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Background

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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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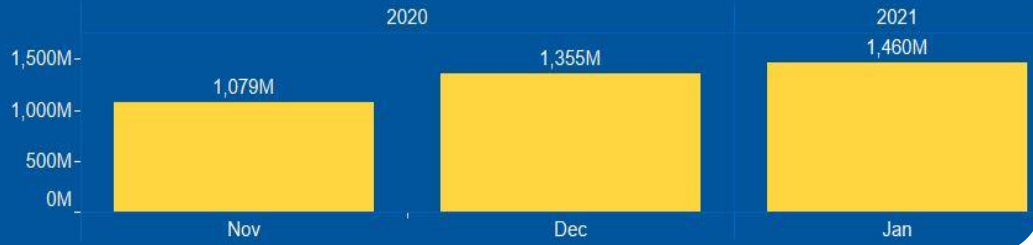
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Import Summary

Month on month registrations (\$M)

M-o-M trend

Total imports
\$3,894M



Key points

- Imports in Jan'21- 1460M
- Average monthly imports- 1298M
- Imports in Jan'21 (1460M) is 8% higher than Dec'20 (1355M)

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

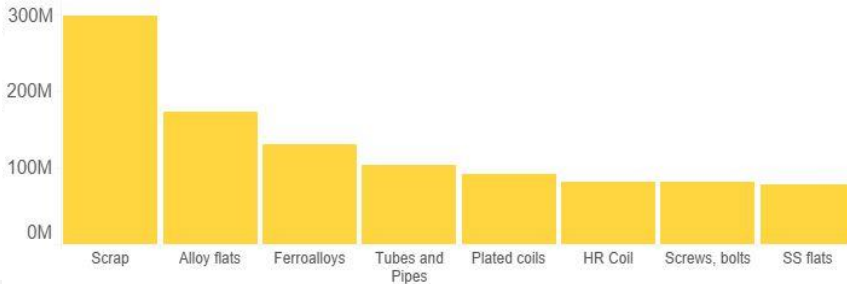
SNo.	Product category	Country	Value % share
1	Alloy flats	KOREA, REPUBLI..	5%
2	HR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	5%
3	Ferroalloys	INDONESIA	5%
4	Plated coils	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
5	Scrap	UNITED ARAB EM..	3%
6	Tubes and Pipes	CHINA	3%
7	CR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
8	Scrap	UNITED STATES	2%
9	Screws, bolts	KOREA, REPUBLI..	2%

- Top 10 groups contribute to 25% of imports
- Highest increase seen in Jan'21
 - Alloy flats – South Korea from 27M to 77M
 - CR Coil – South Korea from 10M to 40M
 - Tubes and pipes – Malaysia from 2M to 20M
- Highest decrease seen in Jan'21
 - HR Coil – Belgium from 20M to 1M
 - Plated Coils – China from 33M to 58M
 - Tube and pipes – Belgium from 17M to 1M

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Category wise imports

Product category wise imports (\$M)

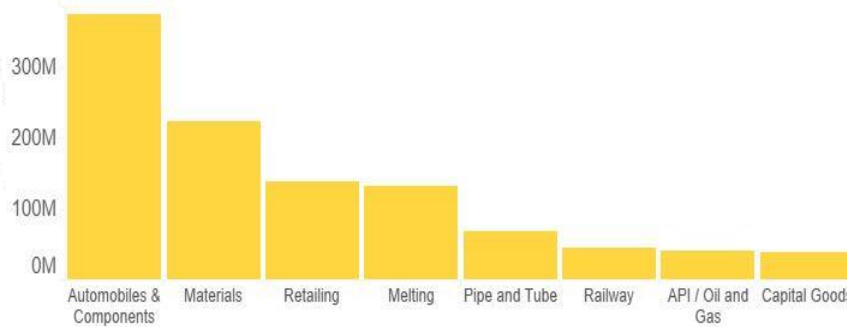


Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	20%	\$298M
Alloy flats	12%	\$172M
Ferroalloys	9%	\$131M
Tubes and Pipes	7%	\$103M
Plated coils	6%	\$92M
HR Coil	6%	\$81M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$81M
SS flats	5%	\$78M

Key points

- Top 5 categories contribute to 50% of imports
- Product categories with highest increase in Jan'21
 - Alloy flats - 106M to 172M | Stranded wire, ropes - 20M to 53M | CR Coil - 11M to 42M
- Product categories with highest increase in past 3 months
 - Ferroalloys - 65M to 131M | Scrap - 238M to 298M | Stranded wire, ropes - 12M to 53M
- Product categories with highest decrease in past 3 months
 - Alloy flats - 186M to 172M | Bars & Rods - 16M to 5M | Rail locomotives - 28M to 18M

End-use industry wise imports (\$M)

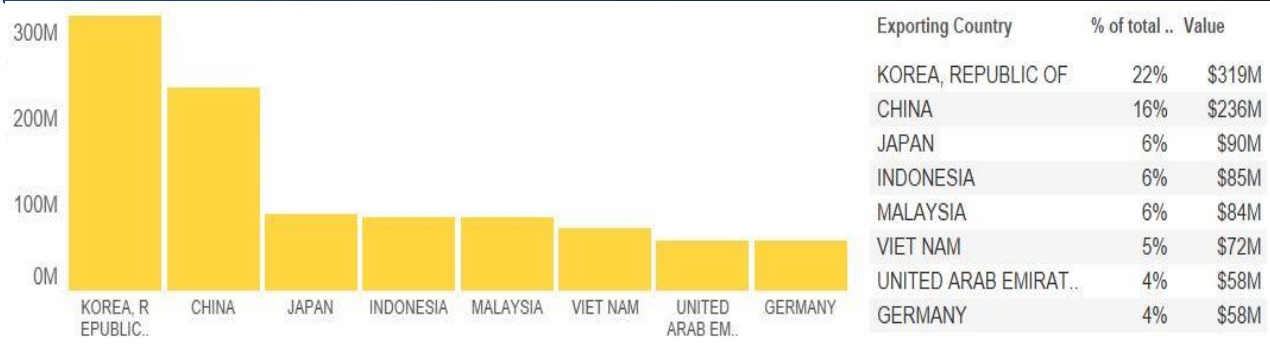


End-use	% of total ..	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	26%	\$374M
Materials	15%	\$223M
Retailing	9%	\$138M
Melting	9%	\$133M
Pipe and Tube	5%	\$67M
Railway	3%	\$45M
API / Oil and Gas	3%	\$40M
Capital Goods	3%	\$37M

Key points

- Top 7 End use industries contribute to 50% of imports
- End use industries with highest increase in Jan'21
 - Automobiles & Components - 275M to 374M | Others - 134M to 181M | Pipe and tube - 28M to 67M
- End use industries with highest increase in past 3 months
 - Others - 62M to 181M | Automobiles & Components - 263M to 374M | Materials - 143M to 223M
- End use industries with highest decrease in past 3 months
 - Misc. Steel items - 74M to 0M | Gen Engg / Capital Goods - 66M to 3M | Spring Steel - 51M to 0M

Imports by exporting country (\$M)



Key points

- Top 7 countries contribute to ~50% of imports
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Jan'21
 - South Korea from 195M to 319M
 - Malaysia from 36M to 84M
 - Vietnam from 37M to 72M
- Exporting countries with highest increase in past 3 months
 - South Korea from 172M to 319M
 - China from 175M to 236M
 - Malaysia from 27M to 84M
- Exporting countries with highest decrease in past 3 months
 - Japan from 134M to 90M
 - Thailand from 32M to 20M
 - Saudi Arabia from 17M to 6M

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Imports despite domestic availability

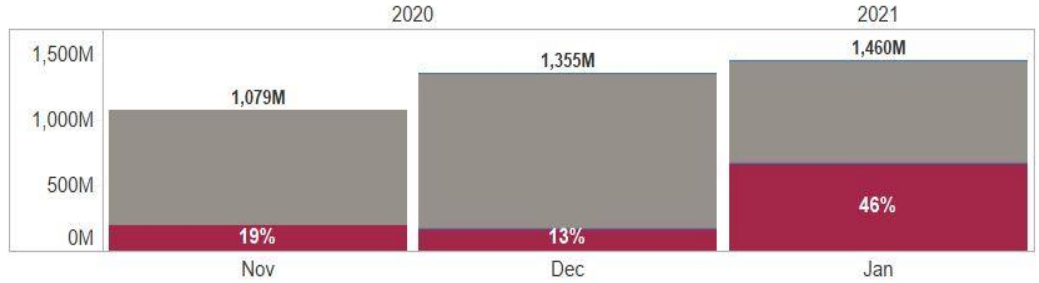
Imports despite domestic availability – Month wise registrations (\$M)

% imports which are available in India

27%

India available
■ No
■ Yes

M-o-M trend

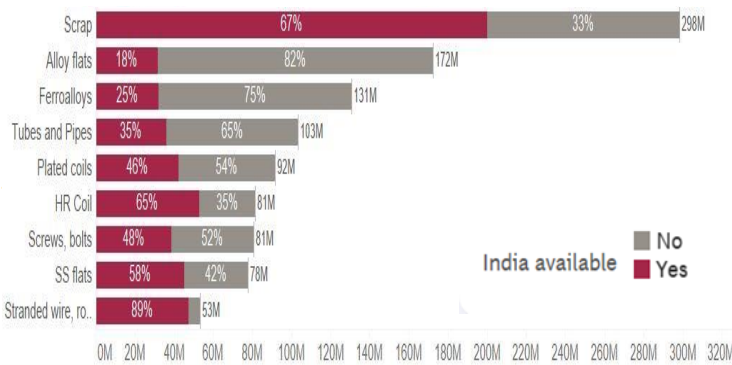


Key points

- Imports of 671M in Jan'21 were domestically available vs monthly average of 351M
- Share of domestically available imports in Jan'21 (671M) is 285% higher than Dec'20 (174M)
- Highest value of imports which are available in India (ex-Scrap) in Jan'21
 - 44M of Stranded wire, ropes – Automobile & Components
 - 36M of CR Coil – Automobile & Components
 - 1M of Alloy flats – Consumer Durables & Apparel

Product category wise

Product category wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports available in India

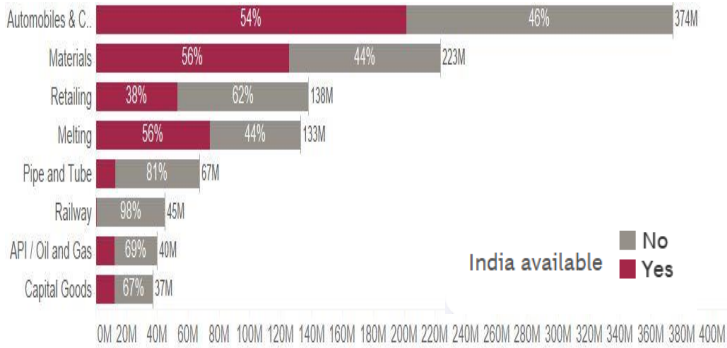
Category	% of Total	Value
Scrap	30%	\$200M
HR Coil	8%	\$53M
Stranded wire, ropes	7%	\$47M
SS flats	7%	\$45M
Plated coils	6%	\$42M
CR Coil	6%	\$41M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$39M
Tubes and Pipes	5%	\$36M

Key points

- Product categories with >80% imports available in India in Jan'21(ex-Scrap)
 - CR Coil, Plated coil, Screws, bolts
- Product categories with highest increase in imports available in India in Jan'21(ex-Scrap)
 - HR Coil - 7M to 53M | Stranded wire, ropes - 4M to 47M | SS flats - 9M to 45M

End-use wise

End use industry wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports available in India

Category	% of Total	Value
Automobiles & Compon...	30%	\$202M
Materials	19%	\$126M
Melting	11%	\$74M
Retailing	8%	\$53M
Commercial & Professio..	4%	\$30M
Pipe and Tube	2%	\$13M
API / Oil and Gas	2%	\$13M
Capital Goods	2%	\$12M

Key points

- End-use industries with > 50% imports available in India in Jan'21(ex-Scrap)
 - Automobiles & Components, Materials, Others, Commercial use.
- End-use industries with highest increase in imports available in India in Jan'21(ex-Scrap)
 - Automobiles & Components- 55M to 197M | Others - 31M to 82M | Materials – 6M to 49M

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"Others" HS Codes

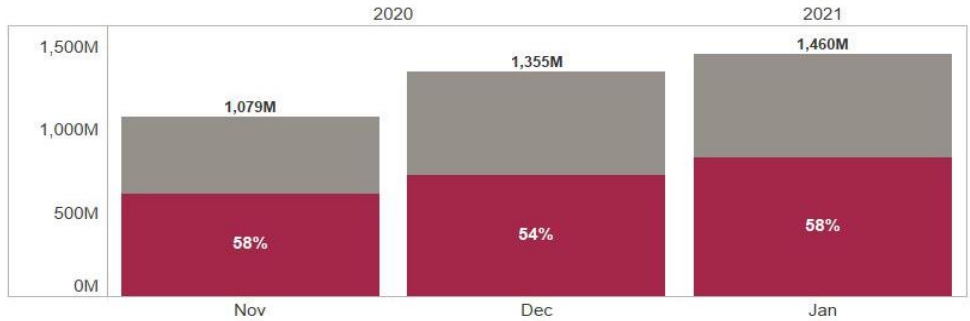
Month-wise registrations (\$M)

List of "Others" HS codes attached in Annexures

% of imports in "Others" HS Codes

56%

■ No ■ Other

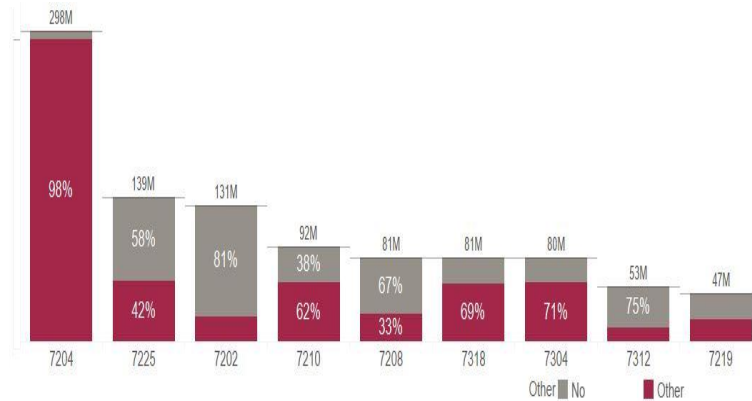


Key points

- Imports of 841M in Jan'21 were under "Others" HS codes vs monthly average of 732M
- Value of imports under "Others" in Jan'21 were 15% higher than Dec'20

4 digit HS Code wise

4 digit HS Code wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

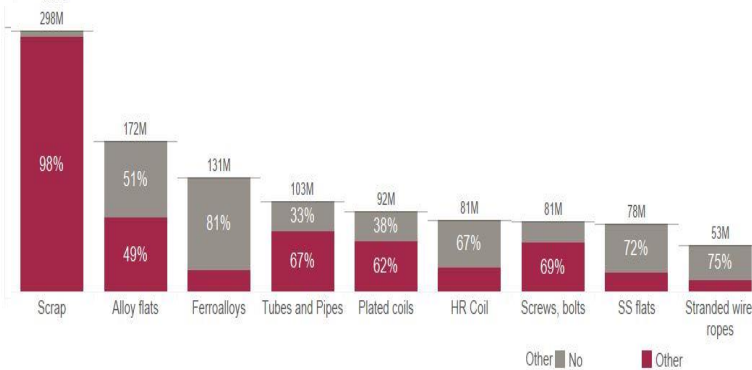
HS Code 4 Digit	% of total ..	Value
7204	34%	\$291M
7225	7%	\$58M
7210	7%	\$57M
7304	7%	\$57M
7318	7%	\$56M
7209	5%	\$41M
7326	4%	\$36M
7308	4%	\$32M

Key points

- Four digit code with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
 - 7304 - 24M to 57M | 7318 - 29M to 56M | 7226 - 1M to 27M
- Four digit code with highest increase of "Others" in Jan'21
 - 7226 - 3M to 27M | 7304 - 36M to 57M | 7308 - 15M to 32M

Product category wise

Product category wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

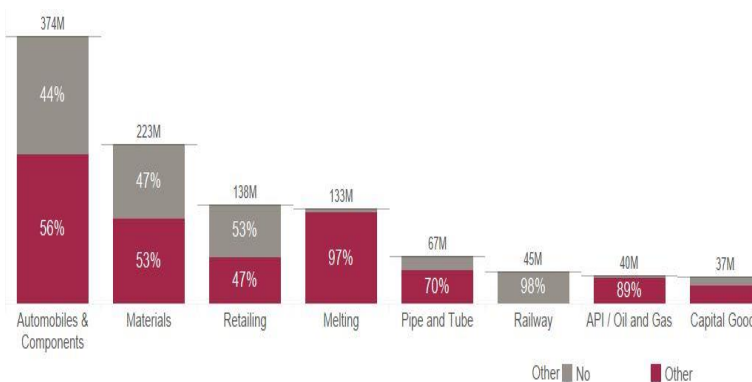
Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	34%	\$291M
Alloy flats	10%	\$85M
Tubes and Pipes	8%	\$69M
Plated coils	7%	\$57M
Screws, bolts	7%	\$56M
CR Coil	5%	\$41M
Structres and parts of st..	4%	\$32M
HR Coil	3%	\$27M

Key points

- Product categories with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
 - Tubes and Pipes- 36M to 39M | Screws, bolts - 29M to 56M | Structures and parts of Structures - 8M to 32M
- Product categories with highest increase in share of "Others" in Jan'21
 - Alloy flats - 52M to 85M | CR Coil - 9M to 41M | Tubes and pipes - 49M to 69M

End-use industry wise

End use industry wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

End-use	% of total ..	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	25%	\$209M
Melting	15%	\$128M
Materials	14%	\$119M
Retailing	8%	\$66M
Pipe and Tube	6%	\$47M
API / Oil and Gas	4%	\$36M
Commercial & Professio..	3%	\$28M
Consumer Durables &A..	3%	\$28M

Key points

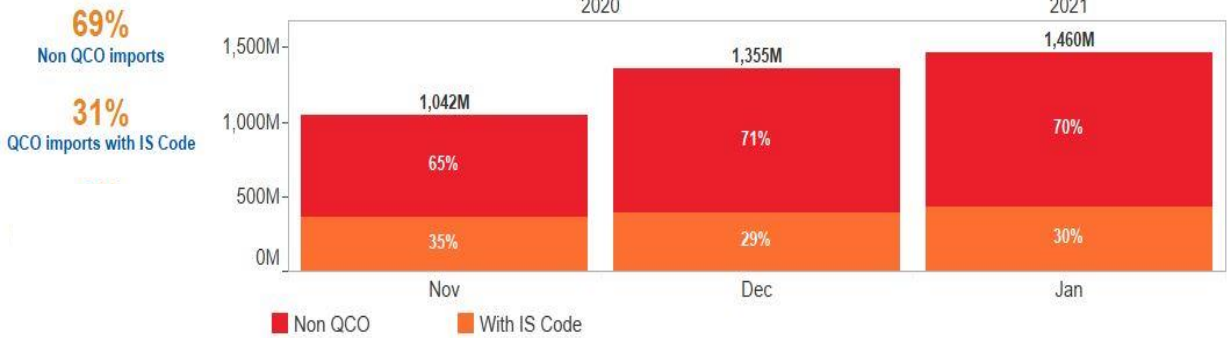
- End-use industries with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
 - Others- 22M to 81M | Melting - 70M to 128M | Pipe & Tube - 7M to 47M
- End-use industries with highest increase in share of "Others" in Jan'21
 - Automobiles & Components - 143M to 209M | Others - 47M to 81M | API / Oil - 2M to 36M

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Imports under QCO

Month-wise registrations (\$M)

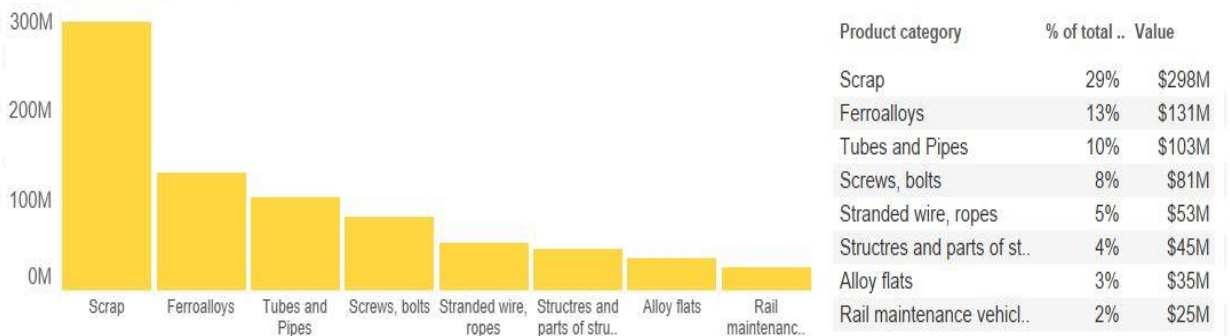
QCO imports – Imports under HS codes which have active QCOs



Key points

- Imports of 434M in Jan'21 are under QCO vs monthly average of 407M
- 30% of imports in Jan'21 are under QCO vs monthly average of 31%

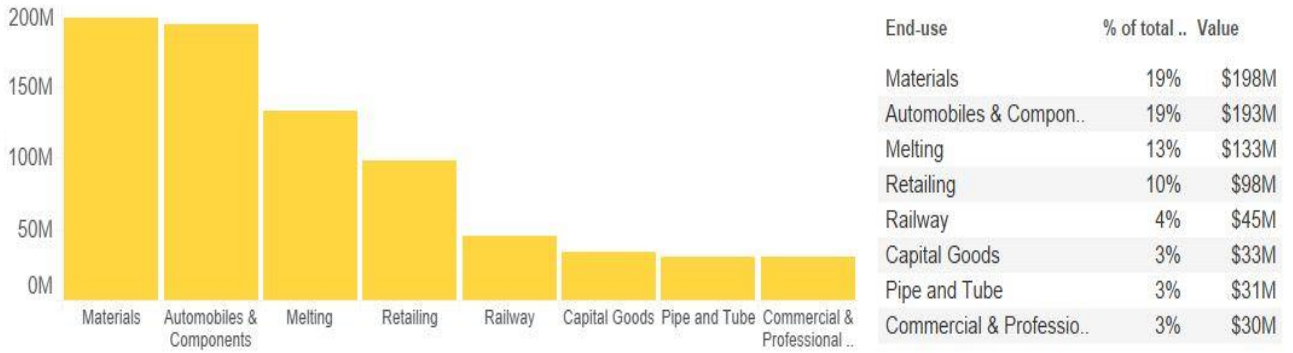
Non QCO imports – Product wise (\$M)



Key points

- Product categories with highest Non QCO imports (ex - Scrap) in Jan'21- Ferroalloys, Tubes and Pipes, Screws, bolts
- Product categories with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Jan'21 (ex- scrap)-
 - Stranded wire, ropes from 19M to 53M
 - Rail maintenance from 9M to 25M
 - Alloy flats from 20M to 35M

Non QCO imports – End use wise (\$M)



Key points

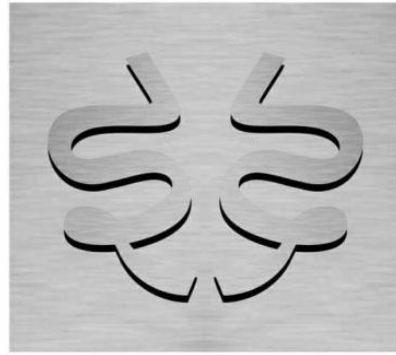
- End-use industries with highest Non QCO imports in Jan'21-Abrasion / Wear resistant, Aerospace, Agri Implements / Storage
- End use industries with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Jan'21
 - Automobiles & Components from 149M to 188M
 - API / Oil from 2M to 28M
 - Consumer Durables & Apparel from 2M to 26M

Non-QCO imports – Top HS codes (\$M)

Hs Desc	Value
72044900 - OTHER WASTE AND SCRAP	145M
72042190 - OTHR WST AND SCRP OF STAINLESS STEEL	141M
72026000 - FERRO-NICKEL	73M
73181500 - OTHR SCREWS AND BOLTS W/N WITH NUTS OR WASHERS THREADED	33M
73129000 - PLAITED BAND, SLINGS AND LIKE OF IRON OR STEEL NT ELECTRICALLY INSULATED	33M
73089090 - OTHER STRUCTURE AND PARTS OF STRUCTURES OF IRON AND STEEL (EXCL FLOATING STRUCTURES)	32M
73269099 - ALL OTHER ARTICLES OF IRON/STEEL NES OTHER STEERING OR RUDDER EQUIPMENT FOR SHIPS AND BOATS, ..	28M
72261990 - Other	25M
86040000 - RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY MAINTENANCE OR SERVICE VEHICLES, WHETHER OR NOT SELF-PROPELLED (FOR EX..	25M
73049000 - OTHR SEAMLESS TUBES/PIPES AND HOLOW PORFILES	21M
73181600 - THREADED NUTS	19M
72022100 - FERRO-SILICON CONTNG>55% OF SILICON	18M
73044900 - OTHR TUBE, PIPE AND HOLO PROFILE OF CIRCULR CROSS-SECTION OF OTHER STAINLESS STEEL	16M
72021900 - OTHER FERRO-MANGANESE	15M
72103090 - OTHR FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALOY STL ELETRCLY PLTD/COTD WITH ZINC OF A WDTN OF 600 MM OR M..	15M
73121090 - OTHERS (E.G. TRANSMISSION BELTING)	13M
73021010 - RAILWAY RAILS	11M
73045930 - TUBS/PIPS ETC OF CRCLR CRSS-SECTN WITH OTR DIAMTR>219.1 MM, NT CLD RLD	10M
72209022 - Nickel chromium austenitic type	10M
73182990 - OTHER NON-THREADED ARTICLES N.E.S.	10M
72091690 - OTHR FLT RLD PRDCTS IN COILS NT FRTHR WRKD THN COLD RLD OF THCKNS >1MM BUT <3MM	9M
73044100 - OTHR TUBS, PIPE AND HOLO PROFILE OF CIRCULR CROSS-SECTION OF STAINLES STEEL, COLD DRAWNOR COLD..	8M
72210090 - BRGHT BARS N.E.S.	8M
73011000 - SHEET PILING	8M
73079990 - NON-GALVANISED	7M
73181900 - OTHER THREADED ARTICLES	7M
73064000 - OTHER, WELDED, OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SECTION, OF STAINLESS STEEL TUBES/PIPES	7M
73121020 - WIRE ROPES, GALVANISED	7M
73259910 - OTHER CAST ARTICLES OF IRON MALLEABLE	6M
73089010 - BEAMSCHANNELS, PILLARS AND GIRDERS PREPARED FOR IN STRUCTURES	6M
72029300 - FERRO-NIOBIUM	6M
86071910 - AXLES, WHEELS ETC. FR RLWAY WAGONS AND CARRGS	6M
72042990 - OTHERS	6M
72259200 - FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL OTHRWSE PLTD/COTD WITH ZINC	5M
73061100 - WELDED, OF STAINLESS STEEL	5M
72101290 - OTHER PLATES, SHEETS, STRIPS	5M
73081000 - Bridges and bridge-sections	5M



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