

Gray Iron

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Relatively low mechanical strength	Brake & engine components, general machinery
Good vibration dampening	Classified by U.T.S.
Typically, used as-cast (i.e. not heat treated)	> ASTM A48
Sand and investment casting	Grades: Class 20, 25, 30, 35 & 40

Ductile Iron

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Moderate mechanical strength	Widely used in many industrial & commercial applications
Ductility comparable to that of some lower grade steels	 Classified by tensile, yield strength and elongation
Commonly as-cast, but can be heat treated	> ASTM A536
Sand casting	Grades: 60-40-18, 65-45-12, 80-55-06 & 100-70-03

Austempered Ductile Iron

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Produced by heat treating as-cast ductile iron	Automotive, agriculture, light truck and railroad
Superior mechanical strength and ductility comparable to higher	 Classified by tensile, yield strength and elongation
strength steels	> ASTM A897 - Grades: 110-70-11, 130-90-09, 150-110-07, 175-125-04,
Good impact strength and wear resistance	200-155-02 and 230-185-01
Sand casting	



Austenitic Ductile Iron (Ni-resist)

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Austenitic family of ductile irons	Military and specialty application
High temperature service, high wear properties	 Classified by chemistry and tensile properties
Non-magnetic properties available	> ASTM A439
Sand casting	Grades: D2, D2B, D2C, D3, D3A, D4, D5, D5B & D5S

Solution Strengthened Ferritic Ductile Iron (SSFDI)

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Elevated mechanical strength without loss of ductility	Drivetrain components
Mechanical properties comparable to that of some cast steels	 Classified by tensile properties
Sand casting	➢ EN1653
	Grades: EN-GJS 450-18, EN-GJS 500-14 & EN-GJS 600-10

Silicon-Molybdenum Ductile Iron (Si-Mo)

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
4-6% Silicon, .50 to 2.0% Molybdenum	Manifolds, turbochargers
High temperature service; excellent hot strength, thermal fatigue,	 Classified by level of Moly addition
creep strength, and resistance to oxidation	> ASTM A1095
Sand casting	



Aluminum

	General Characteristics		Applications & Specifications
	Tensile strengths ranging from 19 ksi to over 60+ ksi	٨	Widely used in many industrial & commercial applications
۶	Heat treated to achieve desired mechanical properties		Classified by chemical and mechanical properties
۶	Variety of processes used to manufacture parts		ASTM B26
	Sand, investment, permanent mold & die casting		201, 206, 319, 336, 355, 356, 357 & 535 aluminum alloys
			F, T4, T5, T6 & T7 tempers

Zinc & Copper Base

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Excellent corrosion resistance	Pumping system and saltwater marine applications
 Easily alloyed to modify properties 	 Classified primarily by chemical properties
 Variety of processes used to manufacture parts 	Brass & Bronze
Sand, investment & die casting	Zinc ZA3, ZA12 and ZA27 are most common



Carbon Steels

General Characteristics	Applications & Specifications
Wide variety of applications	Classified by chemical AND/OR mechanical properties
Tensile/yield strengths ranging from 60/30 ksi up to 260/210 ksi are	 ASTM A27 (Low alloy, general application)
possible, exceptional high/low temperature and impact strength	 ASTM A148 (High strength castings)
properties possible	 ASTM A216 (Castings that will be welded)
Typically heat treated to achieve mechanical properties	 ASTM A352 (Low temperature service)
Sand and casting	 ASTM A732 (Investment castings)
	ASTM A915 (Chemical specification for alloys similar to wrought
	grades)

Stainless Steels

	General Characteristics		Applications & Specifications
٨	Best suited for corrosive environments.	٨	Classified by chemical AND/OR mechanical properties
≻	Tensile/yield strengths ranging from 60/30 ksi up to 260/210 ksi are		 ASTM A217 (High temperature & pressure applications)
	possible, exceptional high/low temperature and impact strength		ASTM A297 (Heat resistant, general application)
	properties		 ASTM A351 (High pressure service)
۶	Typically heat treated to achieve mechanical properties		 ASTM A352 (Low temperature service)
۶	Expensive alloying materials		 ASTM A743 (General application)
	Sand and investment casting		 ASTM A744 (Severe corrosion conditions)
			 ASTM A747 (High strength)