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November Monthly Steel Fact Sheet

The preliminary data released show that overall steel imports in November 2009 decreased 18.8 percent from October 2009. This change in the November total volume of steel imports resulted from decreases in several categories including carbon and alloy wire rods (-49.2%), reinforcing bars (-76.3%), and plates in coils (-61.6%). The only increases were carbon and alloy hot rolled sheets (3.6%) and standard pipe (5.3%). November 2009 imports of steel mill products were down 45 percent compared to November 2008.

Preliminary Census Steel Import Statistic Comparisons

	Nov 08	Oct 09	Nov 09	% Change Oct 09 - Nov 09	% Change Nov08 - Nov 09
<u>All Steel Mill Products</u>	2,183,803	1,475,030	1,198,282	-18.8%	-45.1%
<u>All Carbon and Alloy Products</u>	2,110,094	1,423,409	1,147,060	-19.4%	-45.6%
<u>Blooms, Billets and Slabs -- C & A</u>	158,181	340,432	323,747	-4.9%	104.7%
<u>Sheets Hot Rolled -- C & A</u>	138,091	166,189	172,190	3.6%	24.7%
<u>Line Pipe -- C & A</u>	232,739	117,883	88,777	-24.7%	-61.9%
<u>Wire Rods -- C & A</u>	96,663	111,598	56,657	-49.2%	-41.4%
<u>Sheets & Strip Galv Hot Dipped -- C & A</u>	108,878	82,795	63,276	-23.6%	-41.9%
<u>Sheets Cold Rolled -- C & A</u>	107,284	69,864	65,986	-5.6%	-38.5%
<u>Plates in Coils -- C & A</u>	143,366	74,013	28,421	-61.6%	-80.2%
<u>Standard Pipe -- C & A</u>	89,537	33,371	35,134	5.3%	-60.8%
<u>Oil Country Goods -- C & A</u>	506,839	37,347	34,103	-8.7%	-93.3%
<u>Bars-Reinforcing -- C & A</u>	22,780	30,023	7,127	-76.3%	-68.7%
<u>All Stainless Products</u>	73,708	51,621	51,221	-0.8%	-30.5%
<u>Sheets Cold Rolled -- S</u>	16,366	17,252	15,651	-9.3%	-4.4%
<u>Stainless Pipe & Tubing -- S</u>	10,841	6,627	5,856	-11.6%	-46.0%
<u>Blooms, Billets and Slabs -- S</u>	7,354	5,009	4,201	-16.1%	-42.9%
**November 2009 figures are PRELIMINARY; final November 2009 figures to be released 01/12/10					
*All numbers represent quantity in metric tons.					

* Please see the SIMA website for further data and graphs: <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/steel/license/index.html>