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**STEEL IMPORTS UP 44.6% YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH NOVEMBER**  
*Finished Import Market Share YTD at 22%*

**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 3,120,000 net tons (NT) of steel in November 2021, including 2,583,000 net tons (NT) of finished steel (up 13.9% and 9.6%, respectively, vs. October final data). Through the first eleven months of 2021, total and finished steel imports are 29,681,000 and 21,626,000 net tons (NT), up 44.6% and 46.1%, respectively, vs. the same period in 2020. Annualized total and finished steel imports in 2021 would be 32.4 and 23.6 million NT, up 47.1% and 46.2%, respectively, vs. 2020. Finished steel import market share was an estimated 27% in November and is estimated at 22% over the first eleven months of 2021.

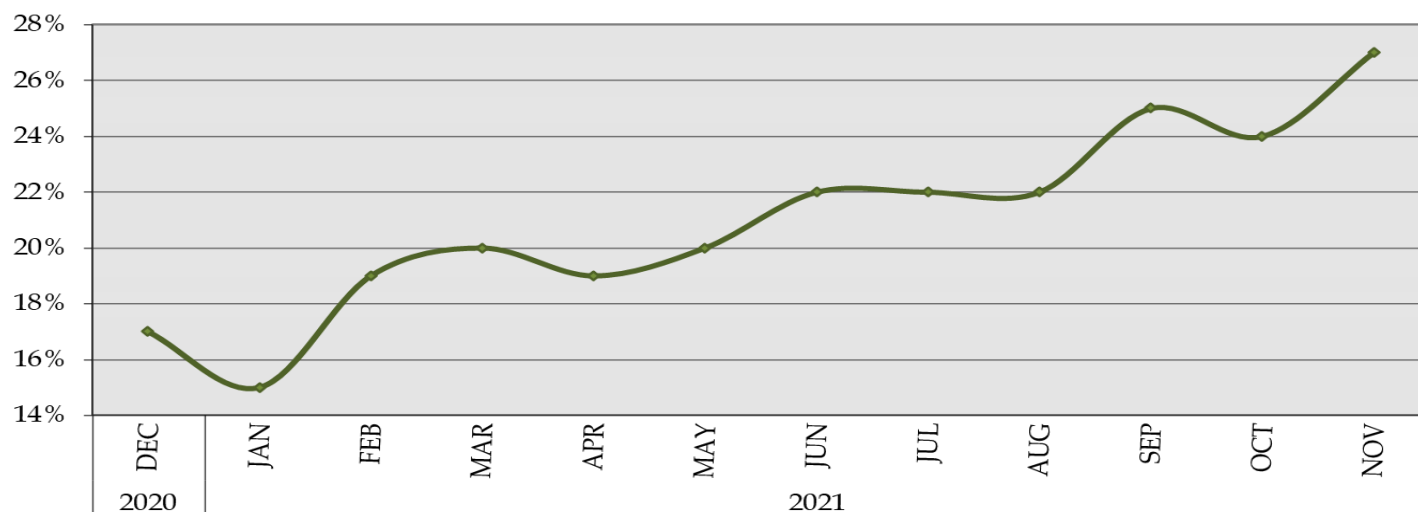
Key finished steel products with a significant increase in imports in November compared to October are heavy structural shapes (up 64%), sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 33%), cold rolled sheets (up 32%), hot rolled bars (up 29%), oil country goods (up 28%), sheets and strip galvanized hot dipped (up 27%) and tin plate (up 10%). Products with a significant year-to-date (YTD) increase vs. the same period in 2020 were hot rolled sheets (up 137%), plates in coils (up 109%), sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 66%), oil country goods (up 62%), cut lengths plates (up 60%), wire rods (up 60%), cold rolled sheets (up 41%), heavy structural shapes (up 31%), hot rolled bars (up 30%), sheets and strip hot dipped galvanized (up 29%), wire drawn (up 23%), reinforcing bars (up 23%), mechanical tubing (up 20%) and tin plate (up 13%).

Steel Mill Product	Nov. 2021 Prelim.	Oct. 2021 Final	% var Nov. vs. Oct.	YTD 2021 (11 mo.)	YTD 2020 (11 mo.)	% var '21 vs. '20	2021 Ann.	2020 12 mo.	% var 2021 vs 2020
Ingots and Billets and Slabs	535,278	382,635	<b>39.9%</b>	8,038,447	5,712,827	<b>40.7%</b>	8,769,215	5,865,371	<b>49.5%</b>
Sheets Hot Rolled	466,807	506,614	<b>-7.9%</b>	3,459,620	1,456,938	<b>137.5%</b>	3,774,130	1,620,719	<b>132.9%</b>
Sheets & Strip Galv. Hot Dipped	344,022	270,056	<b>27.4%</b>	2,623,793	2,038,621	<b>28.7%</b>	2,862,320	2,194,705	<b>30.4%</b>
Sheets Cold Rolled	230,003	174,663	<b>31.7%</b>	1,690,562	1,200,061	<b>40.9%</b>	1,844,250	1,304,017	<b>41.4%</b>
Oil Country Goods	210,502	164,733	<b>27.8%</b>	1,634,832	1,009,647	<b>61.9%</b>	1,783,453	1,101,773	<b>61.9%</b>
Plates in Coils	195,472	193,897	<b>0.8%</b>	1,481,936	707,608	<b>109.4%</b>	1,616,657	801,786	<b>101.6%</b>
Bars - Reinforcing	133,844	139,844	<b>-4.3%</b>	1,265,124	1,031,810	<b>22.6%</b>	1,380,135	1,080,823	<b>27.7%</b>
Sheets & Strip All Other Metallic	131,910	98,906	<b>33.4%</b>	1,048,667	630,705	<b>66.3%</b>	1,144,001	679,708	<b>68.3%</b>
Wire Rods	108,180	126,336	<b>-14.4%</b>	1,035,881	645,853	<b>60.4%</b>	1,130,052	708,470	<b>59.5%</b>
Bars - Hot Rolled	97,669	75,520	<b>29.3%</b>	802,114	615,703	<b>30.3%</b>	875,034	681,185	<b>28.5%</b>
Tin Plate	67,040	60,708	<b>10.4%</b>	776,426	684,972	<b>13.4%</b>	847,010	768,672	<b>10.2%</b>
Wire Drawn	71,766	65,928	<b>8.9%</b>	736,566	596,800	<b>23.4%</b>	803,526	653,566	<b>22.9%</b>
Line Pipe	70,474	69,061	<b>2.0%</b>	680,630	624,738	<b>8.9%</b>	742,505	710,662	<b>4.5%</b>
Standard Pipe	53,876	49,562	<b>8.7%</b>	565,049	586,748	<b>-3.7%</b>	616,417	625,747	<b>-1.5%</b>
Mechanical Tubing	46,697	55,655	<b>-16.1%</b>	546,549	454,610	<b>20.2%</b>	596,235	483,494	<b>23.3%</b>
Structural Shapes Heavy	69,291	42,304	<b>63.8%</b>	535,488	407,774	<b>31.3%</b>	584,169	429,280	<b>36.1%</b>
Plates Cut Lengths	54,434	54,954	<b>-0.9%</b>	532,950	332,157	<b>60.5%</b>	581,400	357,033	<b>62.8%</b>
All Other	232,294	208,260	<b>11.5%</b>	2,226,353	1,788,117	<b>24.5%</b>	2,428,749	1,952,098	<b>24.4%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,119,559</b>	<b>2,739,636</b>	<b>13.9%</b>	<b>29,680,987</b>	<b>20,525,691</b>	<b>44.6%</b>	<b>32,379,259</b>	<b>22,019,109</b>	<b>47.1%</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL Finished Imports</b>	<b>2,582,837</b>	<b>2,355,988</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>21,625,661</b>	<b>14,798,834</b>	<b>46.1%</b>	<b>23,591,630</b>	<b>16,138,907</b>	<b>46.2%</b>

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In November, the largest volumes of finished steel imports from offshore were from South Korea (232,000 NT, up 4% from October final), Vietnam (180,000 NT, up 63%), Japan (154,000 NT, up 93%), Turkey (112,000 NT, down 25%) and Netherlands (91,000 NT, up 70%). For the first eleven months of 2021, the largest offshore suppliers were South Korea (2,551,000 NT, up 42% vs. the same period in 2020), Japan (984,000 NT, up 38%), Turkey (936,000 NT, up 71%), Germany (809,000 NT, up 23%) and Taiwan (777,000 NT, up 47%). 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)

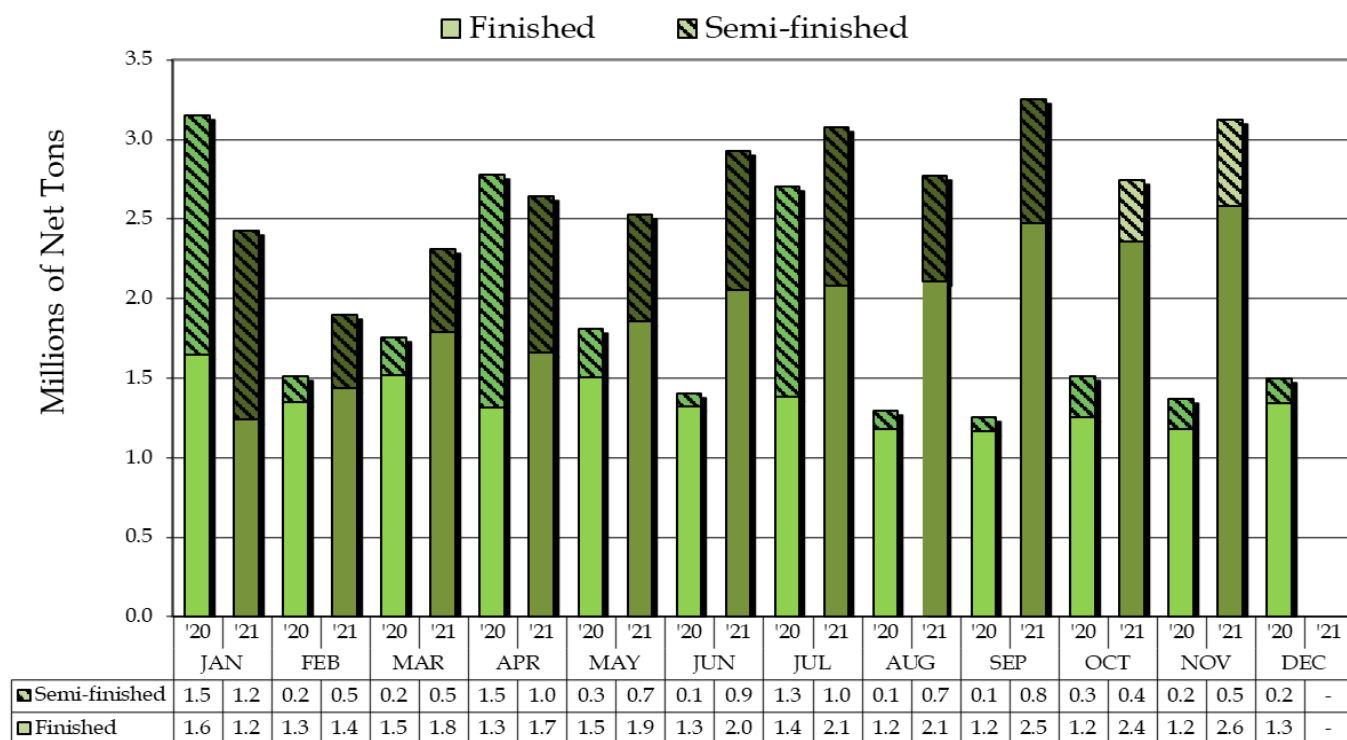
COUNTRY	Nov. 2021 Prelim.	Oct. 2021 Final	% var Nov. vs. Oct.	YTD 2021 (11 mo.)	YTD 2020 (11 mo.)	% var 2021 vs. '20	2021 Ann.	2020 12 mo.	% var 2021 vs. '20
South Korea	232	223	4.1%	2,551	1,793	42.3%	2,782	2,015	38.1%
Japan	154	80	92.6%	984	711	38.4%	1,074	767	40.0%
Turkey	112	149	-25.3%	936	548	70.7%	1,021	562	81.6%
Germany	78	83	-6.1%	809	659	22.8%	882	725	21.7%
Taiwan	73	72	1.2%	777	530	46.7%	848	573	48.0%
Vietnam	180	110	63.2%	775	303	155.8%	845	314	169.2%
Netherlands	91	54	70.3%	560	377	48.7%	611	463	32.0%
Brazil	45	45	-0.9%	392	465	-15.8%	427	504	-15.2%
All Other	1,619	1,540	5.1%	13,842	9,413	47.1%	15,101	10,216	47.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,583</b>	<b>2,356</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>21,626</b>	<b>14,799</b>	<b>46.1%</b>	<b>23,592</b>	<b>16,139</b>	<b>46.2%</b>

<b>U.S. IMPORTS OF FINISHED STEEL MILL PRODUCTS</b> <b>3 MONTHS ROLLING AVERAGE</b> <b>(thousands of net tons)</b>			
<b>Steel Mill Product</b>	<b>Preliminary 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. Nov. '21 - Sep. '21</b>	<b>Final 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. Aug. '21 - Jun. '21</b>	<b>Current 3 Months vs. 3 Months Prior % Change</b>
Sheets Hot Rolled	471	348	35.3%
Sheets & Strip Galv. Hot Dipped	285	249	14.2%
Oil Country Goods	207	157	32.0%
Sheets Cold Rolled	199	176	12.9%
Plates in Coils	192	141	36.5%
Bars - Reinforcing	144	96	49.5%
Sheets & Strip All Other Metallic Ctd.	118	104	13.6%
Wire Rods	117	108	8.0%
Bars - Hot Rolled	83	76	8.6%
Line Pipe	80	56	43.2%
All Other	575	568	1.3%
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South Korea	251	247	2.0%
Turkey	126	75	68.2%
Vietnam	123	71	73.8%
Japan	106	88	20.1%
Germany	83	82	1.4%
Taiwan	79	89	-10.5%
Netherlands	74	57	29.6%
Algeria	47	27	74.3%
China	42	36	17.4%
Egypt	39	20	97.1%
All Other	1,500	1,289	16.4%
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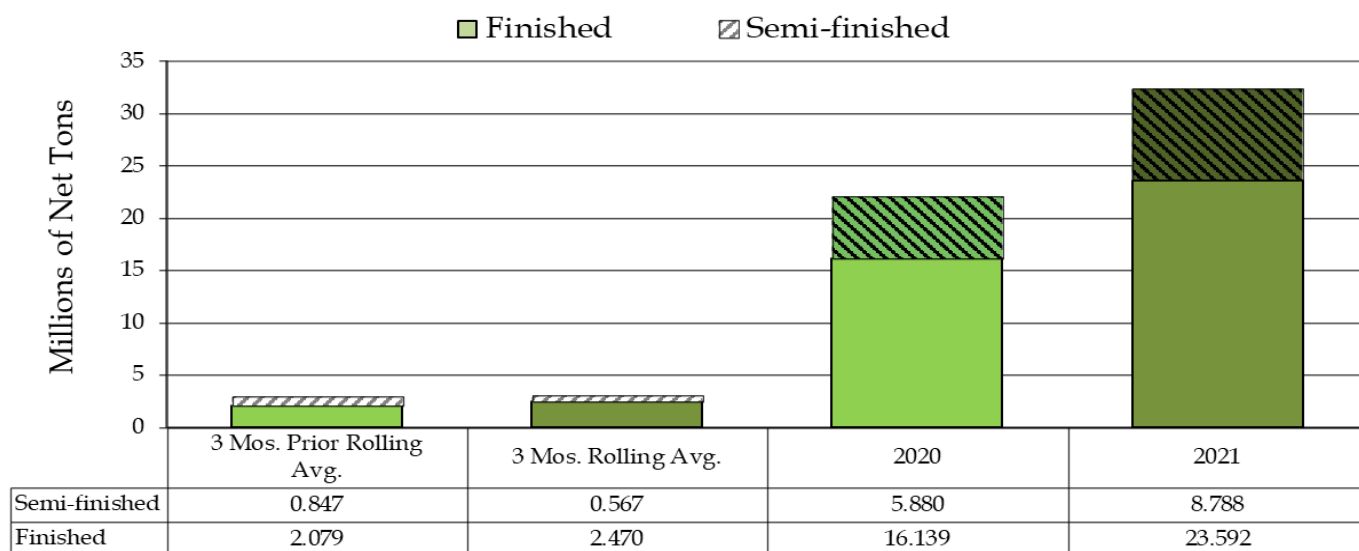
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## Monthly Imports 2021 vs. 2020



% change finished imports November 2021 vs. November 2020 +118.7%

## 3 Month Rolling Averages and 2021 vs. 2020



% change finished imports 3 Mos. Rolling Avg. vs. 3 Mos. Prior = +18.8%

% change semi-finished imports 2021 vs. 2020 = +49.4%

% change finished imports 2021 vs. 2020 = +46.2%

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