

# Global Imports of Nickel Scrap by Country and Year

(in metric tons)



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Top 20 Importers	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Canada	20,151	18,227	6,311	13,458	18,993	21,108	18,892	21,310	20,079	21,429	26,384
USA	14,817	19,187	16,850	18,271	17,146	21,262	18,692	28,542	25,310	17,453	33,773
United Kingdom	11,882	10,890	9,736	8,783	6,729	8,834	9,887	10,999	9,405	12,325	10,906
Sweden	9,121	12,217	8,708	10,491	10,333	8,801	8,896	9,928	12,283	12,044	10,203
Germany	19,800	18,315	8,259	8,584	12,461	14,209	10,176	12,072	10,515	10,370	9,490
Japan	6,889	5,397	3,919	5,638	5,762	5,342	7,247	10,236	8,392	9,248	9,746
Netherlands	14,008	12,647	4,666	10,872	4,607	2,507	2,803	4,208	4,708	4,732	3,975
France	1,337	2,137	1,265	2,164	2,867	2,713	3,063	3,036	3,229	2,716	2,740
India	2,209	705	836	1,005	1,158	619	2,300	2,481	2,385	2,145	4,058
Italy	1,378	943	765	1,063	656	899	1,330	1,533	1,079	2,117	1,782
Singapore	3,049	3,019	2,466	4,062	2,520	1,432	1,802	2,234	1,135	1,419	2,803
Austria	2,245	1,165	368	440	527	1,917	4,359	4,376	1,959	1,248	919
Belgium	10,086	559	284	1,315	1,545	1,888	2,448	785	461	1,164	1,638
Rep. of Korea	492	816	874	433	573	374	313	676	1,358	1,048	1,389
Hong Kong	290	79	477	40	50	308	252	1,298	213	929	360
Czechia	298	473	1,468	1,257	250	1,442	1,183	755	637	869	355
Spain	274	120	236	151	806	554	386	728	595	653	699
Taiwan	215	220	497	399	469	252	792	357	220	395	244
Thailand	116	131	46	75	115	269	222	306	963	335	NR
Slovenia	79	75	5	84	61	8	11	31	129	314	180
Rest of the World	10,168	6,425	3,851	1,341	1,523	849	1,318	892	1,251	795	1,232
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>128,904</b>	<b>113,748</b>	<b>71,886</b>	<b>89,927</b>	<b>89,151</b>	<b>95,587</b>	<b>96,372</b>	<b>116,782</b>	<b>106,307</b>	<b>103,749</b>	<b>122,875</b>

**\*Notes**

- 1) Data tables were derived from the UN Comtrade Database (last downloaded on March 27, 2019)
- 2) Due to unresolved reporting questions, top 20 determined by 2016 reported data. NR = Not Reported
- 3) Import data was adjusted for Slovenia