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# Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS)

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Report on import registrations till  
March 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**  
**\$6,963M**

#### M-o-M trend



#### Key points

- Imports in Mar'24 – 1947M
- Average monthly imports from Jan'24 to Mar'24 – 2321M
- Imports in Mar'24(1947M) is 1% Lower than Feb'24(1965M)
- Imports in Mar'24(1947M) is 36% Lower than Jan'24(3051M)

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

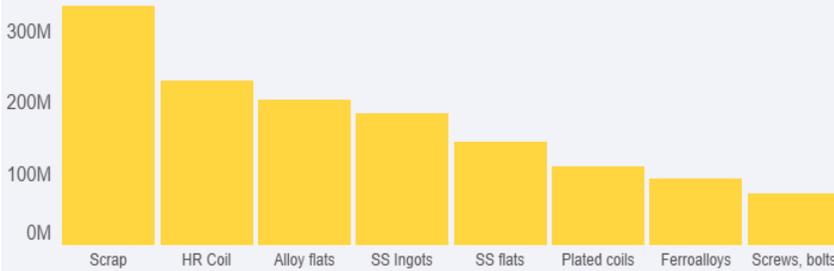
SNo.	Product category	Country	Value % share
1	Screws, bolts	JAPAN	6%
2	SS Ingots	INDONESIA	5%
3	HR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	5%
4	SS flats	CHINA	5%
5	Alloy flats	JAPAN	4%
6	Plated coils	KOREA, REPUBLI..	4%
7	HR Coil	JAPAN	3%
8	Alloy flats	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%

- Top 10 groups contribute to 34% of imports
- Highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - SS Ingots –Indonesia from 73.05M to 178.81M
  - HR Coil – Japan from 57.97M to 95.47M
  - Gas Containers – India from 12.28M to 38.77M
- Highest decrease seen in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - Screws, bolts – United States from 76.09M to 1.99M
  - SS Flats – China from 132.82M to 78.15M
  - Screws, bolts – China from 57.84M to 16.79M

# 2

## Category wise imports

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

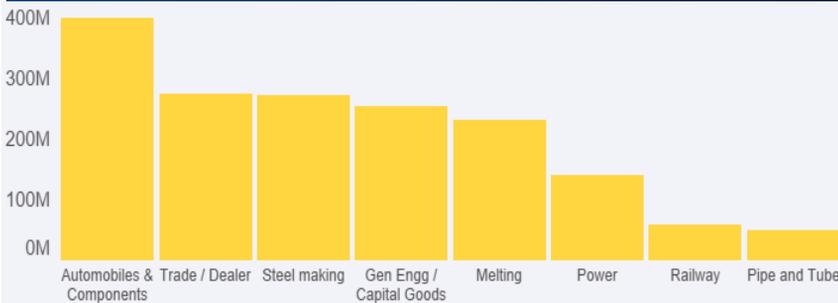


Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	17%	\$337M
HR Coil	12%	\$232M
Alloy flats	11%	\$205M
SS Ingots	10%	\$185M
SS flats	7%	\$146M
Plated coils	6%	\$111M
Ferroalloys	5%	\$94M
Screws, bolts	4%	\$73M

### Key points

- Top 4 categories contribute to 50% of imports
- Product categories with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - SS Ingots - 75M to 185M | HR Coil - 185M to 232M | Ferroalloys - 64M to 94M
- Product categories with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - SS Ingots - 116M to 185M | Gas Containers - 4M to 42M | Stranded wire, ropes - 35M to 65M
- Product categories with highest decrease in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24(Ex. Scrap)
  - Screws, bolts - 470M to 73M | Alloy Flats - 369M to 205M | Tubes and pipes - 229M to 69M

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

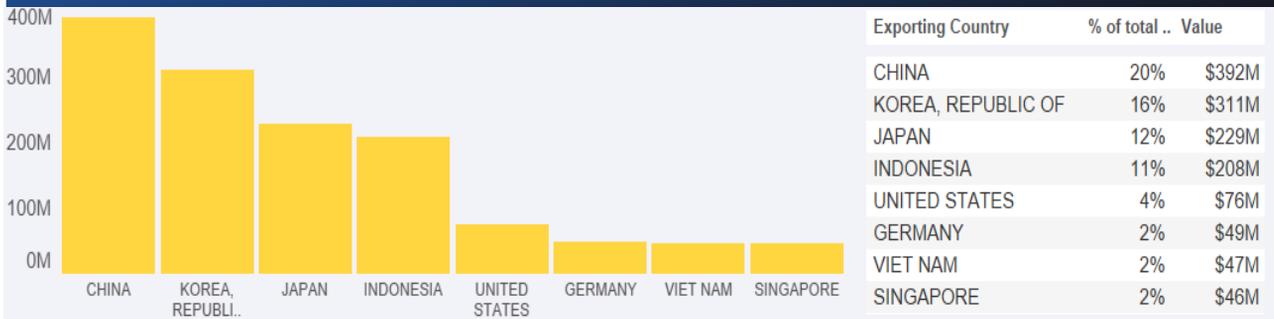


End-use	% of total ..	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	21%	\$400M
Trade / Dealer	14%	\$276M
Steel making	14%	\$273M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	13%	\$253M
Melting	12%	\$231M
Power	7%	\$141M
Railway	3%	\$59M
Pipe and Tube	3%	\$50M

### Key points

- Top 4 End use industries contribute more than 50% of imports
- End use industries with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - Power- 75M to 141M | Steel Making - 210M to 273M | Gen Engg / Capital Goods - 203M to 253M
- End use industries with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Power - 103M to 141M | LPG / CNG - 6M to 39M | Railway - 36M to 59M
- End use industries with highest decrease in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Automobiles & Components - 1186M to 400M | Melting - 314M to 231M | Trade /Dealer - 354M to 276M

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



### Key points

- Top 4 countries contribute more than 50% of imports
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - Indonesia from 98.12M to 208.45M
  - Korea from 262.09M to 311.39M
  - Singapore from 11.78M to 46.13M
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Indonesia from 156M to 208M
  - India from 6M to 42M
  - Singapore from 14M to 46M
- Exporting countries with highest decrease in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Japan from 785M to 229M
  - China from 658M to 392M
  - Korea from 472M to 311M

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## Imports despite domestic availability

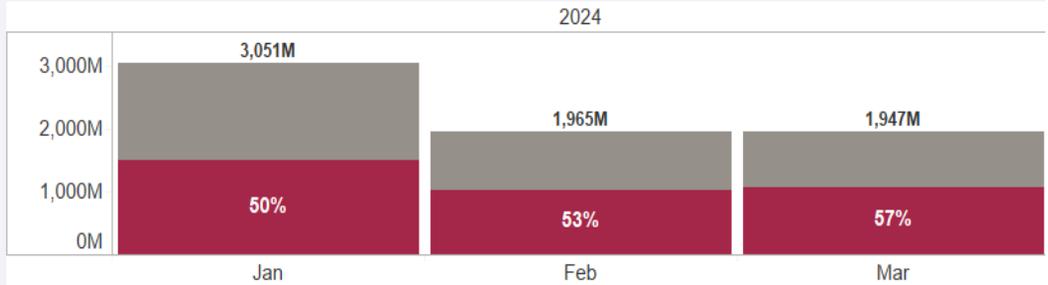
### Imports despite domestic availability – Month wise registrations (\$M)

% imports which are available in India

53%

India available  
■ No  
■ Yes

M-o-M trend

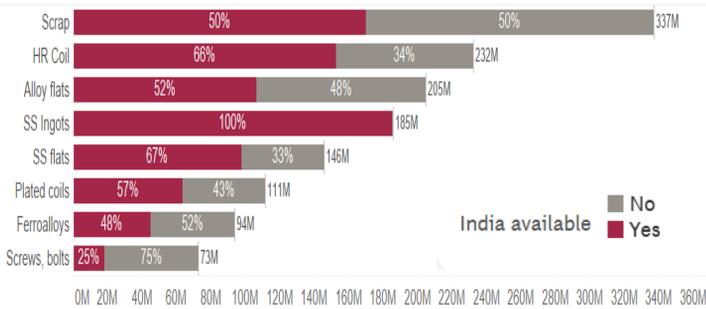


#### Key points

- Imports of 1100M in Mar'24 were domestically available vs monthly average (Jan'24 to Mar'24) of 1219M
- Domestically available imports in Mar'24 (1100M) were 5% Higher than Feb'24 (1043M)
- Highest value of imports which are available in India in Mar'24
  - 179M for SS Ingots – Steel Making | 59M for HR Coil, Gen-Engg / Capital Goods | 49M for Alloy Flats – Automobiles & Components

### Imports By Product category – Mar'24

Product category wise imports (\$M)



Share of Major Product category

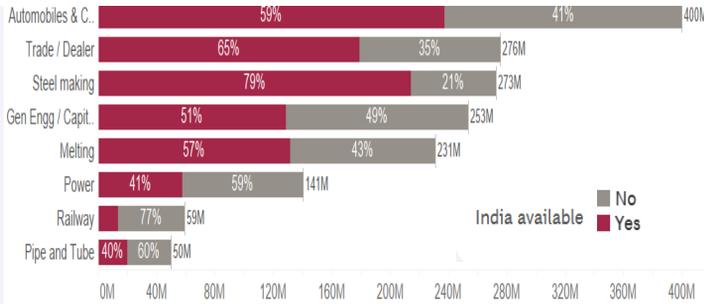
Category	% of Total	Value
SS Ingots	17%	\$185M
Scrap	15%	\$170M
HR Coil	14%	\$153M
Alloy flats	10%	\$107M
SS flats	9%	\$98M
Plated coils	6%	\$63M
Ferroalloys	4%	\$45M
CR Coil	4%	\$41M

#### Key points

- Product categories with more than 50% imports available in India (Ex-scrap) in Mar'24
  - SS Ingots, HR Coil, Alloy Flats, SS Flats, Plated coils, Ferroalloys, CR Coil.
- Product categories with highest increase in imports available in India in Mar'24
  - SS Ingots – 74M to 185M | Alloy Flats – 59M to 107M | Gas Containers – 14M to 38M

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

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



### Highest imports available in India

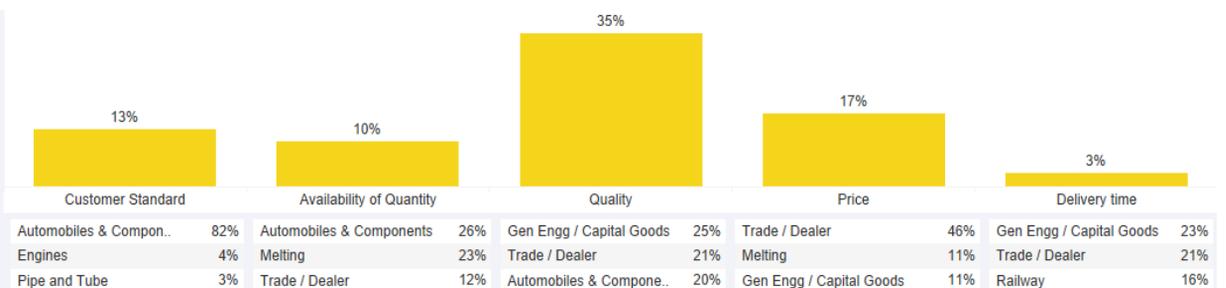
Category	% of Total	Value
Automobiles & Compon..	22%	\$237M
Steel making	19%	\$214M
Trade / Dealer	16%	\$179M
Melting	12%	\$132M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	12%	\$129M
Power	5%	\$58M
LPG/CNG	3%	\$32M
Pipe and Tube	2%	\$20M

### Key points

- End-use industries with more than 50% imports available in India in Mar'24
  - Automobiles & Component, Steel Making, Trade / Dealer,
- End-use industries with highest increase in imports available in Mar'24
  - Steel Making - 114M to 214M | LPG/CNG - 1M to 32M | Power - 35M to 58M

## Import reasons for products available in India

% indicated the share out of all imports



### Key points

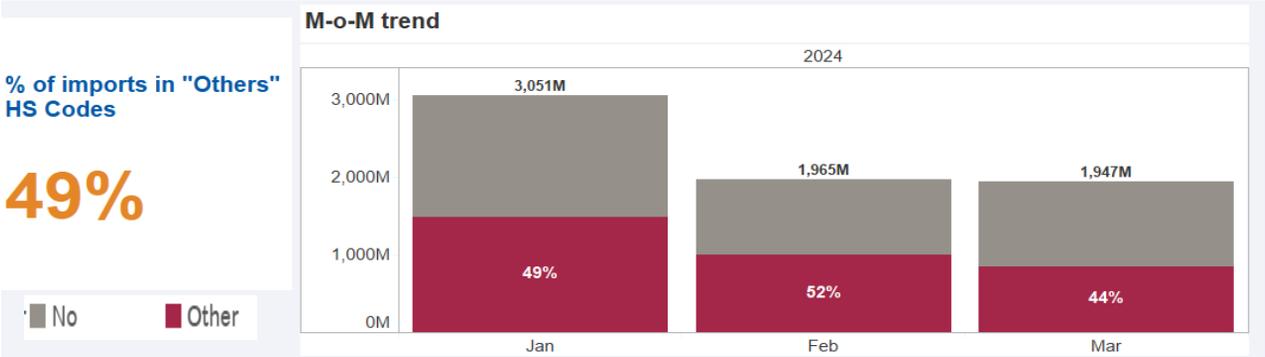
- Share of imports due to price has Decreased 22% from Mar'24 to Feb'24.
- Major end uses which import due to price in Mar'24 - Trade/ Dealer, Melting, Engg/Capital Goods.
- Major end uses which import due to quality in Mar'24 - Gen Engg/Capital Goods, Trade/ Dealer, Automobiles & Components.

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## "Others" HS Codes

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

List of "Others" HS codes attached in Annexures

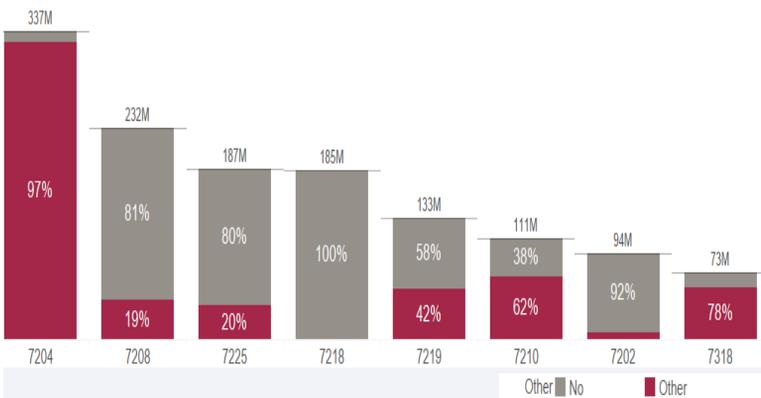


### Key points

- Imports of 863M in Mar'24 were under "Others" HS codes vs monthly average (Jan'24 to Mar'24) of 1128M
- Value of imports under "Others" in Mar'24 were 15% Lower than Feb'24

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

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



#### Highest imports under "Others"

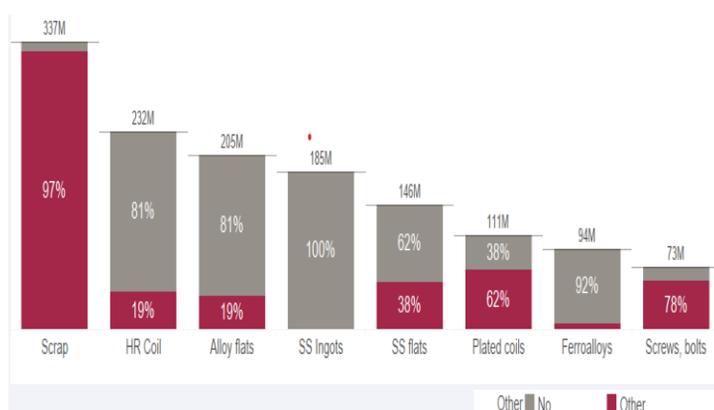
Category	% of Total	Value
7204	38%	\$326M
7210	8%	\$69M
7318	7%	\$57M
7219	6%	\$55M
7208	5%	\$44M
7312	5%	\$43M
7326	4%	\$37M
7225	4%	\$37M

### Key points

- Four digit code with increasing share of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - 7312 - 16M to 43M | 7307 - 3M to 15M | 7202 - 1M to 11M
- Four digit code with highest increase of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - 7312 - 21M to 43M | 7209 - 18M to 34M | 7219 - 43M to 55M

## Product category wise - Mar'24

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



### Highest imports under "Others"

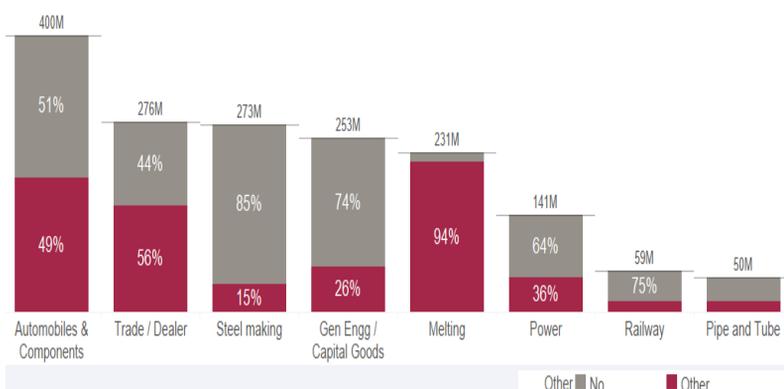
Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	38%	\$326M
Plated coils	8%	\$69M
Screws, bolts	7%	\$57M
SS flats	6%	\$55M
HR Coil	5%	\$44M
Stranded wire, ropes	5%	\$43M
Tubes and Pipes	5%	\$40M
Alloy flats	5%	\$40M

### Key points

- Product categories with increasing share of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Stranded wire, ropes – 16M to 43M | Tube or Pipe fittings – 3M to 15M | Railway material – 1M to 11M
- Product categories with highest increase in share of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - Stranded wire, ropes – 21M to 43M | CR Coil – 18M to 34M | SS Flats – 43M to 55M

## End-use industry wise- Mar'24

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



### Highest imports under "Others"

Category	% of Total	Value
Melting	25%	\$217M
Automobiles & Compon..	23%	\$195M
Trade / Dealer	18%	\$153M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	8%	\$65M
Power	6%	\$51M
Steel making	5%	\$41M
Pipe and Tube	2%	\$16M
Railway	2%	\$15M

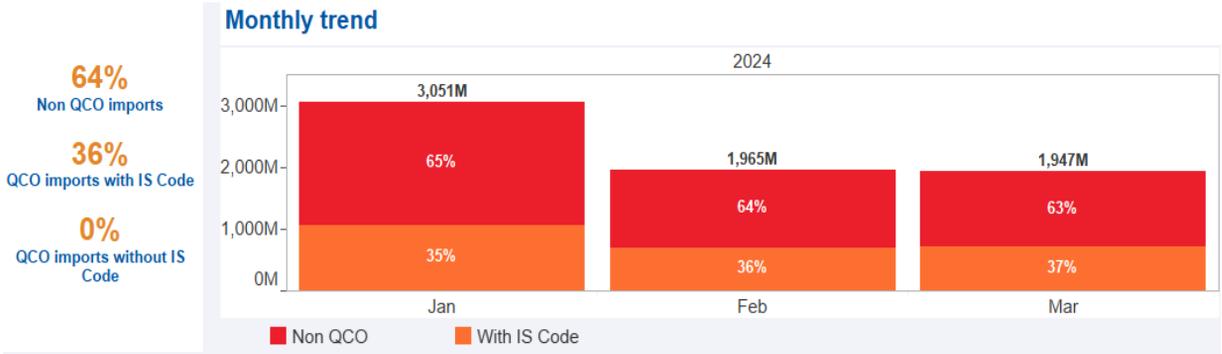
- End-use industries with increasing share of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Jan'24
  - Power – 28M to 51M | Railway – 4M to 15M | Bearing Steel – 3M to 4M
- End-use industries with highest increase in share of "Others" in Mar'24 w.r.t. Feb'24
  - Trade/Dealer – 126M to 153M | Power – 25M to 51M | Railway – 1M to 15M

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## Imports under QCO

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

QCO imports – Imports under HS codes which have active QCOs

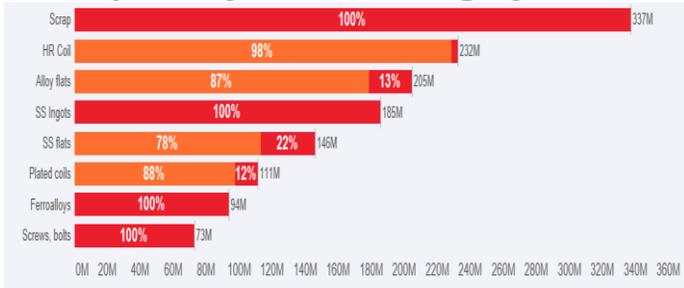


#### Key points

- Imports of 712M in Mar'24 are under QCO vs monthly average (Jan'24 to Mar'24) of 824M
- 37% of imports in Mar'24 are under QCO vs monthly average (Jan'24 to Mar'24) of 36%

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

#### Imports by Product category



#### Share of Major Non QCO category

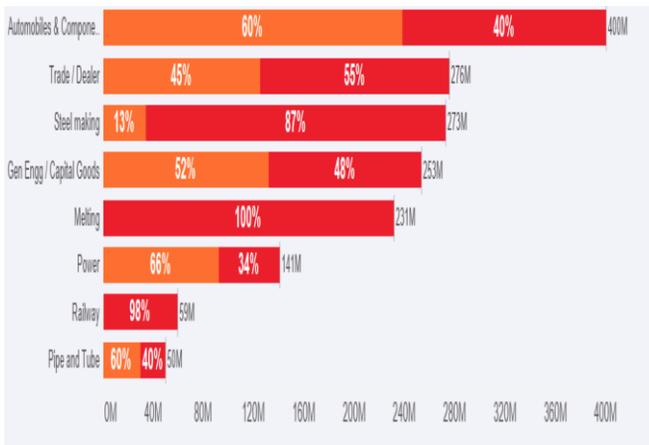
Product category	% of total	Value
Scrap	27%	\$337M
SS Ingots	15%	\$185M
Ferroalloys	8%	\$94M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$73M
Tubes and Pipes	6%	\$69M
Stranded wire, ropes	5%	\$65M
Rail locomotives	4%	\$48M

#### Key points

- Product categories with highest Non QCO imports (Ex. Scrap) in Mar'24  
SS Ingots, Ferro Alloys, Screws, bolts, Tubes and Pipes, Stranded wire, ropes, Rail locomotives
- Product categories with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Mar'24
  - SS Ingots from 75M to 185M
  - Ferroalloys from 64M to 94M
  - Stranded wire, ropes from 40M to 65M

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

### Imports by End-use



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

End-use	% of total ..	Value
Steel making	19%	\$238M
Melting	19%	\$231M
Automobiles & Compon..	13%	\$162M
Trade / Dealer	12%	\$151M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	10%	\$122M
Railway	5%	\$58M
Power	4%	\$48M
LPG/CNG	3%	\$39M

### Key points

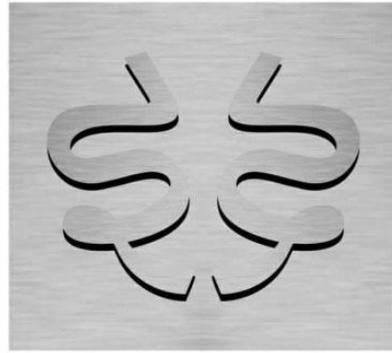
- End-use industries with highest Non QCO imports in Mar'24
  - Steel making, Melting, Automobiles & Component, Trade/ Dealer.
- End use industries with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Mar'24
  - Steel making from 165M to 238M
  - Gen Engg. / Capital Goods from 80M to 122M
  - Power from 17M to 48M

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

Hs Desc	≡	Value
73181600 - THREADED NUTS		310M
72189100 - Of rectangular (other than square) cross-section		277M
73181500 - OTHR SCREWS AND BOLTS W/N WTH NUTS ..		147M
73182200 - OTHER WASHERS, NON-THREADED		136M
73069090 - OTHER TUBES, PIPES ETC. OF IRON/STEEL N..		127M
73269099 - ALL OTHER ARTICLES OF IRON/STEEL NES ..		116M
72189910 - BILLETS		98M
72259200 - FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL..		91M
73182990 - OTHER NON-THREADED ARTICLES N.E.S.		91M
72031000 - FERS PRDCT OBTND BY DRCT RDCTN OF IR..		81M
73121090 - OTHERS(E.G. TRANSMISSION BELTING)		79M
72022100 - FERRO-SILICON CONTNG>55% OF SILICON		68M
73110030 - High pressure cylinder (working pressure		58M
72026000 - FERRO-NICKEL		57M
86071910 - AXLES, WHEELS ETC. FR RLWAY WAGONS A..		55M
73089090 - OTHER STRUCTURE AND PARTS OF STRUC..		51M
72029300 - FERRO-NIOBIUM		48M
73079990 - NON-GALVANISED		40M
86071990 - OTHER PARTS OF AXLES AND WHEELS FOR..		38M
73129000 - PLAIED BAND, SLINGS AND LIKE OF IRON O..		37M
72251990 - OTHER FLT-RLD PRDCTS OF SILICON ELCT..		36M
72191200 - HT-RLLD PRDCTS IN COILS OF THCKNS >=4..		33M
73089010 - BEAMSCHANNELS, PILLARS AND GIRDERS P..		33M
72103090 - OTHR FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALO..		30M
73181900 - OTHER THREADED ARTICLES		26M
73045930 - TUBS/PIPS ETC OF CRCLR CRSS-SECTN WI..		24M
73064000 - OTHER, WELDED, OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SEC..		24M
73121020 - WIRE ROPES, GALVANISED		23M
73049000 - OTHR SEAMLESS TUBES/PIPES AND HOLO..		22M
72091690 - OTHR FLT RLD PRDCTS IN COILS NT FRTHR ..		21M
73051919 - Other		19M
72027000 - FERRO-MOLYBDENUM		18M
72082640 - Strip		18M
73209090 - OTHERS OF OTHER SPRINGS OF IRON/STEEL		17M
73181400 - SELF-TAPPING SCREWS, THREADED		16M
73081000 - Bridges and bridge-sections		16M



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