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Why Are No Steam Irons Made In The U.S.A.?

For a long time I have been asked **why is it so difficult to find electrical appliances that are made in the U.S.A.** Since so many electrical appliances were invented in the America, it is hard for us to understand. Focusing on just one basic household item like the electric iron you will understand why **it is urgent we restore America's industries.**



In 1882, the electric iron was patented in New York City by Henry Seely and produced and sold across America. In 1950 the electric steam iron was introduced by the General Electric Company. **For more than 100 years, millions of Americans were employed manufacturing, packaging, shipping, advertising and selling several brands of electric irons.** They were sold across America and imprinted **MADE IN THE U.S.A.** **After more than 100 years** of being proudly made in the U.S.A., **ELECTRIC IRONS are no longer made in America,** which means many jobs are no longer available to American workers.

To see for myself, I went to a few major stores in the area where I live. I'm sad to report that not only were **no American-made steam irons available,** but neither were any other electrical appliances. As I asked the clerks for assistance, many told me that customers are asking for American made products. For the record, **I shopped at Macy's, Target, Sears, Boscov's and Best Buy and not one of these stores had even one American made steam iron for sale.**

Just from this one item, the hand held electric iron invented in America in 1882, we can see that **if we don't restore our industries** and become totally competitive again, more and **more jobs will leave the U.S.A.** We have heard **too many excuses** as to **why jobs left the U.S.A.** Now we all have to work together, every American as well as our national elected and business leaders to **support jobs for Americans and America's economy.**

As you go shopping, remember that **you make an impression** every time you discuss your concerns with store personnel. The objective is to **get our concerns repeated to management, owners and investors.** As this happens, there will be more discussions at the corporate level as they notice that the American people are shopping around and will go out of their way to support stores and companies offering a reasonable selection of American made products. With **millions of people unemployed,** our efforts must be directed to supporting the products **made by American workers first.**

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