



## **Indian Trade Journal - Commodity Profile Report**

**Commodity EXIM Report for 4<sup>th</sup> week of April, 2025 dated  
23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2025**

### **Export**

**ITCHS 8901– Cruise ships, Excursion Boats, Ferry  
– Boats, Cargo Ships, Barges and  
Similar Vessels for the Transport of  
Persons or Goods**

### **Import**

**ITCHS 2704– Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite  
or of Peat, Whether or not  
Agglomerated; Retort Carbon**

# Commodity EXIM Report

## DGCI&S, ITJ Division

The weekly EXIM Report published by ITJ Division of DGCI&S, Kolkata presents some basic insights into India's export and import trade patterns with respect to selected set of commodities identified each week in order to facilitate preliminary commodity group/sector specific analysis for informed trade decision making.

2. For both categories of trades, one commodity group is chosen from the entire ITC-HS 4-digit Classification (latest being 2023-2024 classification system). The Indian Trade Classification based on Harmonized System has been adopted in India for Export and Import Operations. While India specific data is sourced from DGCI&S, M/o C & I Database, global export-import data of exactly those sets of commodities are sourced from UN-COMTRDADE Database.

3. As regards the time-period, this report outlines trade statistics over a period of four years, i.e., 2020-2021 to 2023-2024. The latest finalized data available on the UN Comtrade Database is only up to year 2023 (Calendar Year) and on the DGCI&S Database up to February, 2025. So, for each commodity group dealt in this report, trends from 2020 to 2023 have been showcased where data has been sourced from UN Comtrade and from 2020-2021 to 2023-2024 when sourced from DGCI&S database.

4. In the instant report [4<sup>th</sup> weekly Commodity EXIM Report of April, 2025 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2025] the following two commodities have been dealt with:

- **Export: Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships, Barges and Similar Vessels for the Transport of Persons or Goods [ ITC HS Code –8901 ]** - In FY 2023-2024 this commodity group has 0.34% share in India's total export value basket as per DGCI&S database. India had occupied the 12<sup>th</sup> slot in export of this commodity (exported 1124.06million USD) with 1.41% share of total global exports in the year 2023.
- **Import: Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon [ ITC HS Code – 2704 ]** –In FY 2023-24 this commodity group had share of 0.21% in India's total import value basket as per DGCI&S database. India having 12.50% share of total global imports of this commodity (1406.42 million USD) occupied the 2<sup>nd</sup> slot in the world in 2023.

## EXPORT

**Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships, Barges and Similar Vessels for the Transport of Persons or Goods** classified as H.S. Code – 8901 which falls under Chapter -89 (Ships, boats and floating structures) of Section-XVII (Vehicles, Aircraft, Vessels and Associated Transport Equipment ) as per ITC-HS classification.

India is engaged in the process of exporting this commodity and in 2023-2024 this commodity group had share of 0.34% share in India’s total export value basket as per DGCI&S database.

**Table – 1**

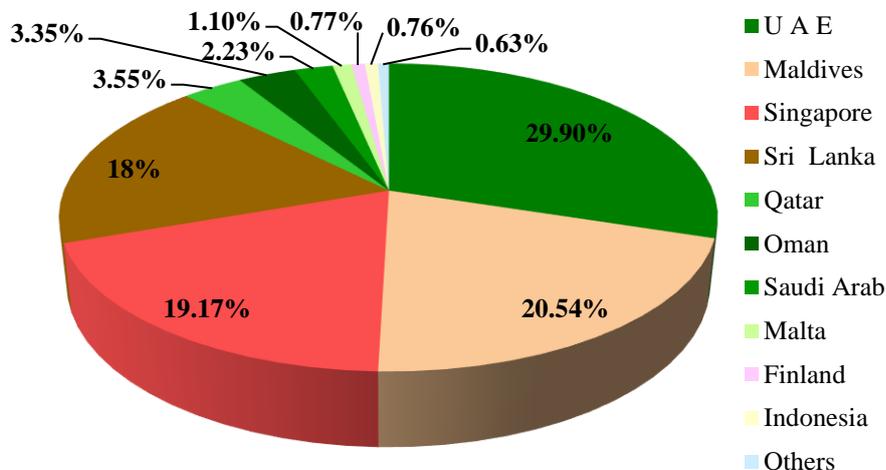
**India’s Top 10 destinations of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc (H.S Code-8901)**

Rank	Countries	2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)						
1.	UAE	80.95	12.04	79.97	19.11	212.02	21.33	449.37	29.90
2.	Maldives	0.00	0.00	1.14	0.27	13.42	1.35	308.68	20.54
3.	Singapore	106.76	15.88	125.10	29.89	416.57	41.92	288.03	19.17
4.	Sri Lanka	167.38	24.90	13.35	3.19	46.24	4.65	270.45	18.00
5.	Qatar	24.88	3.70	0.00	0.00	27.97	2.81	53.39	3.55
6.	Oman	3.16	0.47	44.00	10.51	27.21	2.74	50.30	3.35
7.	Saudi Arab	24.80	3.69	2.46	0.59	49.93	5.02	33.49	2.23
8.	Malta	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.05	0.00	0.00	16.59	1.10
9.	Finland	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.60	0.77
10.	Indonesia	16.52	2.46	98.30	23.49	111.09	11.18	11.49	0.76
	Others	247.88	36.87	54.00	12.90	89.30	8.99	9.46	0.63
	<b>Total</b>	<b>672.32</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>418.52</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>993.75</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1502.88</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India’s Export includes re-export also

**India’s top 10 destinations of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc by percentage share in 2023**



The total value of export of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc from India in 2023-2024 amounted to USD 1502.88 million and registered a major increase of 51.23% compared to the

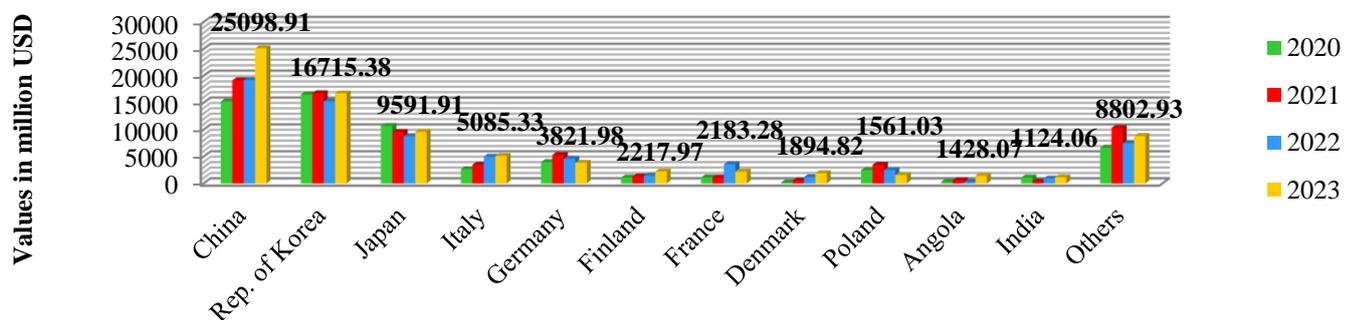
year 2022-2023 which figured to USD 993.75 million. For, the period under review, export of this segment was at USD 672.32 million in 2020-2021 followed by a decrease in 2021-2022 and then two major leaps in 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. UAE (USD 449.37 million) has held the top slot as an export destination in this segment with a whopping 29.90% share of India’s total export followed by Maldives (USD 308.68 million) and Singapore (USD 288.03 million) to where India exported around 20.54% and 19.17% shares of total export of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc respectively in 2023-2024.

**Table – 2**  
**World’s Top exporters of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc (H.S Code-8901)**

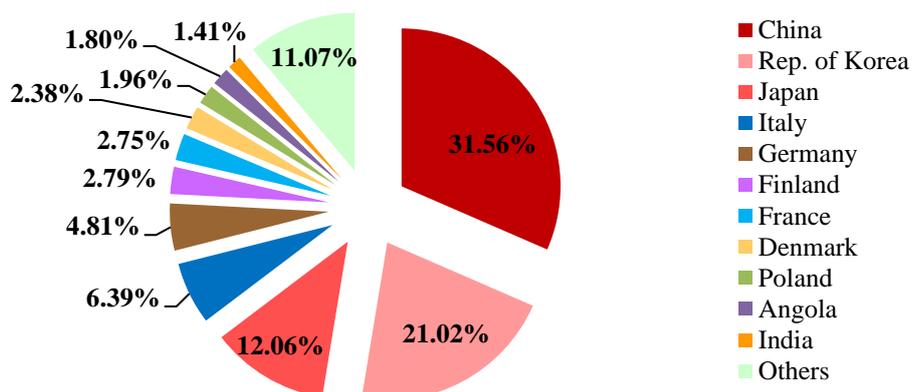
Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	China	15219.19	24.59	19154.86	26.69	19207.94	27.44	25098.91	31.56
2.	Rep. of Korea	16522.71	26.69	16755.90	23.35	15259.26	21.80	16715.38	21.02
3.	Japan	10690.80	17.27	9549.72	13.31	8761.47	12.51	9591.91	12.06
4.	Italy	2640.70	4.27	3456.70	4.82	4961.43	7.09	5085.33	6.39
5.	Germany	3942.97	6.37	5286.33	7.37	4565.55	6.52	3821.98	4.81
6.	Finland	1085.62	1.75	1283.91	1.79	1449.86	2.07	2217.97	2.79
7.	France	1110.95	1.79	1094.22	1.52	3562.56	5.09	2183.28	2.75
8.	Denmark	166.22	0.27	510.97	0.71	1166.21	1.67	1894.82	2.38
9.	Poland	2472.02	3.99	3459.91	4.82	2459.31	3.51	1561.03	1.96
10.	Angola	304.32	0.49	555.76	0.77	259.13	0.37	1428.07	1.80
<b>12.</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>1093.76</b>	<b>1.77</b>	<b>340.91</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>897.31</b>	<b>1.28</b>	<b>1124.06</b>	<b>1.41</b>
	Others	6651.55	10.75	10309.81	14.37	7459.25	10.65	8802.93	11.07
	<b>Total</b>	<b>61900.82</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>71758.99</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>70009.28</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>79525.67</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: UN Comtrade

**Leading exporters of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc globally from 2020 to 2023**



## World's 10 leading exporters of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc percentage share in 2023



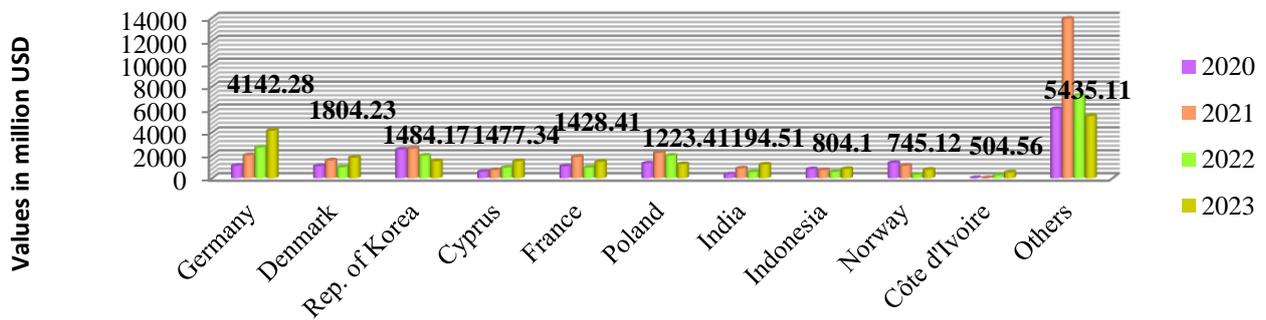
The global Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc export reached at USD 79525.67 million in 2023, increasing by 13.59% over the previous year. The lead exporter in this segment has consistently been China (exporting goods worth a total of USD 25098.91 million) with a share of 31.56% of world export in 2023. Rep of Korea (USD 16715.38 million) and Japan (USD 9591.91 million.) with 21.02% and 12.06% shares of world export in this segment in 2023 stood at 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> slots respectively. **India** (exporting goods worth a total of USD 1124.06 million in this category) with a show of 1.41% share, stood at 12<sup>th</sup> slot in 2023 of world export of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc as per UN Comtrade Statistics. India's share has been increasing from 2021 till 2023.

**Table – 3**  
**World's top 10 Importers of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc (H.S Code-8901)**

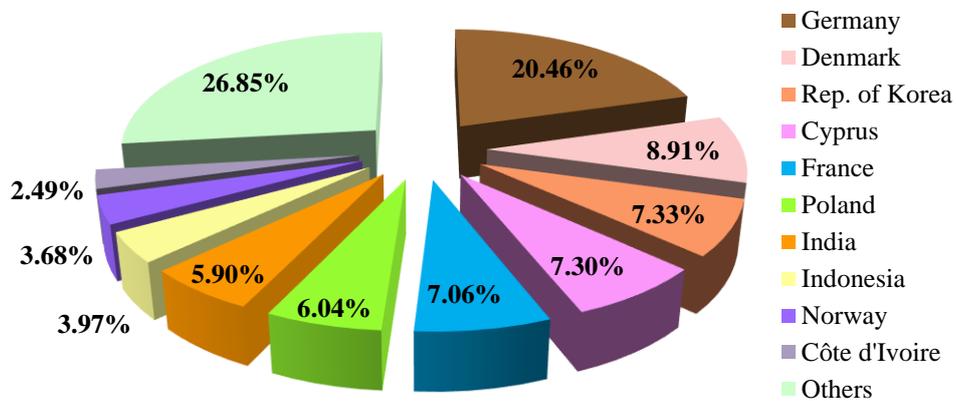
Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million \$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Germany	1084.61	6.77	1999.63	7.26	2686.34	14.71	4142.28	20.46
2.	Denmark	1053.61	6.58	1553.70	5.64	956.94	5.24	1804.23	8.91
3.	Rep. of Korea	2501.17	15.61	2600.90	9.44	1966.47	10.77	1484.17	7.33
4.	Cyprus	567.60	3.54	710.12	2.58	917.40	5.02	1477.34	7.30
5.	France	1035.41	6.46	1868.68	6.79	928.04	5.08	1428.41	7.06
6.	Poland	1282.54	8.00	2215.56	8.05	1964.10	10.75	1223.40	6.04
<b>7.</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>342.43</b>	<b>2.14</b>	<b>851.13</b>	<b>3.09</b>	<b>538.62</b>	<b>2.95</b>	<b>1194.51</b>	<b>5.90</b>
8.	Indonesia	786.63	4.91	710.06	2.58	548.96	3.01	804.10	3.97
9.	Norway	1334.17	8.33	1094.03	3.97	304.16	1.67	745.12	3.68
10.	Côte d'Ivoire	1.45	0.01	6.98	0.03	250.71	1.37	504.56	2.49
	Others	6032.72	37.65	13928.30	50.58	7205.40	39.44	5435.11	26.85
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16022.33</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>27539.09</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>18267.15</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>20243.22</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: UN Comtrade

**Leading importers of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc from 2020 to 2023**



**World's leading importers of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc by percentage share in 2023**

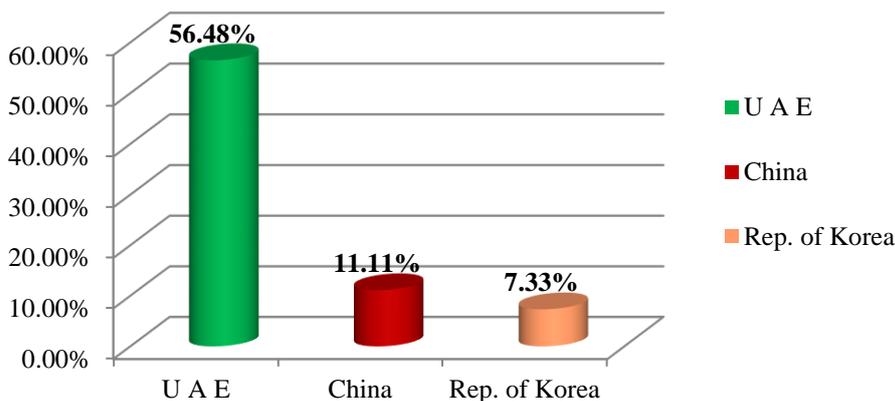


The Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc imports worldwide was USD 20243.22 million in 2023, increasing by 10.82% from 2022 levels. Over the period under review, global import was at record high at USD 27539.09 million in 2021 followed by a steep fall in 2022 and again an increase in 2023 with a major jump in 2021 compared to the 2020 figure. The lead importers in this segment in 2023 have been Germany (20.46%), Denmark (8.91%), and Rep. of Korea (7.33 %) and **India** had 5.90% share in this segment and stood at 7<sup>th</sup> slot in the world.

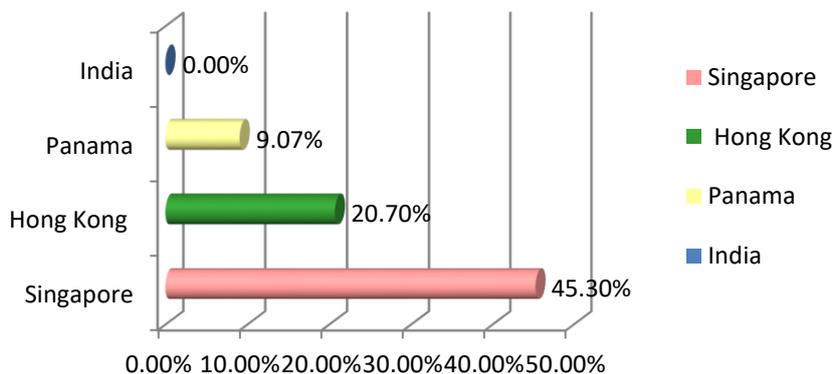
- Note: As per UN Comtrade Statistics, there remains a huge mismatch between world export and world import of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc. In 2023 world export exceeded world import by USD 59282.45 million.

As per UN Comtrade database in 2023 the top 3 importers of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc globally were **Germany, Denmark and Rep. of Korea**. Germany and Rep. of Korea had not traded in this segment with India. Only Denmark had imported only 0.0000002% share of its total import of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc. from India in 2023. Details are given below: (Source – UN Comtrade)

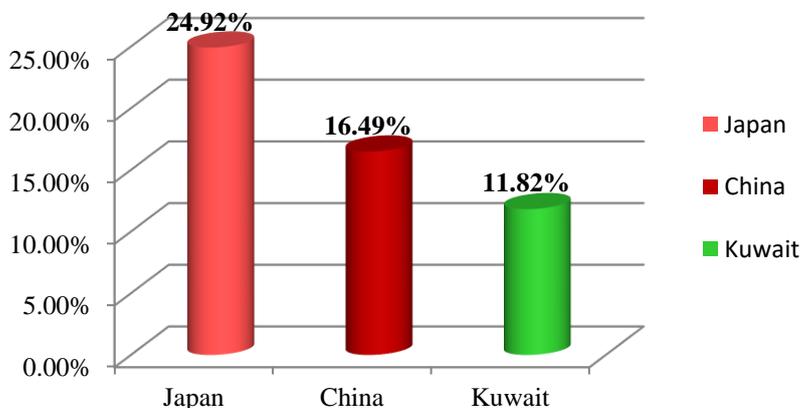
- i) Top 3 supplier nations of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc import to Germany in 2023 (percentage share)



- ii) Top 3 supplier nations of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc import to Denmark in 2023 (percentage share)



- iii) Top 3 supplier nations of Cruise ships, Excursion Boats Ferry – Boats, Cargo Ships etc import to Rep. of Korea in 2023 (percentage share)



## IMPORT

**Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon** classified as ITC-HS Code 2704 falls under Chapter-27 (Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral waxes) and Section V (Mineral Products) of ITC-HS classification.

India is engaged in the process of importing this commodity and in 2023-2024 this commodity group had share of only 0.21% in India's total import value basket.

**Table –4**  
**India's Top 10 Sources of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon (HS Code: 2704)**

Rank	Countries	2020-2021		2021-2022		2022-2023		2023-2024	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Poland	248.82	41.10	492.50	45.41	439.13	25.88	352.18	25.21
2.	Indonesia	38.81	6.41	42.41	3.91	118.70	7.00	221.71	15.87
3.	China	10.46	1.73	50.77	4.68	409.33	24.13	188.34	13.48
4.	Switzerland	46.25	7.64	74.33	6.85	91.21	5.38	136.96	9.80
5.	Colombia	111.49	18.41	168.40	15.53	165.84	9.78	136.53	9.77
6.	Singapore	10.33	1.71	9.38	0.86	85.25	5.03	101.65	7.28
7.	Japan	100.23	16.55	136.88	12.62	158.73	9.36	87.20	6.24
8.	Russia	30.01	4.96	18.94	1.75	40.93	2.41	85.77	6.14
9.	Australia	3.05	0.50	35.02	3.23	157.91	9.31	53.93	3.86
10.	UAE	1.05	0.17	0.86	0.08	20.66	1.22	16.32	1.17
	Others	4.97	0.82	55.07	5.08	8.77	0.52	16.56	1.19
	<b>Total</b>	<b>605.47</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1084.56</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1696.47</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1397.16</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Note: India's Import includes re-import also

The total amount of India's import of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon in 2023-2024 stood at USD 1397.16 million registering a decline by approximately 17.64% from 2022-2023 which was USD 1696.47 million. In 2023-2024 Poland (USD 352.18 million) stood out as the top importing partner of India in this segment with a share of 25.21% followed by Indonesia (15.87%) and China (13.48%). For, the period under review, import of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon by India was at USD 605.47 million in 2020-2021 followed by an incremental trend and steep rise up to the year 2022-2023 and then a down turn in 2023-2024.

**Table – 5**

**World’s Top 10 Importers of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon (HS Code: 2704)**

Rank	Countries	2020		2021		2022		2023	
		Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)	Value (million\$)	Share (%)
1.	Brazil	366.16	6.06	649.78	5.82	1563.59	10.56	1875.57	16.67
<b>2.</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>625.04</b>	<b>10.35</b>	<b>896.86</b>	<b>8.04</b>	<b>1625.36</b>	<b>10.97</b>	<b>1406.42</b>	<b>12.50</b>
3.	Germany	386.36	6.40	775.68	6.95	1286.59	8.69	1139.51	10.13
4.	U K	261.62	4.33	584.10	5.24	814.15	5.50	673.46	5.98
5.	Indonesia	187.33	3.10	368.13	3.30	623.01	4.21	630.42	5.60
6.	Canada	163.77	2.71	287.82	2.58	379.82	2.56	400.58	3.56
<b>7.</b>	Austria	110.41	1.83	54.39	0.49	433.77	2.93	385.91	3.43
8.	France	136.26	2.26	505.94	4.53	723.81	4.89	373.60	3.32
9.	South Africa	17.20	0.28	187.71	1.68	309.01	2.09	332.39	2.95
10.	Japan	134.38	2.23	1088.56	9.76	628.86	4.25	328.21	2.92
11.	Others	3650.24	60.45	5758.19	51.61	6423.97	43.37	3708.13	32.95
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6038.77</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>11157.16</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>14811.93</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>11254.19</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: UN Comtrade

Import of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon worldwide was USD 11254.19 million in 2023 registering a reduction by more than 24% vis-à-vis the previous year’s figure. In 202, **India** occupied the 2<sup>nd</sup> slot by way of importing up to 12.50% of global import of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon, followed by Germany with 10.13% share. The lead importer in this segment in 2023 was Brazil, who imported 16.67% share of global import of Coke and Semi-Coke of Coal, of Lignite or of Peat, Whether or not Agglomerated; Retort Carbon in 2023. India’s import value in this segment has been steadily increasing over the years as observable from 2020 to 2022 in above table with a major leap in 2022 and a moderate dip in 2023.