

**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

**Exhibit 1b. 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	2004 Data				2003 Data				March Cumulative To Date			
	March Final		February Final		March Final		February Final		2004 Final		2003 Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>Total Selected Commodities</b>	<b>64,302</b>	<b>173,778</b>	<b>67,486</b>	<b>161,580</b>	<b>63,020</b>	<b>123,371</b>	<b>58,258</b>	<b>111,877</b>	<b>184,416</b>	<b>456,422</b>	<b>180,132</b>	<b>351,451</b>
Ingot's And Steel For Castings	269	390	200	360	3,205	4,387	2,763	3,917	594	939	8,296	11,111
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	7,952	17,352	16,615	32,123	10,788	15,216	10,938	14,791	32,442	63,850	30,702	42,048
Wire Rods	2,248	5,089	2,269	4,888	3,919	6,130	1,936	3,155	6,032	12,779	9,493	15,062
Structural Shapes Heavy	464	1,138	150	345	121	357	45	150	794	1,998	307	860
Plates Cut Lengths	3,123	7,537	2,403	5,366	2,107	3,531	2,162	3,799	7,610	17,224	6,280	10,807
Plates In Coils	2,696	7,353	2,563	5,821	2,102	3,200	1,787	2,960	6,483	15,683	4,846	7,835
Bars - Hot Rolled	2,255	6,983	1,632	3,997	1,020	1,923	1,004	1,946	4,728	13,233	3,165	6,133
Bars - Light Shaped	2,121	5,074	905	2,046	770	1,714	897	1,880	3,944	8,942	2,607	5,670
Bars - Cold Finished	5,243	13,855	3,144	7,893	4,212	9,756	3,914	8,735	12,095	31,499	13,873	30,609
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	9,096	37,396	7,250	28,753	6,876	25,114	5,766	21,201	24,673	93,672	19,356	70,479
Wire Drawn	3,354	11,823	2,857	9,255	2,470	7,224	2,299	6,637	8,974	29,670	7,738	22,615
Sheets Hot Rolled	429	769	676	1,338	361	712	216	333	1,385	2,595	1,277	1,706
Sheets Cold Rolled	21,570	47,836	24,199	51,136	21,982	34,882	20,895	32,324	65,589	136,026	61,491	96,085
Strip - Hot Rolled	45	77	40	72	39	71	21	44	197	346	97	240
Strip - Cold Rolled	3,436	11,107	2,583	8,187	3,050	9,154	3,617	10,005	8,876	27,966	10,603	30,191

NOTE: For information on data sources, nonsampling errors and definitions, see the Information on the Collection and Publication of Trade Statistics at [www.census.gov/foreign-trade/Press-Release/steel\\_index.html](http://www.census.gov/foreign-trade/Press-Release/steel_index.html).