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# Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS)

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Report on import registrations till  
January 2024

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## Background

- Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS) requires importers to submit advance information in an online portal for import of steel items under specific iron & steel items appearing in Chapter 72, 73 and 86 of ITC (HS), 2017, Schedule – I.
- 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.
- Since SIMS involves registrations for future imports, the monthly figures mentioned in the report indicate registrations made in the particular month, not the imports which have happened in that month. Eg: An import registered on SIMS in November 2019 might actually be imported in December 2019.
- 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 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019.

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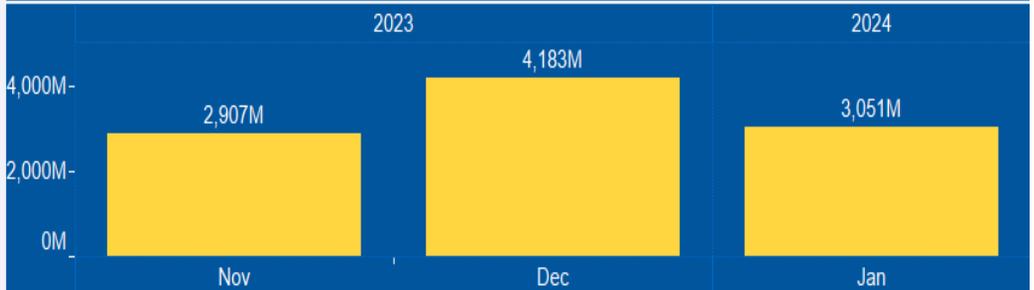
# 1

## Import Summary

### Month on month registrations (\$M)

**Total imports**  
**\$10,140M**

#### M-o-M trend



#### Key points

- Imports in Jan'24 – 3051M
- Average monthly imports from Nov'23 to Jan'24 – 3380M
- Imports in Jan'24(3051M) is 27% Lower than Dec'23(4183M)
- Imports in Jan'24(3051M) is 5% Higher than Nov'23(2907M)

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

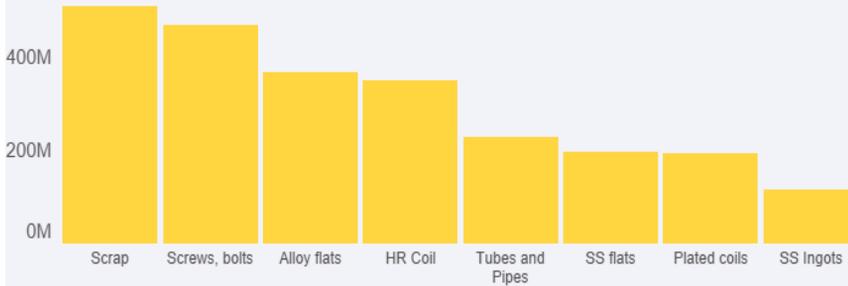
SNo.	Product category	Country	Value % share
1	Screws, bolts	JAPAN	14%
2	Tubes and Pipes	JAPAN	6%
3	Alloy flats	JAPAN	4%
4	Scrap	UNITED STATES	4%
5	HR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	4%
6	SS Ingots	INDONESIA	3%
7	SS flats	CHINA	3%
8	HR Coil	CHINA	3%

- Top 10 groups contribute to 28% of imports
- Highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - HR Coil- Korea, from 94.21M to 174.43M
  - Plated coils – Korea from 65.19M to 124.12M
  - HR Coil- China from 72.01M to 130.24M
- Highest decrease seen in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - Screws, bolts – Japan from 1013.69M to 366.91M
  - Tubes and Pipes – Japan from 445.28M to 124.14M
  - Semis – Bahrain from 153.99M to 0.00M

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## Category wise imports

### Product category wise imports (\$M)-Jan'24



Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	17%	\$512M
Screws, bolts	15%	\$470M
Alloy flats	12%	\$369M
HR Coil	11%	\$350M
Tubes and Pipes	8%	\$229M
SS flats	7%	\$199M
Plated coils	6%	\$196M
SS Ingots	4%	\$116M

### Key points

- Top 4 categories contribute more than 50% of imports
- Product categories with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - Alloy flats - 250M to 369M | HR Coil - 240M to 350M | Plated coils -137M to 196M
- Product categories with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Screws,bolts - 119M to 470M | Alloy flats - 216M to 369M | Tubes and Pipes - 101M to 129M
- Product categories with highest decrease in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23(Ex. Scrap)
  - HR Coil - 509M to 350M | Others - 125M to 52M | Semis - 62M to 17M

### End-use industry wise imports (\$M)- Jan'24

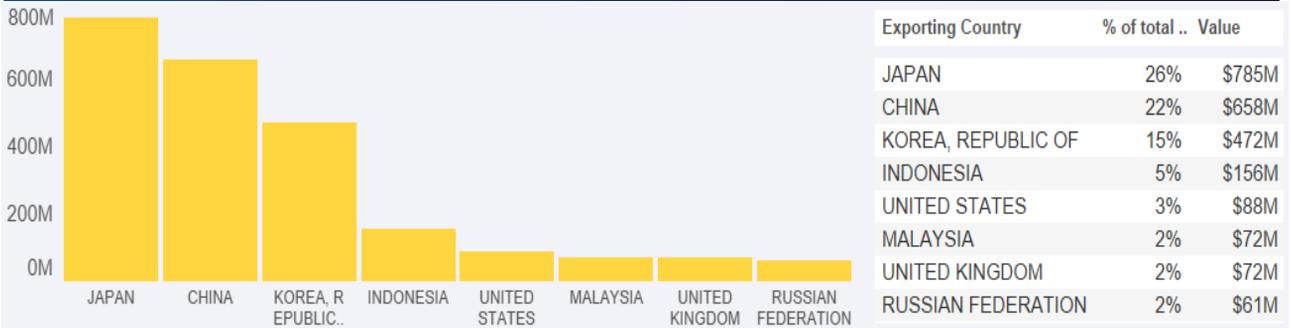


End-use	% of total ..	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	39%	\$1,186M
Trade / Dealer	12%	\$354M
Melting	10%	\$314M
Steel making	10%	\$290M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	9%	\$281M
Power	3%	\$103M
Pipe and Tube	3%	\$92M
API / Oil and Gas	2%	\$55M

### Key points

- Top 2 End use industries contribute more than 50% of imports
- End use industries with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec '23
  - Power- 78 M to 103M | Earth-Moving / Mining M/Cs / Yellow Goods - 11M to 34M | Infrastructure Projects- 15M to 38M
- End use industries with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Automobiles & Components - 437M to 1186M | Power - 79M to 103M | Infrastructure Projects - 18M to 38M
- End use industries with highest decrease in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Steel Making - 422M to 290M | Trade/Dealer - 458M to 354M | Melting - 399M to 314M

## Imports by exporting country (\$M)- Jan'24



### Key points

- Top 5 countries contribute to 50% of imports
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - Korea from 290.85M to 472.23M
  - China from 569.17M to 658.46M
  - Malaysia from 45.39M to 72.43M
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Japan from 177M to 785M
  - Korea from 277M to 472M
  - Malaysia 31M to 72M
- Exporting countries with highest decrease in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Vietnam from 273M to 59M
  - United States from 171M to 88M
  - Austria from 58M to 2M

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## Imports despite domestic availability

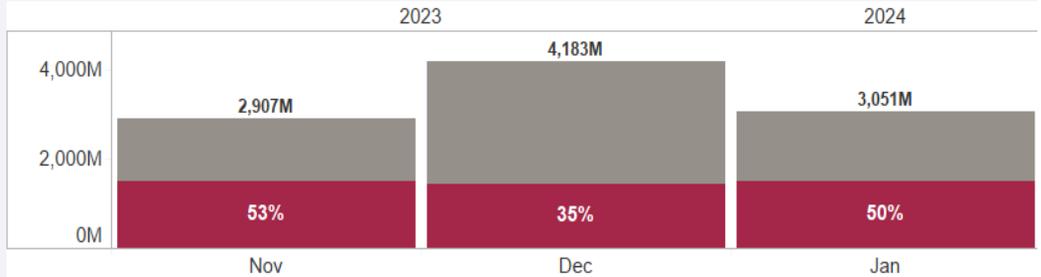
### Imports despite domestic availability – Month wise registrations (\$M)

% imports which are available in India

44%

India available   
 No   
 Yes

M-o-M trend

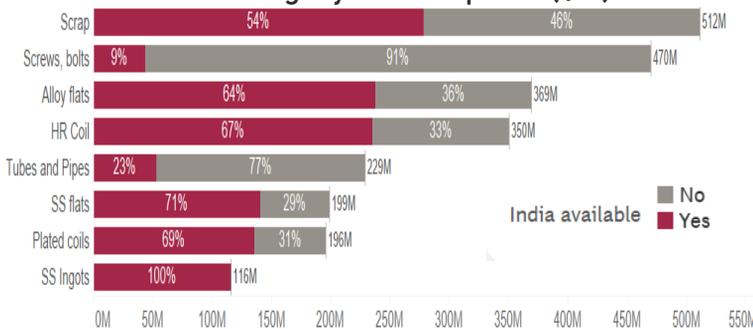


#### Key points

- Imports of 1513M in Jan'24 were domestically available vs monthly average(Nov'23 to Jan'24) of 1501M
- Domestically available imports in Jan'24(1513M) were 4% Higer than Dec'23(1450M)
- Highest value of imports which are available in India in Jan'24
  - 219M for Alloy Flats – Automobile & Components | 112M for SS Ingots- Steel making | 91M for HR Coil – Gen Engg / Capital Goods

### Imports By Product category – Jan'24

Product category wise imports (\$M)



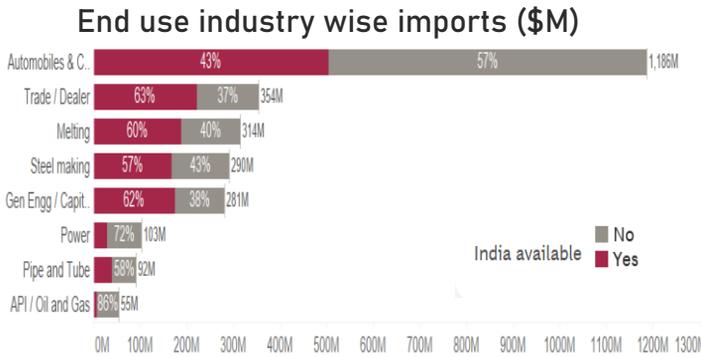
Share of Major Product category

Category	% of Total	Value
Scrap	18%	\$279M
Alloy flats	16%	\$238M
HR Coil	16%	\$235M
SS flats	9%	\$141M
Plated coils	9%	\$136M
SS Ingots	8%	\$116M
Ferroalloys	4%	\$62M
Tubes and Pipes	4%	\$53M

#### Key points

- Product categories with more than 50% imports available in India(Ex-scrap) in Jan'24
  - Alloy Flats, HR Coil, SS Flats, Plated coils ,SS Ingots, Ferro alloys, Tubes and Pipes.
- Product categories with highest increase in imports available in India in Jan'24
  - HR Coil – 116M to 235M | Alloy Flats – 151M to 238M | Plated coils – 75M to 136M

## Imports by End-use wise - Jan'24



### Highest imports available in India

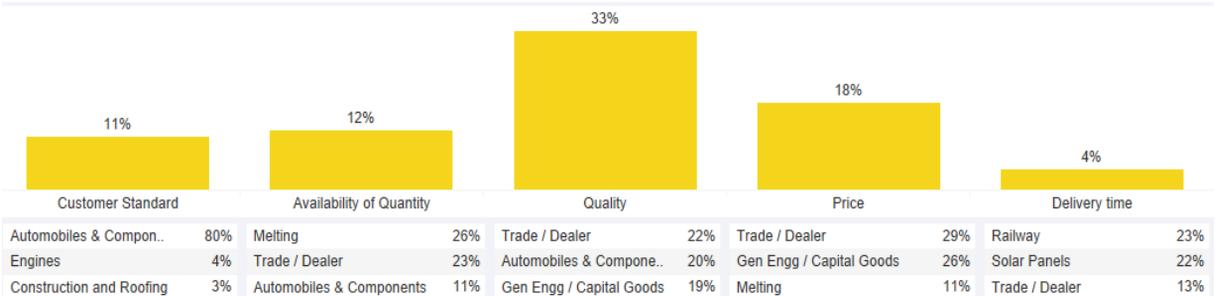
Category	% of Total	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	33%	\$505M
Trade / Dealer	15%	\$223M
Melting	12%	\$189M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	12%	\$176M
Steel making	11%	\$167M
Pipe and Tube	3%	\$39M
Engines	2%	\$32M
Power	2%	\$29M

### Key points

- End-use industries with more than 50% imports available in India in Jan'24
  - Automobiles & Component, Trade / Dealer, Melting.
- End-use industries with highest increase in imports available in Jan'24
  - Automobiles & Component - 348M to 505M | Gen Engg / Capital Goods - 154M to 176M | Power - 18M to 29M

## Import reasons for products available in India

% indicated the share out of all imports



### Key points

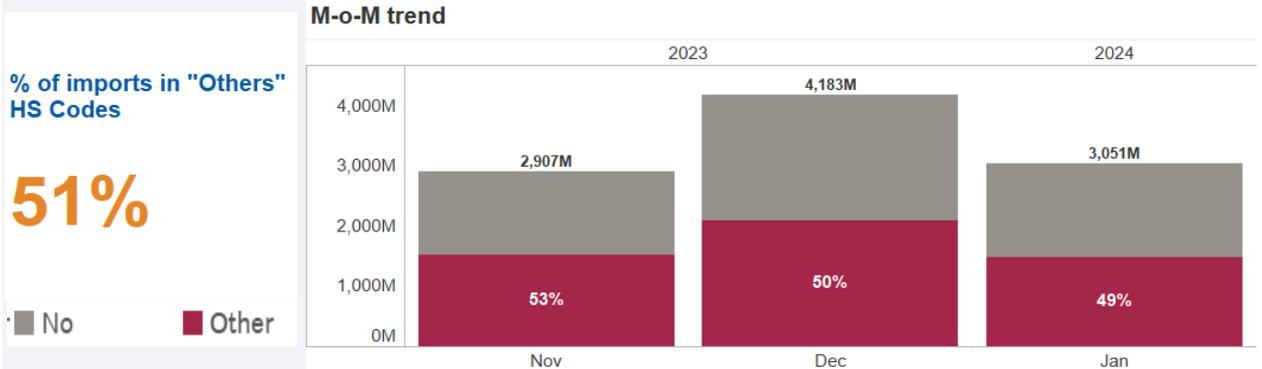
- Share of imports due to price has Decreased 18% from Jan'24 to Dec'23.
- Major end uses which import due to price in Jan'24 – Trade/ Dealer, Gen Engg/Capital Goods , Melting.
- Major end uses which import due to quality in Jan'24 – Trade/ Dealer , Automobiles & Component, Gen Engg/Capital Goods.

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## "Others" HS Codes

### Month-wise registrations (\$M)

List of "Others" HS codes attached in Annexures

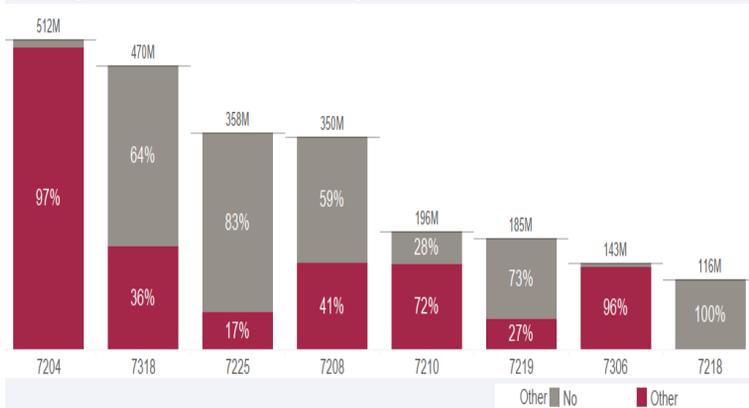


#### Key points

- Imports of 1504M in Jan'24 were under "Others" HS codes vs monthly average(Nov'23 to Jan'24) of 1713M
- Value of imports under "Others" in Jan'24 were 29% Lower than Dec'23

### 4 digit HS Code wise-Jan'24

#### 4 digit HS Code wise imports (\$M)



#### Highest imports under "Others"

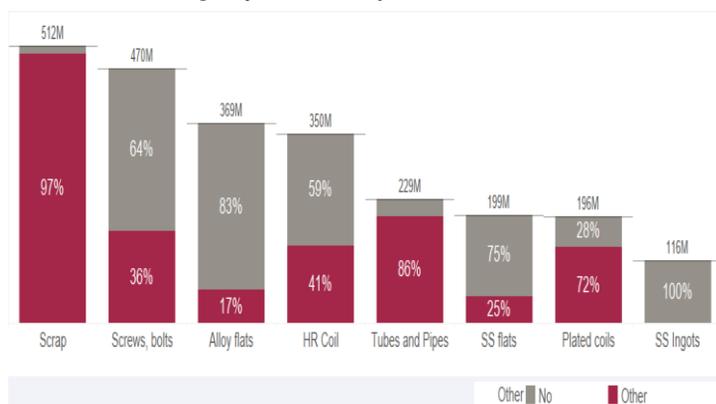
Category	% of Total	Value
7204	33%	\$499M
7318	11%	\$171M
7208	10%	\$143M
7210	9%	\$141M
7306	9%	\$137M
7225	4%	\$60M
7304	3%	\$52M
7219	3%	\$50M

#### Key points

- Four digit code with increasing share of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - 7306 - 19M to 137M | 7318 - 90M to 171M | 7210 - 67M to 141M
- Four digit code with highest increase of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - 7208 - 66M to 143M | 7210 - 65M to 141M | 7225 - 34M to 60M

## Product category wise - Jan'24

### Product category wise imports (\$M)



### Highest imports under "Others"

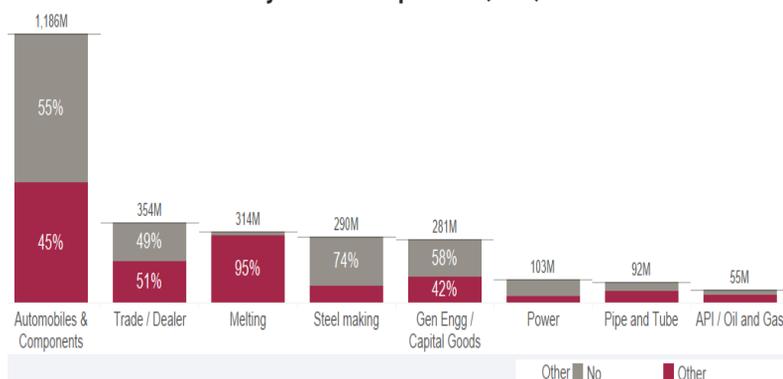
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HR Coil	10%	\$143M
Plated coils	9%	\$141M
Alloy flats	4%	\$62M
SS flats	3%	\$50M

### Key points

- Product categories with increasing share of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Tubes and Pipes- 63M to 198M | Screws, Bolts - 90M to 171M | Plated coils - 67M to 141M
- Product categories with highest increase in share of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - HR Coil- 66M to 143M | Plated coils - 65M to 141M | Alloy Flats - 36M to 62M

## End-use industry wise- Jan'24

### End use industry wise imports (\$M)



### Highest imports under "Others"

Category	% of Total	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	35%	\$529M
Melting	20%	\$298M
Trade / Dealer	12%	\$181M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	8%	\$117M
Steel making	5%	\$74M
Pipe and Tube	4%	\$53M
API / Oil and Gas	2%	\$34M
Power	2%	\$28M

### Key points

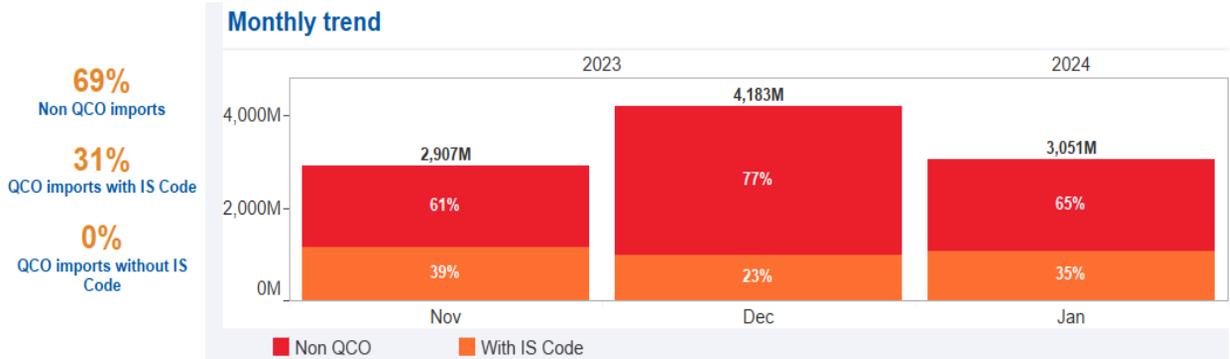
- End-use industries with increasing share of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Nov'23
  - Automobile & Components - 216M to 529M | Pipe and Tubes - 26M to 53M | Infrastructure Projects - 1M to 14M
- End-use industries with highest increase in share of "Others" in Jan'24 w.r.t. Dec'23
  - Gen. Engg/Capital Goods - 94M to 117M | Earth Moving/Mining M/cs / Yellow Goods - 9M to 22M | Pipe and Tubes- 41M to 53M

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## Imports under QCO

### Month-wise registrations (\$M)

QCO imports – Imports under HS codes which have active QCOs

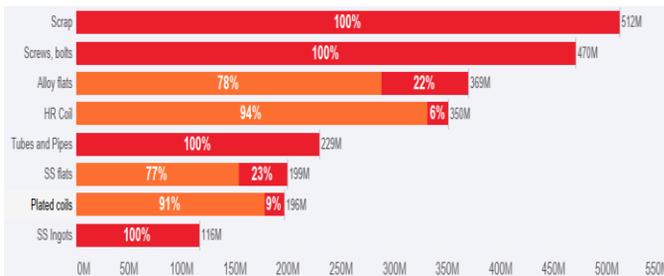


#### Key points

- Imports of 1063M in Jan'23 are under QCO vs monthly average(Nov'23 to Jan'24) of 1054M
- 35% of imports in Jan'24 are under QCO vs monthly average(Nov'23 to Jan'24) of 31%

### Non QCO imports – Product wise (\$M)-Jan'24

#### Imports by Product category



#### Share of Major Non QCO category

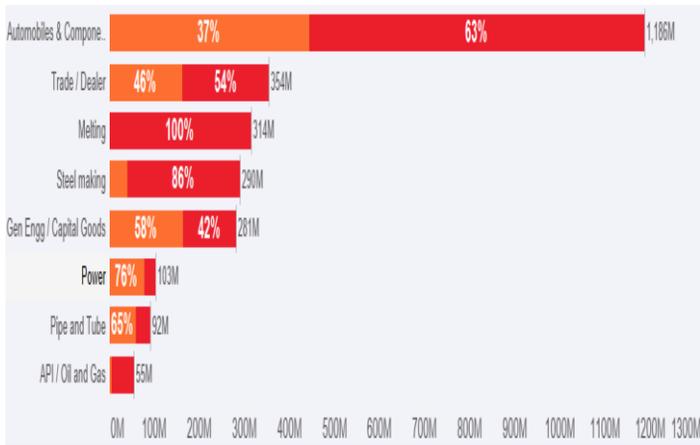
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Screws, bolts	24%	\$470M
Tubes and Pipes	12%	\$229M
SS Ingots	6%	\$116M
Ferroalloys	5%	\$107M
Alloy flats	4%	\$82M
Structres and parts of st..	3%	\$68M

#### Key points

- Product categories with highest Non QCO imports (Ex. Scrap) in Jan'24  
Screws, bolts , Tubes and Pipes, SS Ingots , Ferro Alloys, Alloy Flats, Structures and parts of st.
- Product categories with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Jan'24 (Ex. Scrap)
  - Structures and parts of structures from 31M to 68M
  - DRI- Lumps, pellets from 23M to 42M
  - HR Coil from 2M to 19M

## Non QCO imports – End use wise (\$M)- Jan'24

### Imports by End-use



### Share of Major Non QCO End-use industries

End-use	% of total ..	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	37%	\$743M
Melting	16%	\$314M
Steel making	13%	\$250M
Trade / Dealer	10%	\$192M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	6%	\$117M
API / Oil and Gas	2%	\$48M
Railway	2%	\$35M
Pipe and Tube	2%	\$32M

### Key points

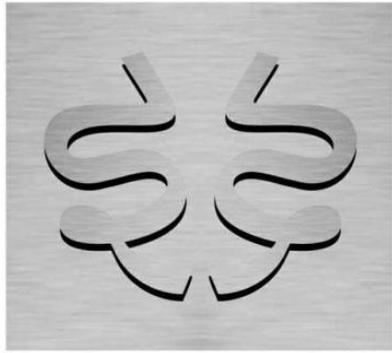
- End-use industries with highest Non QCO imports in Jan'24
  - Automobiles & Component, Melting , Steel making, Trade/ Dealer.
- End use industries with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Jan'24
  - Infrastructure Projects from 10M to 32M
  - Earth Moving/ Mining, M/cs / Yellow Goods from 10M to 32M
  - Power from 17M to 24M

## Non-QCO imports(ex-Scrap) – Top HS codes (\$M) – Nov'23 to Jan'24

Hs Desc	≡	Value
73069090 - OTHER TUBES,PIPES ETC.OF IRON/STEEL N..		568M
73182200 - OTHER WASHERS,NON-THREADED		399M
72189100 - Of rectangular (other than square) cross-section		325M
73181500 - OTHR SCREWS AND BOLTS W/N WTH NUTS ..		253M
73269099 - ALL OTHER ARTICLES OF IRON/STEEL NES ..		185M
72259200 - FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL..		164M
72031000 - FERS PRDCT OBTND BY DRCT RDCTN OF IR..		106M
72022100 - FERRO-SILICON CONTNG>55% OF SILICON		76M
72191200 - HT-RLLD PRDCTS IN COILS OF THCKNS >=4...		68M
72026000 - FERRO-NICKEL		62M
86071910 - AXLES,WHEELS ETC.FR RLWAY WAGONS A..		57M
86071990 - OTHER PARTS OF AXLES AND WHEELS FOR..		52M
72011000 - NON-ALLOY PIG IRON CONTNG <=0.5% PHO..		51M
73089010 - BEAMCHANNELS,PILLARS AND GIRDERS P..		50M
73089090 - OTHER STRUCTURE AND PARTS OF STRUC..		48M
73110030 - High pressure cylinder (working pressure		45M
73121090 - OTHERS(E.G.TRANSMISSION BELTING)		43M
72029300 - FERRO-NIOBIUM		35M
73129000 - PLAITED BAND,SLINGS AND LIKE OF IRON O..		32M
73042990 - OTHER		32M
73181900 - OTHER THREADED ARTICLES		31M
72112950 - STRIPS OF FLT-RLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ..		31M
73045930 - TUBS/PIPS ETC OF CRCLR CRSS-SECTN WI..		30M
73079990 - NON-GALVANISED		29M
73021010 - RAILWAY RAILS		28M
72027000 - FERRO-MOLYBDENUM		28M
72103090 - OTHR FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALO..		26M
73049000 - OTHR SEAMLESS TUBES/PIPES AND HOLO..		24M
72189910 - BILLETS		23M
73079190 - NON-GALVANISED		23M
72251990 - OTHER FLT-RLD PRDCTS OF SILICON ELCT..		23M
73064000 - OTHER,WELDED,OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SEC..		22M
73181400 - SELF-TAPPING SCREWS,THREADED		21M
73044100 - OTHR TUBS,PIPE AND HOLO PROFILE OF CI..		21M
73121020 - WIRE ROPES,GALVANISED		19M
73182990 - OTHER NON-THREADED ARTICLES N.E.S.		19M



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