

Manufacturers of Russian Shotguns

Izhevsky Mekhanichesky Zavod is located in the Udmurtia Republic of Russia and is the largest source of Russian-made shotguns for export to the United States. These shotguns are marketed under the trademark "Baikal" and imported by **European American Armory Corporation (EAA)** based in Sharps, Florida.

EAA also imports the **Izhmash Saiga-12** shotgun made in Izhevsk, Russia. The Saiga-12 is an autoloading 12 gauge shotgun that is a derivative of the AK-47 military rifle.

Historical Trend 2000-2002 – Russian Shotguns

While not nearly as dramatic as import numbers from Turkey, shotgun imports from Russia have experienced a solid increase during the period 2000-2002 in terms of pure numbers. US Customs data for this time period reveal that Russian shotguns have experienced a 20.4% change in terms of units shipped.



These quantities represent a valuation⁸ (including insurance and freight costs) of:

**\$4,990,100 for 2000
\$5,881,000 for 2001
\$6,008,100 for 2002**

7. US International Trade Commission Database, 2003

8. Ibid.