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# Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS)

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Report on import registrations till  
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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)

#### M-o-M trend

**Total imports**  
**\$1,312M**



#### Key points

- Imports in Mar'22 - 1432M
- Average monthly imports - 1564 M
- Imports in Mar'22 (1432M) is 6% lower than Feb'22 (1516M)

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

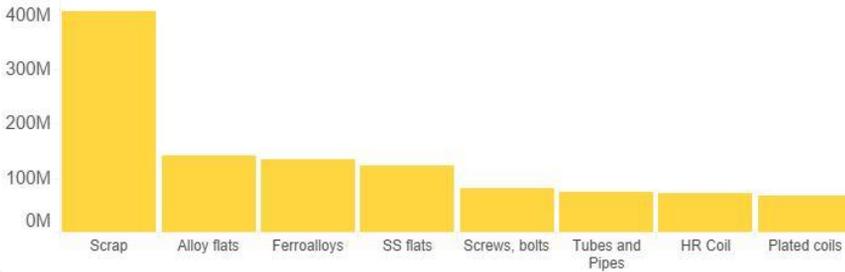
SNo.	Product category	Country	Value % share
1	Scrap	UNITED ARAB EM..	6%
2	HR Coil	KOREA, REPUBLI..	5%
3	Alloy flats	KOREA, REPUBLI..	3%
4	SS flats	INDONESIA	3%
5	SS flats	CHINA	3%
6	Scrap	UNITED STATES	3%
7	Tubes and Pipes	CHINA	3%
8	Alloy flats	JAPAN	2%

- Top 10 groups contribute to 31% of imports
- Highest increase seen in Mar'22
  - Scrap - UAE from 54.03M to 83.48M
  - SS flats - China from 14.09M to 38.80M
  - Screws, bolts - Thailand from 2.99M to 15.09M
- Highest decrease seen in Mar'22
  - Ferroalloys - Indonesia from 107.35M to 15.70M
  - CR Coil - South Korea from 72.69M to 7.74M
  - Alloy Flats - South Korea from 111.24M to 48.54M

# 2

## Category wise imports

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

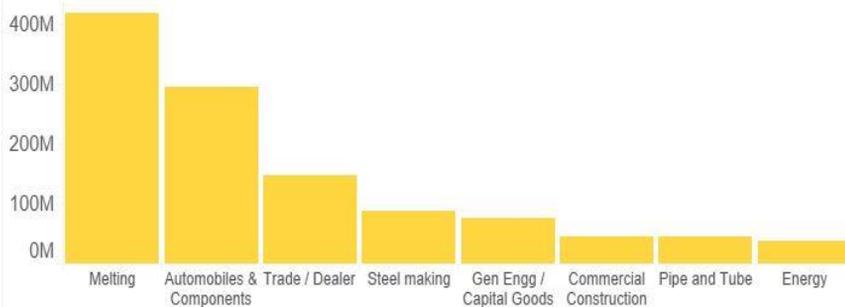


Product category	% of total ..	Value
Scrap	28%	\$407M
Alloy flats	10%	\$141M
Ferroalloys	9%	\$134M
SS flats	9%	\$122M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$80M
Tubes and Pipes	5%	\$73M
HR Coil	5%	\$71M
Plated coils	5%	\$67M

### Key points

- Top 4 categories contribute to 50% of imports
- Product categories with highest increase in Mar'22
  - Screws, bolts - 48M to 80M | SS flats - 109M to 122M | Rail maintenance vehicles - 0M to 10M
- Product categories with highest increase in past 3 months
  - Stranded wire, ropes - 29M to 37M | SS Ingots - 3M to 10M | Pilings - 0M to 5M
- Product categories with highest decrease in past 3 months
  - Ferroalloys - 229M to 134M | SS flats - 205M to 122M | Alloy flats - 218M to 141M

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

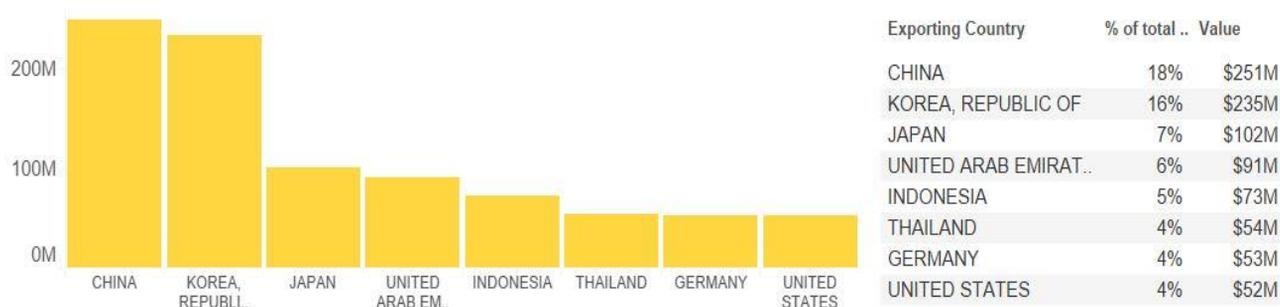


End-use	% of total ..	Value
Melting	29%	\$418M
Automobiles & Compon..	21%	\$295M
Trade / Dealer	10%	\$148M
Steel making	6%	\$87M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	5%	\$76M
Commercial Construction	3%	\$45M
Pipe and Tube	3%	\$44M
Energy	3%	\$39M

### Key points

- Top 17 End use industries contribute to 50% of imports
- End use industries with highest increase in Mar'22
  - Trade/Dealer - 79M to 148M | Railway - 10M to 38M | Gen Eng./Capital goods - 50M to 76M
- End use industries with highest increase in past 3 months
  - Commercial Construction - 27M to 45M | Free Cutting - 2M to 20M | Wire Rope- 2M to 9M
- End use industries with highest decrease in past 3 months
  - Trade/Dealer - 216M to 148M | Syeel Making - 145M to 87M | Pipe and tube - 92M to 44M

## Imports by exporting country (\$M)



### Key points

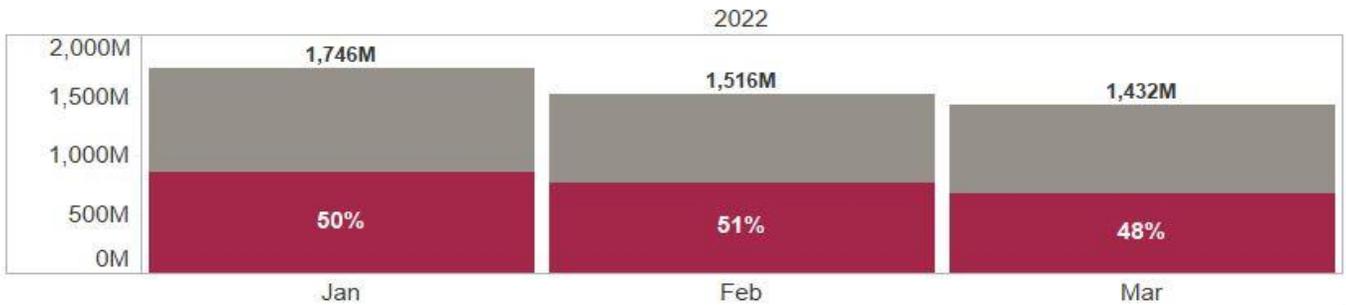
- Top 7 countries contribute to ~50% of imports
- Exporting countries with highest increase in Mar'22
  - UAE from 59M to 91M
  - Germany from 28M to 52M
  - Thailand from 30M to 53.5M
- Exporting countries with highest increase in past 3 months
  - UAE from 49M to 91M
  - Thailand from 42M to 54M
  - Italy from 20M to 31M
- Exporting countries with highest decrease in past 3 months
  - Indonesia from 205M to 73M
  - China from 353M to 251M
  - Korea from 301M to 253M

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## Imports despite domestic availability

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

#### M-o-M trend

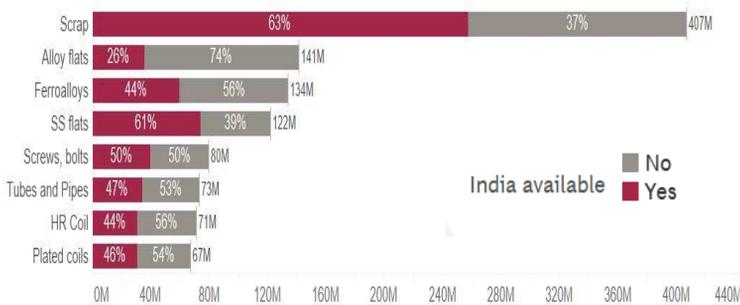


#### Key points

- Imports of 690M in Mar'22 were domestically available vs monthly average of 778M
- Share of domestically available imports in Mar'22 (690M) is -11% lower than Feb'22 (776M)
- Highest value of imports which are available in India (ex-Scrap) in Mar'22
  - 131M of SS flats – Trade/dealer
  - 89M of HR Coil – Automobiles & Components
  - 86M of Ferroalloys – Melting

### Product category wise

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



#### Highest imports available in India

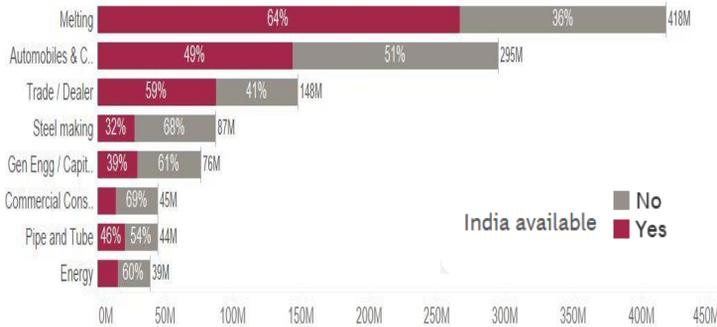
Category	% of Total	Value
Scrap	37%	\$258M
SS flats	11%	\$74M
Ferroalloys	9%	\$60M
Screws, bolts	6%	\$40M
Alloy flats	5%	\$36M
Tubes and Pipes	5%	\$34M
HR Coil	5%	\$31M
Plated coils	4%	\$31M

#### Key points

- Product categories with >80% imports available in India in Mar'22
  - CR Coils, SS Ingots,
- Product categories with highest increase in imports available in India (ex-Scrap) in Mar'22
  - Screws, bolts - 14M to 40M | SS flats - 67M to 74M | SS Ingots - 3M to 10M

## End-use wise

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



### Highest imports available in India

Category	% of Total	Value
Melting	39%	\$267M
Automobiles & Compon..	21%	\$144M
Trade / Dealer	13%	\$88M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo..	4%	\$30M
Steel making	4%	\$28M
Pipe and Tube	3%	\$20M
Domestic	2%	\$17M
Energy	2%	\$15M

### Key points

- End-use industries with > 50% imports available in India in Mar'22
  - Automobiles & Components, Trade/ Dealer, Aerospace.
- End-use industries with highest increase in imports available in India in Mar'22
  - Trade/Dealer - 62M to 88M | Gen Engg./Capital Goods - 17M to 30M | Commercial Construction - 2M to 14M

## Import reasons for products available in India

% indicated the share out of all imports



### Key points

- Share of imports due to price has increased by 510% from Feb'22 to Mar'22
- Major end uses which import due to price in Mar'22 – Melting, Pipe and tube, Trade/ Dealer.
- Major end uses which import due to quality in Mar'22 –Automobile & Components, Melting ,Trade / Dealer

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## "Others" HS Codes

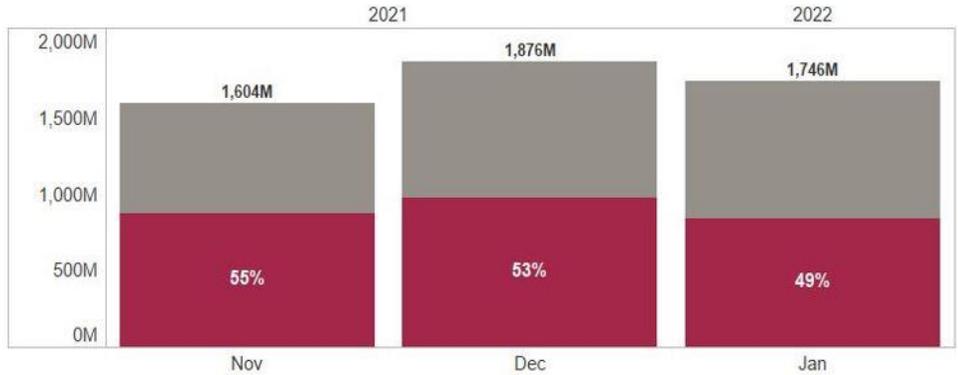
### Month-wise registrations (\$M)

List of "Others" HS codes attached in Annexures

% of imports in "Others" HS Codes

52%

■ No ■ Other

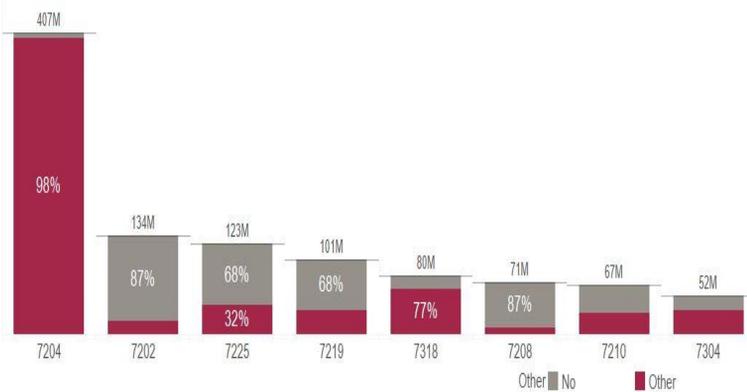


### Key points

- Imports of 775M in Mar'22 were under "Others" HS codes vs monthly average of 794M
- Value of imports under "Others" in Mar'22 were 3% higher than Feb'22

### 4 digit HS Code wise

4 digit HS Code wise imports (\$M)



Highest imports under "Others"

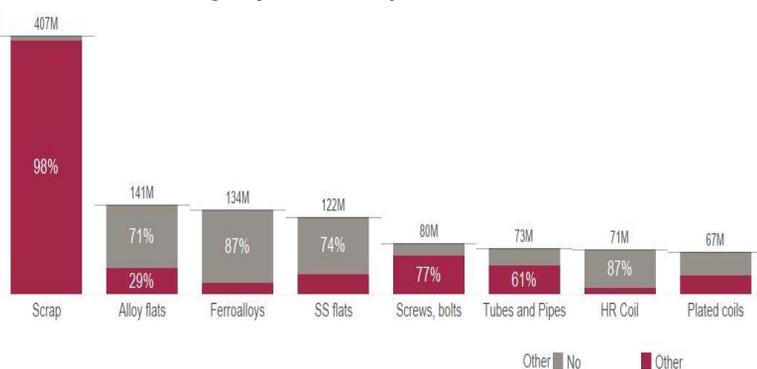
Category	% of Total	Value
7204	52%	\$400M
7318	8%	\$62M
7225	5%	\$39M
7304	4%	\$32M
7219	4%	\$32M
7326	4%	\$30M
7210	4%	\$29M
7312	3%	\$20M

### Key points

- Four digit code with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
  - 7204 - 390M to 408M | 7228 - 13M to 19M | 7318 - 57M to 62M
- Four digit code with highest increase of "Others" in Mar'22
  - 7318 - 33M to 62M | 7312 - 12M to 20M | 7320 - 3M to 5M

## Product category wise

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



### Highest imports under "Others"

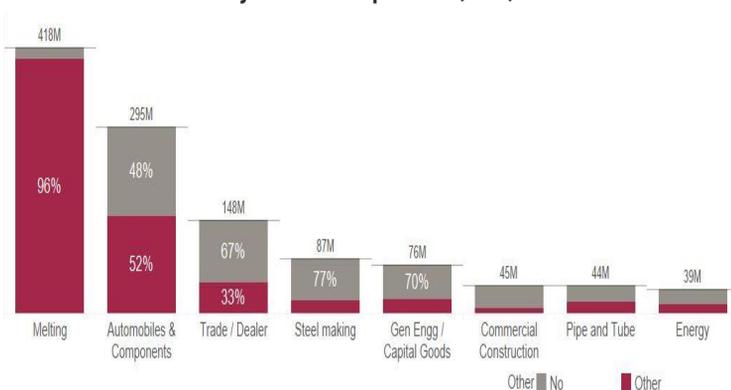
Category	% of Total	Value
Scrap	52%	\$400M
Screws, bolts	8%	\$62M
Tubes and Pipes	6%	\$45M
Alloy flats	5%	\$41M
SS flats	4%	\$32M
Plated coils	4%	\$29M
Alloy longs	3%	\$20M

### Key points

- Product categories with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
  - Alloy longs - 13M to 20M | Screw, bolts - 57M to 62M | CR Coils - 3M to 6M
- Product categories with highest increase in share of "Others" in Mar'22
  - Screw, bolts - 33M to 62M | Alloy flats - 32M to 41M | Stranded wire, ropes - 12M to 20M

## End-use industry wise

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



### Highest imports under "Others"

Category	% of Total	Value
Melting	52%	\$401M
Automobiles & Compon...	20%	\$154M
Trade / Dealer	6%	\$49M
Gen Engg / Capital Goo...	3%	\$23M
Steel making	3%	\$20M
Pipe and Tube	2%	\$18M
Energy	2%	\$14M
Re-rolling	2%	\$14M

### Key points

- End-use industries with increasing share of "Others" for the past 3 months
  - Automobile & Components - 142M to 154M | Free Cutting - 0M to 6M | Commercial construction - 5M to 7M
- End-use industries with highest increase in share of "Others" in Mar'22
  - Trade/Dealer - 33M to 49M | Re-rolling - 2M to 14M | Energy - 7M to 14M

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## Imports under QCO

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

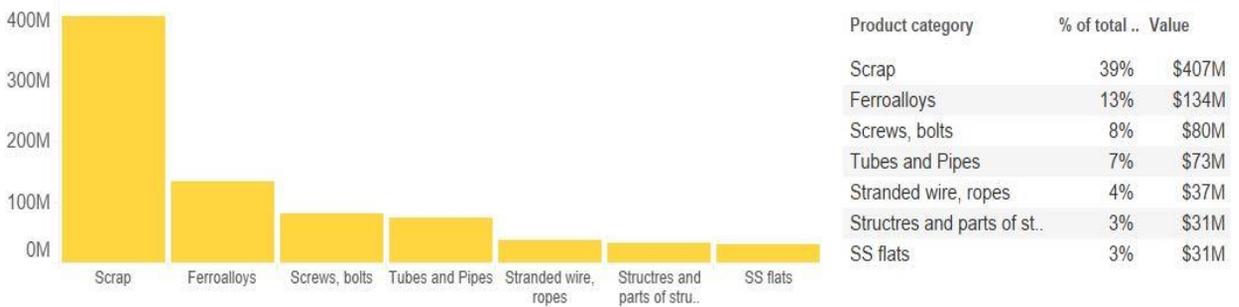
QCO imports – Imports under HS codes which have active QCOs



#### Key points

- Imports of 400M in Mar'22 are under QCO vs monthly average of 489M
- 28% of imports in Mar'22 are under QCO

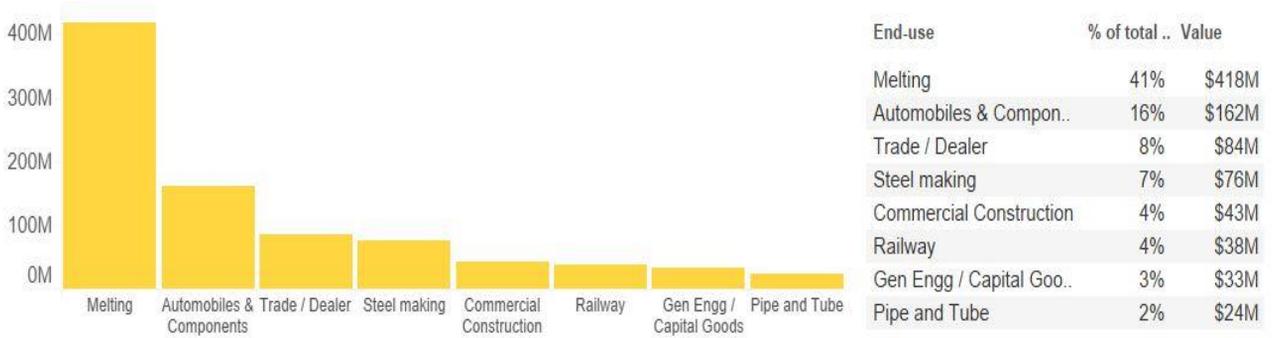
### Non QCO imports – Product wise (\$M)



#### Key points

- Product categories with highest Non QCO imports (ex - Scrap) in Mar'22- Screw & bolts, rail maintenance vehicles, stranded wire and ropes
- Product categories with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Mar'22 (ex- scrap)-
  - Screw, bolts from 48M to 80M
  - Rail maintenance vehicles from 0M to 10M
  - Stranded wire, ropes from 28M to 37M

## Non QCO imports – End use wise (\$M)



### Key points

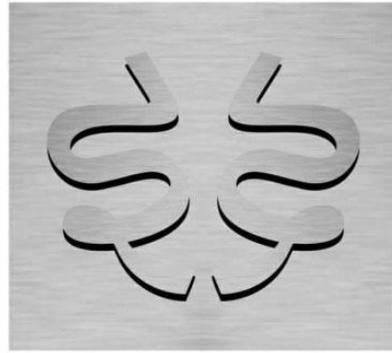
- End-use industries with highest Non QCO imports in Mar'22 – Trade/Dealer, Railway, Commercial construction
- End use industries with highest increase of Non QCO imports in Mar'22
  - Trade/Dealer from 41M to 84M
  - Railway from 9M to 38M
  - Commercial construction from 25M to 43M

## Non-QCO imports – Top HS codes (\$M)

Hs Desc	Value
72026000 - FERRO-NICKEL	260M
72022100 - FERRO-SILICON CONTNG>55% OF SILICON	115M
73181500 - OTHR SCREWS AND BOLTS W/N WTH NUTS ..	105M
73269099 - ALL OTHER ARTICLES OF IRON/STEEL NES ...	79M
72191200 - HT-RLLD PRDCTS IN COILS OF THCKNS >=4...	67M
73089010 - BEAMCHANNELS,PILLARS AND GIRDERS P..	51M
73121090 - OTHERS(E.G.TRANSMISSION BELTING)	49M
72021900 - OTHER FERRO-MANGANESE	46M
72029300 - FERRO-NIOBIUM	46M
73089090 - OTHER STRUCTURE AND PARTS OF STRUC..	36M
72209029 - Other	35M
73081000 - Bridges and bridge-sections	35M
72251990 - OTHER FLT-RLD PRDCTS OF SILICON ELCT..	32M
73181600 - THREADED NUTS	31M
73045930 - TUBS/PIPS ETC OF CRCLR CRSS-SECTN WI..	31M
73044100 - OTHR TUBS,PIPE AND HOLO PROFILE OF CI..	28M
72027000 - FERRO-MOLYBDENUM	27M
73121020 - WIRE ROPES,GALVANISED	26M
73049000 - OTHR SEAMLESS TUBES/PIPES AND HOLO..	23M
73021010 - RAILWAY RAILS	21M
73079990 - NON-GALVANISED	20M
72103090 - OTHR FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF IRON/NON ALO..	20M
73064000 - OTHER,WELDED,OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SEC..	20M
73181900 - OTHER THREADED ARTICLES	20M
72173010 - WIRE, 18 SWG AND THICKER	19M
72259200 - FLT ROLD PRDCTS OF OTHER ALLOY STEEL..	18M
72024100 - FERRO-CHROMIUM CARBON CONTNG>4% B..	18M
72091690 - OTHR FLT RLD PRDCTS IN COILS NT FRTHR ...	17M
86040000 - RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY MAINTENANCE OR ...	17M
73043939 - OTHER MADE ABOVE 219.1 MM OUTER DIAM..	17M
73129000 - PLAITED BAND,SLINGS AND LIKE OF IRON O..	16M
73042990 - OTHER	16M
72042990 - OTHERS	16M
72189910 - BILLETS	15M
72022900 - OTHER FERRO-SILICON	14M
73066100 - OF SQUARE OR RECTANGULAR CROSS-SEC..	13M
73041110 - TUBES AND PIPES	13M



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