

Global Imports of Ferrous Scrap by Country and Year

(in metric tons)



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Top 20 Importers	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Turkey	15,074,009	17,140,855	17,414,983	15,665,319	19,192,350	21,460,461	22,415,029	19,724,892	19,068,156	16,251,308	17,716,247
India	3,418,187	3,051,664	4,603,204	5,136,907	4,676,394	6,265,265	8,179,601	5,636,399	5,699,006	6,710,088	6,380,452
Rep. of Korea	5,616,235	6,880,885	7,313,414	7,800,414	8,089,529	8,626,039	10,125,916	9,261,167	8,001,567	5,745,884	5,842,211
Italy	5,682,247	5,265,184	5,751,165	3,347,489	4,619,195	5,753,381	5,272,709	4,960,353	5,146,318	4,649,968	4,434,285
Belgium	4,206,826	4,344,950	4,143,336	3,643,458	4,626,473	4,563,802	4,284,462	4,595,179	4,785,015	4,171,886	4,304,573
Germany	5,932,605	5,920,071	5,675,167	3,865,111	5,305,194	6,639,700	5,792,845	5,676,700	5,324,260	4,637,419	4,259,242
Spain	7,346,851	6,472,865	6,603,208	4,930,416	5,708,900	4,764,338	4,348,807	4,851,614	4,928,153	5,120,222	4,042,165
Pakistan	1,356,059	2,140,551	1,871,037	2,254,182	1,771,139	1,583,931	1,772,885	1,780,714	2,482,543	3,256,900	4,038,195
Viet Nam	567,209	828,319	1,082,299	2,065,522	2,126,335	3,234,553	3,280,695	3,232,855	3,375,564	3,185,923	3,893,842
Taiwan	4,458,882	5,418,435	5,542,389	3,915,292	5,374,122	5,331,247	4,955,519	4,453,005	4,272	3,373,657	3,154,978
Netherlands	2,321,144	1,669,159	1,842,597	2,846,151	1,988,278	2,188,452	2,378,258	2,290,454	2,359,263	2,233,172	2,471,753
Luxembourg	3,238,139	3,173,113	2,800,650	2,030,226	2,694,245	2,635,424	2,464,483	2,251,732	2,225,575	2,121,316	2,263,786
China	5,383,017	3,365,131	3,516,417	13,620,675	5,766,245	6,692,180	4,934,728	4,439,242	2,524,060	2,283,777	2,160,644
Mexico	1,560,873	1,418,350	1,257,029	849,697	786,362	732,883	946,455	863,775	914,665	1,482,877	1,892,621
Canada	1,870,845	1,667,222	1,689,516	1,416,166	3,024,594	1,861,455	2,656,533	1,753,949	2,918,818	1,717,166	1,844,290
France	3,206,787	3,076,905	3,050,559	2,310,634	2,354,206	2,596,201	2,629,456	2,309,007	2,405,454	2,200,963	1,831,565
Portugal	1,155,846	1,128,685	1,165,430	1,039,658	902,988	1,252,275	1,196,298	1,407,787	1,524,391	1,515,346	1,427,592
Belarus	1,477,413	1,399,415	1,418,570	1,294,326	1,593,836	1,561,015	1,356,745	1,262,243	1,253,909	1,382,061	1,234,730
Austria	1,070,337	1,345,517	1,783,766	1,143,787	991,578	1,016,309	1,007,905	1,168,752	1,270,084	1,215,013	1,042,605
Indonesia	1,001,690	1,259,932	1,898,539	1,484,059	1,642,360	2,156,920	1,943,845	2,398,735	2,136,802	1,019,586	1,019,791
Rest of the World	21,396,090	20,479,454	22,656,186	13,967,597	18,321,558	19,965,626	17,810,340	16,099,780	13,649,111	14,816,006	10,187,742
Grand Total	97,341,293	97,446,661	103,079,461	94,627,086	101,555,879	110,881,457	109,753,514	100,418,334	91,996,985	89,090,537	85,443,308

*Notes

- 1) Data tables were derived from the UN Comtrade Database (last downloaded on March 23, 2018)
- 2) Top 20 determined by latest year of complete data
- 3) Data includes stainless steel (HTS – 7204210000) and alloy steel (HTS – 7204290000)
- 4) Import data was adjusted for Viet Nam and the Netherlands