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- The data in this report is as per the information entered in the "Steel Import Monitoring System" Portal and may not be exactly the same as actual imports.
- The classification of imports on the basis of product, end use industries, "Others", QCOs as mentioned in various sections of this report is based on the product descriptions entered by the importers and may not be completely accurate as compared to actual imports.
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- Figures in \$M refer to imports in \$ Million.
- Since SIMS was launched in September 2019 and was made mandatory for imports after November 2019, this report includes data of registrations since 1st November 2019.

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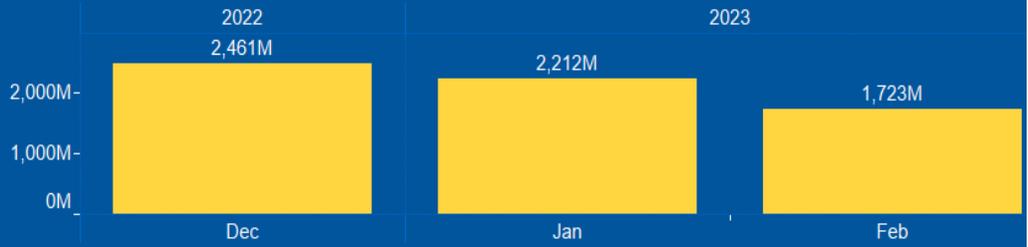
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Import Summary

Month on month registrations (\$M)

M-o-M trend

Total imports
\$6,396M



Key points

- Imports in Feb'23 - 1723M
- Average monthly imports from Dec'22 to Feb'23 - 2132M
- Imports in Feb'23(1723M) is 22% lower than Jan'23(2212M)
- Imports in Feb'23(1723M) is 29% lower than Dec'22(2461M)

Major import groups by product category, country (\$M)

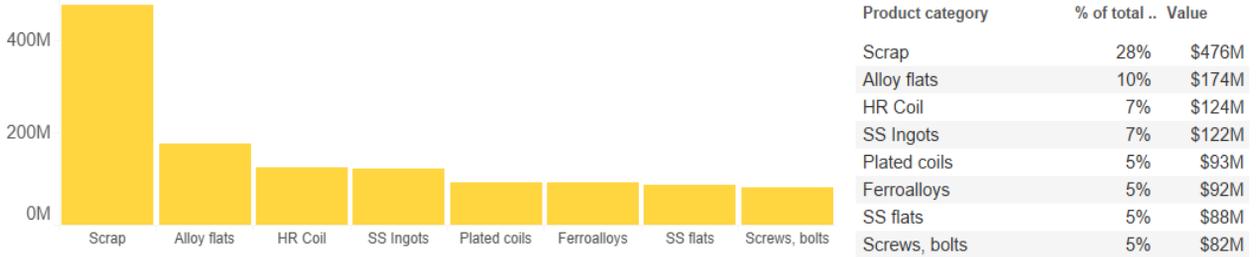
SNo.	Product category	Country	Value % share
1	Scrap	UNITED STATES	7%
2	SS Ingots	INDONESIA	6%
3	Scrap	UNITED KINGDOM	4%
4	SS flats	CHINA	4%
5	HR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
6	Alloy flats	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
7	Plated coils	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
8	Alloy flats	JAPAN	3%

- Top 10 groups contribute to 34% of imports
- Highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - Alloy flats - Korea from 38.73M to 81.06M
 - CR Coil - Korea from 20.49M to 56.87M
 - Plated coils - Korea from 42.27M to 64.10M
- Highest decrease seen in Jan'23 w.r.t. Dec'22(Ex Scrap)
 - SS Flats - China from 90.28M to 24.31M
 - HR Coil - Vietnam from 71.66M to 22.11M
 - Tubes and Pipes - Korea from 34.60M to 4.98M

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Category wise imports

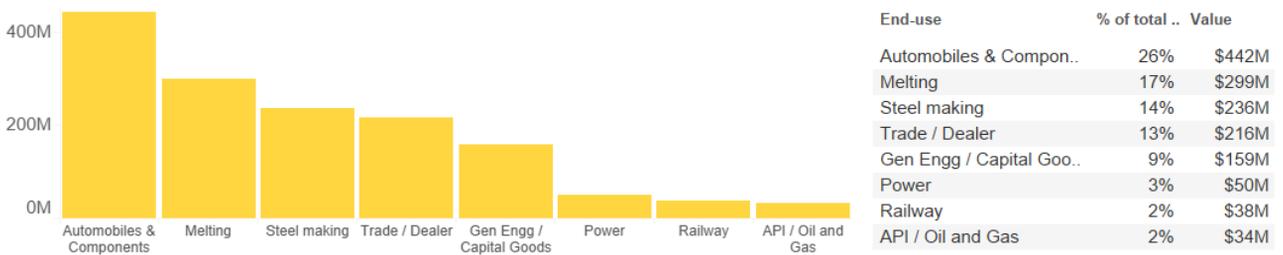
Product category wise imports (\$M)-Feb'23



Key points

- Top 4 categories contribute more than 50% of imports
- Product categories with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - CR Coil - 30M to 61M | Alloy flats - 148M to 174M | Screw, bolts - 57M to 82M
- Product categories with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - Others - 38M to 50M | Railway Material - 4M to 12M | Pig Iron - 11M to 17M
- Product categories with highest decrease in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22(Ex. Scrap)
 - SS flats - 200M to 88M | Alloy flats - 270M to 174M | Semis - 73M to 3M

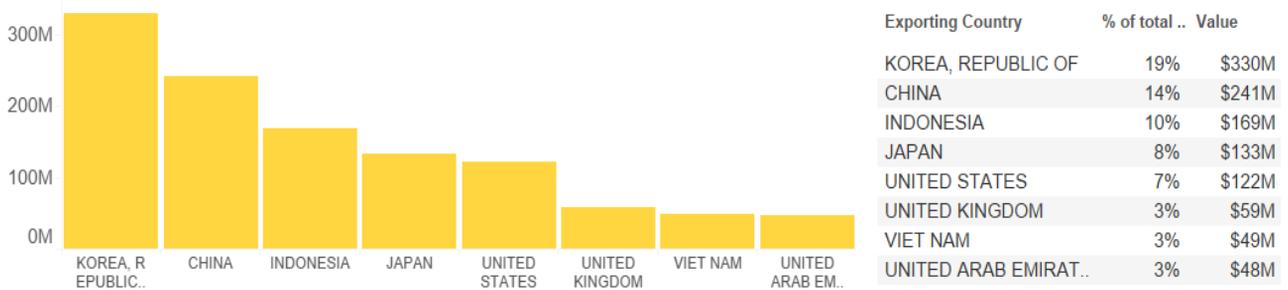
End-use industry wise imports (\$M)- Feb'23



Key points

- Top 3 End use industries contribute more than 50% of imports
- End use industries with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - Automobiles & Components - 319M to 442M | API / Oil and Gas - 19M to 34M | Engines - 17M to 22M
- End use industries with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - Engines - 8M to 22M | API / Oil and Gas - 24M to 34M | Railway - 31M to 38M
- End use industries with highest decrease in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - Steel Making - 408M to 236M | Melting - 457M to 299M | Trade / Dealer - 371M to 216M

Imports by exporting country (\$M)-Feb'23



Key points

- Top 4 countries contribute more than 50% of imports
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - Korea from 266.86M to 329.68M
 - Thailand from 30.20M to 47.08M
 - Venezuela from 1.10M to 16.66M
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - Indonesia from 146M to 169M
 - Brazil from 14M to 26M
 - Austria from 4M to 12M
- Exporting countries with highest decrease in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - China from 401M to 241M
 - Japan from 236M to 133M
 - United States from 211M to 122M

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Imports despite domestic availability

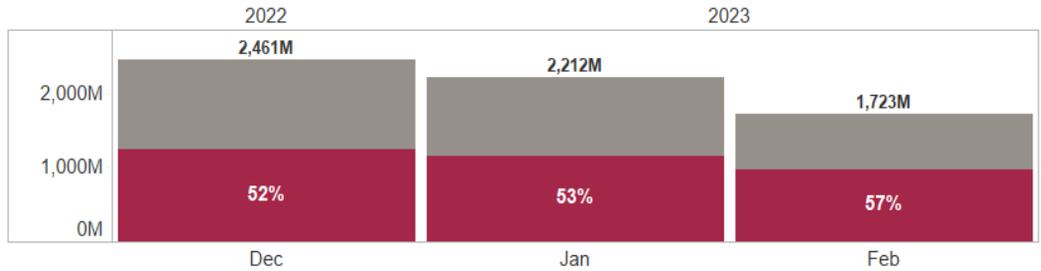
Imports despite domestic availability – Month wise registrations (\$M)

% imports which are available in India

54%

India available
■ No
■ Yes

M-o-M trend

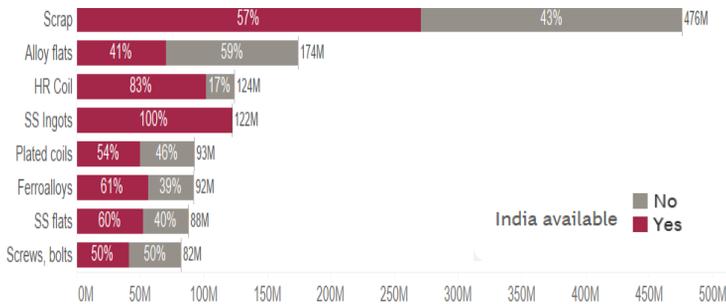


Key points

- Imports of 985M in Feb'23 were domestically available vs monthly average(Dec'22 to Feb'23) of 1144M
- Domestically available imports in Feb'23(985M) were 16% lower than Jan'23 (1178M)
- Highest value of imports which are available in India in Feb'23
 - 120M for SS Ingots – Steel Making | 54M for CR Coil – Automobiles & Components | 51M for Alloy flats – Automobiles & Components

Imports By Product category –Feb'23

Product category wise imports (\$M)



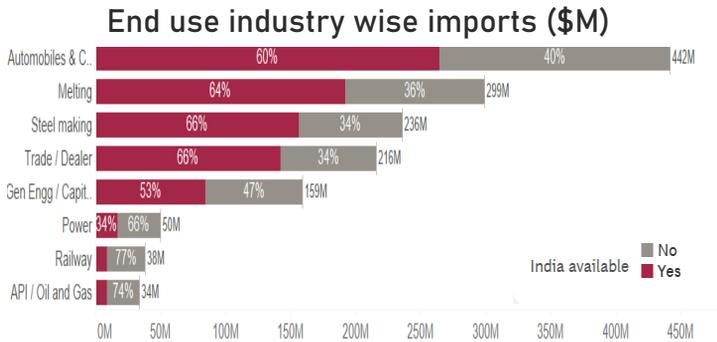
Share of Major Product category

Category	% of Total	Value
Scrap	28%	\$271M
SS Ingots	12%	\$122M
HR Coil	10%	\$102M
Alloy flats	7%	\$71M
Ferroalloys	6%	\$56M
CR Coil	6%	\$56M
SS flats	5%	\$53M
Plated coils	5%	\$50M

Key points

- Product categories with more than 50% imports available in India(excluding scrap) in Feb'23
 - SS Ingots, HR Coil, Alloy Flats, Ferro Alloys, CR Coil, SS flats, Plated coils,
- Product categories with highest increase in imports available in India in Feb'23
 - CR Coil – 17M to 56M | Alloy flats– 41M to 71M | Screw, bolts – 18M to 41M

End-use wise-Feb'23



Highest imports available in India

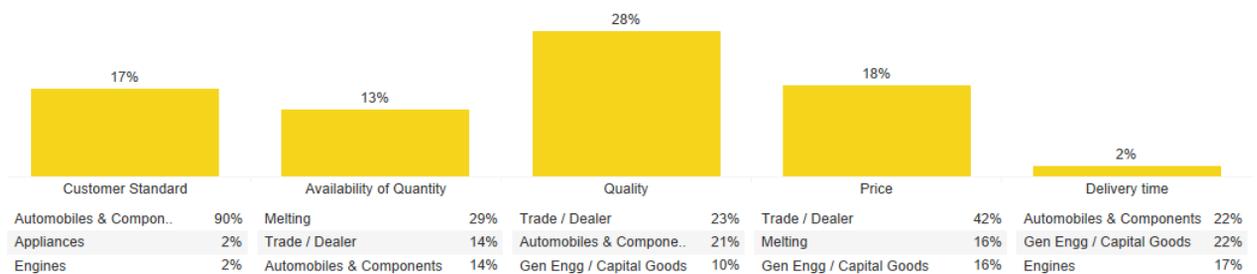
Category	% of Total	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	27%	\$264M
Melting	19%	\$192M
Steel making	16%	\$156M
Trade / Dealer	14%	\$142M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	9%	\$85M
Engines	2%	\$20M
Power	2%	\$17M
Foundry	1%	\$14M

Key points

- End-use industries with more than 50% imports available in India in Feb'23
 - Automobiles & Components, Melting, Steel Making
- End-use industries with highest increase in imports available in Feb'23
 - Automobiles & Components - 120M to 264M | Engines - 16M to 20M | API / Oil & Gas - 5M to 9M

Import reasons for products available in India

% indicated the share out of all imports



Key points

- Share of imports due to price has Decreased by 41% from Feb'23 to Jan'23.
- Major end uses which import due to price in Jan'23 – Trade/ Dealer, Melting, Gen Engg/Capital Goods
- Major end uses which import due to quality in Jan'23 – Trade/ Dealer, Automobiles & Components, Gen Engg/Capital Goods

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"Others" HS Codes

Month-wise registrations (\$M)

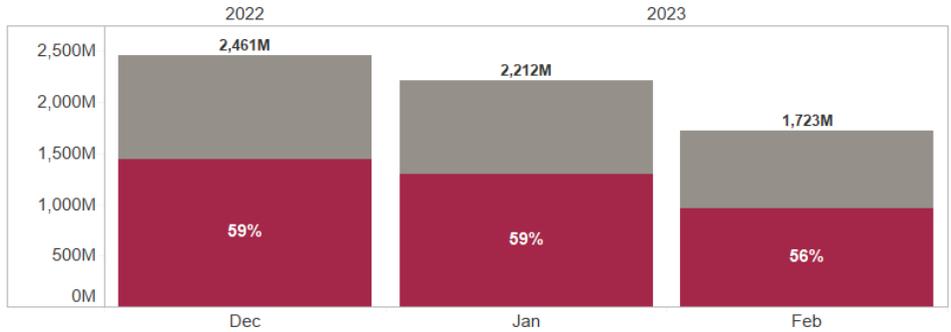
List of "Others" HS codes attached in Annexures

M-o-M trend

% of imports in "Others" HS Codes

58%

■ No ■ Other

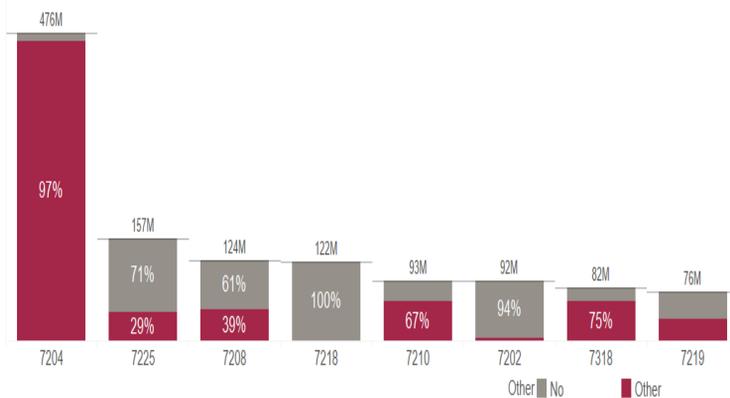


Key points

- Imports of 968M in Feb'23 were under "Others" HS codes vs monthly average(Dec'22 to Feb'23) of 1245M
- Value of imports under "Others" in Feb'23 were 26% Lower than Jan'23

4 digit HS Code wise-Feb'23

4 digit HS Code wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

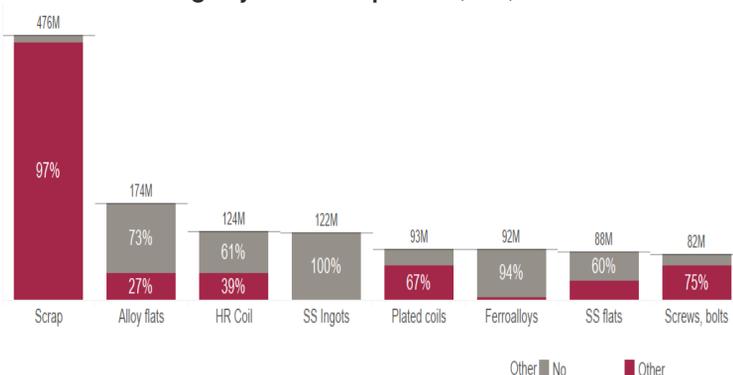
Category	% of Total	Value
7204	48%	\$464M
7210	6%	\$62M
7318	6%	\$61M
7209	5%	\$52M
7326	5%	\$48M
7208	5%	\$48M
7225	5%	\$45M
7219	4%	\$35M

Key points

- Four digit code with increasing share of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - 7208 - 19M to 48M | 7326 - 34M to 48M | 7312 - 14M to 19M
- Four digit code with highest increase of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - 7209 - 23M to 52M | 7318 - 39M to 61M | 7326 - 38M to 48M

Product category wise-Feb'23

Product category wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

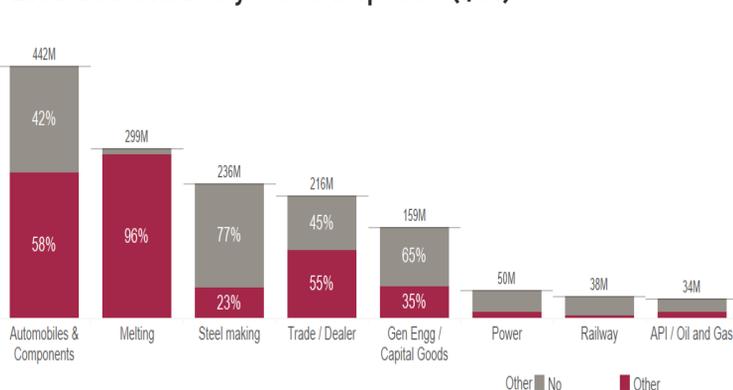
Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	48%	\$464M
Plated coils	6%	\$62M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$61M
CR Coil	5%	\$52M
Alloy flats	5%	\$48M
HR Coil	5%	\$48M
Tubes and Pipes	4%	\$40M

Key points

- Product categories with increasing share of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - HR Coil - 19M to 48M | Others - 34M to 48M | Stranded wire, ropes - 14M to 19M
- Product categories with highest increase in share of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - CR Coil - 23M to 52M | Screw, bolts - 39M to 61M | Others - 38M to 48M

End-use industry wise- Feb'23

End use industry wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

Category	% of Total	Value
Melting	30%	\$288M
Automobiles & Compon..	26%	\$255M
Trade / Dealer	12%	\$119M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	6%	\$56M
Steel making	5%	\$53M
Engines	2%	\$20M
Re-rolling	2%	\$19M
Wire Drawing	2%	\$17M

Key points

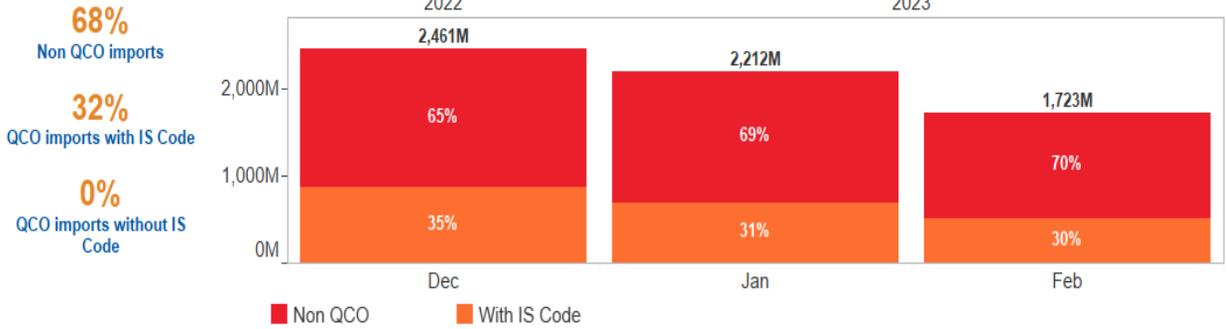
- End-use industries with increasing share of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Dec'22
 - Engines - 6M to 20M | Coating / Galvanizing - 0M to 11M | Re-rolling - 10M to 19M
- End-use industries with highest increase in share of "Others" in Feb'23 w.r.t. Jan'23
 - Automobiles & Components - 154M to 255M | Engines - 16M to 20M | Telecommunication - 2M to 5M

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Imports under QCO

Month-wise registrations (\$M)

QCO imports – Imports under HS codes which have active QCOs

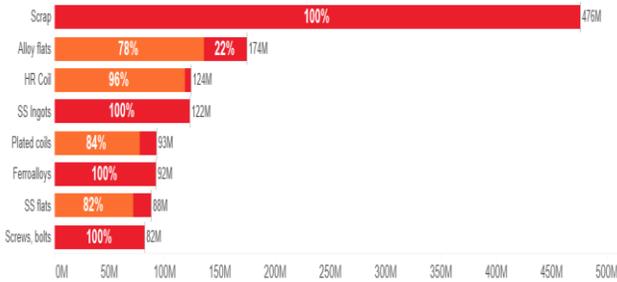


Key points

- Imports of 513M in Feb'23 are under QCO vs monthly average(Dec'22 to Feb'23) of 691M
- 30% of imports in Feb'23 are under QCO vs monthly average(Dec'22 to Feb'23) of 32%

Non QCO imports – Product wise (\$M)-Feb'23

Imports by Product category



Share of Major Non QCO category

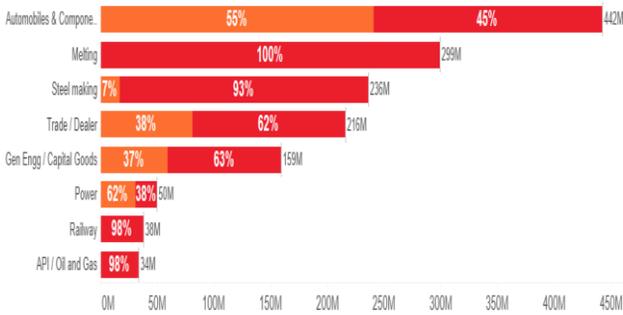
Product category	% of total	Value
Scrap	39%	\$476M
SS Ingots	10%	\$122M
Ferroalloys	8%	\$92M
Screws, bolts	7%	\$82M
Tubes and Pipes	7%	\$79M
Alloy flats	3%	\$39M
Rail locomotives	2%	\$29M

Key points

- Product categories with highest Non QCO imports (excluding - Scrap) in Feb'23 – SS Ingot, Ferro Alloys, Screws, Bolts, Tubes and Pipes, Alloy Flats, Rail locomotive
- Product categories with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Feb'23 –
 - Screw, bolts from 57M to 82M
 - Alloy flats from 30M to 39M
 - Pig iron from 9M to 17M

Non QCO imports – End use wise (\$M)-Feb'23

Imports by End-use



Share of Major Non QCO End-use industries

End-use	% of total ..	Value
Melting	25%	\$299M
Steel making	18%	\$219M
Automobiles & Compon..	17%	\$201M
Trade / Dealer	11%	\$135M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	8%	\$100M
Railway	3%	\$37M
API / Oil and Gas	3%	\$33M
Wire Drawing	2%	\$20M

Key points

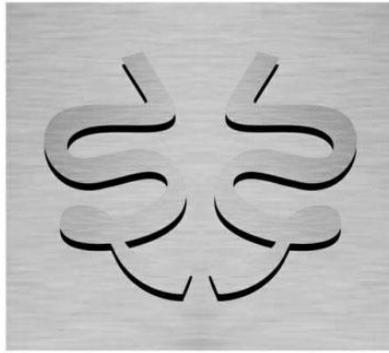
- End-use industries with highest Non QCO imports in Feb'23
 - Melting, Steel making, Automobiles & Components
- End use industries with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Feb'23
 - Automobiles & Components from 168M to 201M
 - API / Oil and Gas from 18M to 33M
 - Power from 12M to 19M

Non-QCO imports(ex-Scrap) – Top HS codes (\$M) – Dec'22 to Feb'23

Hs Desc	≡	Value
72189100 - Of rectangular (other than square) cross-section		364M
73181500 - OTHR SCREWS AND BOLTS W/N WTH NUTS ..		114M
73269099 - ALL OTHER ARTICLES OF IRON/STEEL NES ..		96M
72031000 - FERS PRDCT OBTND BY DRCT RDCTN OF IR..		81M
72026000 - FERRO-NICKEL		77M
72022100 - FERRO-SILICON CONTNG>55% OF SILICON		70M
73121090 - OTHERS(E.G.TRANSMISSION BELTING)		48M
72027000 - FERRO-MOLYBDENUM		45M
73089090 - OTHER STRUCTURE AND PARTS OF STRUC..		41M
86071910 - AXLES,WHEELS ETC.FR RLWAY WAGONS A..		39M
72029300 - FERRO-NIOBIUM		39M
73053190 - Other		39M
72259200 - FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL..		35M
86040000 - RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY MAINTENANCE OR ..		34M
72103090 - OTHR FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALO..		33M
73181600 - THREADED NUTS		32M
72091690 - OTHR FLT RLD PRDCTS IN COILS NT FRTHR ..		31M
72191200 - HT-RLLD PRDCTS IN COILS OF THCKNS >=4..		29M
72251990 - OTHER FLT-RLD PRDCTS OF SILICON ELCT..		29M
73064000 - OTHER,WELDED,OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SEC..		24M
86071990 - OTHER PARTS OF AXLES AND WHEELS FOR..		23M
73129000 - PLAIED BAND,SLINGS AND LIKE OF IRON O..		22M
73049000 - OTHR SEAMLESS TUBES/PIPES AND HOLO..		21M
73181900 - OTHER THREADED ARTICLES		21M
73043939 - OTHER MADE ABOVE 219.1 MM OUTER DIAM..		20M
73045930 - TUBS/PIPS ETC OF CRCLR CRSS-SECTN WI..		19M
73079990 - NON-GALVANISED		19M
73044100 - OTHR TUBS,PIPE AND HOLO PROFILE OF CI..		18M
73021010 - RAILWAY RAILS		17M
73045110 - TUBE/PIPE ETC OF CRCLR CRSS SECTN WIT..		17M
72106900 - FLT-ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALOY STL ..		15M
73181400 - SELF-TAPPING SCREWS,THREADED		15M
72173010 - WIRE, 18 SWG AND THICKER		15M
73043919 - OTHER MADE UPTO 114.3 MM OUTER DIAME..		15M
73121020 - WIRE ROPES,GALVANISED		14M
72044100 - TURNGS,SHVNGS,CHPS,MILNG WST,SWDST..		14M



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