# INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION - APR'24

IIP grew 5%, beating expectations

Industrial production growth for Apr'24 at 5% was above our and consensus expectations. Growth was broad-based on the production side but on use-based categorisation, non-durables production contracted.

IIP growth exceeds consensus. India's industrial production rose 5% in Apr, exceeding expectations. Growth in mining and electricity accelerated, though manufacturing growth decelerated. Non-durables production contracted due to a strong base, while durables and infrastructure production increased.

Mining, electricity production expand. Mining production grew 6.7% in Apr, recovering from 1.3% in Mar, as was seen with a 7.5% rise in coal production. Electricity production was high due to heatwaves but may decline due to early monsoons. Manufacturing growth slowed, reflected in weaker CV sales and core exports.

Weak growth in capital goods production suggests private investments yet to take off. While production of infrastructure goods expanded generously, growth in capital goods production was a tepid 2.9%. So, while investments took off within the country, it was led by public capex in infrastructure and the housing boom; private companies took a backseat.

Global industrial production contracted. G20 weighted industrial production for Mar'24 contracted for the first time in the last twelve months, led by Japan, Germany, France, etc. The latest data, on the other hand, is positive with improvement across major economies.

Industrial production to remain robust. The industrial production story is playing out in line with our expectations. We have continued to highlight muted participation by the private sector due to election uncertainty and consumption growth being driven by prices but not volumes. Moving toward the second half of the year, we are seeing better prospects for policy continuity, which would aid confidence, and a pickup in rural demand. The latest inflation print came softer than expected, post a dovish tone toward rate expectations. We continue to hold the view that private investments would pick up from Q3 FY25. Risks to the outlook stem from weakening global growth, which can drag down our core exports thus impacting industrial production. Further, higher commodity prices if sustained, will impacting margins.

Key growth rate, y/y, %

Headline

Mining

5.0

6.7

Manufacturing

**Electricity** 

3.9

10.2

Infrastructure

**Primary Goods** 

8.0

7.0

**Capital Goods** 

Intermediate

3.1

3.2

**Durables** 

Non-Durables

9.8

-2.4

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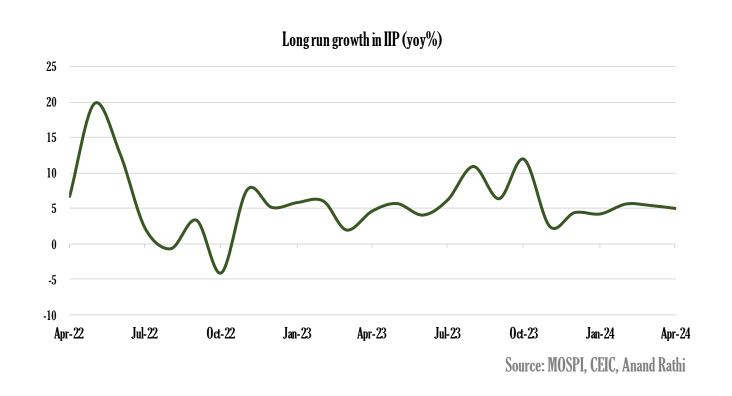
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### INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION EXPANDS

India began the fiscal year on a strong footing, with industrial production up 5% in Apr, above our and consensus expectations of respectively 4.5% and 4.6%. On the production side, all three components, i.e., mining, manufacturing and electricity were in the green, though manufacturing growth decelerated. The picture on use-based components was slightly different, where non-durables production contracted, although largely due to a strong base. On the positive side, durables and infrastructure production accelerated.

	Apr-24	Mar-24	Apr-23	Mar-23
IIP	5.0	5.4	4.6	1.9
Mining	6.7	1.3	5.1	6.8
Manufacturing	3.9	5.8	5.5	1.5
Electricity	10.2	8.6	-1.1	-1.6
Primary	7.0	3.0	1.9	3.3
Capital	3.1	6.6	4.4	10.0
Intermediate	3.2	5.5	1.7	1.8
Infrastructure	8.0	7.4	13.4	7.2
Durables	9.8	9.5	-2.3	-8.0
Non Durables	-2.4	5.3	11.4	-1.9

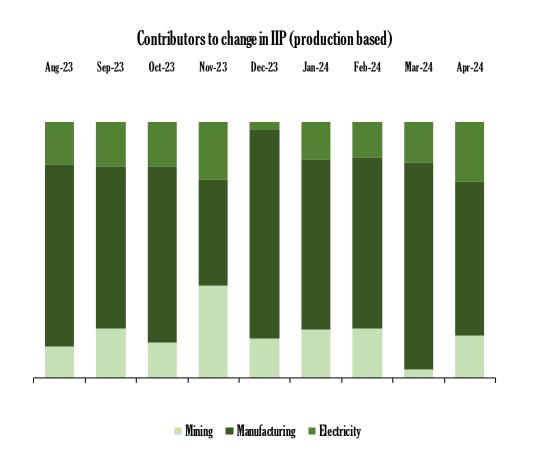


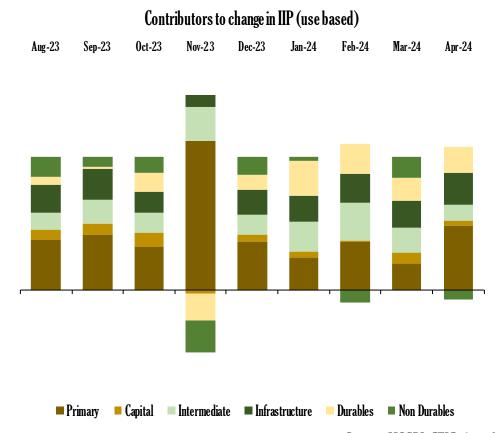


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### **BROAD-BASED CONTRIBUTORS TO GROWTH**

On the production side, growth being more balanced across components entailed a higher share of contribution coming from mining and electricity. The share of manufacturing fell, owing to decelerated growth. Use-based categorisation saw the share of growth being more concentrated in primary goods, with the share of infrastructure growing as well.





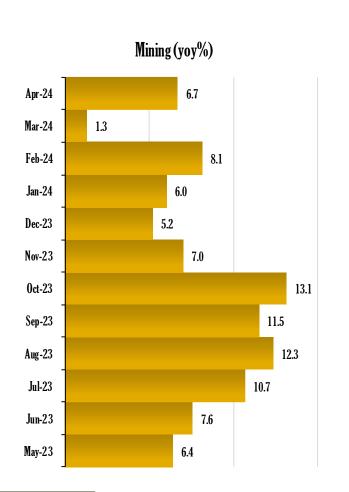
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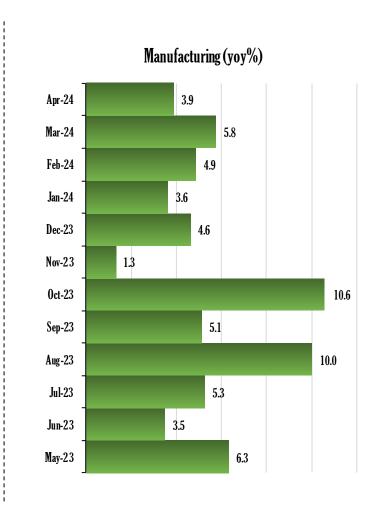


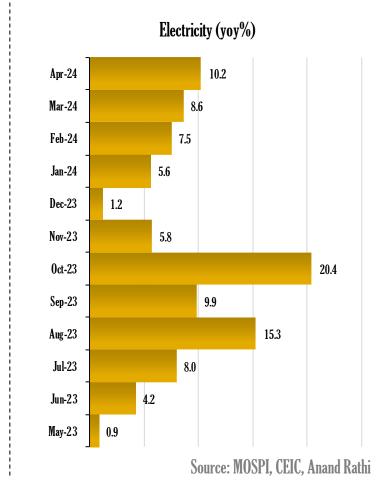
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## MINING, ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION EXPAND; MANUFACTURING GROWTH SLOWS

Growth in mining production recovered to 6.7% in Apr, after a weak 1.3% Mar, which was in line with improved coal production (7.5% expansion in Apr). Electricity production continued to be on an upswing, due to heatwaves. However, this excess demand would likely subside on early arrival of monsoons. Manufacturing growth decelerated in Apr'24, as can be seen from the weakness in CV sales and core exports.





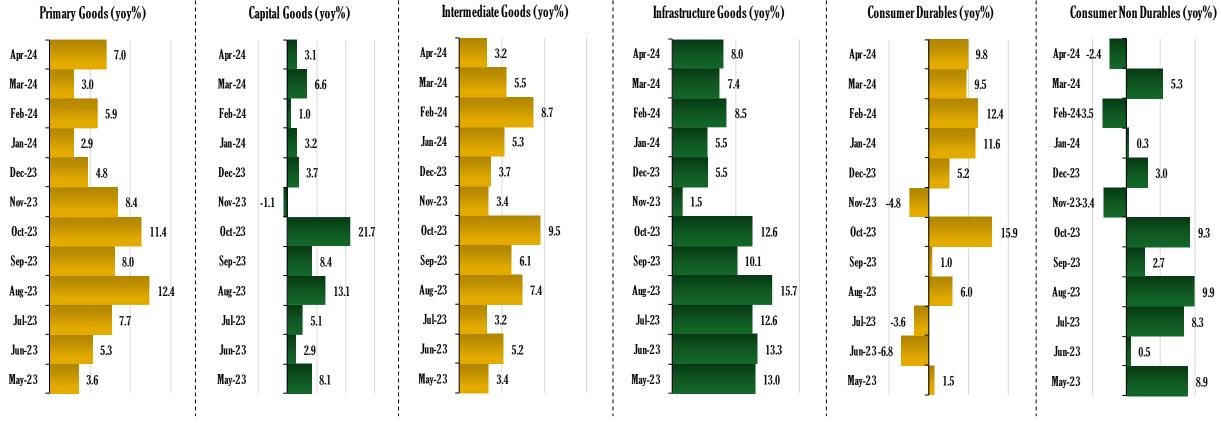




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### INFRASTRUCTURE, DURABLES GOODS PRODUCTION GROW

Production across components, barring non-durable goods, expanded in Apr. Growth across primary, infrastructure and durable goods production accelerated, while growth in intermediate and capital goods slowed. The contraction in non-durable goods was due to a strong base. The large gap between growth in capital goods and tat of infrastructure goods is concerning, as it indicates that boost in investments came from public capex and households' investments in real estate. Cumulatively, over the past six months, growth in capital goods production was a subdued 2.9%, indicating limited role of private companies in the investment cycle. However, we expect that improvement in the rural sector, with lower inflation, better monsoons and more supportive government policies, would broaden consumption, resulting in corporates likely expanding their production capacities.



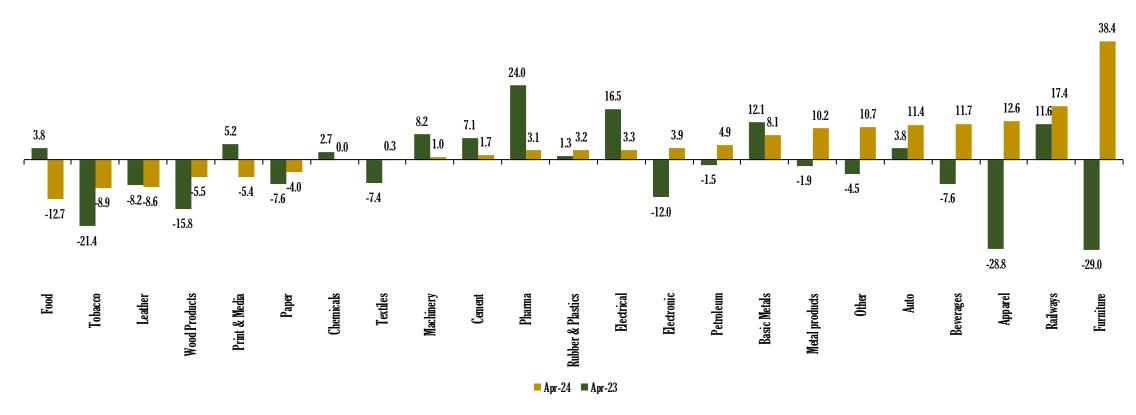
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### MANUFACTURING GROWTH COOLED OFF

The sub-sectoral component break-up suggests 17 indicators showing growth vs. 18 in the prior month. Furniture production continued to do well in Apr and received a fillip from the boom in housing cycle. Railways, too, has been doing well, thanks to the Centre's capex push. Weakness in food production poses a risk to our outlook for improvement in rural consumption.

#### Growth rate of manufacturing segments, %

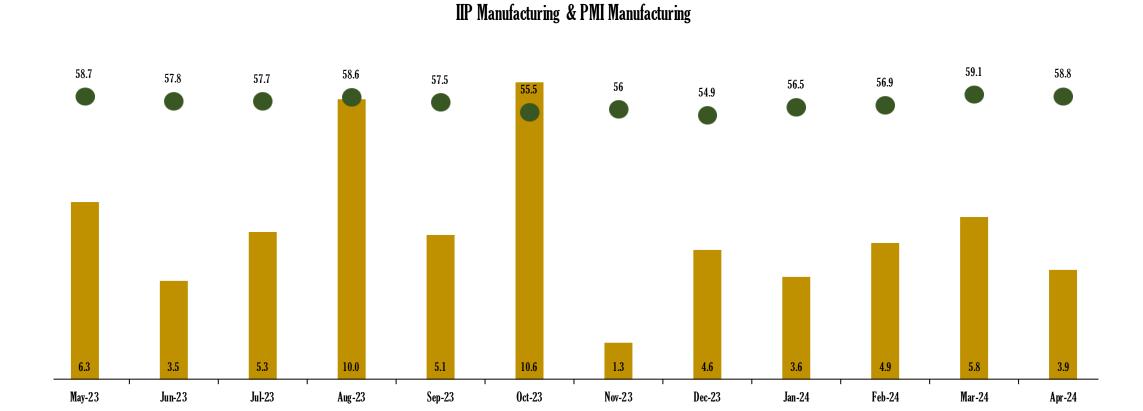




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### **WEAKER VOLUMES DUE TO HEATWAVES**

Apr'24 manufacturing PMI was upbeat, indicating continued expansion. The May'24 figure, though, suggested some moderation in India's accelerating trajectory. Heatwaves appear to have taken a toll on production volumes, which came off a bit from that of last month. On a positive note, international sales remained strong, and manufacturers were upbeat about the outlook, which got reflected in the increasing workforce.



PMI Manufacturing (RHS)

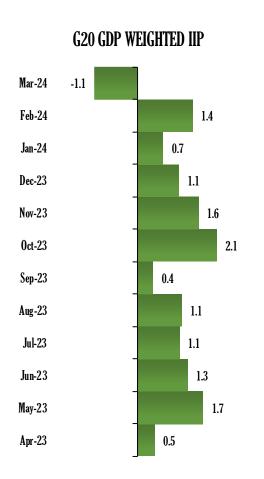
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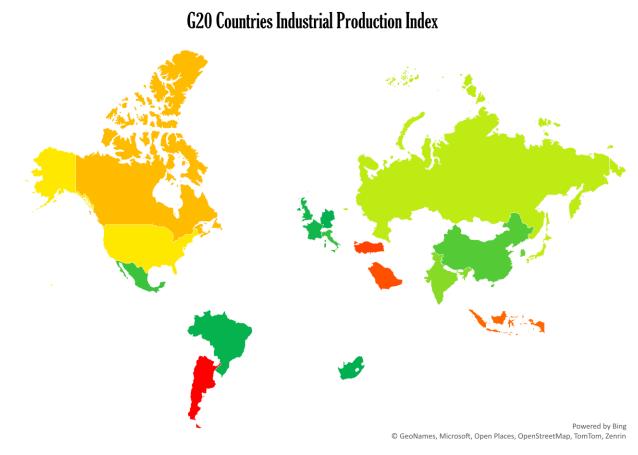
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### GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION CONTRACTED IN MAR'24

Mar'24 was the first month in last year, when G20 GDP weighted industrial production contracted, led by Japan and other major economies incl. Germany, France, Brazil. While Apr figures for many economies are yet to be released, early indicators suggest that production growth recovered. With the forecast for easing in global GDP growth, India's industrial production would take a hit.



Industrial Production	Current	Previous
Brazil	8.4	-2.7
Germany	7.4	-3.3
United Kingdom	6.8	-3.3
China	6.7	5.6
South Korea	6.1	-7.9
France	6.0	-1.8
South Africa	5.3	3.7
Mexico	5.1	1.3
India	5.0	4.6
Italy	4.7	-9.5
Russia	3.9	4.9
Canada	0.1	1.9
United States	0.0	0.9
Japan	-1.0	-0.8
Indonesia	-1.3	0.3
Turkey	-3.4	-9.9
Saudi Arabia	-10.5	7.3
Argentina	-16.6	1.8



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