

Taking totals, and from all countries, we have:—

	Total value for 5 year periods.	Yearly Average	Year 1902.	Year 1903.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total imports, home consumption. 1882-86	75,251,232	15,050,246	34,831,277	44,275,124
" " " 1889-93	70,972,717	14,194,543		
" " " 1894-98	63,183,042	12,636,608		
Imports from Great Britain ... 1882-86	44,125,291	8,825,058	7,808,124	11,869,455
" " " 1889-93	39,718,373	7,943,274		
" " " 1894-98	19,995,308	3,999,062		
" United States ... 1882-86	29,683,187	5,956,637	24,734,800	28,708,496
" " " 1889-93	28,162,406	5,632,481		
" " " 1894-98	41,569,332	8,313,866		
" Other countries... 1882-86	1,442,754	288,551	2,288,353	3,697,173
" " " 1889-93	3,091,938	618,387		
" " " 1894-98	1,618,402	323,680		
Proportion from Great Britain ... 1882-86	58·6 p. c.		22·42 p.c.	26·81 p.c.
" " " 1889-93	56·0 "			
" " " 1894-98	31·6 "			
" United States ... 1882-86	39·4 "		71·01 "	64·84 "
" " " 1889-93	39·6 "			
" " " 1894-98	65·8 "			
" Other countries... 1882-86	2·0 "		6·57 "	8·35 "
" " " 1889-93	4·4 "			
" " " 1894-98	2·6 "			

* IRON AND STEEL IMPORTS.

	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
From British Empire—						
Dutiable.....	1,928,258	2,332,922	4,347,071	2,620,789	4,756,342	7,352,015
Free.....	316,242	355,458	1,497,885	813,773	1,646,851	2,824,218
Total.....	2,244,500	2,688,380	5,844,956	3,434,562	6,403,193	10,176,233
Duty paid.....	267,991	312,168	523,492	312,308	498,785	811,092
Per cent of duty on total.....	12·0	11·6	8·96	9·09	7·79	7·97
Proportion of dutiable	85·9	86·8	74·38	76·31	74·28	72·25
Free.....	14·1	13·2	25·62	23·69	25·72	27·75
From all other countries						
Dutiable.....	10,763,514	13,288,424	17,822,842	16,117,346	19,315,799	23,461,049
Free.....	3,548,747	3,791,921	5,632,275	7,228,550	7,254,610	8,371,886
Total.....	14,312,261	17,080,345	23,455,117	23,345,896	26,570,409	31,832,935
Duty paid.....	2,583,988	3,183,544	3,896,156	3,703,021	4,274,238	5,396,894
Per cent of duty on total.....	18·0	18·6	16·61	15·88	16·09	16·95
Proportion of dutiable	75·2	77·8	75·99	69·04	72·70	73·70
Free.....	24·8	22·2	24·01	30·96	27·30	26·30

* Not including value of imports of ships' boilers, fish-hooks, printing presses, surgical and dental instruments and tin plates and sheets.