Roll End Casing Design

- Integral Spade Bore Casing
- Integral Spade Bore Casing with Replaceable Pilot Rings
- Casing with Replaceable Keys
- Casing with Replaceable Keys and Pilot Rings
- Casing with a Detent Assembly
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Roll end casings are a critical link in the power transmission of a rolling mill. The durability of the casing is a function of metallurgy, geometry and application. Casing wear rate is inversely proportional to hardness level and carbon percentage. The figures below show the hardness, effective carbon content, case depth and the overall durability of materials commonly used for casings. Note that 4140 steel hardened to BHN 300 (HRC 32) has a significantly lower wear resistance than the much harder TSP Carburized steels.

While induction hardened and nitrided steel have comparable hardness, the case depth of these treatments is relatively shallow and as the spade bore wears, the wear rate accelerates. The figure below at left shows typical case depths of various heat-treat methods. Note that carburizing leads to a dramatically greater case depth than other methods. In the figure below at right, durability with respect to wear depth of materials commonly used for spade bores is shown.

TSP Carburizing supplies the best combination of surface hardness and case depth, thus providing the longest life for casing bores.

Roll End Casing Life Factors:
- Hardness
- Case depth
- Carbon content
- Load–contact stress
- Surface finish
- Cycles
- Pilot stabilizing configuration
- Roll neck / casing bore configuration
- Operating environment