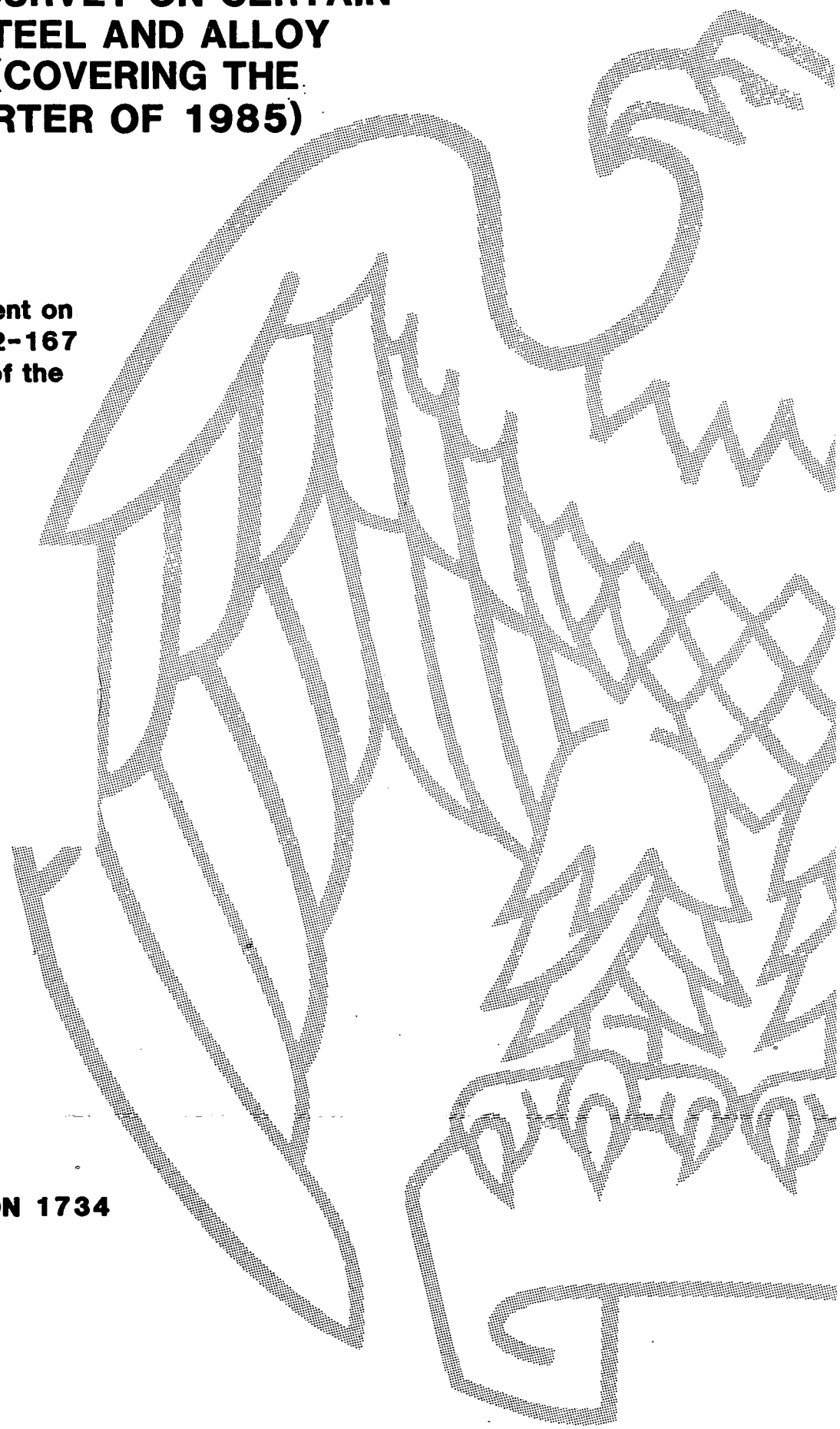


**QUARTERLY SURVEY ON CERTAIN
STAINLESS STEEL AND ALLOY
TOOL STEEL (COVERING THE
SECOND QUARTER OF 1985)**

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QUARTERLY REPORT ON CERTAIN STAINLESS STEEL AND ALLOY TOOL STEEL

HIGHLIGHTS

During the second quarter (April-June) 1985, compared to the first quarter of 1985:

- DOMESTIC PRODUCTION of certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel products increased 3 percent to 325,851 tons; declines occurred, however, in the production of stainless steel bar, wire rod, and alloy tool steel.
- U.S. PRODUCERS' SHIPMENTS increased 2 percent to 315,351 tons.
- AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT of production and related workers decreased 2 percent to 12,923 workers.
- U.S. PRODUCERS' AND IMPORTERS' PRICES showed noteworthy declines and increases among products, with declines outnumbering the increases.
- U.S. IMPORTERS' UNFILLED ORDERS rose 0.4 percent to 41,810 tons.
- U.S. IMPORTERS' INVENTORIES increased 3 percent to 18,496 tons.

U.S. production and producers' shipments

U.S. production of certain stainless steel sheets and strip and plate increased from January-March 1985 to April-June 1985. Stainless steel plate showed the greater percentage increase, rising 18 percent from 35,734 tons in the first quarter of 1985 to 42,168 tons in the second quarter of 1985. Production of stainless steel bar, wire rod, and alloy tool steel declined in the second quarter of 1985. The greatest decrease was in production of stainless wire rod, which fell 27 percent from 10,071 tons in the first quarter of 1985 to 7,338 tons in the second quarter of 1985. U.S. producers' shipments of stainless steel sheets and strip, plate, and bar increased in the second quarter; shipments of stainless steel plate showed the largest increase, rising 13 percent from 36,108 tons in the first quarter to 40,779 tons in the second quarter.

Employment and hours worked

The average number of all persons employed in producing certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel decreased from 18,336 persons to 17,836 persons, or by 3 percent, from January-March 1985 to April-June 1985. Employment of production and related workers fell from 13,140 workers to 12,923 workers, or by 2 percent, over the same period. The number of hours worked by production and related workers rose from 6.7 million man-hours in January-March 1985 to 6.8 million man-hours in April-June 1985.

U.S. producers' prices

Surveys of the weighted average prices of certain domestic stainless steel and alloy tool steel products showed more price declines than increases between January 1985 and June 1985. The most noteworthy price decreases were for ***. Prices for *** exhibited increases during the period.

U.S. importers' prices

Pricing data reported by U.S. importers for stainless steel and alloy tool steel products revealed more price decreases than increases between January 1985 and June 1985. Noteworthy price decreases were recorded in shipments of ***. Prices for *** exhibited notable increases during the period.

U.S. importers' unfilled orders and inventories

Data on importers' unfilled orders from foreign sources indicate increases in such orders for *** between March 31, 1985 and June 30, 1985. Importers' unfilled orders for *** decreased during the same period. Importers' inventories of *** decreased between the two quarters, while inventories of *** rose.

Table 1.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. production, by types and by specified periods, October 1982–June 1985

(In tons)					
Period	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1982:					
Oct.–Dec.-----	107,873	23,145	17,321	5,067	8,772
1983:					
Jan.–March-----	143,081	22,538	21,113	6,195	11,243
Apr.–June-----	160,718	23,437	27,105	8,489	14,543
July–Sept-----	215,116	24,690	31,123	8,174	12,559
Oct.–Dec.-----	217,471	30,710	37,188	10,893	19,362
1984:					
Jan.–March-----	226,397	29,727	46,701	13,029	24,222
Apr.–June-----	201,604	35,433	47,088	13,462	23,820
July–Sept-----	130,561	29,387	41,377	9,615	20,934
Oct.–Dec.-----	176,174	33,747	42,782	11,015	20,926
1985:					
Jan.–March-----	203,589	35,734	48,399	10,071	17,839
Apr.–June-----	213,547	42,168	46,674	7,338	16,124
1985:					
April-----	78,334	12,525	14,820	2,651	5,551
May-----	71,193	16,261	16,386	***	5,637
June-----	64,020	13,382	15,468	***	4,936

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 2.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. producers' shipments, by types, by specified periods, October 1982–June 1985

(In tons)						
Period	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms	
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod		
1982:						
Oct.–Dec	107,711	21,512	19,594	5,188	9,947	
1983:						
Jan.–March	132,297	22,565	24,172	5,976	11,840	
Apr.–June	159,874	24,479	25,380	8,239	13,022	
July–Sept	192,448	24,314	26,534	7,863	13,145	
Oct.–Dec	209,154	27,732	32,024	9,918	14,411	
1984:						
Jan.–March	210,616	29,591	41,436	12,201	20,196	
Apr.–June	201,518	30,680	42,246	14,096	24,443	
July–Sept	155,535	28,093	38,212	10,434	18,994	
Oct.–Dec	169,922	28,439	37,476	12,490	19,834	
1985:						
Jan.–March	205,907	36,108	39,310	9,623	18,234	
Apr.–June	207,267	40,779	42,481	7,232	17,592	
1985:						
April	73,815	12,726	14,335	2,575	5,957	
May	67,799	12,804	14,120	2,117	5,805	
June	65,653	15,249	14,026	2,540	5,830	

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 3.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Average number of all persons employed in U.S. establishments in which certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel are produced, by specified periods, October 1982–June 1985

Period	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1982:					
Oct.–Dec.	4,320	1,609	3,497	873	3,605
1983:					
Jan.–March	6,249	1,459	3,422	796	3,485
Apr.–June	5,234	1,514	3,450	1,027	3,557
July–Sept.	8,388	1,542	4,112	1,090	3,573
Oct.–Dec.	8,226	1,498	4,316	1,234	3,814
1984:					
Jan.–March	8,748	1,326	4,490	1,264	3,953
Apr.–June	7,789	1,526	5,016	1,304	4,151
July–Sept.	6,573	1,712	5,700	1,158	4,136
Oct.–Dec.	6,472	1,754	5,385	1,244	4,201
1985:					
Jan.–March	6,555	1,619	5,213	990	3,959
Apr.–June	6,405	1,900	5,658	754	3,119
1985:					
April	6,507	1,713	5,755	779	3,115
May	6,810	2,234	5,589	***	3,176
June	5,898	1,753	5,631	***	3,067

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 4.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Average number of production and related workers employed in U.S. establishments in which stainless steel and alloy tool steel are produced, by specified periods, October 1982–June 1985

Period	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1982:					
Oct.–Dec.—	3,243	1,162	2,037	476	2,394
1983:					
Jan.–March—	3,854	1,056	2,004	456	2,355
Apr.–June—	3,842	1,115	2,126	598	2,388
July–Sept—	6,656	1,075	2,656	666	2,450
Oct.–Dec.—	6,466	1,115	3,024	780	2,267
1984:					
Jan.–March—	6,987	977	3,024	807	2,756
Apr.–June—	6,272	1,082	3,496	847	2,914
July–Sept—	5,129	1,220	3,958	735	2,919
Oct.–Dec.—	4,983	1,233	3,749	782	2,913
1985:					
Jan.–March—	5,099	1,126	3,548	636	2,731
Apr.–June—	5,006	1,418	3,852	463	2,184
1985:					
April—	5,107	1,277	3,913	502	2,182
May—	5,308	1,661	3,865	***	2,218
June—	4,604	1,316	3,778	***	2,153

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 5.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: Number of man-hours worked by production and related workers in U.S. establishments in which certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel products are produced, by specified periods, October 1982–June 1985

Period	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1982:					
Oct.–Dec.—	1,881,440	390,777	879,812	187,186	970,013
1983:					
Jan.–March—	2,384,759	436,443	1,002,148	219,000	960,094
Apr.–June—	2,668,251	465,570	1,106,076	302,000	1,041,423
July–Sept—	3,020,375	486,076	1,484,447	325,431	1,048,195
Oct.–Dec.—	3,099,366	450,775	1,736,844	408,380	1,240,847
1984:					
Jan.–March—	3,500,712	480,128	1,898,138	456,520	1,387,427
Apr.–June—	2,820,172	559,518	1,846,557	461,516	1,441,665
July–Sept—	2,301,369	559,121	1,712,532	365,165	1,433,114
Oct.–Dec.—	2,388,108	645,249	1,837,000	394,702	1,463,216
1985:					
Jan.–March—	2,534,419	610,130	1,839,220	333,347	1,421,436
Apr.–June—	2,664,684	845,420	1,963,597	242,741	1,123,421
1985:					
April—	870,131	244,314	641,696	85,608	382,809
May—	930,817	324,831	643,631	***	370,774
June—	863,736	276,275	678,270	***	369,838

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 6a.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	1481–1582		1523
February	***	***	1478–1607		1541
March	***	***	1461–1559		1518
April	***	***	1452–1585		1518
May	1434–1519	1466	1519–1590		1568
June	***	***	1543–1604		1575
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	1350–1746	1576	***		***
Apr.–June	1460–1681	1593	***		***

1/ Grade 304, 2B finish, 16 gage, 36" – 48", coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 6b.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	1436–1613	1501	***	***	
April	1424–1493	1468	1489–1573	1523	
May	1414–1747	1643	1534–2085	1622	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 304, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" – 48" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 7a.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	—	—	—	—	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	—	—	—	—	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	1486–1920	1728	1486–1920	1716	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 430, BA finish, 24 gage x 12" – 24" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 7b.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***
March	***	***	***	***
April	—	—	—	—
May	—	—	—	—
June	—	—	—	—
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 430, BA finish, 24 gage x 12" – 24" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 8a.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) ^{1/}: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2162–2321	2269	2162–2329	2267
February	2136–2207	2195	2186–2292	2235
March	2120–2232	2187	2127–2248	2223
April	2131–2204	2181	2172–2248	2227
May	2122–2209	2168	2153–2274	2222
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	–	–	–	–

^{1/} Grade 316, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" – 48" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 8b.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) ^{1/}: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	***	***
February	—	—	—	—
March	***	***	***	***
April	—	—	—	—
May	—	—	—	—
June	—	—	—	—
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

^{1/} Grade 316, 2B finish, 16 gage x 36" – 48" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 9a.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	—	—	—	—	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	—	—	—	—	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 430, BA finish, 20 gage x 36" – 48" x coil.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 9b.—Stainless steel sheets (cold-rolled) 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers 2/ and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 430, BA finish, 20 gage x 36" – 48" x coil.

2/ Producers did not report sales to end-use customers during this period.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 10a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	1416–1803	1691	1416–1803	1691	
Apr.–June	1637–1714	1685	1665–1714	1680	

1/ Grade 304, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" – 96", 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 10b.—Stainless steel plate ^{1/}: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***
March	***	***	***	***
April	—	—	—	—
May	—	—	—	—
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

^{1/} Grade 304, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" – 96" x 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 11a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 316L, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" – 96" x 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 11b.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January-June 1985

(Dollars per ton)						
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped			
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers						
1985:						
January	***	***	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***	***	***
March	***	***	***	***	***	***
April	***	***	***	***	***	***
May	***	***	***	***	***	***
June	***	***	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers						
1985:						
Jan.-March	***	***	***	***	***	***
Apr.-June	***	***	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 316L, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 12a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***	***
March	***	***	***	***	***
April	***	***	***	***	***
May	***	***	***	***	***
June	***	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 304, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" – 96" x 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 12b.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January-June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	-	-	-	-	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.-March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.-June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 304, HRAP, 1/4" x 72" - 96" x 240" - 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 13a.—Stainless steel plate 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 316, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" – 96" x 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 13b.—Stainless steel plate: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	—	—	—	—
February	—	—	—	—
March	—	—	—	—
April	—	—	—	—
May	***	***	***	***
June	—	—	—	—
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	—	—	—	—
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 316, HRAP, 1/2" x 72" – 96" x 240" – 290".

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 14a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2052–2620	2508	2325–2646	2499
February	***	***	2469–2718	2546
March	2120–2620	2528	2308–2620	2507
April	2189–2500	2285	2364–2661	2493
May	2080–2595	2345	2282–2693	2450
June	2097–2619	2249	2318–3054	2450
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 304, cold-formed, 1 1/2" – 4 3/4", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 14b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	2417–4480	3123	2562–4480	3420	
February	2333–4480	3143	2538–4480	3339	
March	***	***	2426–4035	3052	
April	2139–4376	2645	2264–4376	3175	
May	2300–2900	2729	2576–3303	3132	
June	***	***	2498–4300	3278	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

1/ Grade 304, cold-formed, 1 1/2" – 4 3/4", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 15a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2680–3066	3018	2974–3325	3127
February	2680–3066	2995	2981–3455	3098
March	2580–3307	3024	2907–3537	3111
April	2580–3066	2751	2718–3353	3048
May	2580–3066	2808	2767–3251	3058
June	2580–3192	2783	2680–3406	2899
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	—	—	—	—
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 303, cold-formed, 20/32" – 31/32", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 15b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January-June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***
March	2840-4276	3475	***	***
April	2813-3174	2989	***	***
May	2798-6413	3270	***	***
June	2816-4180	3194	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.-March	2720-3450	2847	***	***
Apr.-June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade 303, cold-formed, 20/32" - 31/32", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 16a.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	***	***
February	***	***	***	***
March	***	***	***	***
April	***	***	2373–3329	2582
May	***	***	2155–2374	2286
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	1540–2420	1557	1600–2473	2276
Apr.–June	1364–2240	1723	1364–2240	1837

1/ Grade 304, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" – 4 3/4", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 16b.—Stainless steel bars 1/₁: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2100–2820	2546	2100–2871	2654
February	***	***	2100–3124	2554
March	2100–3636	2274	***	***
April	1208–4106	1884	1208–4302	2278
May	1210–2700	2033	1244–3199	2037
June	1259–2830	2043	1260–3419	2350
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	–	–	–	–

1/₁ Grade 304, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" – 4 3/4", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 17a.—Stainless steel bars $\frac{1}{2}$: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to steel service centers or distributors, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	1940–2400	2308	2127–2596	2442	
February	***	***	***	***	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	1920–2270	2027	***	***	
May	***	***	1968–2258	2199	
June	1920–2273	2040	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***	

$\frac{1}{2}$ Grade 410, hot-rolled, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " – 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 17b.—Stainless steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	***	***	1700-3263	2364
February	***	***	1700-3271	2348
March	***	***	***	***
April	***	***	***	***
May	***	***	***	***
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***
Apr.–June	—	—	—	—

1/ Grade 410, hot-rolled, 1 1/2" – 4 3/4", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 18.—Stainless steel wire rod 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	***	***	***	***	
February	***	***	1853–2091	1933	
March	***	***	***	***	
April	***	***	1852–2037	1909	
May	***	***	1732–2039	1899	
June	***	***	1812–2049	1936	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	1794–2232	1848	1824–2242	1907	
Apr.–June	1760–2100	1838	1851–2100	1897	

1/ Grades 302 or 304, .217" – .250", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 19.—Alloy tool steel bars $\frac{1}{2}$: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January-June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2342-3140	2595	***	***
February	2400-4460	2633	2600-4460	2770
March	2400-4980	2724	***	***
April	***	***	***	***
May	2000-4580	2540	***	***
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.-March	2100-3650	2681	2616-4000	3192
Apr.-June	2200-3650	2674	2637-4000	3136

$\frac{1}{2}$ Grade H-13, annealed, rough-turned, 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ - 5 $\frac{1}{16}$ ", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 20.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/₂: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	5800–8560	6794	6912–8723	7323	
February	5800–7660	7008	7239–9284	7750	
March	6898–7232	7140	7193–7933	7412	
April	6000–7260	6988	7212–9036	7477	
May	6400–10120	6994	7050–10120	7411	
June	6700–7260	7215	7212–7954	7384	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.–March	***	***	***	***	
Apr.–June	3472–7250	5995	4777–8500	6370	

1/₂ Grade M–2, annealed, centerless ground or rough turned, 1 13/16" – 3", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 21.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January–June 1985

(Dollars per ton)				
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped	
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average
U.S. producers				
1985:				
January	2200–3800	3100	2400–4646	3393
February	2200–3800	2864	2400–4244	3469
March	2200–3882	2959	2400–4647	3593
April	***	***	***	***
May	***	***	***	***
June	***	***	***	***
U.S. importers				
1985:				
Jan.–March	2803–3760	3181	***	***
Apr.–June	***	***	***	***

1/ Grade D-2, annealed, rough turned, 4 1/16" – 6", round.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 22.—Alloy tool steel bars 1/: Ranges and weighted averages of lowest net selling prices and average price of total quantity shipped by U.S. producers and importers to end-use customers, by periods indicated, January-June 1985

(Dollars per ton)					
Period	Lowest price		Average price of total quantity shipped		
	Range	Weighted average	Range	Weighted average	
U.S. producers					
1985:					
January	2400-6500	3364	***	***	
February	2400-6500	3439	***	***	
March	2400-7200	3857	2600-8108	4300	
April	***	***	***	***	
May	***	***	***	***	
June	***	***	***	***	
U.S. importers					
1985:					
Jan.-March	5579-8350	7242	6056-9000	7121	
Apr.-June	-	-	-	-	

1/ Grade D-2, annealed, cold finish, decarb free, 2" - 2 1/2" thick, 3" - 4" wide, flat.

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 23.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. importers' unfilled orders from foreign sources, by types, as of March 31, 1985 and June 30, 1985

(In tons)

Date	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1985:					
March 31—	***	***	***	***	***
June 30—	***	***	***	***	***

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Table 24.—Certain stainless steel and alloy tool steel: U.S. importers' inventories, by types, as of March 31, 1985 and June 30, 1985

(In tons)

Date	Stainless steel				Alloy tool steel, all forms
	Sheets and strip	Plate	Bar	Rod	
1985:					
March 31—	***	***	***	***	***
June 30—	***	***	***	***	***

Source: Compiled from data submitted in response to questionnaires of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

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