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Commodity Spotlight: North American Steel Industry

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North American Steel Industry

- Globally Competitive
- Strategically Aligned: Defense, Economy
- Leader in Technology Deployment
- Investment in Market Development
- Sustainable/Environmentally Responsible



North American Steel Industry

Integrated Mills

- Basic Oxygen Furnace
- Iron Ore-Based
- Centralized
- Flat-Rolled Sheet

Mini-Mills

- Electric Arc Furnace
- Scrap-Based
- Regional
- Long, Heavy Shapes

AISI's member companies represent 75% of U.S. raw steel production.



North American Steel Mills

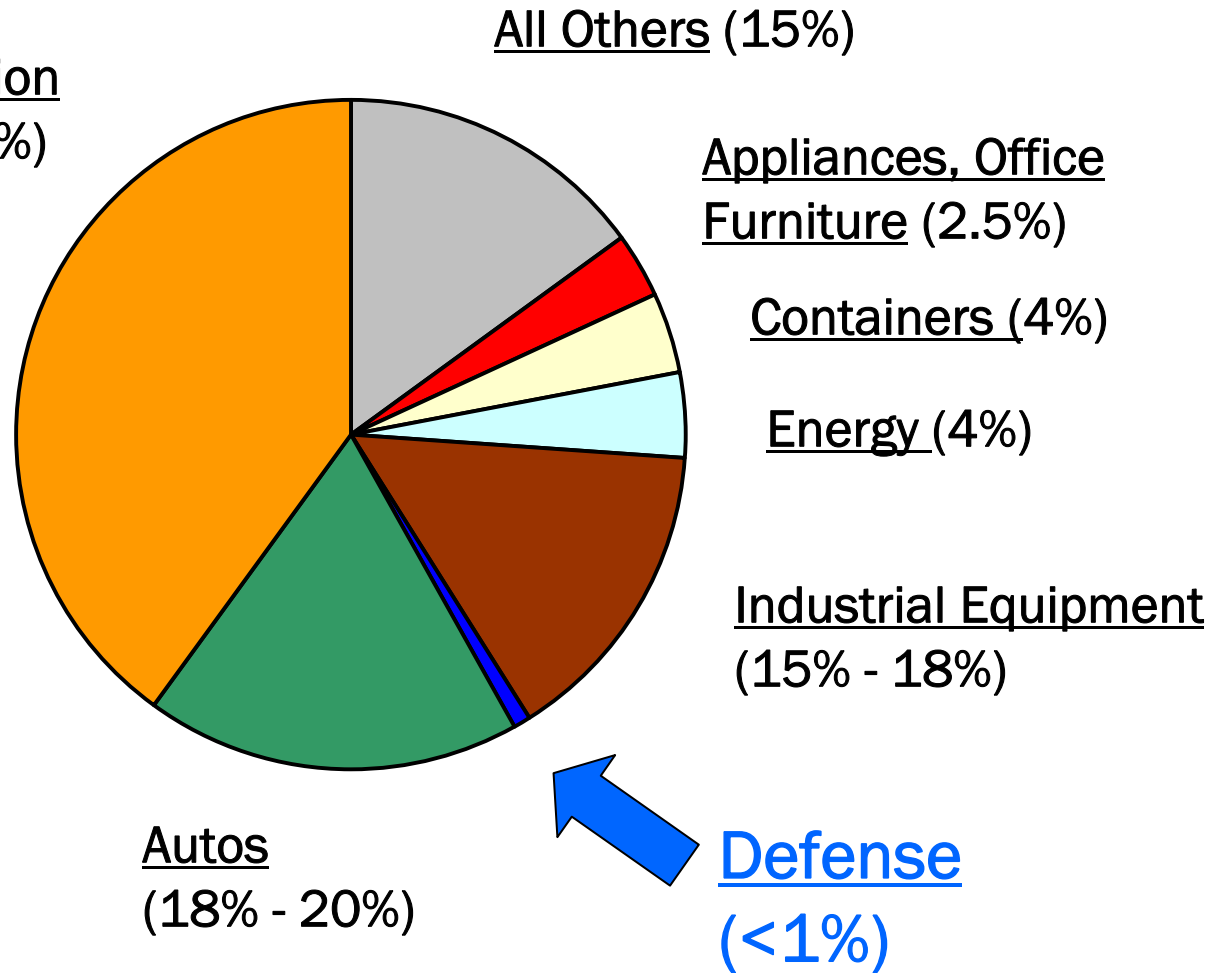




Steel-Consuming Markets

Construction
(40% - 45%)

122 MT/Year
Including
20% Imports





Steel Applications: National Security

I. Homeland Security

- Transportation (Bridges, Roads, Airports, Rail)
- Energy Distribution
- Water Distribution
- Public Health/Safety
- Commerce

II. Military

- Armored Vehicles
- Ships/Aircraft
- Weaponry/Projectiles and Other Ordnance
- Logistical Support





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Steel Applications: Major Defense Procurement

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| Abrams Tanks (M1) | 22 tons each |
| Stryker Light Armored Vehicle | 8 tons each |
| Bradley (M2) | 6 tons each |
| Aircraft Carrier | 50,000 tons each |
| Submarine (Trident) | 10,000 tons each |
| LPD Amphibious Force Ship | 12,000 tons each |
| Guided Missile Destroyers (DDG) | 500 tons each |



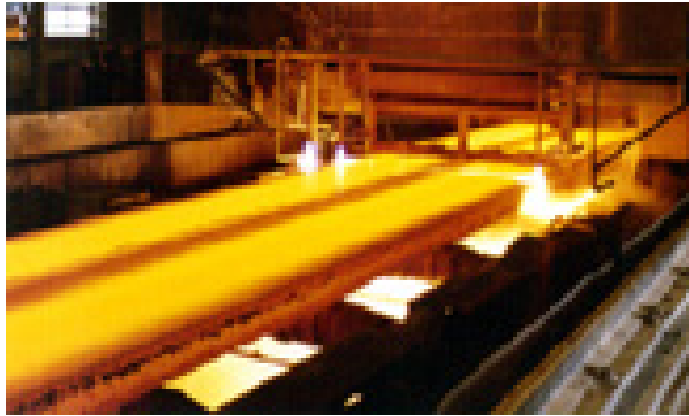


Steel Demand: Munitions

- Capabilities of Steel Producers in the U.S.
 - Rounds ($\leq 9''$), RCS ($\leq 8''$)
- Grades:
 - Mild Steel Grades: 1046, 1045
 - Alloy Grades: 4130, 4140, 4340, 4135
 - High Carbon Grades: HF-1, 52100
- Processing:
 - Tighter Tolerances
 - Improved Surface Qualities
 - Hot Forging
 - Spherodizing



Steel Investment: >\$60 Billion since 1990

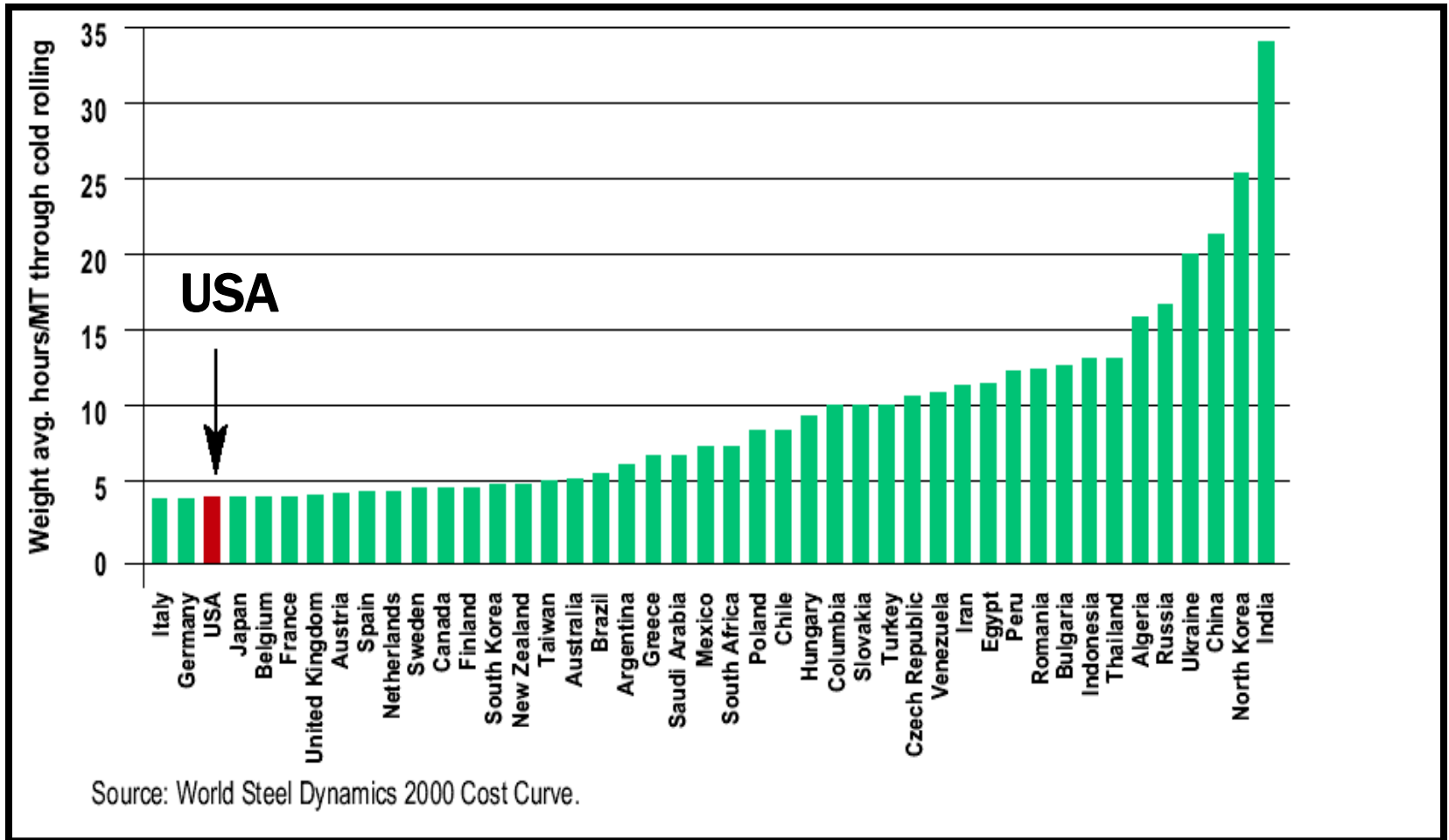


- Quality
- Productivity
- Cost
- Energy/Environment

***Productivity:
More Than
Tripled Since
1980s***



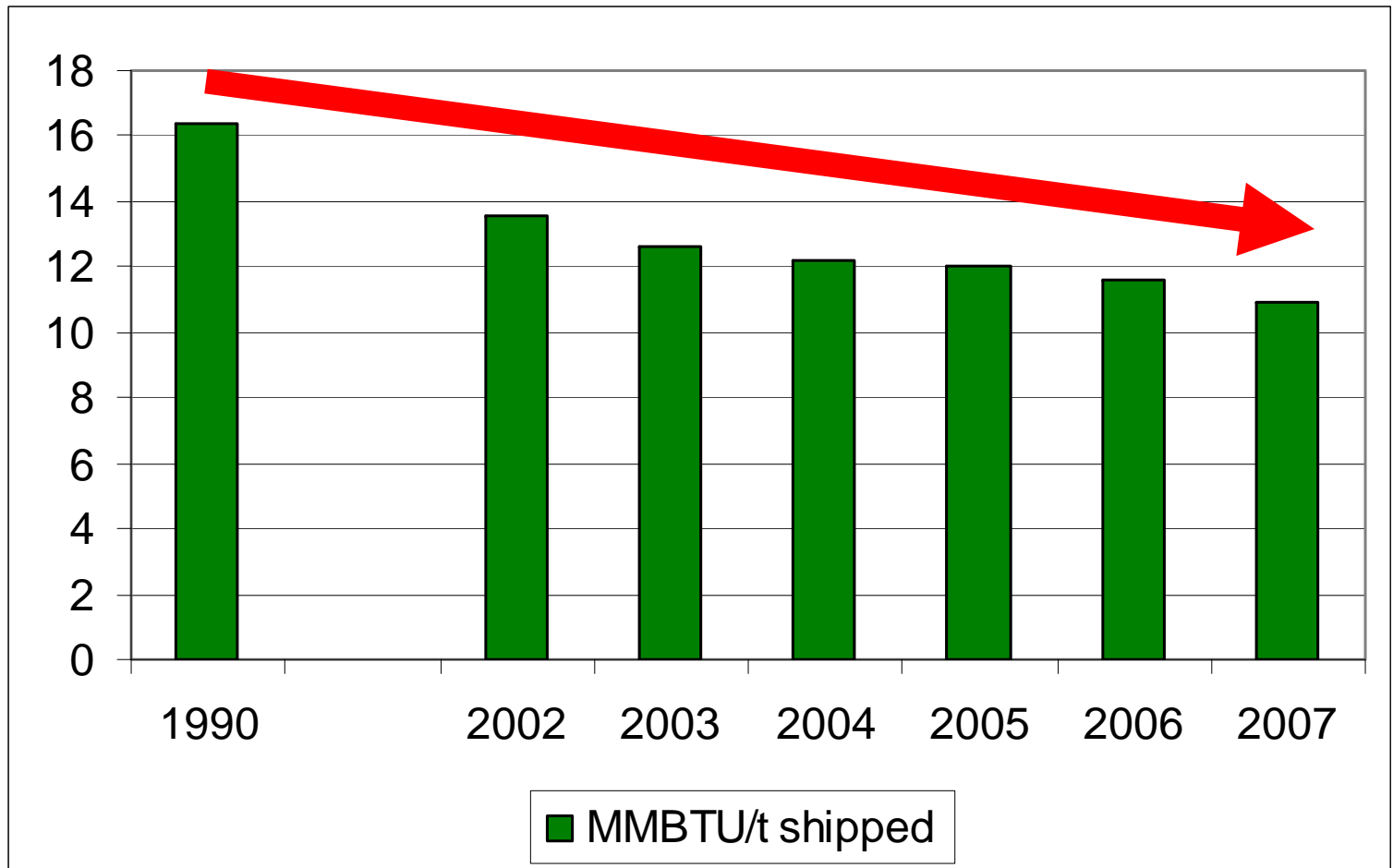
USA Steel Industry Labor Efficiency



**USA Steel Mill Employment:
125,000**



Steel Industry: Reduction in Energy Use



- 33% Less Energy Use Since 1990
- 19% Less Energy Use Since 2002



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Steel Industry: Environmentally Responsible

- Air and Water Emissions: 90% Reduction
- Kyoto Target: >7% GHG Reduction, 1990-2012
- Steel Scrap Recycled in U.S. in 2007: 78.2% (over 82 million tons, highest ever)
- www.sustainable-steel.org





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Steel Technology And Manufacturing

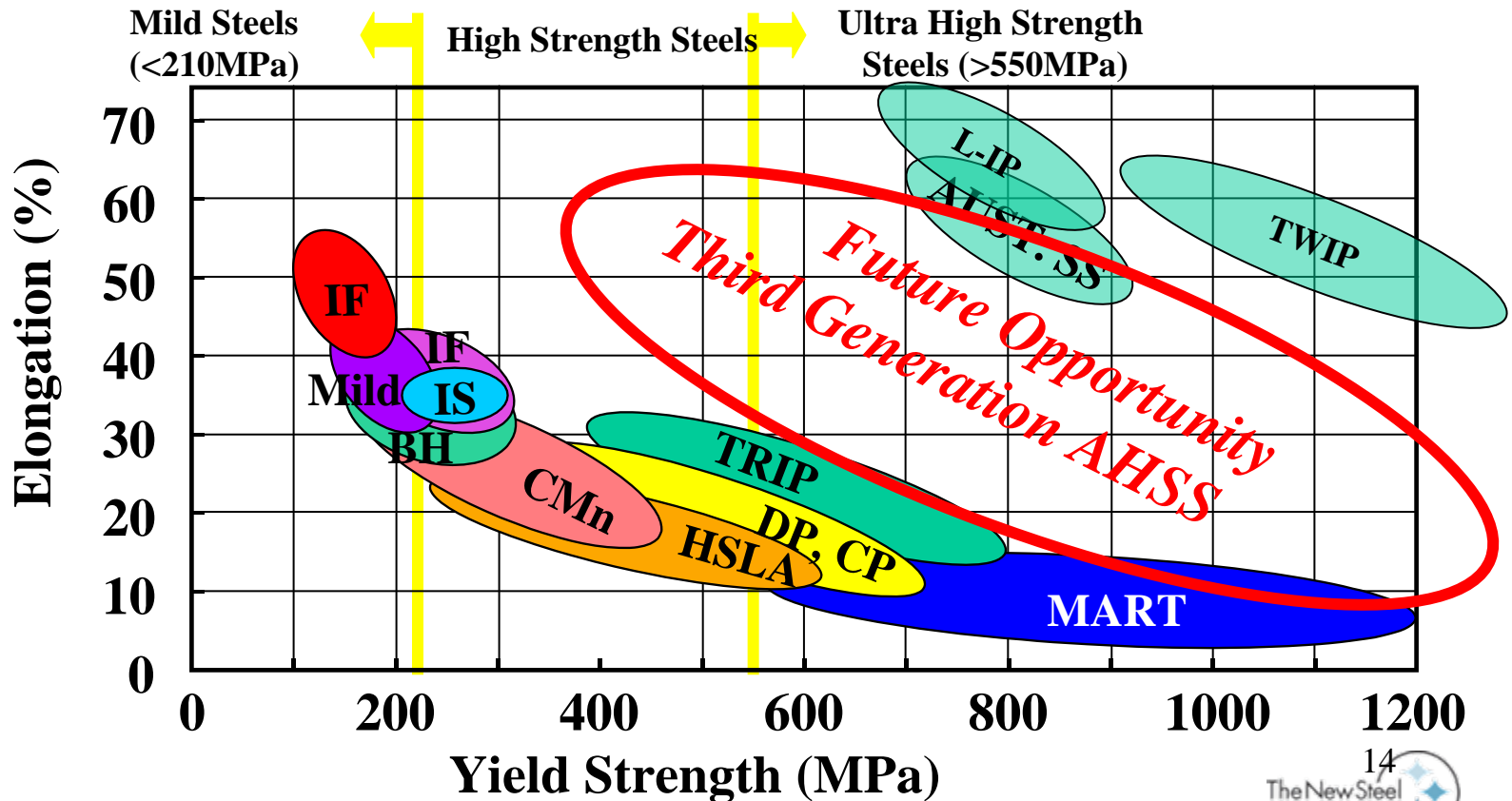
- DoE R&D “Roadmaps”
- Material Properties (AHSS)
- Third-Generation Steels
- Coatings Technologies
- Competing Materials





Today's Steel Products

- Durability, Strength, Composites
- Over 2,000 Steel Specifications
- Automotive = 50% New Products





Steel Market Development Strategic Plan



- Competing Materials
- Protecting Investment



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Steel and Defense Industries Collaboration – Tactical Vehicle

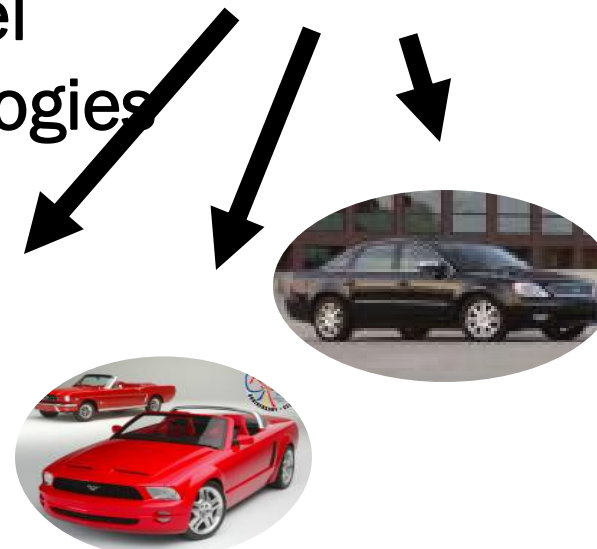
IMPACT – U.S. Army (TACOM)

Objectives:

- Commercial-Based Tactical Truck
- Develop Near-Term, Low-Cost Fuel Economy/Environmental Technologies
- Achieve 25% Weight Reduction



IMPACT



U.S. Army/Ford/AISI

Steel and Defense Industries Collaboration – High-Performance Steels

Transportation Infrastructure

Partnership - HPS for Bridges

- U.S. Navy
- FHWA
- AISI



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Major Challenges Facing Steel Industry and DOD

- Cost of Raw Materials
- Access to Capital
- Mergers/Acquisitions
- Import Share/Surges
- Impact of China et al.
- Global Demand
- Exchange Rates
- Mil Specs/Technology/Procurement



Trade

Climate Change



Globalization of Steel Industry

- Foreign Investment/Ownership
- USA Mergers and Acquisitions
 - ArcelorMittal (Luxembourg)
 - Severstal (Russia)
 - Evraz (Russia)
 - SSAB (Sweden)
 - Gerdau Ameristeel (Brazil)
- Domestically Incorporated
- Regional Market Priority





Global Demand: Raw Materials

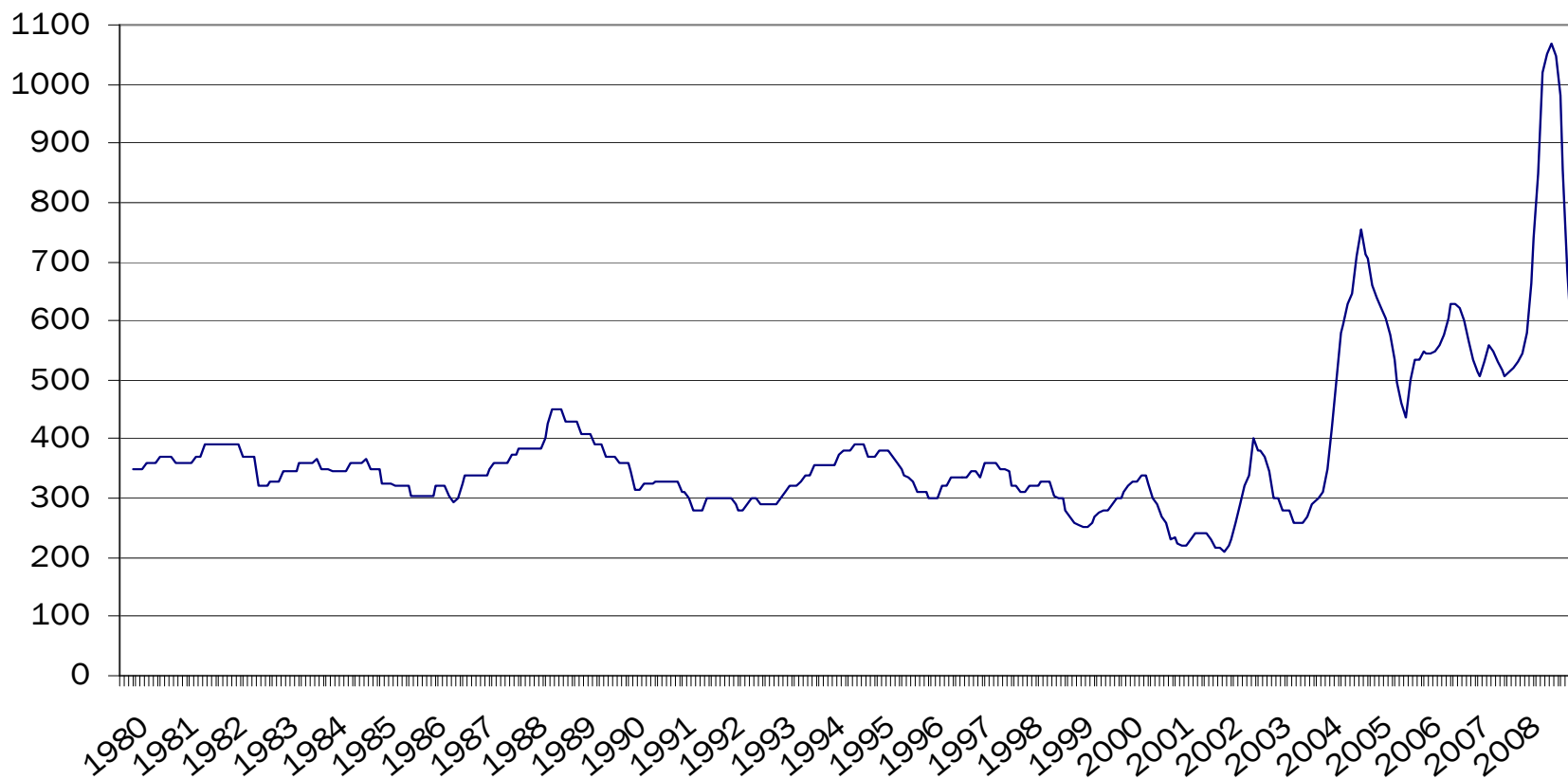
Cost Drivers Impacting Steel Prices

- Scrap (300%, China Demand)
- Coke (Import, W.V. Coal Mine)
- Iron Ore (China Demand)
- Energy Costs (78% Increase Since 2002)





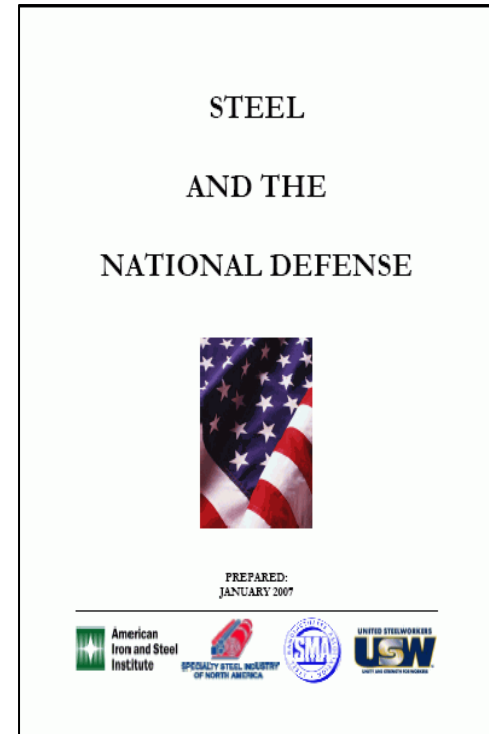
Purchasing Magazine Transaction Price for Steel, Hot-Rolled Sheet, Midwest Market Average, \$/Ton January 1980 - December 2008





Steel and Defense Industries: Working Together

- National Defense
- Economic Stability
- Homeland Security
- Domestic Preference
- Buy American
 - Domestic Incentive
 - Production Disruption
 - Availability/“Kick Out Clause”





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