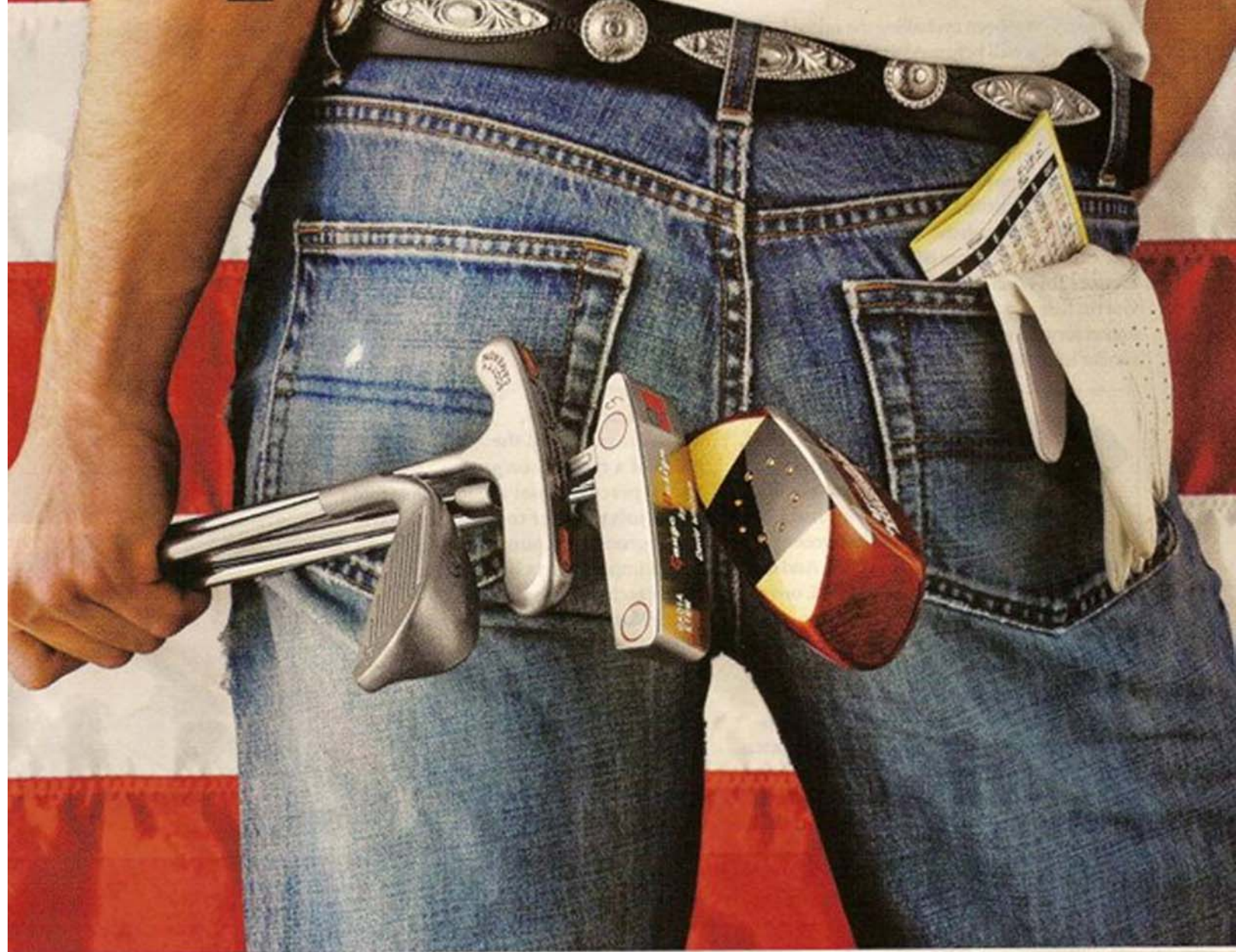


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# Equipment



## Borne in the USA

How many golf clubs are actually made in America? The answer might be as misunderstood as the real meaning of Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the USA." Although many clubs are assembled here, they're not made here, which is why Chinese exports of golf clubs to the U.S. have increased 2.1 million percent since 1989. Nevertheless, you can still find American-made clubs, like these (left to right):

**PING G2 HL hybrids.** The company casts its own irons—such as this wide-sole, undercut cavity hybrid—in Phoenix and makes most of its putters there, too (\$110 steel, four lofts, [pinggolf.com](http://pinggolf.com)). **SCOTTY CAMERON by TITLEIST American Classic III.** An update of the venerable Bulls Eye, the milled-steel head features copper-tungsten heel-and-toe inserts (\$179, [titleist.com](http://titleist.com)). **GAUGE DESIGN GA01A ETBW.** This version of the GAA stainless-steel series is custom-milled in California with a nickel finish and tungsten weights in the heel and toe (\$325, [gaugedesigngolf.com](http://gaugedesigngolf.com)). **LOUISVILLE GOLF Thumper.** Handmade in the company's Louisville plant, the 285 cubic-centimeter persimmon head has a sloped crown to lower the center of gravity and a hard cyclocac face insert (\$350 steel, [louisvillegolf.com](http://louisvillegolf.com)).