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**STEEL IMPORTS UP 25.5% YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH AUGUST**  
*Finished Import Market Share YTD at 20%*

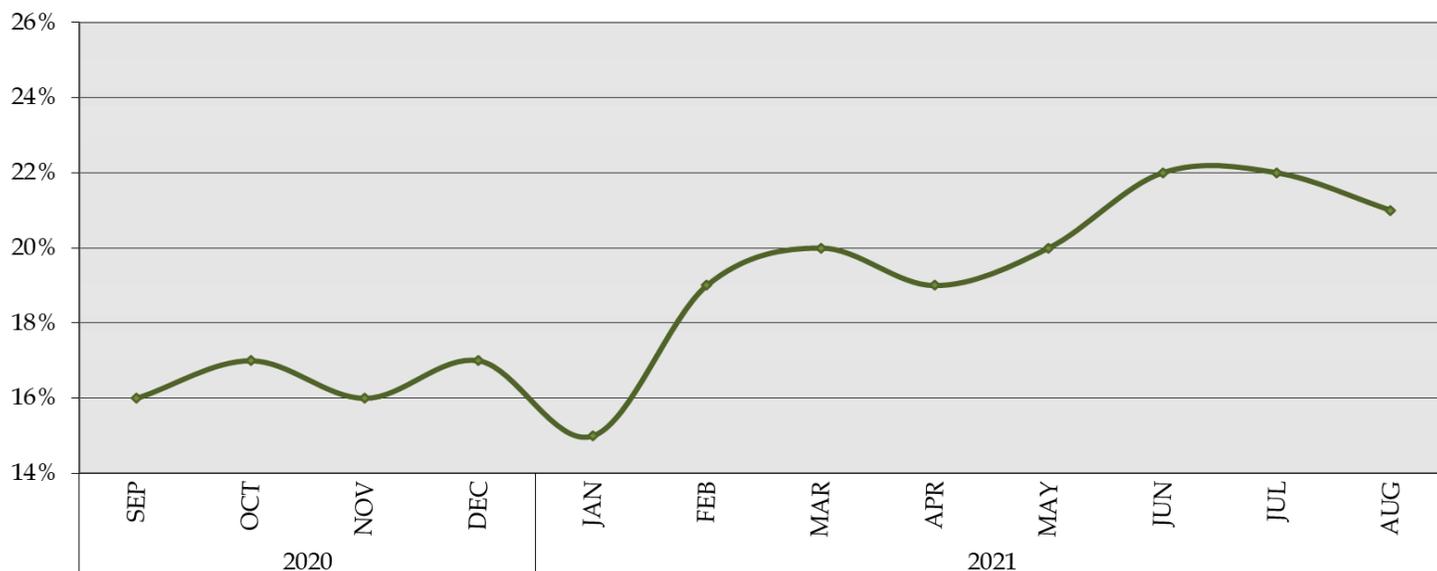
Washington, D.C. – Based on preliminary Census Bureau data, the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) reported today that the U.S. imported a total of 2,767,000 net tons (NT) of steel in August 2021, including 2,102,000 net tons (NT) of finished steel (down 10.1% and up 1.0%, respectively, vs. July final data). Through the first eight months of 2021, total and finished steel imports are 20,564,000 and 14,209,000 net tons (NT), up 25.5% and 26.9%, respectively, vs. the same period in 2020. Annualized total and finished steel imports in 2021 would be 30.8 and 21.3 million NT, up 40.1% and 32.1%, respectively, vs. 2020. Finished steel import market share was an estimated 21% in August and is estimated at 20% over the first eight months of 2021.

Key finished steel products with a significant increase in imports in August compared to July are hot rolled sheets (up 22%), sheets and strip hot dipped galvanized (up 18%) and mechanical tubing (up 14%). Products with a significant year-to-date (YTD) increase vs. the same period in 2020 were hot rolled sheets (up 94%), plates in coils (up 67%), sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 50%), wire rods (up 46%), cut lengths plates (up 45%), heavy structural shapes (up 27%), wire drawn (up 23%), hot rolled bars (up 22%), sheets and strip hot dipped galvanized (up 19%), cold rolled sheets (up 18%), tin plate (up 14%) and oil country goods (up 14%).

Steel Mill Product	August 2021 Prelim.	July 2021 Final	% var Aug. vs. July	YTD 2021 (8 mo.)	YTD 2020 (8 mo.)	% var '21 vs. '20	2021 Ann.	2020 12 mo.	% var 2021 vs 2020
Ingot and Billets and Slabs	663,717	995,299	-33.3%	6,341,326	5,178,361	22.5%	9,511,989	5,865,371	62.2%
Sheets Hot Rolled	379,878	311,518	21.9%	2,044,967	1,055,597	93.7%	3,067,450	1,620,719	89.3%
Sheets & Strip Galv. Hot Dipped	299,008	252,504	18.4%	1,768,162	1,485,462	19.0%	2,652,243	2,194,705	20.8%
Sheets Cold Rolled	162,404	173,640	-6.5%	1,094,350	930,327	17.6%	1,641,525	1,304,017	25.9%
Oil Country Goods	117,561	179,135	-34.4%	1,013,114	891,080	13.7%	1,519,672	1,101,773	37.9%
Plates in Coils	152,139	141,284	7.7%	905,607	542,511	66.9%	1,358,411	801,786	69.4%
Bars - Reinforcing	93,493	91,076	2.7%	832,757	830,889	0.2%	1,249,136	1,080,823	15.6%
Sheets & Strip All Other Metallic	120,509	113,441	6.2%	695,486	464,512	49.7%	1,043,229	679,708	53.5%
Wire Rods	87,307	112,179	-22.2%	684,352	469,655	45.7%	1,026,528	708,470	44.9%
Tin Plate	75,345	83,560	-9.8%	553,401	485,528	14.0%	830,102	768,672	8.0%
Bars - Hot Rolled	73,863	71,228	3.7%	553,392	454,217	21.8%	830,089	681,185	21.9%
Wire Drawn	70,695	66,630	6.1%	534,888	434,197	23.2%	802,333	653,566	22.8%
Line Pipe	47,543	46,031	3.3%	440,422	512,199	-14.0%	660,633	710,662	-7.0%
Standard Pipe	54,535	54,521	0.0%	397,074	449,282	-11.6%	595,611	625,747	-4.8%
Mechanical Tubing	67,561	59,446	13.7%	387,805	364,135	6.5%	581,708	483,494	20.3%
Structural Shapes Heavy	52,126	60,049	-13.2%	374,017	294,963	26.8%	561,025	429,280	30.7%
Plates Cut Lengths	41,065	54,816	-25.1%	364,372	252,038	44.6%	546,557	357,033	53.1%
All Other	208,319	211,566	-1.5%	1,578,419	1,296,285	21.8%	2,367,628	1,952,098	21.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,767,067</b>	<b>3,077,923</b>	<b>-10.1%</b>	<b>20,563,912</b>	<b>16,391,238</b>	<b>25.5%</b>	<b>30,845,867</b>	<b>22,019,109</b>	<b>40.1%</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL Finished Imports</b>	<b>2,102,407</b>	<b>2,081,028</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>14,209,407</b>	<b>11,201,263</b>	<b>26.9%</b>	<b>21,314,110</b>	<b>16,138,907</b>	<b>32.1%</b>

In August, the largest volumes of finished steel imports from offshore were from South Korea (163,000 NT, down 45% from July final), Taiwan (105,000 NT, up 36%), Germany (80,000 NT, up 16%), Japan (77,000 NT, up 16%) and Vietnam (73,000 NT, down 28%). For the first eight months of 2021, the largest offshore suppliers were South Korea (1,793,000 NT, up 29% vs. the same period in 2020), Japan (667,000 NT, up 26%), Germany (560,000 NT, up 18%), Turkey (557,000 NT, up 32%) and Taiwan (539,000 NT, up 33%). 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



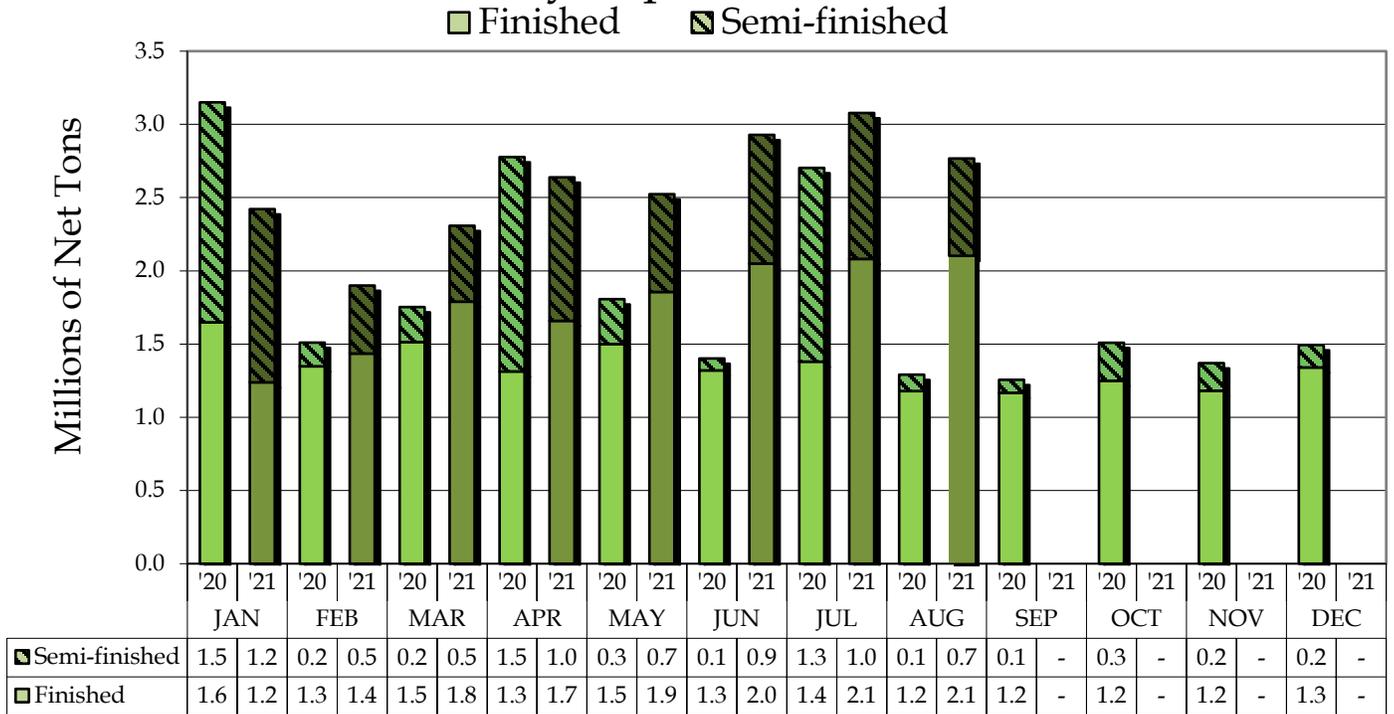
**U.S. IMPORTS OF FINISHED STEEL MILL PRODUCTS  
BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN  
(thousands of net tons)**

COUNTRY	August 2021 Prelim.	July 2021 Final	% var August vs. July	YTD 2021 (8 mo.)	YTD 2020 (8 mo.)	% var 2021 vs. '20	2021 Ann.	2020 12 mo.	% var 2021 vs. '20
South Korea	163	299	-45.3%	1,793	1,394	28.6%	2,690	2,015	33.5%
Japan	77	67	15.9%	667	529	26.2%	1,001	767	30.5%
Germany	80	69	15.8%	560	473	18.4%	840	725	15.9%
Turkey	72	56	28.3%	557	421	32.3%	835	562	48.5%
Taiwan	105	77	35.5%	539	404	33.2%	808	573	41.1%
Vietnam	73	101	-27.7%	407	221	83.8%	611	314	94.4%
Netherlands	51	51	1.1%	337	266	27.1%	506	463	9.3%
Brazil	51	28	83.9%	277	380	-27.0%	416	504	-17.4%
All Other	1,429	1,334	7.2%	9,071	7,113	27.5%	13,607	10,216	33.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>2,081</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>14,209</b>	<b>11,201</b>	<b>26.9%</b>	<b>21,314</b>	<b>16,139</b>	<b>32.1%</b>

U.S. IMPORTS OF FINISHED STEEL MILL PRODUCTS			
3 MONTHS ROLLING AVERAGE			
(thousands of net tons)			
Steel Mill Product	Preliminary 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. Aug. '21 - Jun. '21	Final 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. May. '21 - Mar. '21	Current 3 Months vs. 3 Months Prior % Change
Sheets Hot Rolled	348	216	61.0%
Sheets & Strip Galv. Hot Dipped	249	228	9.2%
Sheets Cold Rolled	176	125	40.4%
Oil Country Goods	156	125	24.5%
Plates in Coils	141	105	33.4%
Wire Rods	108	81	33.1%
Sheets & Strip All Other Met. Ctd.	103	95	8.4%
Bars - Reinforcing	96	117	-17.4%
Tin Plate	77	76	1.9%
Bars - Hot Rolled	76	72	5.4%
All Other	547	526	3.9%
<b>TOTAL Finished Imports</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>17.5%</b>

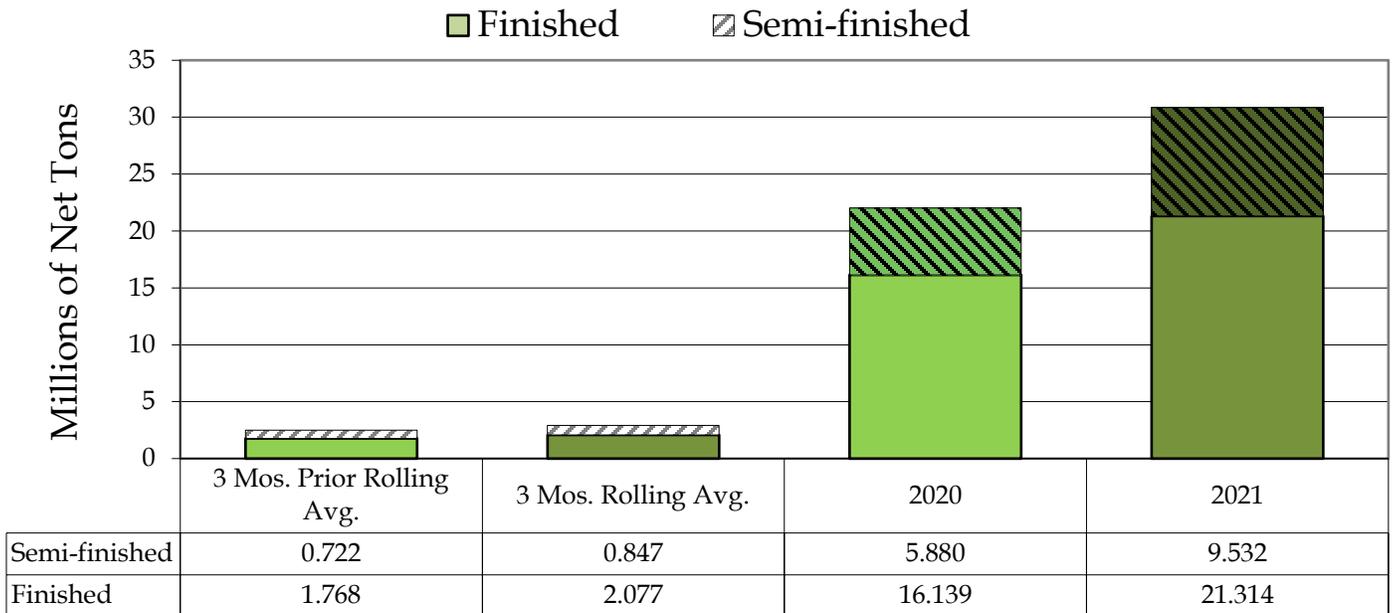
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Country	Preliminary 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. Aug. '21 - Jun. '21	Final 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. May. '21 - Mar. '21	Current 3 Months vs. 3 Months Prior % Change
South Korea	246	231	6.1%
Taiwan	89	70	26.1%
Japan	88	90	-2.1%
Germany	82	76	7.9%
Turkey	75	58	30.4%
Vietnam	71	54	29.5%
Netherlands	57	42	35.2%
Brazil	37	30	24.1%
China	36	33	10.1%
United Arab Emirates	32	25	24.6%
All Other	1,266	1,058	19.6%
<b>TOTAL Finished Imports</b>	<b>2,077</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>17.5%</b>

### Monthly Imports 2021 vs. 2020



% change finished imports August 2021 vs. August 2020 +78.4%

### 3 Month Rolling Averages and 2021 vs. 2020



% change finished imports 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. vs. 3 Mos. Prior = +17.5%

% change semi-finished imports 2021 vs. 2020 = +62.1%

% change finished imports 2021 vs. 2020 = +32.1%

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