Tons Of Steel

Grateful Dead

I know these rails we're on, like I know my lady's smile

We see a dozen dreams in every passing mile

Can't begin to count the trips that she and I have been

But I wish I had a dollar for each time we've both been down this grade

And 100,000 tons of steel, made to roll

The brakes don't work and this grade's so steep, her engine's sure to blow

And 100,000 tons of steel, out of control

She's more a roller coaster than the train I used to know

It's one hell of an understatement, to say she can't get me

She's temperamental, more a bitch than a machine

She wasn't built to travel at the speed of the butterflies

These wheels are bound to jump the tracks before they burn the ties

And 100,000 tons of steel, made to roll

The brakes don't work and this grade's so steep, her engine's sure to blow
And 100,000 tons of steel, out of control
She's more a roller coaster than the train I used to know
Murphy sure out done himself to pick this stretch of track
I can only hope my luck is ridin' in the back
Well I have to pray to God this ain't the day we meet
I've done about everything but try dragging my feet
And 100,000 tons of steel, made to roll
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And 100,000 tons of steel, out of control
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