

Steel bars and wire rods from JFE



A Challenging Spirit, Flexibility, Sincerity

Steel Solution

With advanced technologies, JFE offers steel bars and wire rods that support our society in various fields.



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Advantages of JFE's steel bars and wire rods

JFE has manufacturing equipment in its west Japan base in Kurashiki and its east Japan base in Sendai, allowing our customers to choose from blast furnace and electric arc furnace materials according to their needs.

High-cleanliness steel with the blast furnace-converter method (Kurashiki)

The combination of the blast furnace, hot-metal pretreatment, top and bottom blown converter, ladle refining, and strongly-stirred vacuum degassing processes has enabled the production of high-cleanliness steel.



Environmentally-friendly steel manufacturing with the electric arc furnace method (Sendai)

JFE's state-of-the-art, Ecological and Economical Arc Furnace (ECOARC) uses iron scraps as raw materials. With this furnace, JFE has achieved people-friendly and environmentally friendly steel manufacturing.



A rich line-up of products

JFE offers a wide product line-up to meet the sophisticated and diverse needs of the market.

We always want to deliver quality products and services that suit our customers' needs quickly. So, we always keep pushing our product development to anticipate our customers' needs in the future.





A wide range of size variations

We can manufacture round bars (steel bars) from 16 mm ϕ up to the world's largest 450 mm ϕ , square bars up to 750 mm, and coils from 4.2 to 5.2 mm ϕ . With our in-house developed 4-roll mill in Kurashiki and 3-roll mill in Sendai, we can manufacture mid-size steel bars with high dimensional accuracy and wire rods with a 0.1-mm pitch.





Excellent surface quality

We have various types of non-destructive inspection equipment for everything from billets to products. In Kurashiki, we can manufacture excellent surface-quality steel bars and wire rods, using the automatic round billet surface scanning equipment. In addition, round billet peeling enables us to manufacture flawless wire rods.





Optimal quality design for application and processing

Through optimal component control and rolling texture control according to the application and processing, we provide products with a range of superior processing characteristics that are needed during secondary processing. These characteristics include descaling property, drawability, cold forginability, achinability, and heat treatment performance.





Our products are designed and manufactured according to Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS). However, we can also meet your other needs, such as compliance with SAE, AISI, DIN, and other international standards.

Standard grade	Equivalent Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS)	Typical application
Carbon steels for machine structural use S 10C to 58C S 09CK to 20CK	JIS G 4051	Parts for automobiles, ships, precision machines, and electrical machines
Alloy steels for machine structural use SMn 420 to 443 SMnC 420、443 SCr 415 to 440 SCM 415 to 822 SNCM220 to 815 (H)	JIS G 4052 JIS G 4053	Special parts for construction machines, automobiles, etc., hightensile bolts, shafts, gears, and various chain pins and bushes
Alloy steel bolting materials for high temperature service SNB 7, 16	JIS G 4107	High-temperature pressure vessel valve and coupling bolts
Spring steels SUP 9, 12, 9A	JIS G 4801	Coil springs for automobiles, automobile stabilizers, and torsion bars
Free-cutting steels • SUM 22 to 31, 22L, 23L, 24L • SAE (AISI) 1117, 1213, 1215, 12L14 1215M, 1215MU, 1215ML	JIS G 4804 and SAE (AISI)	Parts for automobiles, electrical machines, and precision machines
High carbon chromium bearing steels SUJ 2, SUJ 3	JIS G 4805	Bearings, pins, and machine parts
Boron steels 10 B21 to 10B38 KF10T 15 B23 to 15B41 S35BC, S40BC, S48BC	_	High-strength nuts and bolts, machine parts, and load chains
Free-cutting steels for machine structural use (Carbon steels/alloy steels for machine structural use) Free-cutting steel with leadL1 0.04 to 0.09L2 0.10 to 0.30 Sulfur free-cutting steelS0 0.015 to 0.035S1 0.040 to 0.070S2 0.080 to 0.120	<u>—</u>	Construction machines, special parts for automobiles, etc., shafts, and gears

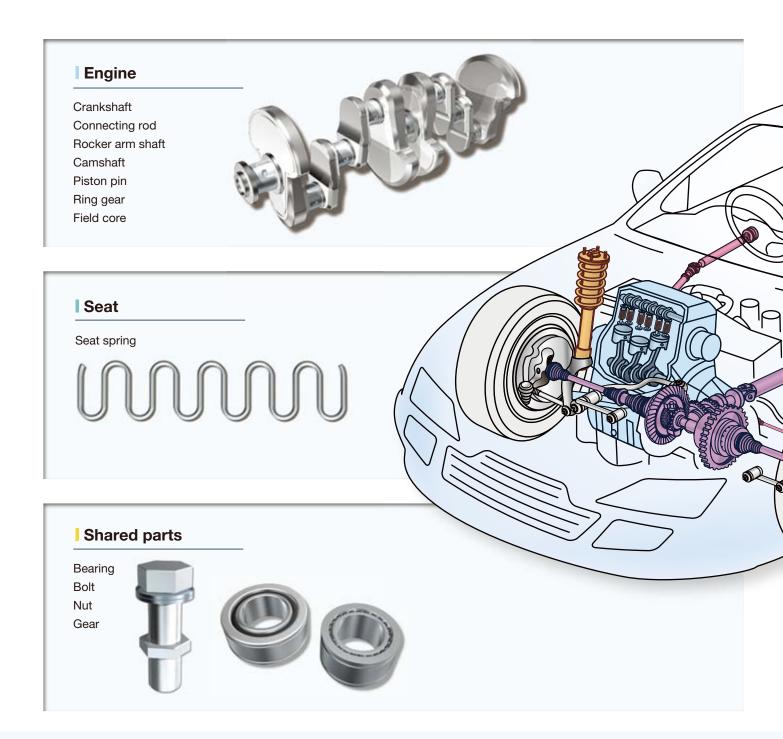


Standard grade	Equivalent Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS)	Typical application
Microalloyed steel NH45MV, NH48MV, S45CVS1, etc.	_	Cranks, for machine structure use, tie bars, and tie rods
Chrome-vanadium steels S 32CC5V to 55CC4V	_	Machinist hand tools, various tools, cutlery, driver bits, and for machine structure use
Wires for high-strength hoops SD785		Shear reinforcement for construction use
Piano wire rods SWRS 62A, B to 87A, B	JIS G 3502	Piano wires, PC wires and PC stranded wires, oil-hardened and tempered wires, and quality springs
Low carbon steel wire rods SWRM 6K to 22K	JIS G 3505	Iron wires, coated iron wires, annealed iron wires, nails, welded wire meshes, barbed wires, and deformed wires, Building metal fittings
High carbon steel wire rods SWRH 27 to 37, 42A, B to 82A, B	JIS G 3506	Wire ropes, springs, spokes, spring washers, stranded steel wires, and steel wires
Carbon steels for cold heading Part 1: Wire rods SWRCH 6A to 22A 10K to 50K	JIS G 3507-1	Nuts and bolts, small screws, small tacks, and other various machine parts
Rolled steel for general structure SS 330~540	JIS G 3101	Foundation bolts for civil engineering and construction and for bridges, Other general machine parts
Rolled carbon steel for cold-finished steel bars SGD A, B 1K to 4K, 3KM to 4KM	JIS G 3108	Parts for automobiles, machines, ships, and other general machines and shafts

We support the automobile industry with high-quality steel products.

Our steel products have been used for various key parts for machine security, from the heart of the automobile—the engine—to power trains, suspensions, and so on.

We offer advanced steel bars and wire rods that ensure driver safety and contribute to the development of lightweight and energy-saving vehicles.



| Power trains

Mission gear Differential gear

Output shaft CVT pulley

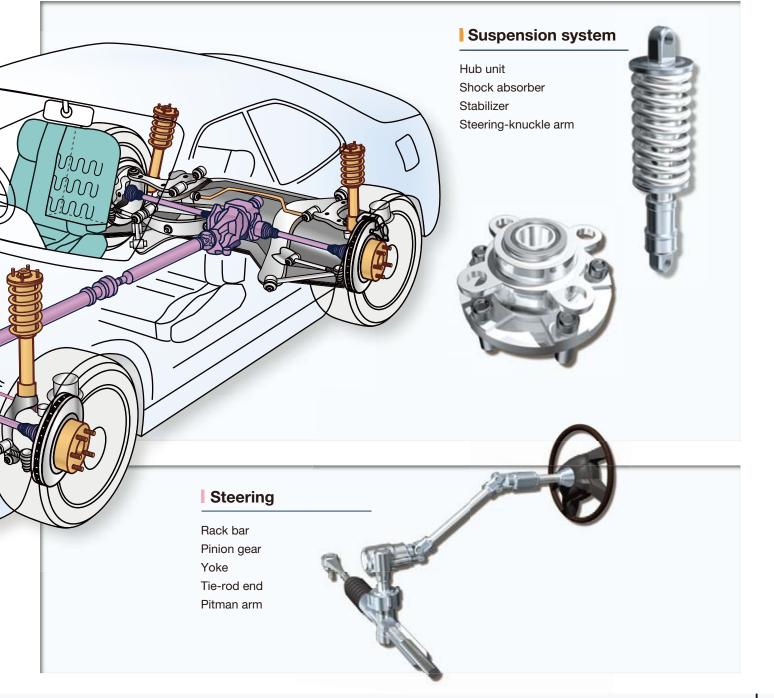
Clutch Front axle Rear axle Ball joint

Constant-velocity joint

Propeller shaft

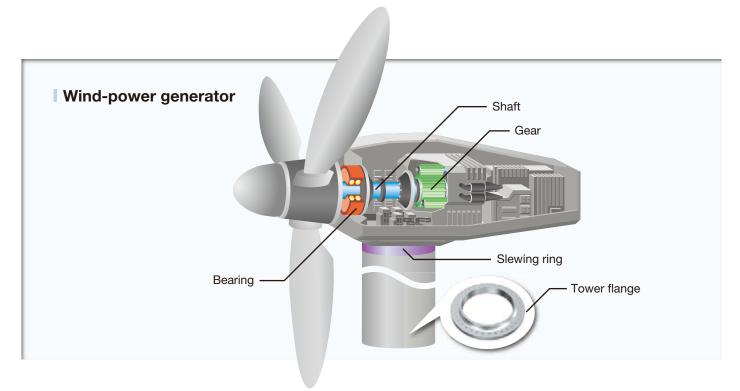


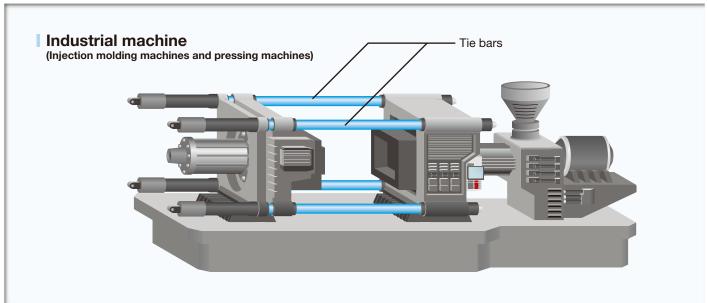


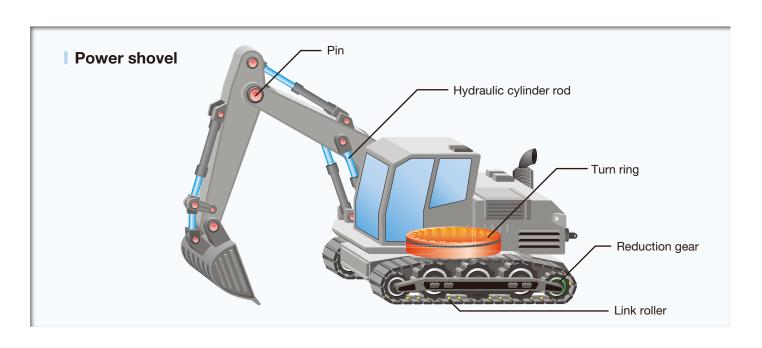


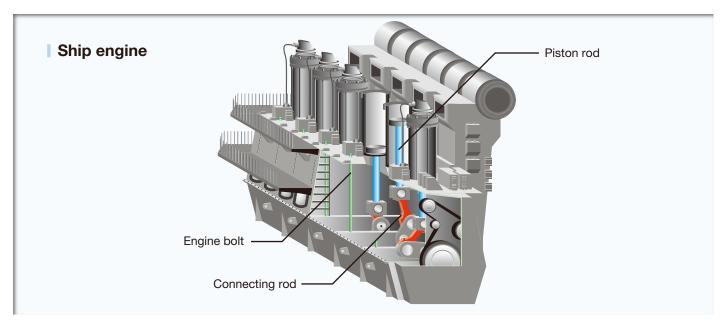
Our steel bars and wire rods have been used in a wide range of industrial fields, including windpower generators and construction machines.

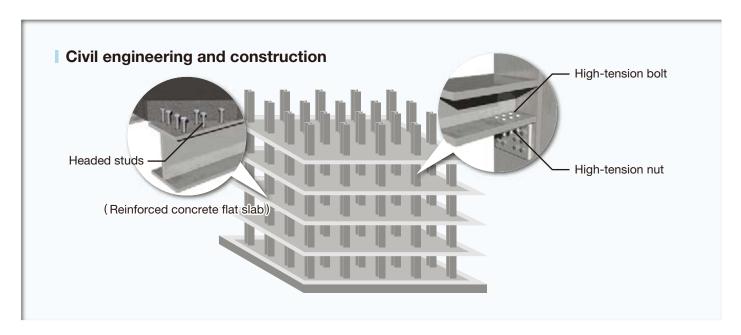
Our steel bars and wire rods have been used in a wide range of fields, including: wind-power generators, which have been getting increasing attention as a clean energy source; construction machines such as power shovels and dump trucks; ship engines; and industrial machines such as injection molding machines.





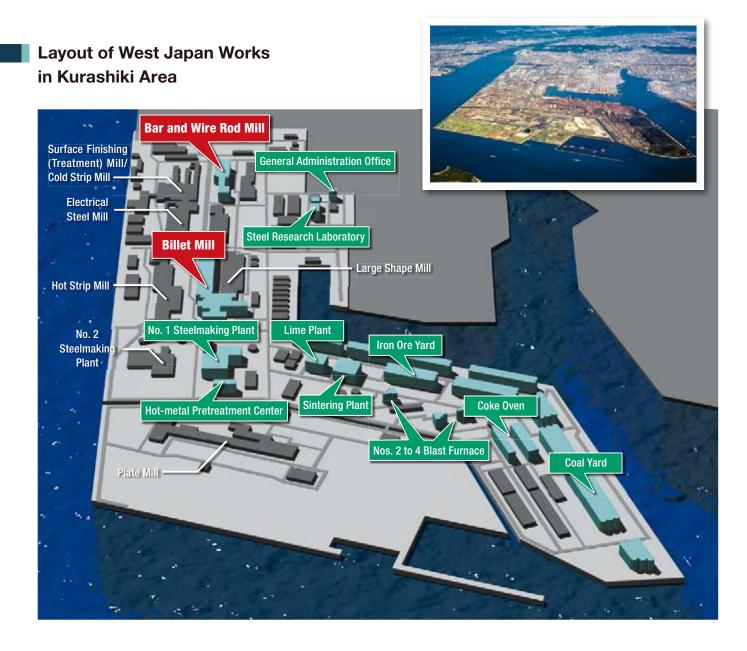


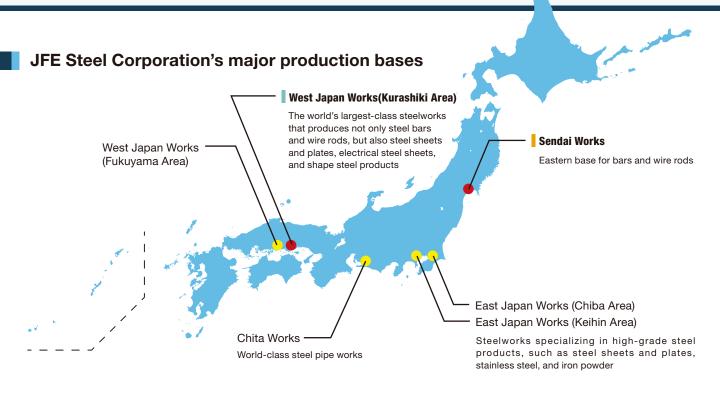


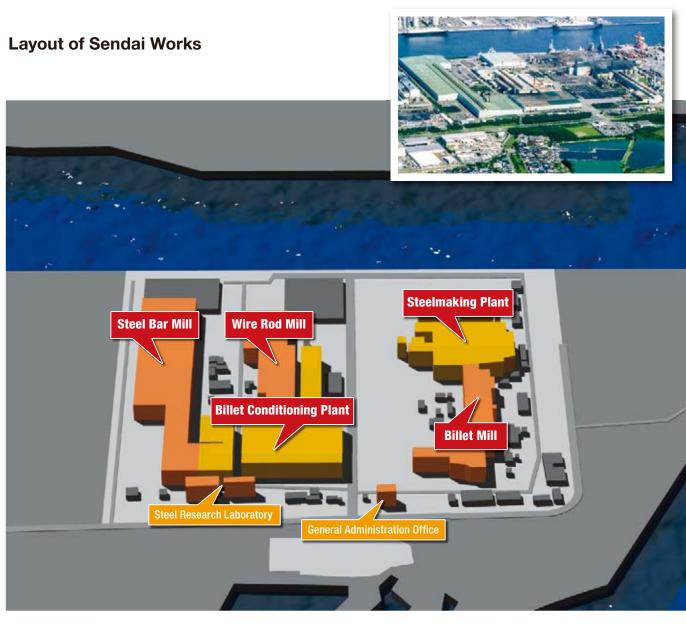


JFE Steel Corporation West Japan Works, the world's largest steelworks, and Sendai Works, that produce steel bars and wire rods

Our production bases consist of two large-scale coastal steelworks located in eastern and western Japan and two other works: Chita Works and Sendai Works. West Japan Works in Kurashiki Area and Sendai Works efficiently produce high-quality steel bar and wire rod products using state-of-the-art technologies.







Manufacturing process and equipment <overview>

West Japan Works in Kurashiki Area

Sintering plant

Iron ore and limestone are heated and hardened to form sintered ore.

Blast furnace

Iron ore is melted and reduced to pig iron.

Steel converter

After the pig iron is poured into the furnace, oxygen is blown in to remove carbon and refine it to molten steel.

Vacuum degassing

Continuous casting <with electro magnetic stirrer>

The molten steel is continuously cast into blooms.









Coke oven

Coke is manufactured from baked coal at high temperatures in the coke plant.

■ Hot-metal pretreatment

Oxygen and lime are blown into hot metal to remove impurities such as sulfur and phosphorus.



Ladle refining

Secondary refining <a

Non-metallic inclusions are further removed from the molten steel to achieve higher quality.



Ingot casting

The molten steel is cast with ingot molds.



Blast furnace



Steel converter



Ladle refining equipment



Vacuum degassing equipment

Sendai Works

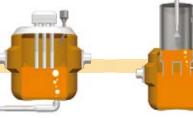
Electric arc furnace

Iron scraps are melted and refined to produce molten steels.



Secondary refining <ladle refining and vacuum degassing>

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Ladle refining

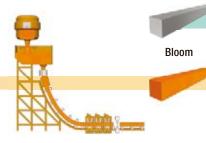


Vacuum degassing

Continuous casting <with electro magnetic stirrer>

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(From West Japan Works)





Electric arc furnace (ECOARC)



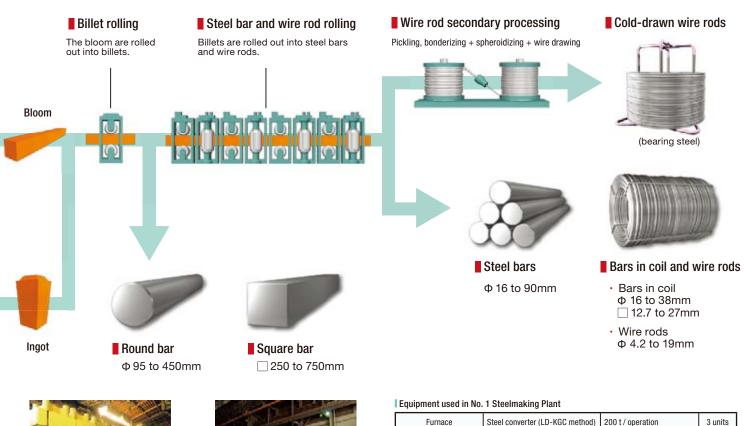
Ladle refining equipment



Vacuum degassing equipment



Continuous casting machine





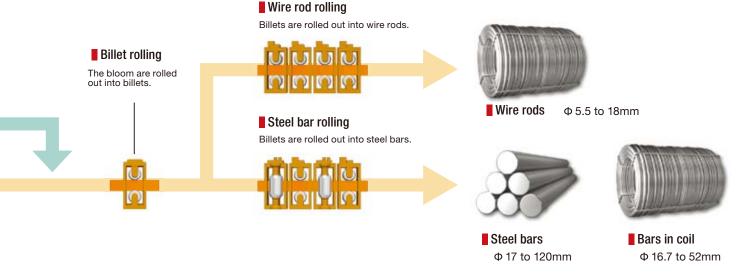
Continuous casting equipment



Ingot casting machine

Furnace	Steel converter (LD-KGC method)	200 t / operation	3 units
Secondary refining	Ladle refining equipment	200 t / operation	1 unit
equipment	Vacuum degassing equipment	200 t / operation	2 unit
Continuous casting machine	Fully curved continuous casting	4 strand *1	1 unit
Ingot casting equipment	Bottom casting	Ingot weight 12 t / 24 t	2 unit

^{*1:} Bloom dimensions: 300 mm (thickness) \times 400 mm (width), and 400 mm (thickness) \times 560 mm (width)





Billet rough rolling mill



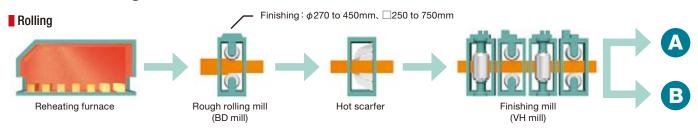
Billet finishing rolling mill

	Equipment used in Stee	elmaking Plant [Nominal capacity: 852,000 tons a	innually]
130T UHP electric arc furnace		75 MVA transformer, electrode 24 inch in dia. Eccentric bottom tapping type ecological and economical arc furnace	1 unit
	Ladle refining equipment	16 MVA transformer, electrode 16 in dia., LF process truck type	1 unit
	Vacuum degassing equipment	2-vessel revolving type, oxygen top blowing possible	1 unit
	Continuous casting machine	Fully curved continuous casting, 4 strand *2	1 unit

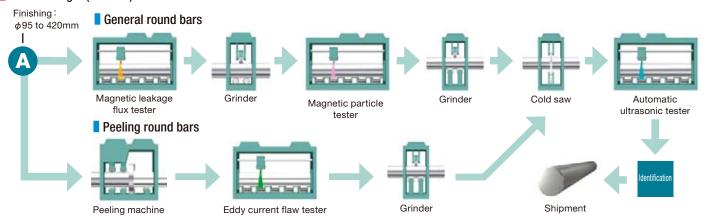
^{*2:} Bloom dimensions: 310 mm (thickness) \times 400 mm (width)

Manufacturing processes and equipment

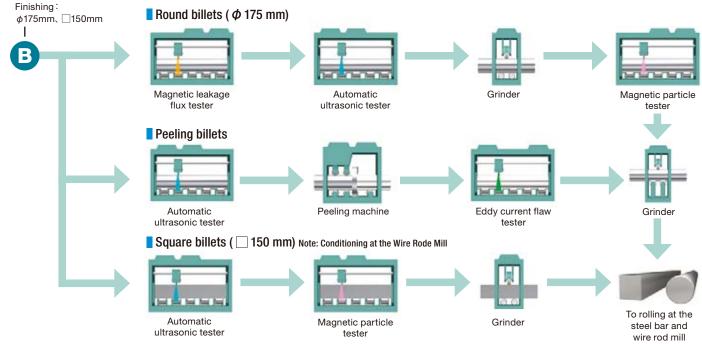
Manufacturing Process at Billet Mill



Conditioning A (Product)



Conditioning B (to the steel bar and wire rod mill)





Rough rolling mill



Automatic ultrasonic tester



Finishing rolling mill



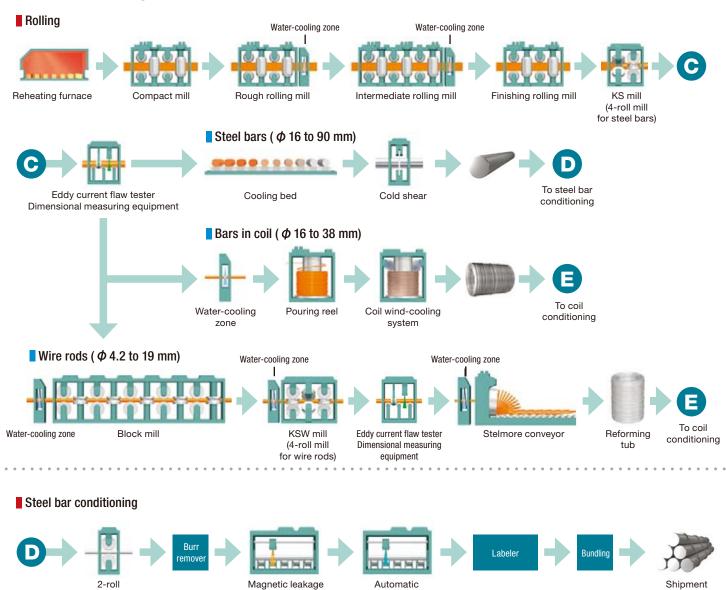
Peeling machine

Equipment used in Billet Mill

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Rolling mill	Rough rolling mill (high-lift dual reversible system)	1 unit	
Rolling IIIII	Finishing rolling mill (dual continuous type, VH mill)	4 stands	
	Press straightener	2 units	
	Magnetic leakage flux tester	1 unit	
	Automatic ultrasonic tester for round bar full cross section	2 units	
Conditioning inspection equipment	Magnetic particle tester	2 units	
	Billet grinder equipment	5 units	
	Peeling machine	2 units	
	Eddy current flaw tester	1 unit	

[Nominal capacity: 1,440,000 tons annually]

Manufacturing process at Steel Bar and Wire Rod Mill



Coil conditioning



flux tester

| Equipment used in Steel Bar and Wire Rod Mill

straightener

	Rough rolling mill (H-V system)	8 units
	Intermediate rolling mill (H-V system)	6 units
Polling mill	Finishing rolling mill (H-V system)	4 units
Rolling mill	KS mill (4-roll mill for steel bars)	2 stands
	Wire rod finishing rolling mill (block mill)	10 stands
	KSW mill (4-roll mill for wire rods)	3 stands
	Straightener	2 units
Conditioning	Magnetic leakage flux tester	2 units
inspection equipment	Automatic ultrasonic tester for round bar full cross section	2 units
	Magnetic particle tester	1 unit

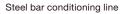
[Nominal capacity: 580,000 tons annually]



ultrasonic tester

Rough rolling mill







KS mill



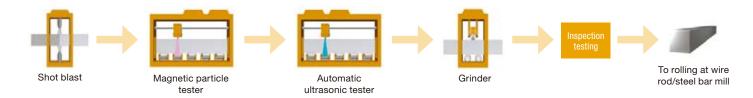
Stelmore conveyor

Manufacturing processes and equipment

Manufacturing process at Billet Rolling Mill



Manufacturing process at Billet Conditioning Plant



Manufacturing process at Wire Rod Mill

Rolling



Finishing rolling/Stelmore conveyor <2 lines>



Coil conditioning



Equipment used in Billet Rolling Mill

Reheating furnace	Walking-beam type, 200 tons per hour	1 unit
Rough rolling mill	Horizontal dual reversible system	1 unit
Hot scarfer	Scarfing: 1.0 to 2.0 mm	1 unit
Finishing rolling mill	4 stands (V-H)	1 unit
Cooling bed	Rake type, 2 beds	1 unit

[Nominal capacity: 1,152,000 tons annually]

| Equipment used in Billet Conditioning Plant

Equipment used in Billet conditioning Figure			
Shot blast	150 t/h	2 units	
Magnetic particle tester	1 unit of automatic flaw-detecting device	4 units	
Automatic ultrasonic tester	3MHz	1 unit	
Billet grinder	With magnetic particle tester	7 units	
Press straightener	_	1 unit	

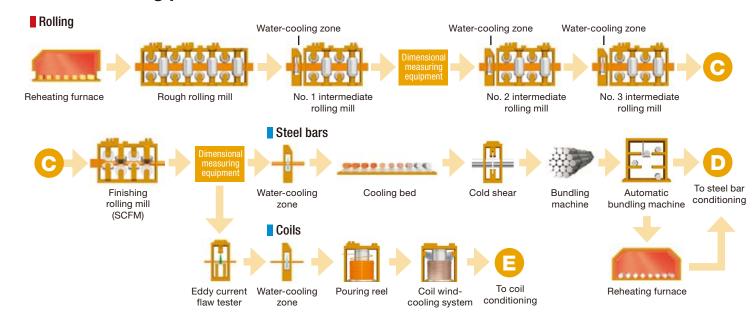
[Nominal capacity: 1,080,000 tons annually]

Equipment used in Wire Rod Mill

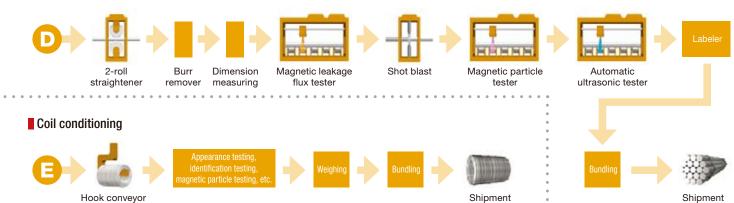
Equipment used in whe nod will			
Reheating furnace	Walking-beam type, 130 tons per hour	_	
	No. 1 rough rolling mill (continuous V-H system)	2 units	
	No. 2 rough rolling mill (horizontal dual close top type)	7 units	
	No. 1 intermediate rolling mill (horizontal dual close top type)	6 units	
Rolling mill	No. 2 intermediate rolling mill (Pre-finishing mill)	2 units × 2 systems	
	Finishing rolling mill (NT block mill)	2 stands	
	Stelmore conveyor (forced-wind cooling type)	2 systems	
	Eddy current flaw tester	2 units	
	Dimensional measurement equipment	2 units	
Conditioning inspection equipment	Magnetic particle tester	1 unit	

[Nominal capacity: 300,000 tons annually]

Manufacturing process at Steel Bar Mill







Equipment used in Steel Bar Mill

Reheating furnace	Reheating furnace 6 top and low zone walking-beam type, 3-split type, 180 tons per hour	
	Rough rolling mill (Fully continuous H-V system)	8 units
	No. 1 intermediate rolling mill (Fully continuous H-V system)	4 units
	No. 2 intermediate rolling mill (Fully continuous H-V system)	4 units
	No. 3 intermediate rolling mill (Fully continuous H-V system)	4 units
Rolling mill	Finishing rolling mill: 3-roll type (SCFM: size-chance-free mill)	4 units
	Dimensional measuring equipment: projective continuous revolution type, etc.	3 units
	Reel:pouring type	2 units
	Cooling bed: rake type	1 unit
	Cold shear: Down-cut type	2 units
	Straightener	3 units
	Burr remover	3 units
Conditioning	Dimensional measuring equipment	3 units
inspection equipment	Magnetic leakage flux tester	3 units
	Magnetic particle tester	3 units
	Automatic ultrasonic tester (phased array type)	2 units
Reheating furnace	Roller-hearth non-oxidizing atmosphere furnace	1 unit

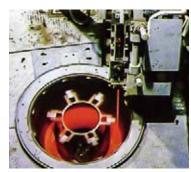
[Nominal capacity: 720,000 tons annually]



Steel bar rolling mill



SCFM (size-chance-free mill)



Pouring reel



Cooling bed

Standard dimensions and bundling/indication

1. Standard dimensions (mm in dia.)

Wire rods and bars in coil

Steel bars

Round bars		Square bars
5.5	19	12.7
6	20	14
6.35	21	16
6.5	22	18
7	23	19
8	24	19.3
9	25	20
9.5	26	22
10	27	24
11	28	25
12	29	27
12.7	30	
13	31	
14	32	
15	33	
16	34	
17	36	
18	38	

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	Round bars					
16	34	55	110	220	400	250
17	36	56	115	230	410	300
18	37	58	120	240	420	350
19	38	60	125	250	430	400
20	40	62	130	260	450	450
21	41	63	135	270		500
22	42	65	140	280		550
23	43	68	145	290		600
24	44	70	150	300		650
25	45	73	155	310		700
26	46	75	160	320		750
27	47	78	165	330		
28	48	80	170	340		
29	50	85	175	350		
30	51	90	180	360		
31	52	95	190	370		
32	53	100	200	380		
33	54	105	210	390		

[•] Mid-size wire rods and bars in coil with a 0.1-mm pitch may also be available. Please contact us.

- Round bars with a diameter of up to 90 mm and a 1.0-mm pitch may also be available. Please contact us.
- Please contact us about any length not listed above.

2. Bundling

<1> Wire rods and bars in coil

Size

Coil size (mm in dia.)	Standard coil weight (kg)	Coil diameter (mm)	Coiling direction
4.2 to 19	2,100	Inner: 700 to 1,100 Outer: 1,250 to 1,400	
16 to 38	2,100	Inner: 900 to 1,100 Outer: 1,300 to 1,500	Anticlockwise

Coil bundling

Standard coil weight (kg)	Number of coils bundled	Bundling method
2,100	Single coil	Four positions with hoop bands
1,000 (Divided coil)	Two coils	Four positions with hoop bands (For divided coils, two positions with iron wires)

<2> Steel bars

Steel bar size/bundling

Size (mm in dia.)	Available length (m)	Standard bundling weight	Bundling method	
16 to 90	5.0 to 7.0	2t	Four positions with	
95 to 120	3.5 to 12.5	21	iron wires	
125 to 450	3.5 to 12.5	Not bundled		

Products



Wire rods and bars in coil (ϕ 4.2 to 38 mm)



Steel bars (ϕ 16 to 90 mm)



Round bars (ϕ 95 to 120 mm)

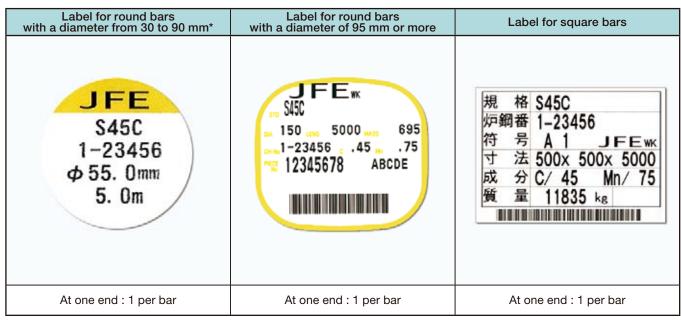
Round bars with a diameter from 4.2 to 5.5 mm may also be available. Please contact us.

3. Examples of indication and standard inspection cards

<1> Wire rods and bars in coil



<2> Round bars



^{*}No label is provided for bars with a diameter of less than 30 mm.



Round bars (ϕ 125 to 450 mm)



Square bars (250 to 750 mm)



Square wire rods (\square 12.7 to 27.0 mm)

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^{*}For steel bars with a diameter from 16 to 90 mm, the same inspection card as wire rods and bars in coil are provided (1 piece per bundle).

Standard dimensions and bundling/indication

1. Standard dimensions (mm in dia.)

Wire rods and bars in coil

5.5	12	19.6	33
5.7	12.3	20	34
6	12.7	21	35
6.35	13	21.8	36
6.4	13.5	22	37
7	14	23	38
7.5	14.5	23.5	40
8	15	24	41
8.3	15.5	24.5	42.5
8.7	15.6	25	43
9	16	25.4	43.5
9.5	16.3	26	44
9.7	16.7	27.2	45
10	17	28	46
10.3	17.5	29	47
10.5	18	30	48
11	19	31	50
11.5	19.4	32	52

Wire rods and bars in coil with a diameter from 16.7 to 83 mm and a 0.1-mm pitch may also be available at the steel bar mill. Please contact us.

Steel bars

17	28	46	67	95
17.5	29	47	68	100
18	30	48	70	103
19	31	50	72	105
19.4	32	52	73	108
19.6	33	53	75	110
20	34	54	77	115
21	35	55	78	120
21.8	36	56	79	
22	37	56.5	80	
23	38	57	82	
23.5	40	58	83	
24	41	59	85	
24.5	42.5	60	86	
25	43	62	87	
25.4	43.5	63	88	
26	44	64	90	
27.2	45	65	92	

2. Bundles

<1> Wire rods and bars in coil

Mill	Size (mm in dia.)	Standard coil weight		Standard coil shape (mm)			Coiling	Bundling
		Nominal	Weight (kg)	Inner dia.	Outer dia.	Height	direction	method
Steel bar mill	16.7 to 52	1t	1,100	1,000 to 1,050	1,450 to 1,500	350 to 650		Four positions with hoop bands
		2t	2,200	1,000 to 1,050	1,450 to 1,500	850 to 1,300		
Wire rod mill	5.5 to 18	1t	1,000	800 to 1,000	1,250 to 1,400	400 to 800		
		2t	2,000	800 to 1,000	1,250 to 1,400	1,000 to 1,550	Anticlockwise	

<2> Steel bars

Mill	Size	Available length	Standard bundli	ing weight	Bundling	
IVIIII	(mm in dia.)			Weight	method	
Steel bar	bar 17 to 100 2 5 to 0 5 *1		17	1t	Four positions with iron	
mill	17 to 120	3.5 to 9.5 *1	18 to 120	2t	with from	

^{*1:} Round bars with a length from 9.5 m to 12 m may be available. Please contact us.

Products



Wire rods (ϕ 5.5 to 18 mm)



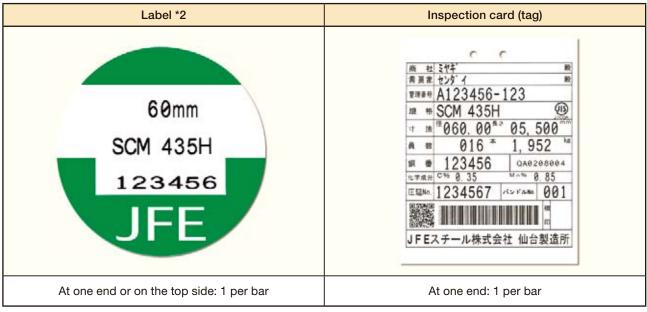
Bars in coil (ϕ 16.7 to 52 mm)

3. Examples of indication of standard inspection cards

<1> Wire rods and bars in coil



<2> Steel bars



^{*2:} The label is not placed on products with a diameter of less than 30 mm.



Steel bars (ϕ 17 to 29 mm)



Steel bars (ϕ 30 to 120 mm)

We offer total solutions on material development and its processing.

JFE Steel Research Laboratory is one of the world's largest research laboratories. (in the steel industry)

- Creation of new technologies through the integration of different fields of technology
- Challenging research aimed at the development of ultimate products including processes and analyses



Analysis

Analysis & Characterization Research Dept.,
Numerical Simulation Research Dept.,
Instrument & Control Engineering Research Dept., etc.

Steel Bar & Wire Rod Research Dept. (Sendai/Kurashiki)

Products

Sheet Products Research Dept., Tubular Products Casting Research Dept., Iron Powder & Magnetic Materials Research Dept., etc.

Processes

Steelmaking Research Dept., Rolling & Processing Research Dept., etc.

Process analysis technology

We will contribute to the optimization of our customers' manufacturing processes by fully utilizing the thermomechanical treatment process analysis technology.

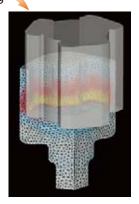


300 t forging machine

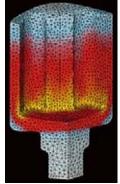
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Analysis software
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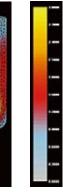
Before forging



During forging



After forging



Equivalent strain

An example of the analysis of strain distribution in the forging of a constant-velocity joint

List of our developed products

We provide products that meet the needs of our customers.

A: Energy-saving

B: Property advancingC: Process omitting

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Product area	Developed product	Example application, purpose	А	В	С	
	Case hardening steels for high-strength gear (tooth root bending, tooth surface, impact fatigue)	Transmission gears, differential gears, etc.	•	•		
Case hardening steels	Case hardening steels with high forginability	Gears, splines, etc.	•		•	
	gear (tooth root bending, tooth surface, impact fatigue) Case hardening steels with high forginability Case hardening steels with constant and low quench distortion Steels for induction hardening Microalloyed steel (THF, NH48MV, TBH) Case treatment free steel On-line quenched and self tempered steel (TQF) Normalizing free steel (TNF) BN free cutting steel gear (tooth root bending, tooth surface, differential gears, differential gears, etc. Gears, splines, etc. Gears, other gears with splines in general Constant-velocity joints Companion flanges, tie bars for industrial machinery, etc. Cylinder rods, pins, etc. BN free cutting steel (CCBN) Motor shafts, hose joints, etc.		•	•		
induction		Constant-velocity joints	•		•	
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Heat treatment free steel		Cylinder rods, pins, etc.	•	•	•	
	Normalizing free steel (TNF)	Shafts, gears (machined parts)	•		•	
Free cutting steel	BN free cutting steel (CCBN)	Motor shafts, hose joints, etc.		•		
without lead addition				•		
Steels for holts	Steels for high-strength bolts	Bolts in general	•	•		
Steels for boils				•	•	

Functional and structural evaluation technologies

In order to respond to our customers' needs, we have many kinds of testing equipment based on manufacturing process analysis technologies for evaluating various mechanical properties.



Gear fatigue testing machine



Transmission electron microscope



Ultrasonic fatigue test device



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