are requested to complete a separate report form for each location. If you have not received a separate form for each of your establishments, please call the contact shown on the report form or write to the U.S. Census Bureau for additional forms.

#### a. Quantity and value of shipments

The figures on quantity and value of shipments should include the physical shipments of all products sold, transferred to other establishments within your company, or shipped on consignment, whether for domestic or export sale. The value represents the net sales price, f.o.b. plant, to the customer or branch to which the products are shipped, net of discounts, allowances, freight charges, and returns. Shipments to your own branches should be assigned the same value as comparable sales to unaffiliated customers, i.e., the value includes an appropriate allocation of company overhead and profit. Products bought and resold without further manufacture should not be included in comments.

Blast furnace and steel mills industry (NAICS 331111) Establishments engaged in manufacturing the following products should report: ingot (raw steel) and semifinished shapes (blooms, billets, slabs, etc.) (3311113); hot rolled sheet and strip, including tin mill products (3311115); hot rolled bars and bar shapes, plates, structural shapes and piling (3311117); wire made in plants producing wire rods or hot rolled bars (3311119); pipe and tubes made in plants producing semifinished shapes or plate (331111B); cold rolled steel sheet and strip made in plants producing hot rolled sheet or strip (331111D); cold finished steel bars and bar shapes made in plants producing hot rolled bars and bar shapes (331111F); and other steel mill products, except wire products (331111L).

Steel wire and related products industry (NAICS 331222) — Establishments drawing wire from purchased rods, bars, or wire and which may be engaged in the further manufacture of products made from wire. This survey will require quantity and value of shipments of wire shipped as wire (3312225) and quantity and value of shipments of eight selected wire products as listed in the item description.

Cold finishing of steel shapes industry (NAICS 331221) — Establishments engaged in manufacturing cold rolled sheet and strip from purchased hot rolled sheet (3312211) and establishments producing cold drawn steel bar shapes from purchased hot rolled steel bars (3312213).

Steel pipe and tubes industry (NAICS 331210) — Establishments engaged in the production of welded or seamless steel pipe and tubes from purchased material (3312100).

If you did not produce any of the products listed in the item description as a final product or as an intermediate step in the production of your final product and you did not operate a steel furnace, you are not included in this survey. Please indicate in the remarks section what products you do produce and return the form.

#### b. Columnar structure of report

SECTION IA — STEEL PRODUCTS SHIPPED (Item codes 1100 through 3999)

Columns (3) and (4); Total shipments including interplant transfers — The figures on quantity and value of shipments should include the physical shipments of all products sold, transferred to other establishments within your company, shipped on consignment, whether for domestic or export sale. The value represents the net sales price, f.o.b. plant, to the customer or branch to which the products are shipped, net of discounts, allowances, freight charges, and returns. Shipments to your own branches should be assigned the same value as comparable sales to unaffiliated customers, i.e., the value includes an appropriate allocation of company overhead and profit. Products bought and resold without further manufacture should not be included in shipments.

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#### SECTION IB — IMPORT RECEIPTS (Item code 5999)

Report receipts of all imported steel mill shapes by grade. Exclude domestic receipts. Receipts of mill shapes purchased from U.S. steel producing companies are considered domestic receipts unless the mill shapes were originally purchased by the U.S. producers from imports and were resold to secondary producers without further manufacture. Secondary producers should report the receipts of these materials as import receipts.

Column (1) — Report the sum of import receipts shown in columns (2), (3), and (4).

Column (2) — Report carbon steel.

Column (3) - Report alloy steel.

Column (4) - Report stainless steel.

SECTION II — PRODUCTION OF RAW STEEL BY TYPE OF FURNACE BY GRADE (Item codes 6100-6900) — Report total production of raw steel by type of furnace and by grade. If you do not have a steel furnace, please ignore this section.

#### 3. Definitions

Report the items in accordance with the definitions used in the reports of the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI). These definitions should be applied to what is reported as carbon, alloy, and stainless steel, as well as to the differentiation among sheet, strip, bars, etc. (Refer to "Instructions for Reporting Steel Shipment Statistics," volume 1, AISI 10 series.)

#### a. CARBON STEEL

All ferrous materials other than alloy and stainless which are usefully malleable and which contain by weight 2 percent or less of carbon. (In effect, all steel other than that complying with the definition for alloy or stainless.)

High strength steel (Carbon)

Flat-rolled of a thickness of less than 3 mm (approx. 1/8) and having a minimum yield point of 275 MPa (approx. 42 KSI) or of a thickness of 3 mm or more and having a minimum yield point of 355 MPa (approx. 56 KSI).

Note: In all carbon steels small quantities of certain residual elements, such as copper, nickel, molybdenum, chromium, etc., are unavoidably retained from raw materials. Those elements are considered as incidental.

#### b. ALLOY STEEL

Steels not complying with the definition of stainless steel and containing by weight one or more of the following elements in proportion shown:

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0.3	percent or more of	aluminum
0.0008	percent or more of	boron
0.3	percent or more of	chromium
0.3	percent or more of	cobalt
0.4	percent or more of	copper
0.4	percent or more of	lead
1.65	percent or more of	manganese
0.08	percent or more of	molybdenum
0.3	percent or more of	nickel
0.06	percent or more of	niobium
0.6	percent or more of	silicon

#### Heat Resisting Steel

Alloy steels containing by weight less than 0.3 percent of carbon and 4 percent or more but less than 10.5 percent of chromium.

#### Tool Steel

Alloy steels which contain the following combinations of elements in the quantity by weight respectively indicated:

- More than 1.2% carbon and more than 10.5% chromium; or
- (ii) Not less than 0.3% carbon and 1.25% or more but less than 10.5% chromium; or
- (iii) Not less than 0.85% carbon and 1% to 1.8% inclusive, manganese; or
- (iv) 0.9% to 1.2%, inclusive, chromium and 0.9% to 1.4%, inclusive, molybdenum; or
- (v) Not less than 0.5% carbon and not less than 3.5% molybdenum; or
- (vi) not less than 0.5% carbon and not less than 5.5% tungsten

Note: Include valve steel for reporting purposes.

#### c. STAINLESS STEEL

Alloy steels containing by weight 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements and a minimum of 50 percent iron. However, all tool steel and valve steel should be excluded.

Also include any steel of an analysis which falls readily into one of the grade groups tabulated in tables 1 and 2 of the STEEL PRODUCTS MANUAL FOR TOOL STEEL dated September 1988.

### 4. Comparability

Data reported in this survey should correspond to data reported in the Annual Survey of Manufactures form. The sum of values for item codes shown in column (a) should correspond to dollar values reported under product class codes indicated in column (b) below.

Current Industrial Reports (Form MA331B)	Annual Survey of Manufactures				
Item codes (a)	Product class codes (b)				
1110 through 1245 2110 through 2241 3110 through 3225	3311113				
1323,1355,1360,1370,1385, 1390,1420,1430,1445,1450, 2321,2333,2375,2391,3335	3311115				
1313 and 1314 1506 through 1546, 2314,2316,2318,2520,2530, 2535, 3320 and 3525	3311117				
1711, 2701 and 3701 1741 through 1771, 2707,	3311119				
3710 through 3740	3312225				
1601, 2610 and 3601 1636 through 1696 2641 through 2649	331111B 3312100				
3610 through 3660	3312100				
1324,1397,2327,2393,3339 1325, 1396, 2326, 2392, 3338	3312211 331111D				
1551,2525, and 3550 1550, 2524 and 3540	3312213 331111F				
1575	331111L				
1783 and 1788	3312221				
1799	3312223 3312223				
1779	3312227				
1889 and 1890	3312229				
1777	331222B				
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## REFERENCE LIST

FORM MA331B STEEL MILL PRODUCTS					
Product code	ltem code	Item description	Product code	ltem code	Item description
		Section IA — STEEL PRODUCTS SHIPPED CARBON STEEL	33111171A0 33111171B0 331111F110	1521 1546 1550	Light structurals, under 3" Concrete reinforcing Cold finished bars made in hot bar and bar shapes prod. mills
3311113110	1110	Ingots	3312213110 331111L100	1551 1575	Cold finished Rails, wheels, & track accessories
3311113140	1210	Semifinished products Blooms, billets, sheet bars, tin mill bars, tube rounds, and skelp	331111B100	1601	Pipe and tubes: Hot rolled pipes and tubes Cold rolled:
3311113190 3311113150	1230 1245	Wire rods Slabs	3312100110 3312100120	1636 1641	Line Pipe: 16" O.D. and under Over 16" O.D.
3311117110	1313	Finished products Plates, cut lengths	3312100130	1646	Oil country goods Pressure tubing:
3311117120	1314	Plates, in coils	3312100150 3312100160	1651 1666	Seamless Welded Mechanical tubing:
3311115110 3312211110	1323 1324	Sheet: Hot rolled, including hot rolled bands Cold rolled	33121001A0 33121001B0 33121001F0 33121001G0	1671 1686 1691 1696	Seamless Welded Structurals Miscellaneous, including
331111D110	1325	Cold rolled from hot sheet and strip producing mill			standard pipe
3311115120 3311115130 3311115140 3311115150	1355 1360 1370 1385	Sheet and strip: Galvonized: Hot dipped Electrolytic Electrical All other metallic coated,	3311119110 3312225110	1711 1741	Wire: Wire from hot rolled bars or rods producing mills Wire from purchased bars or rods Plain: Flat wire
		including long ternes			Round wire: Thermally treated:
3311115160	1390	Strip: Hot rolled	3312225120	1742	Under 1.5mm in diameter
331111D120 3312211120	1396	Cold rolled from hot sheet and strip prod. mill	3312225130 3312225140	1743 1744	1.5mm or above Other round wire:
3312211120	1397	Cold rolled Tin mill products:	3312225140	1744	Under 1.5mm in diameter 1.5mm or above
33111151C0 33111151D0	1420 1430	Black plate Electrolytic and hot	3312225160	1746	Other shape wire
33111151E0 33111151F0	1445 1450	dipped tin plate Tin free steel All other tin mill products, including short	3312225170 3312225180	1763 1764	Plated or coated with zinc: Round wire: Under 1.5mm in diameter 1.5mm or above
		ternes and foil	3312225180	1766	Other shape wire, including flat wire
3311117130 3311117140	1506 1508	Structural shapes (heavy): Wide flange Standard	33122251A0 33122251B0 33122251C0	1767 1768 1771	Other coated wire: Flat wire Round wire Other shape wire
33111171E0	1512	Sheet piling and bearing piles			Wire products:
3311117190	1516	Bars: Hot rolled, except concrete reinforcing	3312221101 3312221201	1783 1788	Wire rope, cable, and strand: Wire rope and cable Wire forms and strand

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Product code	ltem code	Item description	Product code	ltem code	Item description
		Section IA — STEEL PRODUCTS SHIPPED — Continued	3312213120	2525	Cold finished
3312223100	1799	Nails, staples, tacks, spikes, and brads	33111171F0 33111171G0	2530 2535	Tool steel: High speed Other than high speed
3312227100	1779	Fencing and fence gates	331111B140	2610	Pipe and tubes: Hot rolled pipes and tubes Cold rolled:
0040000440	1000	Woven wire products:	3312100140	2641	Oil country goods and line
3312229110 3312229112	1889 1890	Woven wire netting Other woven wire products	3312100170 33121001C0 33121001H0	2643 2646 2649	pipe Pressure tubing Mechanical tubing Miscellaneous including
331222B100	1777	Other wire products			standard and structural
3311113120	2110	ALLOY STEEL Ingots	33111191D0	2701	Wire: From hot rolled bars or rods producing mills
		Semifinished products	33122251D0	2707	Wire, plain or coated
3311113160	2237	Blooms, billets, sheet bars, tube rounds, and skelp			STAINLESS STEEL
33111131A0	2239	Wire rods	3311113130	3110	Ingots
3311113170	2241	Slabs			Semifinished products
		Finished products	3311113180	3220	Blooms, billets, slabs, sheet bars, tube rounds, and skelp
3311117150	2314	Plates, cut lengths	33111131B0	3225	Wire rods
3311117160	2316	Plates, in coils	0011110120	0220	Finished products
3311117170	2318	Structural shapes, 3" and under	3311117180	3320	Plates and structurals
3311115170 331111D130 3312211130	2321 2326 2327	Sheet: Hot rolled Cold rolled from hot sheet and strip producing mill Cold rolled	33111151B0 331111D150 3312211150	3335 3338 3339	Sheet and strip: Hot rolled Cold rolled from hot sheet and strip producing mill Cold rolled
3311115180 3311115190	2333 2375	Sheet and Strip: Galvanized hot dipped All other metallic coated, including electrolytic Strip:	33111171D0 331111F130	3525 3540	Bars: Hot rolled Cold finished bars made in hot bar and bar shapes prod. mill
33111151A0	2391	Hot rolled	3312213130	3550	Cold finished
331111D140 3312211140	2392	Cold rolled from hot sheet and strip producing mill Cold rolled	331111B180	3601	Pipe and tubes: From hot rolled bars or rods producing mills Cold rolled:
33111171C0	2520	Bars: Hot rolled, including structural shapes under 3"	3312100180 3312100190	3610 3620	Pressure tubing: Seamless Welded
331111F120	2524	Cold finished bars made in hot bar and bar shapes prod. mills	33121001D0 33121001E0 33121001J0	3630 3640 3660	Mechanical tubing: Seamless Welded Pipe and tubes, other

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Product code	Item code	Item description	Product code	ltem code	Item description
		Section IA — STEEL PRODUCTS SHIPPED — Continued	xxx	5999	SECTION IB — IMPORT RECEIPTS OF STEEL MILL PRODUCTS BY GRADE
33111191E0	3701	Wire:  From hot rolled bars or rods producing mills	xxx	6100	SECTION II — PRODUCTION OF RAW STEEL BY TYPE OF FURNACE & GRADE  Basic oxygen
33122251E0	3710	Round wire: Under 0.75mm in diameter	XXX	6205	Open hearth
33122251F0	3720	0.75mm to under 1.5mm	XXX	6500	Electric
33122251G0	3730	I.5mm and above	XXX	6700	Other — Specify
33122251H0	3740	Other shape wire, including flat wire	xxx	6900	TOTAL PRODUCTION OF RAW STEEL BY TYPE OF FURNACE

NOTES:

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