



London Iron Ore Market Report

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Iron ore slipped a touch on Monday as investor weighed the ongoing weaker demand. The daily crude steel output over October 11-20 only increased by a tiny 0.1% or 1500 tonnes/day from early October to average 1.87milliontonnes/day, data from China Iron & Steel Association (CISA) showed. Surveyed from Mysteel reported 247 blast furnace operation rate currently at 76.55%, down 1.52% w-o-w; utilisation rate 80.05%, down 0.61% w-o-w; daily pig iron production 2.15 million tonnes, down 16,400 tonnes which indicated steel mills activities are cautiously slow down to ensure achieving the annual production curb target towards the end of the year. In the physical iron ore market, we saw seaborne interests gradually shift from October and early November to late November and December, and both seaborne and port trades are significantly lighter compared to Q3. Besides, restocking for pellets and lump slight decreased under the production curb plan taking places in most cities in China. However, market sentiments in industrial metals broadly are supported by Chinese government confident statement about reaching its economic targets for the year, reported by the largest Chinese news agency Xinhua.

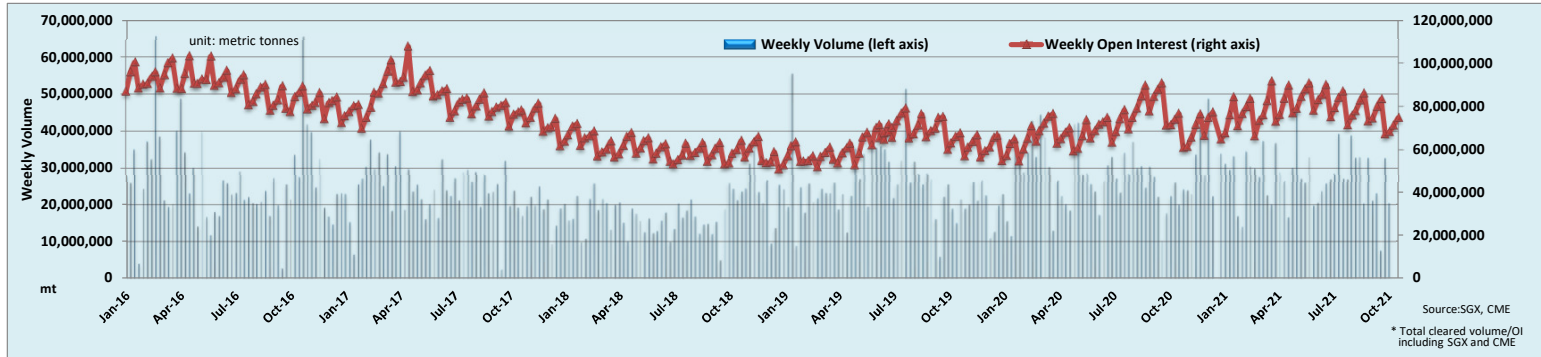
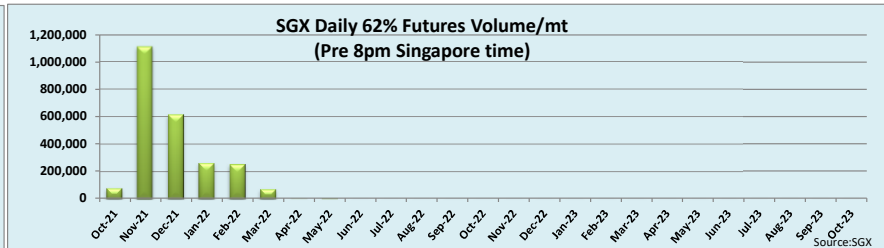
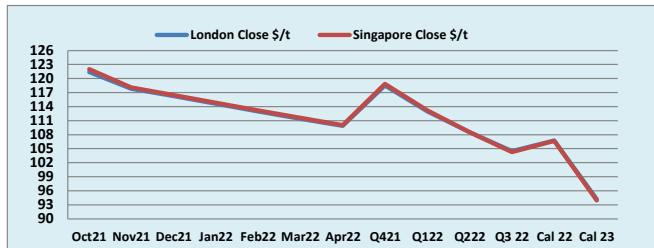
Iron Ore futures saw notable volatility early on in afternoon trading, quickly climbing to highs of \$118.8 before plunging to a session low of \$117 in quick succession. Prices soon recovered however and remained stable within a 60 cents range for the remainder of the session, closing at \$117.85-a modest fall on the afternoon.

INDEX	Price	Change	MTD
Platts IO 62%	\$119.75	-\$0.60	\$122.56

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MB IO 65%	\$139.90	-\$3.40	\$145.04

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Platts Lump Prem	\$0.2250	\$0.0050	\$0.1848

Iron Ore 62% Futures	Oct 21	Nov 21	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	Q4 21	Q1 22	Q2 22	Q3 22	Cal 22	Cal 23
London Close \$/t	121.40	117.85	116.25	114.60	113.00	111.40	109.90	118.50	113.00	108.50	104.50	106.75	94.25
Singapore Close \$/t	122.00	118.10	116.45	114.80	113.20	111.60	110.05	118.85	113.20	108.50	104.30	106.65	94.00
Change	-0.49%	-0.21%	-0.17%	-0.17%	-0.18%	-0.18%	-0.14%	-0.29%	-0.18%	+0.00%	+0.19%	+0.09%	+0.27%



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