

# US Drop Forge Presents

## SPECIFIC ELEMENT DATAS

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# BORON (B) ATOMIC NUMBER 5

- ⦿ Increases depth of hardness
- ⦿ Intensifies effect of other major elements
- ⦿ Lowers grain coarsening temperatures

# CARBON (C) ATOMIC NUMBER 6

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases abrasion resistance
- ⦿ Increases magnetic retentively
- ⦿ Reduces ductility and toughness
- ⦿ Reduces thermal conductivity

# Nitrogen ( $N_2$ ) ATOMIC NUMBER 7

- ⦿ Improves machinability
- ⦿ Induces work hardening and embrittlement
- ⦿ Increases stiffness
- ⦿ Induces strain aging

# ALUMINUM (Al) ATOMIC NUMBER 13

- ⦿ Deoxidizes
- ⦿ Raises hardness slightly
- ⦿ Increases strength slightly
- ⦿ Increases density
- ⦿ Retards grain growth
- ⦿ Retards strain aging
- ⦿ Aids in nitriding
- ⦿ Promotes graphitization

# SILICON (Si) ATOMIC NUMBER 14

- ⦿ Raises hardness slightly
- ⦿ Deoxidizes
- ⦿ Raises yield strength
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Raises hardening or quenching temperatures
- ⦿ Favors grain growth
- ⦿ Increases electrical resistance
- ⦿ Decreases machinability
- ⦿ Increases resistance to high temperature scaling
- ⦿ Promotes graphitization

# PHOSPHORUS (P) ATOMIC NUMBER 15

- ⦿ Strengthens low carbon steel
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases atmospheric corrosion resistance
- ⦿ Improves machinability
- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases yield strength
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Imparts brittleness
- ⦿ Reduces ductility

# SULPHUR (S) ATOMIC NUMBER 16

- ⦿ Improves machinability
- ⦿ Decreases ductility
- ⦿ Decreases toughness
- ⦿ Decreases weldability
- ⦿ Decreases corrosion resistance slightly
- ⦿ Imparts brittleness at red heat when insufficient Manganese is present



# TITANIUM (Ti) ATOMIC NUMBER 22

- ⦿ Deoxidizes and denitrifies
- ⦿ Retards grain growth
- ⦿ Retards age hardening
- ⦿ Restrains embrittlement
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Reduces ductility and toughness
- ⦿ Increases creep resistances
- ⦿ Increases hardenability

# VANADIUM (V) ATOMIC NUMBER 23

- ⦿ Improves hardness retention at elevated temperatures
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Intensifies effect of other major alloys
- ⦿ Increases resistance to shock and alternating stresses
- ⦿ Retards grain growth

# CHROMIUM (Cr) ATOMIC NUMBER 24

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases toughness
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases resistance to corrosion and abrasion
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength at high temperatures slightly
- ⦿ Retards grain growth
- ⦿ Increases resistance to oxidation at high temperatures

# MANGANESE (Mn) ATOMIC NUMBER 25

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases toughness
- ⦿ Deoxidizes
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases abrasion resistance
- ⦿ Counteracts hot-shortness by combining Sulphur
- ⦿ Reduces ductility slightly
- ⦿ Reduces electrical conductivity
- ⦿ Reduces thermal conductivity

# COBALT (Co) ATOMIC NUMBER 27

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases density
- ⦿ Permits higher heat-treating temperatures
- ⦿ Increases magnetic retentivity
- ⦿ Decreases hardenability
- ⦿ Improves hot hardness

# NICKEL (Ni) ATOMIC NUMBER 28

- ⦿ Increases toughness
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Lower transformation temperatures
- ⦿ Increases corrosion resistance
- ⦿ Austenite stabilizer

# COPPER (Cu) ATOMIC NUMBER 29

- ⦿ Increases resistance to atmosphere corrosion
- ⦿ Increases tensile and yield strength
- ⦿ Decreases ductility slightly
- ⦿ Increases electrical resistance
- ⦿ Increases hardenability
- ⦿ Induces precipitation hardening
- ⦿ Decreases hot workability

# ZIRCONIUM (Zr) ATOMIC NUMBER 40

- ⦿ Deoxidizes
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Counteracts hot-shortness by combining with sulphur
- ⦿ Retards age hardening



# NIOBIUM (Nb) ATOMIC NUMBER 41

- ⦿ Inhibits intergranular corrosion in certain stainless steels
- ⦿ Reduces air-hardening tendencies in corrosion resistant chromium steels
- ⦿ Improves resistance to creep and oxidation at elevated temperatures.

# MOLYBDENUM (Mo) ATOMIC NUMBER 42

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases depth of hardening
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases toughness
- ⦿ Increases creep resistance at elevated temperatures
- ⦿ Increases resistance to corrosion and abrasion
- ⦿ Intensifies effect of other major alloys
- ⦿ Retards grain growth
- ⦿ Retards graphitization
- ⦿ Increases resistance to tempering

# TUNGSTEN (W) ATOMIC NUMBER 74

- ⦿ Increases hardness
- ⦿ Increases tensile strength
- ⦿ Increases toughness
- ⦿ Increases deep hardening at high heat-treating temperatures
- ⦿ Increases magnetic retentively in high carbon steel
- ⦿ Increases resistance to tempering
- ⦿ Increases abrasion resistance by formation of carbides