

Monthly Prices of Mild Steel Billets at Montreal.*

	1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
January.....	26 00	26 50	27 00	24 75	26 50	24 50	24 75	39 50	53 50	**
February.....	26 00	26 50	27 00	23 75	30 00	24 50	24 75	39 50	53 50	
March.....	26 25	26 50	27 00	23 75	30 00	24 50	26 50	45 50	53 50	
April.....	26 25	26 50	27 00	23 75	30 00	25 25	26 50	34 50	60 00	
May.....	26 25	26 50	26 75	23 75	31 00	25 25	26 50	44 50	**	
June.....	26 50	26 00	25 75	23 75	31 00	25 25	26 50	44 50		
July.....	26 50	26 00	25 75	23 75	29 00	25 25	26 50	44 50		
August.....	26 50	25 75	25 00	24 25	29 00	25 25	29 50	44 50		
September.....	26 25	25 50	25 00	24 75	28 00	25 25	31 00	44 50		
October.....	26 25	25 50	22 75	25 25	26 50	25 25	31 00	46 00		
November.....	26 25	24 75	23 75	25 25	25 50	24 75	32 00	52 00		
December.....	26 50	25 00	24 75	26 00	25 50	24 75	34 00	53 50	**	**
Average....	26 29	25 91	25 71	24 40	28 50	25 23	28 29	45 08		

*Average price per ton of 2,240 pounds, l.o.b. Montreal in the first week of each month, quotations supplied by the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.

**No quotations.

Average Monthly Prices of Bessemer Steel Billets at Pittsburgh,* per gross ton.

	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
January.....	28 00	25 00	27 50	23 00	20 00	28 30	20 13	19 25	32 00	63 00	47 50
February.....	28 00	25 00	27 50	23 00	20 00	28 50	21 00	19 50	33 50	65 00	47 50
March.....	28 00	23 00	27 50	23 00	19 75	28 50	21 00	19 70	42 40	66 25	47 50
April.....	28 00	23 00	26 75	23 00	20 00	28 50	20 80	20 00	45 00	73 75	47 50
May.....	28 00	23 00	26 12	22 60	20 80	27 37	20 00	20 00	45 00	86 00	47 50
June.....	25 75	23 00	25 30	21 00	20 87	26 50	19 50	20 50	43 50	98 75	47 50
July.....	25 00	23 50	25 00	21 00	21 50	26 60	19 00	21 38	41 00	100 00	47 50
August.....	25 00	24 13	24 62	21 00	22 12	26 00	20 25	23 13	44 20	86 00	47 50
September.....	25 00	25 00	24 40	20 75	23 62	24 87	21 00	24 10	45 00	66 25	47 50
October.....	25 00	26 25	23 75	20 00	26 00	23 30	20 00	24 63	46 25	49 38	47 50
November.....	25 00	27 13	23 30	19 50	27 00	21 00	19 25	26 50	52 00	47 50	47 50
December.....	25 00	27 50	23 00	19 25	27 00	20 00	19 00	30 60	57 50	47 50	45 50

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The exports of steel in the form of "billets, blooms and ingots" were in 1918, 61,782 tons valued at \$2,645,943, or an average of \$42.83 per ton, as against exports during the nine months ending December 1917, of 41,558 tons valued at \$1,831,917, or an average of \$44.08 per ton.

There has been a considerable annual importation, as shown in the accompanying tables, of iron and steel billets, and of iron and steel ingots, blooms, slabs, puddled bars, etc. The export records of the United States appear to show considerably larger exports of these products to Canada than is included in the Canadian record, a difference which may be due to the inclusion in the Canadian record, under a general item, of considerable quantities of material, free of duty, for the use of the Imperial Government.

According to the United States record¹, there was exported from that country to Canada during the calendar year 1918, billets, ingots and blooms of steel, 247,332 gross tons (277,012 short tons) valued at \$19,787,779, or an average of \$80 per gross ton. In 1917 the corresponding exports to Canada were 150,533 gross tons (168,597 short tons) valued at \$11,962,280, or an average of \$70.95, per short ton and in 1916, 105,260 gross tons (117,891 short tons) value at \$6,657,538, or an average of \$56.43 per short ton.

¹Monthly Summary of Foreign Commerce of the United States, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.