

**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	September 2006 Cumulative To Date - Final		September 2005 Cumulative To Date - Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>Total Selected Commodities</b>	<b>755,513</b>	<b>2,590,319</b>	<b>681,711</b>	<b>2,326,150</b>
Ingots And Steel For Castings	13,671	34,296	11,853	29,505
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	85,087	255,502	103,950	294,254
Wire Rods	18,186	50,636	29,221	81,889
Structural Shapes Heavy	1,743	6,351	1,226	5,116
Plates Cut Lengths	40,333	161,705	30,446	117,785
Plates In Coils	27,115	77,787	27,635	85,803
Bars - Hot Rolled	16,392	75,606	17,468	69,363
Bars - Light Shaped	7,632	23,518	5,151	16,565
Bars - Cold Finished	61,601	242,291	71,545	274,591
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	99,719	567,353	92,447	487,730
Wire Drawn	32,564	146,979	30,265	132,468
Sheets Hot Rolled	19,281	27,529	9,221	18,154
Sheets Cold Rolled	300,712	797,685	220,501	589,657
Strip - Hot Rolled	2,395	6,726	2,059	6,098
Strip - Cold Rolled	29,083	116,356	28,724	117,174

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](http://www.census.gov/foreign-trade/Press-Release/steel_index.html).