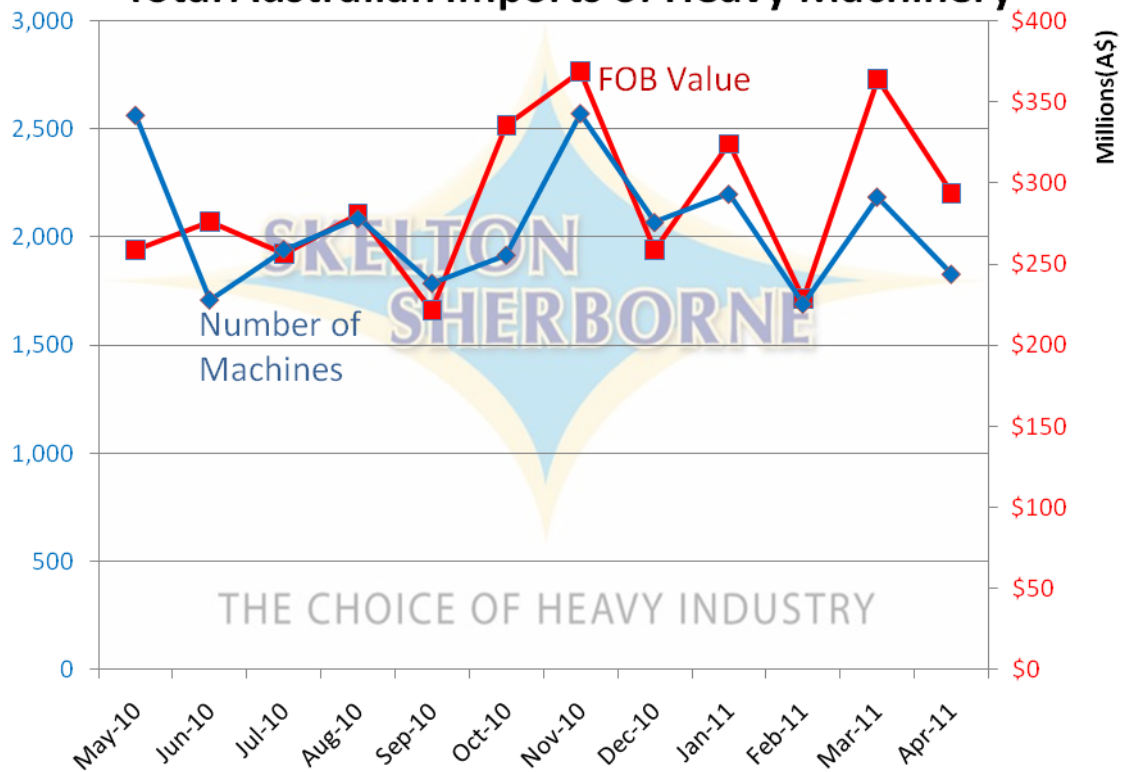


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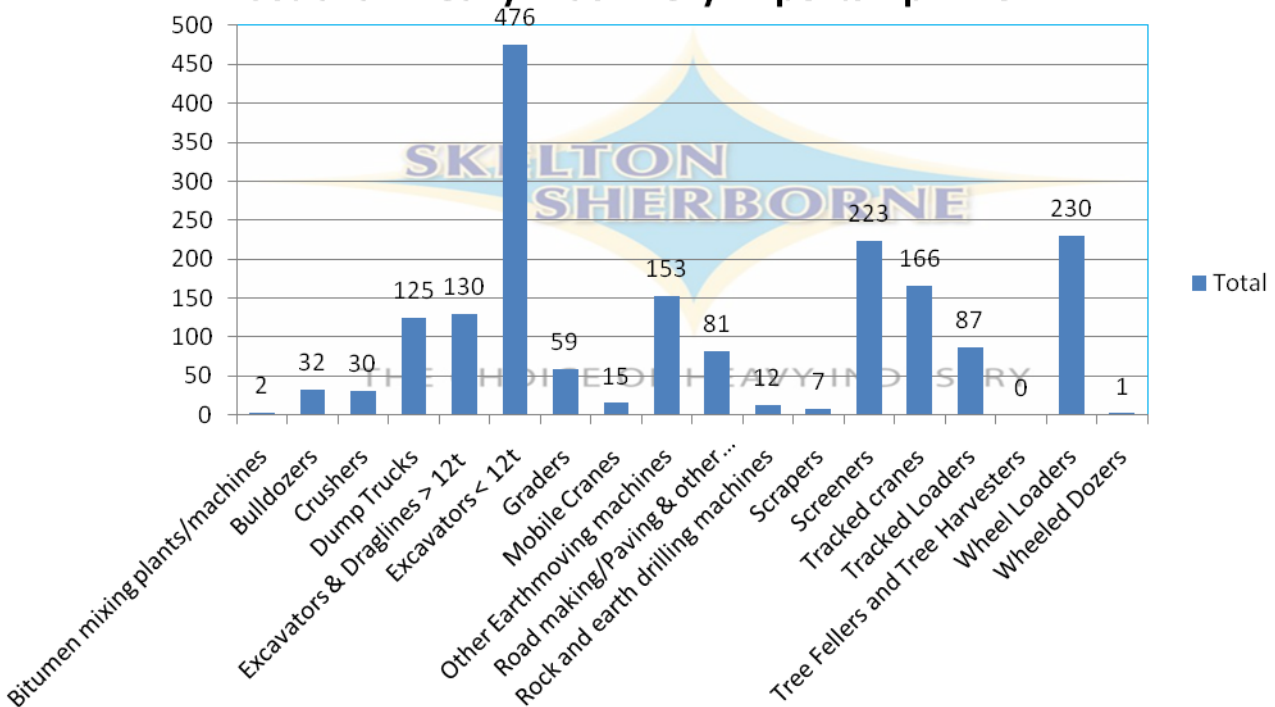
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### Total Australian Imports of Heavy Machinery



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- Import volumes in April decreased by 16% to 1829 units, with FOB values also decreasing by 19%. While the volumes are erratic month to month there seems to be a downward trend emerging.
- The Customs FOB value dropped from \$364m in March to \$293m in April.
- Significant movements in various categories are as follows:

Bulldozers	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>55%</b>
Road making/Paving & other Public Works Equipment	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>64%</b>
Screeners	<b>UP</b>	<b>185%</b>
Tracked Cranes	<b>UP</b>	<b>1085%</b>
Other Earthmoving machines	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>66%</b>
Mobile Cranes	<b>UP</b>	<b>87%</b>
Wheeled Dozers	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>91%</b>

- New finance contracts for Construction and Earthmoving equipment.

	AUD
April 2010	3m
May 2010	5m
June 2010	8m
July 2010	5m
August 2010	4m
September 2010	4m
October 2010	19m
November 2010	33m
December 2010	29m
January 2011	4m
February 2011	4m
March 2011	40m

- The [Baltic Shipping Index](#) has remained at 1,271 as of May 19th.
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