

MARKET CLASSIFICATIONS	CHANGE FROM 2005					
	CURRENT MONTH		YEAR TO DATE+		SAME	
	NET TONS	PERCENT	NET TONS	PERCENT	MONTH PERCENT	YEAR TO DATE NET TONS PERCENT
1. Steel for Converting and Processing*						
Wire and wire products		0.0%			-100.0%	(84,146) -100.0%
Sheets and strip		0.0%			-100.0%	(118,988) -100.0%
Pipe and tube	397,908	177.8%			11.1%	39,844 11.1%
Cold finishing		0.0%			-100.0%	(11,993) -100.0%
Other		0.0%			-100.0%	(67,971) -100.0%
Total		0.0%			-100.0%	(641,162) -100.0%
2. Independent Forgers (not elsewhere classified)		0.0%			-100.0%	(23,657) -100.0%
3. Industrial Fasteners	5,679	2.5%			-49.8%	(5,645) -49.8%
4. Steel Service Centers and Distributors		0.0%			-100.0%	##### -100.0%
5. Construction, Including Maintenance						
Metal Building Systems		0.0%			-100.0%	(116,891) -100.0%
Bridge and Highway Construction		0.0%			-100.0%	(25,555) -100.0%
General Construction		0.0%			-100.0%	(664,704) -100.0%
Culverts and Concrete Pipe		0.0%			-100.0%	(14,290) -100.0%
All Other Construction & Contractors' Products	287,706	128.6%			4.2%	11,542 4.2%
Total		0.0%			-100.0%	##### -100.0%
7. Automotive						
Vehicles, parts & accessories-assemblers		0.0%			-100.0%	(868,148) -100.0%
Trailers, all types		0.0%			-100.0%	(20,689) -100.0%
Parts and accessories-independent suppliers	160,215	71.6%			3.6%	5,522 3.6%
Independent forgers		0.0%			-100.0%	(7,993) -100.0%
Total	160,215	71.6%			-84.8%	(891,308) -84.8%
8. Rail Transportation		0.0%			-100.0%	(77,069) -100.0%
9. Shipbuilding and Marine Equipment		0.0%			-100.0%	(11,033) -100.0%
10. Aircraft and Aerospace	716	0.3%			-44.8%	(581) -44.8%
11. Oil, Gas & Petrochemical						
Drilling & Transportation		0.0%			-100.0%	(160,815) -100.0%
Storage Tanks	9,021	4.0%			12.5%	1,000 12.5%
Oil, Gas & Chemical Process Vessels		0.0%			-100.0%	(14,602) -100.0%
Total	9,021	4.0%			-95.1%	(174,417) -95.1%
12. Mining, Quarrying and Lumbering		0.0%			-100.0%	(2,537) -100.0%
13. Agricultural						
Agricultural Machinery		0.0%			-100.0%	(14,075) -100.0%
All Other		0.0%			-100.0%	(10,772) -100.0%
Total	0	0.0%			-100.0%	(24,847) -100.0%
14. Machinery, Industrial Equipment and Tools						
General Purpose Equipment - Bearings	30,362	13.6%			16.1%	4,215 16.1%
Construction Equip. and Materials handling Equip.		0.0%			-100.0%	(33,743) -100.0%
All Other		0.0%			-100.0%	(49,979) -100.0%
Total	30,362	13.6%			-72.4%	(79,507) -72.4%
15. Electrical Equipment		0.0%			-100.0%	(101,421) -100.0%
16. Appliances, Utensils and Cutlery						
Appliances		0.0%			-100.0%	(152,335) -100.0%
Utensils and Cutlery	3,028	1.4%			-17.3%	(631) -17.3%
Total	3,028	1.4%			-98.1%	(152,966) -98.1%
17. Other Domestic and Commercial Equipment		0.0%			-100.0%	(57,402) -100.0%
18. Containers, Packaging and Shipping Materials						
Cans and Closures		0.0%			-100.0%	(158,158) -100.0%
Barrels, drums and shipping pails		0.0%			-100.0%	(30,915) -100.0%
All Other	12,475	5.6%			-17.6%	(2,661) -17.6%
Total	12,475	5.6%			-93.9%	(191,734) -93.9%
19. Ordnance and Other Military	2,292	1.0%			-40.3%	(1,549) -40.3%
20. Export (Reporting Companies Only)		0.0%			-100.0%	(198,501) -100.0%
21. Non-Classified Shipments		0.0%			-100.0%	##### -100.0%
TOTAL SHIPMENTS (Items 1-21)	223,788	100.0%			-97.5%	##### -97.5%

+ - Includes revisions for previous months

P - Preliminary, final figures will appear in the detailed quarterly report.

* - Net total after deducting shipments to reporting companies.

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