

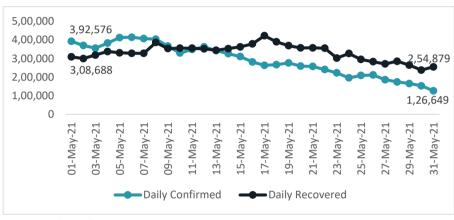
India: The economic pathway

May 2021



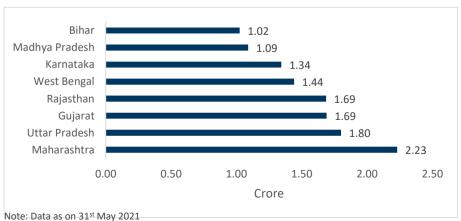
Pandemic progress: Is the worst really over?

Daily recoveries outpace the new coronavirus infections



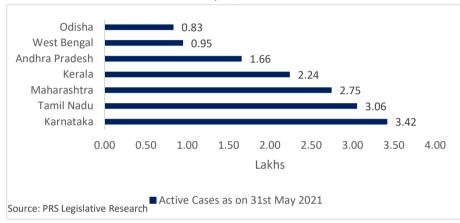
Source: Covid-19 India

Cumulative Vaccination Progress Report: 8 States leading the way

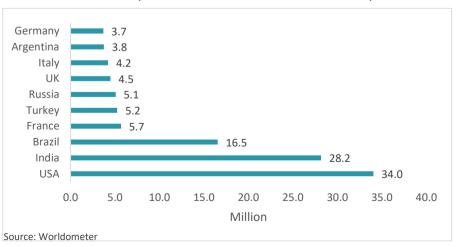


Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Top 7 Indian states accounting for 74% of the total active caseload as on May 31, 2021



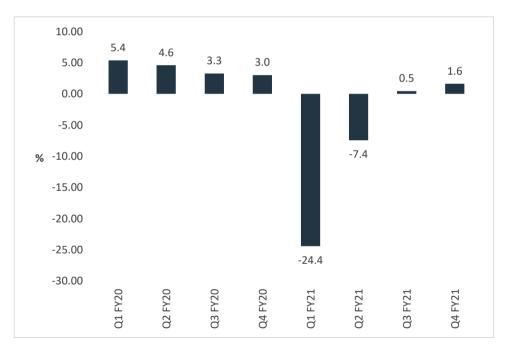
India at the second spot with 28.2 Million Covid-19 cases reported so far





Economy witnesses sequential improvement in Q4-FY21

Indian economy records a growth of 1.6% in Q4-FY21. Thus, economy grew at -7.3% in FY21. GFCF inched up to 31.2% in Q4-FY21 (Highest in twenty-six quarters)





Source: MOSPI Source: MOSPI



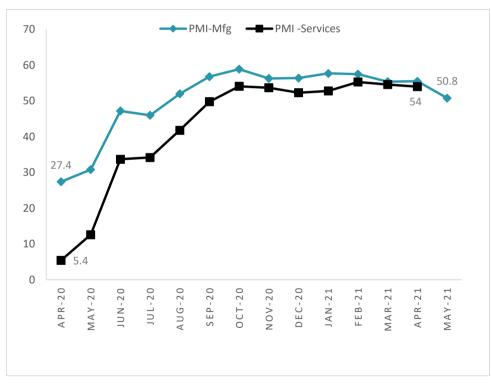
Base effect props up Manufacturing, PMIs not too encouraging

IIP rose by 22.4% in March 2021. (Fastest in the 2011-12 base series) Core output recorded double-digit growth of 56% in April 2021

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Source: MOSPI

PMI-Manufacturing slumps to a 10-month low in May'21. PMI-Services retreats in April'21

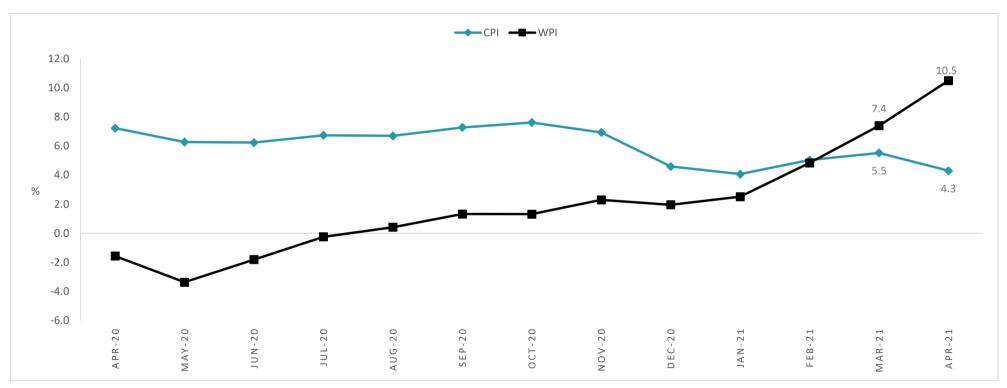


Source: IHS markit



Inflationary pressures upward bound: producers gain while consumers lose

Wholesale inflation rose to 10.5% in April 2021 (Highest since 2012): Retail inflation cooled to 4.3% in April 2021



Source: MOSPI



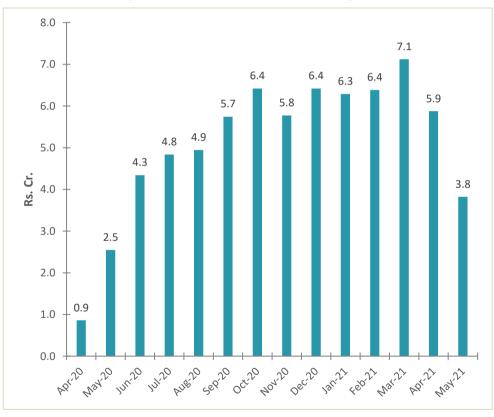
Lockdown effects: GST collections up in April, E-Way bills lower in April-May

GST Collections rose to Rs. 1,41,384 crore in April'21

1,60,000 1,23,902 1,19,847 1,15,174 1,40,000 1,13,143 1,04,963 1,05,155 1,20,000 90,917 1,00,000 62,009 80,000 60,000 40,000 20,000 Jun-20 Oct-20 Jan-21 Feb-21

Source: Ministry of Finance

E-Way bills declined to Rs.3.8 crores in May'21



Source: GSTN

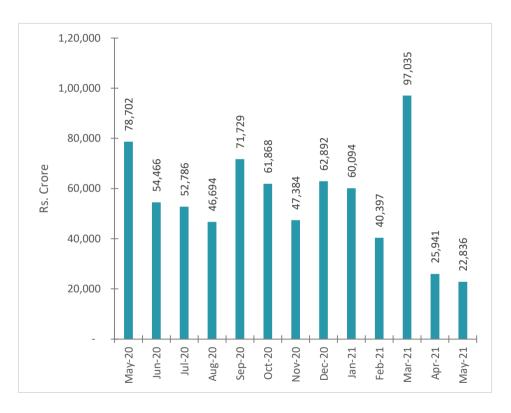


Debt and credit markets subdued this year

Bank deposits remain in the positive territory while Bank credit contracts in FY22

2.5 2.1 2 1.5 1 0.7 % 0.5 0 Bank Deposits Bank Credit -0.5 -0.7 -1 -1.1 -1.5 ■ 1st April-7th May 2020 ■ 1st April-7th May 2021

Corporate Bond issuances fell in May 2021



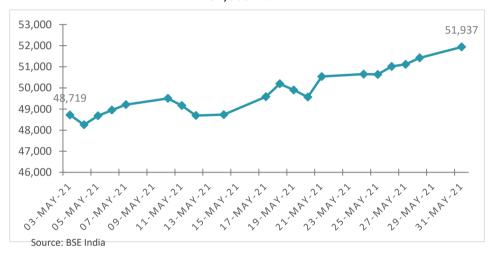
Source: RBI

Source: Prime Database Note: (Data extracted on June 1, 2021)

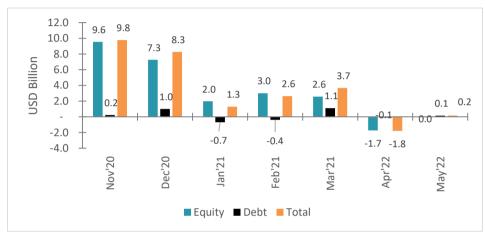


Equities rally, FPI inflows rise & G-sec yields soften

Equity markets rallied during the month with Sensex ending close to the 52,000-mark



Net FPI flows turn marginally positive during May 2021



Note: Data till May 28, 2021 Source: NSDL

10-year G-Sec Yield (%) softened further to 5.99% in May 2021 from 6.07% in the previous month

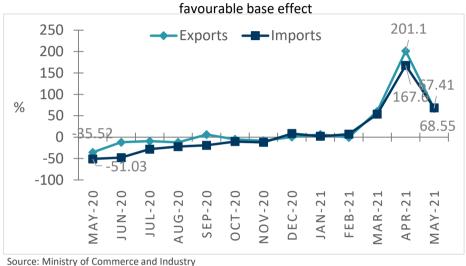


Source: FIMMDA; Average for December has been computed based on the new benchmark GSec 5.85%

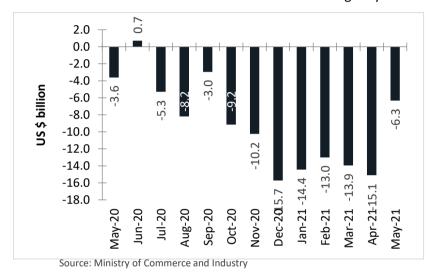


Exports & Imports soar, Trade deficit narrows

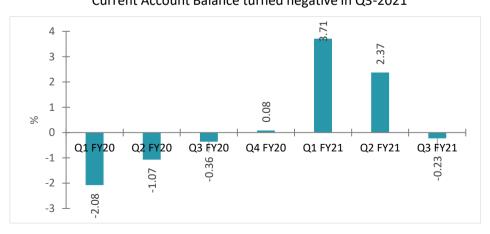
Exports & Imports witnessed double-digit growth in May'21 owing to a



Trade Deficit narrowed to USD 6.3 billion during May 2021



Current Account Balance turned negative in Q3-2021

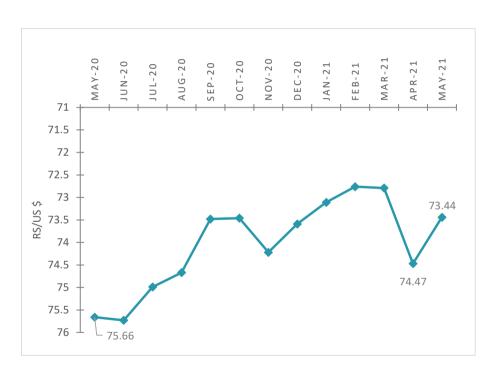


Note: + surplus/ - deficit Source: CMIE



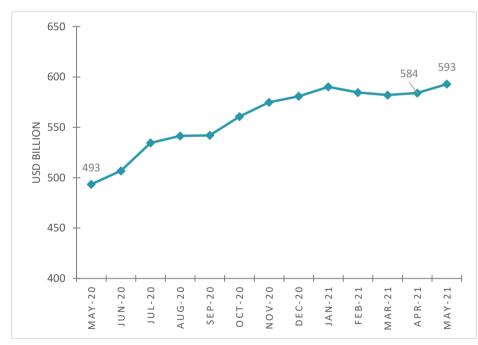
Rupee gains, Forex reserves swell

Currency strengthened by Rs 1.09 paise to Rs. 73.44 against the US Dollar



Source: CMIE

India's foreign exchange reserves rose to USD 593 Billion in May 2021



Source: RBI (Data till May 21, 2021)

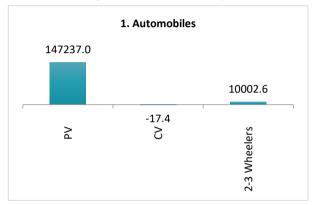
Source: CMIE



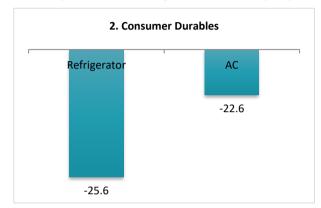
Base effects tell on growth in several industries

Manufacturing- Chart 1, 2 and 3: Operational Indicators of major manufacturing industries on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)

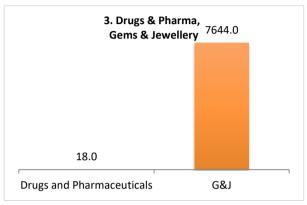
Source: CMIE



Note: Production of PV and 2-3 Wheelers is for the month of April and CV is April-March



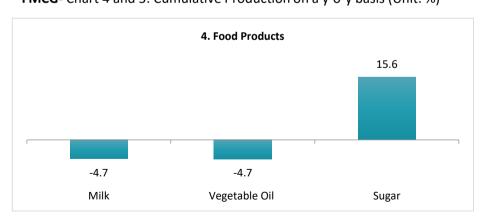
Note: Air Conditioner and Refrigerator production is April-March $\label{eq:conditioner}$



Note: Exports of Drugs and Pharmaceuticals is April-March and Exports of G&J is for the month of April

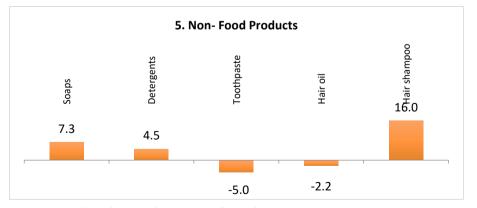
Source: CMIE, GJEPC

FMCG- Chart 4 and 5: Cumulative Production on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: Vegetable Oil Production is November-March; Milk and Sugar Production is April-March

Source: CMIE Source: CMIE



Note: Non Food Products Production is April-March



Curious case of abnormal growth in infra & metals and degrowth in capital goods

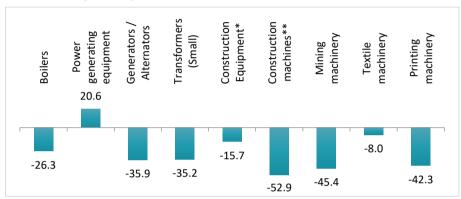
Infrastructure and Infra-Allied - Chart 6: Cumulative Operational Indicators on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: The above chart denotes growth in Power Generation, Pace of Construction of National Highways and Cement Production in the month of April

Source: Office of the Economic Adviser, Ministry of Roads and Highways

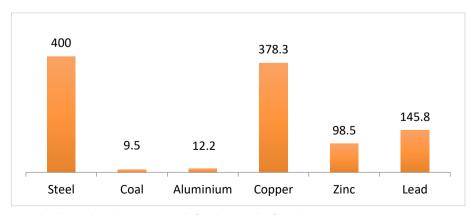
Capital Goods - Chart 7: Industrial Production: Components of Capital Goods Index (Unit: %)



Note: Production of Capital goods is during April-March; * includes Material handling, lifting and hoisting equipment; ** incl. bull-dozers and road rollers

Source: CMIE

Metal - Chart 8: Cumulative Production on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



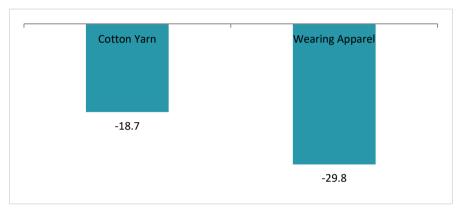
Note: The above chart denotes growth for the month of April

Source: Ministry of Mines, Office of the Economic advisor

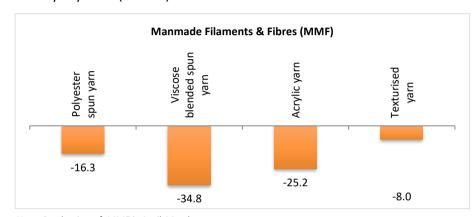


Textiles continued to witness negative growth rate

Textiles - Chart 9 and 10: Operational Indicators of major manufacturing industries on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: Production of Cotton yarn and Wearing Apparel (IIP) is April-March



Note: Production of MMF is April-March

Source: CMIE Source: CMIE

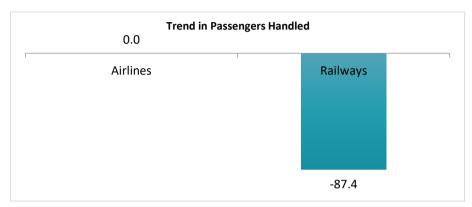


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Computer Software

Passengers & cargo handled de-grew or recorded marginal positive growth

Services - Chart 8 and 9: Operational Indicators on various services on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: Passengers carried by Scheduled Domestic Airlines is not comparable for the month of April due to nil passengers carried in April 2020; Number of passengers booked through railways is April-February

Note: Telephone and Broadband subscribers is as on 28th February 2021; Exports in Computer Software is April-December

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Broadband Subscribers

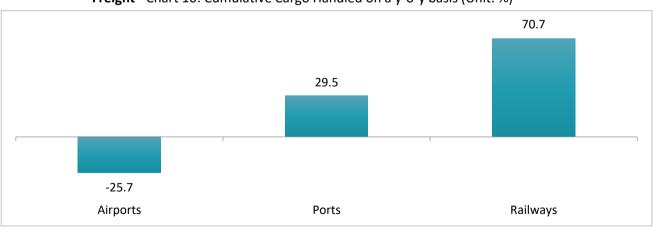
Source: Ministry of Railways, DGCA

Source: TRAI, CMIE

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Telephone Subscribers

Freight - Chart 10: Cumulative Cargo Handled on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



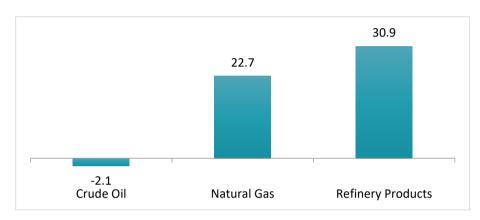
Note: The above chart denotes growth/de-growth in Airports during April-March and Ports, Railways for the month of April

Source: AAI, IPA, Ministry of Railways



Oil & Gas and Chemicals record positive growth rates

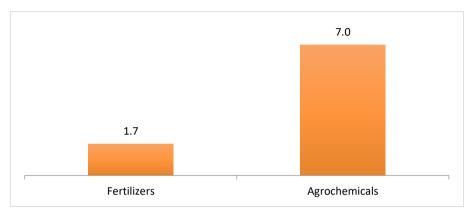
Oil & Gas - Chart 11: Cumulative Production on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: The above chart denotes growth/de-growth in the month of April

Source: MOPNG

Agri-Allied- Chart 12: Operational Indicators on a y-o-y basis (Unit: %)



Note: Production of Fertilizers is for the month of April, Exports of Agrochemicals is April-March

Source: Office of the Economic Adviser, Ministry of Commerce



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