

TRADE CASE MONITOR, FEBRUARY-APRIL 2022

Investigating region	Product	Origin of product	Latest action	Next action (if known)
US (1)	Stainless steel round wire rod	Vietnam, South Korea	On February 1, US Department of Commerce initiated an inquiry to determine whether imports of stainless steel round wire from Vietnam are circumventing the anti-dumping duty order imposed on South Korea.	Commerce intends to issue its final determination within 300 days, by December 1.
Ukraine, Turkey (2)	Certain steel products	Ukraine, Turkey	On February 3, Turkey and Ukraine signed a free trade agreement to reduce duties for 130 metallurgical goods and establish quotas for 160 others. Ukraine reserved the right to apply a duty on the export of scrap metal.	
US (3)	Reinforcing bar	Turkey	On February 8, the US Commerce Department issued a final anti-dumping determination on steel rebar from Turkey. A weighted-average dumping margin was set at 0.1-0.2% depending on the producer.	
US (4)	Steel nails	India, Oman, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey	On February 11, the US Commerce Department decided to continue countervailing and anti-dumping investigations into imports of steel nails from India, Oman, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Turkey.	Preliminary anti-dumping duty determinations are due on or about June 8.
US (5)	Stainless steel wire rod	Japan, South Korea, Taiwan	On February 16, the US International Trade Commission (ITC) ruled to maintain anti-dumping duties against imports of stainless steel wire rod from Japan, South Korea and Taiwan.	
EU (6)	Steel fasteners	China	On February 17, the European Commission (EC) decided to impose a definitive anti-dumping duty at 22.1-86.5%, depending on the producer, on imports of steel fasteners from China.	
UK (7)	Wire rod	China	On February 23, the UK's Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) proposed maintaining existing anti-dumping measures on imports of wire rod from China until January 2026. The rate in place was 24%, with an individual duty of 7.9% for wire rod from China's Valin Group.	
UK (8)	Steel import	Developing countries	On February 28, the UK's TRA initiated a tariff rate quota (TRQ) review into all categories of imported steel products to assess whether exceptions to the safeguard measures affecting developing countries need to be amended.	
EU (9)	Russian individuals owning steel companies	Russia	The EU imposed restrictive measures on 26 persons in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity of Ukraine, including Alexey Mordaschov, chairman of Severstal and Severgroup; Alisher Usmanov, who has interests in iron ore and steel and owns steel company Metalloinvest.	
US (10)	Cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate	South Korea	On March 1, the US Commerce Department issued an affirmative preliminary anti-dumping determination on cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate from South Korea as part of an administrative review.	Commerce intends to issue the final results of its administrative review no later than 120 days from March 1.
EU (11)	Iron and steel included	Belarus	On March 2, the EU imposed sanctions on Belarus-origin iron and steel, wood, timber, cement, rubber and fuels due to the country's support of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.	
US (12)	Heavy-walled rectangular welded carbon steel pipe and tube	South Korea, Mexico, Turkey	On March 4, the US ITC decided to maintain anti-dumping duties against imports of heavy-walled rectangular welded carbon steel pipe and tube from South Korea, Mexico and Turkey.	
EU (13)	Russian individuals owning steel companies	Russia	On March 9, the European Council amended a decision in respect of individuals related to actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity of Ukraine - including Dmitry Pumpyanski, Galina Pumpyanska, Alexander Pumpyansky - related to Pipe Metallurgical Company (TMK), a Russian manufacturer of steel pipes for the oil and gas industry.	
UK (14)	Russian individuals owning steel companies	Russia	On March 10, the UK announced sanctions against 7 people including Roman Abramovich, who owns a 28.6% stake in Evraz and other holdings including Norilsk Nickel, accusing them of having connections to Vladimir Putin's regime in Russia.	
EU (15)	Finished steel products covered by EU safeguard measures	Russia	On March 15, the European Council voted to adopt a fourth package of sanctions against Russia in response to its attack on Ukraine, including a ban on steel products which were under EU safeguard measures.	
Indonesia (16)	Alloy-added hot-rolled coil	China	On March 15, Indonesia decided to impose anti-dumping duties of 4.2-50.2% on imports of alloy-added hot-rolled coil from China for five years.	
EU (17)	Finished steel products covered by EU safeguard measures	Developing countries, except Russia and Belarus	On March 16, the EU clarified changes made to safeguard measures, following sanctions against Russia and Belarus. In each product category where Belarus and Russia had country-specific tariff rate quotas, the Commission proportionally redistributed those volumes among other exporting countries subject to the safeguard measure.	
EU (18)	Stainless cold-rolled flat steel products	India, Indonesia	On March 16, the EC set definitive countervailing duties at rates of 4.3-21.4% on imports of stainless cold-rolled flat steel products from India and Indonesia.	
US (19)	Steel and aluminium	UK	On March 22, the US and UK reached a deal to replace the Section 232 tariffs applied to US imports of steel and aluminium products from the UK with a tariff-rate quota (TRQ) from June 1. For steel, the TRQ was set at 500,000 tonnes on 54 product categories. The 25% tariff would be applied to volumes that exceed the assigned limit. Steel quotas will be administered on a quarterly basis. For aluminium products, TRQs would be set at 9,000 tonnes for unwrought aluminium under two product categories and at 11,400 tonnes for semi-finished (wrought) aluminium, other than foil, under 12 product categories. For foil, the annual import volume under the TRQ was set at 9,300 tonnes under two product categories. A 10% tariff would be applied to volumes that exceed the assigned limits. The aluminium quotas will be administered on a semi-annual basis.	
US (20)	Stainless steel plate in coils	South Africa	On March 23, the US Commerce Department decided to retain countervailing duties on stainless steel plate in coils from South Africa.	
US (21)	Certain carbon and alloy steel hot-rolled or forged flat plate products not in coils	Austria, Belgium, Brazil, China, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, South Korea, South Africa, Taiwan, Turkey	On March 25, the US Department of Commerce set anti-dumping and countervailing duties on certain carbon and alloy steel cut-to-length plate from 12 countries.	
UK (22)	Cold-rolled coil	China, Russia	On March 31, the UK TRA proposed maintaining anti-dumping measures against cold-rolled coil from China and Russia for a further five years until August 2026, at 19.7%-22.1% for Chinese origins and 18.7%-36.1% for Russia-origin CRC, depending on the producer.	
US (23)	Certain carbon and alloy steel cut-to-length plate	South Korea	On April 1, the US Department of Commerce set the final duty rates at 4.35%.	
US (24)	Coiled stainless plate	Belgium, South Africa, Taiwan	On April 4, the US Commerce Department decided that anti-dumping duties of 8.54% for Belgium, 41.63% for South Africa and 10.20% for Taiwan would remain.	
EU (25)	Hot-rolled flat steel products	China	On April 5, the EU started an expiry review on AD measures on HR flat steel from China. The definitive duties in place were at 18.10-35.90% depending on the producer.	The investigation to be conducted within 12-15 months.
UK (26)	Iron and steel products, coal	Russia	On April 6, the UK imposed a fifth package of sanctions on Russia in response to its invasion of Ukraine, including banning imports of iron and steel products, intending to end all imports of Russian coal and oil by the end of 2022.	
EU (27)	Coal	Russia	On April 8, the EC put a ban on imports of all types of coal, and allowed no access for Russian vessels to European ports, and set a total ban on Russian and Belarusian road freight under the fifth package of sanctions against Russia due to the invasion of Ukraine. The package included individual sanctions on, among others, Evgeny Zubitskiy, co-owner of Russia's Industrial Metallurgical Holding (IMH).	
US (28)	Oil country tubular goods (OCTG)	South Korea	On April 8, the US Department of Commerce set AD on South Korea's Hyundai Steel at a weighted average dumping margin of 19.54% and on SeAH Steel a dumping duty at 3.85%; the rate for non-examined companies was set at 11.70%.	
US (29)	Welded stainless steel pressure pipe	India	On April 15, the US ITC decided to continue the existing anti-dumping and countervailing duties on imports of welded stainless steel pressure pipe from India.	
Mexico (30)	Hot-rolled coil	China, Germany, France	"On April 19, Mexico extended anti-dumping (AD) duties on imports of hot-rolled coil originating in China, Germany and France for another five years. For German's ArcelorMittal Bremen, a tariff of \$137 per tonne would remain; the duty on other unspecified German companies would stay at \$166.01 per tonne. For China-origin materials, Tangshan Iron & Steel Group - a duty of \$335.60 per tonne; for others - \$354.92 per tonne. For France's ArcelorMittal Méditerranée - a duty of \$67.54 per tonne; other French exporters - \$75.59 per tonne."	
Kazakhstan (31)	Scrap, ferrous and non-ferrous metal waste	Kazakhstan	On April 21, Kazakhstan's Ministry of Industry and Infrastructure Development imposed a six-month ban on exports of scrap and ferrous and non-ferrous metal waste from May 6.	
UK (32)	All goods imported from Ukraine	Ukraine	On April 25, the UK decided that all tariffs on goods imported from Ukraine would be reduced to zero and all quotas removed under a free trade agreement.	
EU (33)	All Ukrainian imports, including steel	Ukraine	On April 27, the EC proposed suspending import duties imposed on all Ukrainian exports to the EU for one year, including anti-dumping and safeguard measures on steel.	Approval by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU

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