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Brazilian Fastener Trade Does Not Stop Increasing

After achieving a record over the fastener import during last year, Q1 2025 has shown that a new high trend is ongoing in the Brazilian market. Comparing the first three months of 2024 over 2025, the quarter-over-quarter increase in Q1 2025 was 12.7% (export and import value combined), overcoming another result already so expressive.

Brazilian Fastener Export and Import Combined (Q1 2024 – 2025)				
2024	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Q1
USD (Millions)	101.09	79,93	88.63	269.65
Thousand Tons	22,619.81	18,646.38	20,245.72	61,511.91
2025	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Q1
USD (Millions)	105.45	99,82	98.78	304.05
Thousand Tons	24,868.52	24,854.7	22,717.09	72,440.31



SouthWind, 30 Years



J. Graef (SouthWind CEO)

The company is the leading provider in Brazil on machines and tools for the fastener industry.

Founded in 1995, SouthWind International celebrates a significant milestone in its successful trajectory, serving the fastener industry – in Latin America, USA and, mainly, in Brazil – with dedication, innovation and commitment to excellence, from raw material preparation and wire drawing to the final product, which is inspected and packaged.

The company has distinguished itself in the Brazilian and South American markets as a reliable partner among manufacturers of cold-formed metal items. From the beginning, it has positioned itself as a driving force in the supply of high-quality machinery, equipment, tools and auxiliary equipment, with product lines capable of transforming the industry and meeting the most rigorous market demands.



CRV Parafusos on Expansion

This young Brazilian company is celebrating 25 years with new headquarters opening.

Located in Colombo town, Paraná State, Brazil, CRV Parafusos is a fastener commercial company, which is celebrating 25 years of foundation.

It inaugurated its new headquarters, 10,000 m² in size, with more than 50,000 different items in stock (of which 70% are imported),



mainly composed of stainless steel fastener lines. The new unit is fully modern and qualified to serve customers over Brazil with total excellence.

“After the expansion as well as structural improvements, we are better managing our very robust inventories,” said Cláudio and Rafael Vieira (brothers).

The brothers, being the founders and directors of the company, were at Feicon 2025, the biggest construction show in South America, held April 8 – 11, 2025.

CRV Parafusos has a successful trajectory on trading fasteners and accessories, serving several user sectors. “Our main market fields include manufactures of furniture, metallurgical, agricultural machines and equipment, construction, and naval supply”, concluded them.



ArcelorMittal Inaugurates New Wire Rod Drawing Line



Gov. Romeu Zema and Jefferson de Paula

An expected increase of 35% in special high value-added steel production

With the Romeu Zema in attendance, the governor of Minas Gerais State, Brazil, ArcelorMittal inaugurated a new wire rod drawing line, in a ceremony held on March 14, 2025. The expansion was held in the steel plant in Sabará Town, near Belo Horizonte State Capital.

With investments around USD 25 million, the expectation is to get 35% increase in the production of high value-added solutions for the automotive sector and industry. The company's plan is to strengthen its portfolio for manufacturers of axles, fasteners, shock absorbers and springs, which is seconded by Jefferson de Paula, the ArcelorMittal Brazil President, and the CEO of ArcelorMittal Long Steels and Mining for Latin America. ■

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