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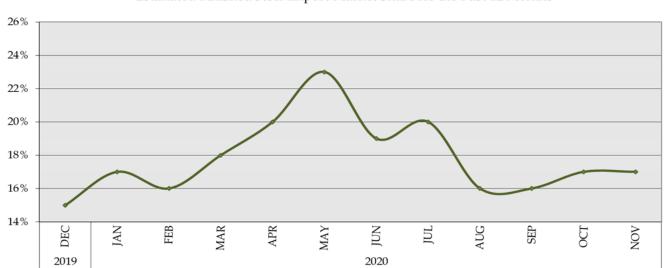
STEEL IMPORTS DOWN 22.1% YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH NOVEMBER Finished Import Market Share YTD at 18%

Washington, D.C. – Based on preliminary Census Bureau data, the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) reported today that the U.S. imported a total of 1,370,000 net tons (NT) of steel in November 2020, including 1,181,000 net tons (NT) of finished steel (down 9.2% and 5.5%, respectively, vs. October final data). Through the first eleven months of 2020, total and finished steel imports are 20,526,000 and 14,799,000 net tons (NT), down 22.1% and 24.9%, respectively, vs. the same period in 2019. Annualized total and finished steel imports in 2020 would be 22.4 and 16.1 million NT, down 19.8% and 23.3%, respectively, vs. 2019. Finished steel import market share was an estimated 17% in November and is estimated at 18% over the first eleven months of 2020.

Key finished steel products with a significant increase in imports in November compared to October are tin plate (up 43%), standard pipe (up 27%), wire rods (up 21%) and sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 19%).

	Nov.	Oct.	0∕0 var	YTD	YTD	% var			0∕0 var
	2020	2020	Nov. vs.	2020	2019	'20 vs.	2020	2019	2020
Steel Mill Product	Prelim.	Final	Oct.	(11 mo.)	(11 mo.)	'19	Ann.	12 mo.	vs 2019
Ingots and Billets and Slabs	187,692	258,419	-27.4%	5,712,827	6,642,095	-14.0%	6,232,175	6,869,038	-9.3%
Sheets & Strip Galv Hot Dipped	171,615	190,817	-10.1%	2,038,611	2,279,196	-10.6%	2,223,939	2,437,210	-8.8%
Sheets Hot Rolled	120,765	129,012	-6.4%	1,456,938	1,717,604	-15.2%	1,589,387	1,882,595	-15.6%
Sheets Cold Rolled	91,111	104,569	-12.9%	1,200,055	1,557,028	-22.9%	1,309,151	1,699,164	-23.0%
Bars - Reinforcing	73,684	84, 158	-12.4%	1,031,810	1,057,619	-2.4%	1,125,611	1,103,232	2.0%
Oil Country Goods	37,217	55,901	-33.4%	1,009,645	2,237,900	-54.9%	1,101,431	2,354,111	-53.2%
Plates in Coils	51,108	52,430	-2.5%	707,510	1,058,853	-33.2%	771,829	1,155,654	-33.2%
Tin Plate	76,041	53,316	42.6%	684,972	710,733	-3.6%	747,242	755,956	-1.2%
Wire Rods	72,777	60,183	20.9%	645,853	899,978	-28.2%	704,566	943,880	-25.4%
Sheets & Strip All Other Metalic	52,972	44,590	18.8%	630,705	661,451	-4.6%	688,042	692,707	-0.7%
Line Pipe	26,572	40,465	-34.3%	624,738	1,750,862	-64.3%	681,532	1,820,403	-62.6%
Bars - Hot Rolled	57,098	59,267	-3.7%	615,691	834,620	-26.2%	671,663	901,414	-25.5%
Wire Drawn	55,951	57,227	-2.2%	597,075	640,074	-6.7%	651,354	685,618	-5.0%
Standard Pipe	49,423	38,803	27.4%	586,656	654,792	-10.4%	639,989	707,857	-9.6%
Mechanical Tubing	31,511	30,104	4.7%	454,568	538,275	-15.6%	495,893	583,301	-15.0%
Structural Shapes Heavy	29,517	49,528	-40.4%	407,961	529,616	-23.0%	445,049	550,173	-19.1%
Structural Pipe & Tubing	29,583	36, 100	-18.1%	363,505	382,964	-5.1%	396,551	416,775	-4.9%
All Other	155,212	163,891	-5.3%	1,756,697	2,198,022	-20.1%	1,916,397	2,378,156	-19.4%
TOTAL	1,369,850	1,508,780	-9.2%	20,525,817	26,351,684	-22.1%	22,391,801	27,937,243	-19.8%
SUBTOTAL Finished Imports	1,181,269	1,249,565	-5.5%	14,798,961	19,694,844	-24.9%	16,144,321	21,051,437	-23.3%

In November the largest volumes of finished steel imports from offshore were from South Korea (127,000 NT, down 14% from October final), Germany (67,000 NT, down 1%), Turkey (53,000 NT, down 23%), The Netherlands (51,000 NT, up 82%) and Japan (46,000 NT, down 41%). For the first eleven months of 2020, the largest offshore suppliers were South Korea (1,793,000 NT, down 26% vs. the same period in 2019), Japan (711,000 NT, down 40%), Germany (659,000 NT, down 32%), Turkey (548,000 NT, up 71%) and Taiwan (530,000 NT, down 34%). Below are charts on estimated steel import market share in recent months and on finished steel imports from offshore by country.



Estimated Finished Steel Import Market Share for the Past 12 Months

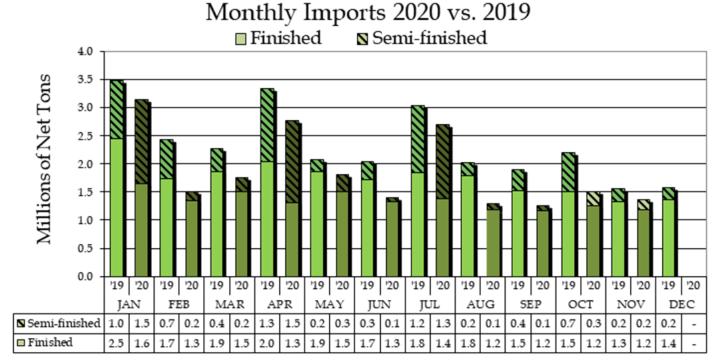
U.S. IMPORTS OF FINISHED STEEL MILL PRODUCTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (thousands of net tons)

	Nov.	Oct.	% var	YTD	YTD	% var			% var
COUNTRY	2020	2020	Nov.	2020	2019	'20	2020	2019	2020
	Prelim.	Final	vs. Oct.	(11 mo.)	(11 mo.)	vs. '19	Ann.	12 mo.	vs. '19
South Korea	127	147	-13.5%	1,793	2,408	-25.5%	1,956	2,576	-24.1%
Japan	46	78	-40.6%	711	1,175	-39.5%	776	1,242	-37.5%
Germany	67	67	-0.9%	659	965	-31.7%	719	1,043	-31.1%
Turkey	53	68	-22.7%	548	320	71.1%	598	328	82.6%
Taiwan	43	24	74.4%	530	799	-33.7%	578	830	-30.4%
Brazil	18	34	-46.5%	465	521	-10.7%	508	534	-5.0%
Netherlands	51	28	81.9%	377	497	-24.1%	411	550	-25.2%
China	34	32	6.3%	351	518	-32.3%	383	544	-29.6%
All Other	743	771	-3.6%	9,365	12,491	-25.0%	10,217	13,405	-23.8%
Total	1,181	1,250	-5.5%	14,799	19,695	-24.9%	16,144	21,051	-23.3%

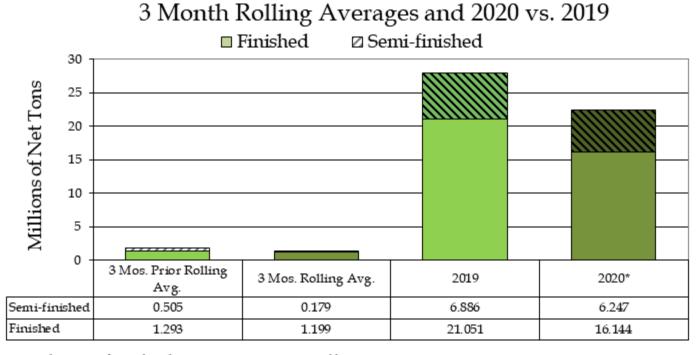
U.S. IMPORTS OF FINISHED STEEL MILL PRODUCTS 3 MONTHS ROLLING AVERAGE							
(thousands of net tons)							
	Preliminary	Final	Current 3 Months				
Steel Mill Product	3 Mos. Rolling Avg.	3 Mos. Rolling Avg.	vs. 3 Months Prior				
	Nov. '20 - Sep. '20	Aug. '20 - Jun. '20	% Change				
Sheets & Strip Galv. Hot Dipped	184	190	-3.2%				
Sheets Hot Rolled	134	118	13.9%				
Sheets Cold Rolled	90	102	-11.5%				
Bars - Reinforcing	67	100	-33.3%				
Tin Plate	66	70	-5.2%				
Wire Rods	59	46	27.2%				
Sheets & Strip All Other Metalic Ctd.	55	56	-1.7%				
Plates in Coils	55	56	-1.1%				
Wire Drawn	54	52	4.2%				
Bars - Hot Rolled	54	48	12.7%				
All Other	380	455	-16.3%				
TOTAL Finished Imports	1,199	1,293	-7.2%				

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	Nov. '20 - Sep. '20	Aug. '20 - Jun. '20	% Change				
South Korea	133	152	-12.9%				
Germany	62	58	5.8%				
Japan	61	52	17.5%				
Turkey	43	42	0.5%				
Taiwan	42	45	-8.0%				
Netherlands	37	38	-1.1%				
China	29	44	-35.2%				
Brazil	28	39	-2 7.5%				
Vietnam	27	27	-0.9%				
United Arab Emirates	24	20	23.2%				
All Other	714	775	-7.8%				
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% change finished imports November 2020 vs. November 2019 -11.3%



- % change finished imports 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. vs. 3 Mos. Prior = -7.2%
- % change semi-finished imports 2020 vs. 2019 = -9.3%
- % change finished imports 2020 vs. 2019=-23.3%