

**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	December 2008 Cumulative To Date - Final		December 2007 Cumulative To Date - Final	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>Total Selected Commodities</b>	<b>991,392</b>	<b>4,953,777</b>	<b>1,103,248</b>	<b>5,538,800</b>
Ingots And Steel For Castings	20,110	78,040	17,471	73,727
Blooms, Billets And Slabs	103,925	467,577	111,680	554,404
Wire Rods	23,444	101,997	25,499	123,661
Structural Shapes Heavy	2,377	12,653	2,723	16,510
Plates Cut Lengths	60,291	298,497	86,279	497,200
Plates In Coils	24,509	117,743	44,966	253,727
Bars - Hot Rolled	31,657	185,037	29,112	160,517
Bars - Light Shaped	8,549	43,417	5,574	29,201
Bars - Cold Finished	81,726	483,131	84,490	480,039
Oil Country Goods	64,111	235,278	67,180	213,729
Line Pipe > 16 Inches In Diameter	122	793	122	434
Line Pipe <= 16 Inches In Diameter	2,950	18,020	25,591	31,079
Line Pipe - Not Specified	414	4,837	20,626	21,258
Stainless Pipe & Tubing	127,233	1,101,960	157,077	1,181,847
Wire Drawn	38,923	244,747	42,202	272,644
Sheets Hot Rolled	30,829	65,036	20,121	47,068
Sheets Cold Rolled	327,382	1,272,895	322,074	1,360,290
Strip - Hot Rolled	1,604	7,863	2,820	11,922
Strip - Cold Rolled	41,235	214,258	37,641	209,542

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).