

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						2003			
	March Preliminary		February Preliminary		February Final		March Final		February Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Total Selected Commodities	63,490	172,669	62,567	151,512	67,486	161,580	63,020	123,371	58,258	111,877
Ingots And Steel For Castings	176	390	77	163	200	360	3,205	4,387	2,763	3,917
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	7,952	17,352	12,539	24,016	16,615	32,123	10,788	15,216	10,938	14,791
Wire Rods	2,231	5,054	2,269	4,888	2,269	4,888	3,919	6,130	1,936	3,155
Structural Shapes Heavy	378	1,138	150	345	150	345	121	357	45	150
Plates Cut Lengths	3,106	7,488	2,363	5,242	2,403	5,366	2,107	3,531	2,162	3,799
Plates In Coils	2,676	7,305	2,563	5,821	2,563	5,821	2,102	3,200	1,787	2,960
Bars - Hot Rolled	1,969	6,965	1,619	3,873	1,632	3,997	1,020	1,923	1,004	1,946
Bars - Light Shaped	2,121	5,074	905	2,046	905	2,046	770	1,714	897	1,880
Bars - Cold Finished	5,220	13,778	3,030	7,599	3,144	7,893	4,212	9,756	3,914	8,735
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	8,905	36,676	7,112	28,391	7,250	28,753	6,876	25,114	5,766	21,201
Wire Drawn	3,339	11,774	2,803	9,064	2,857	9,255	2,470	7,224	2,299	6,637
Sheets Hot Rolled	429	769	660	1,276	676	1,338	361	712	216	333
Sheets Cold Rolled	21,557	47,767	23,917	50,588	24,199	51,136	21,982	34,882	20,895	32,324
Strip - Hot Rolled	11	77	9	72	40	72	39	71	21	44
Strip - Cold Rolled	3,420	11,063	2,551	8,129	2,583	8,187	3,050	9,154	3,617	10,005

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.