

**25/11/2021****FOB China HRC**

The index rose by \$2/t yesterday (24.11.21) to US\$767/t, MTD US\$789.59/t.

Tangshan issued a Level II pollution warning yesterday afternoon, requiring mills to cut output. Independent rolling mills suspended production from yesterday afternoon. Heavy diesel trucks are banned from entering industrial areas overnight from 7pm to 7am over the period.

A north China mill lifted offer for SS400 HRC to \$780/t fob from around \$760/t fob in response to rising domestic prices. An east mill also increased its offer by \$10/t to \$800/t fob. Traders withdrew previous offers at \$780-785/t cfr Vietnam for SS400 HRC and announced new offers at \$805/t cfr Vietnam for January shipment and \$795/t cfr Vietnam for February shipment. A deal for around 10,000t Chinese SAE1006 grade coils was heard sold at \$805/t cfr Vietnam last week, but no further details could be confirmed. (Argus)

**EU HRC**

There is an almost baffling range of prices being discussed in the European hot-rolled coil (HRC) market at present. In northwest Europe, mills are still able to command base prices of close to €1,000/t for pickled and oiled material, but the same mills are also selling dry HRC at just above €900/t to certain customers, while exporting into Turkey and north Africa at cheaper levels.

In Italy, several trading sources said prices of below €900/t ex-works for January-February deliveries were not offered, but many suggest that anything above this level are list prices and deals are being concluded with heavy discounts. Some sellers agreed that liquidity was €850-870/t ex-works for deals of above a few hundred tonnes. Smaller lots were heard at €915-940/t. One north European producer confirmed selling into Italy at €880-900/t levels. Buyers said such levels were available for February delivery, while some deals for the largest Italian buyers were heard at €850-860/t delivered.

Buyers are not purchasing beyond what they need as demand is low, and they are aware that mills need to sell supply for February and some for January. In Germany, some cut-to-length material is being offered at below €1,000/t by service centres that have surplus supply not taken by automotive buyers.

The daily Italian HRC index nudged up by €2/t today to €872.75/t ex-works, while the daily NW EU HRC index nudged down by €0.75/t to €952.25/t. (Argus)

**Turkish Scrap**

Another Benelux cargo booked  
Prices stabilized  
Market awaits US deals

Turkish imported deepsea heavy melting scrap prices stabilized based on the couple of last-done deals from Benelux. Despite pressure from Turkish buyers to cut prices, suppliers in the US and Baltic regions remained firm, sources said. A Benelux-origin cargo, including 20,000 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$487/mt CFR, 10,000 mt bonus scrap at \$509/mt, and 10,000 mt shredded scrap at \$513/mt CFR Iskenderun, was reported. The cargo was for shipment in the first half of January and followed another deal from the Benelux, also for early January shipment, inked at \$487/mt CFR Iskenderun for HMS 1/2 (80:20).

In both Benelux deals, the premium for shredded scrap was more than \$20/mt, keeping the spread wider than the \$10/mt typically seen in past years. A Turkish agent said that the premium for shredded scrap has been over \$20/mt in the last six or seven months. According to some sellers, the spread should widen further, to \$40/mt. (Platts)

## Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	492.50	0.00	497.08
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	720.00	-5.00	730.69
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	952.25	-0.75	969.18
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	767.00	2.00	789.59

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-21	775	785	780
Dec-21	755	765	760
Jan-22	750	760	755
Q1-22	737	747	742
Q2-22	705	715	710
Q3-22	675	685	680

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-21	490	500	495
Dec-21	470	480	475
Jan-22	455	465	460
Q1-22	447	457	440
Q2-22	435	445	440
Q3-22	428	438	433

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-21	705	715	710
Dec-21	705	715	710
Jan-22	675	685	680
Q1-22	665	675	670
Q2-22	635	645	640
Q3-22	605	615	610

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	Bid	Ask	Value
Dec-21	615	625	620
Jan-22	595	605	600
Feb-22	585	595	590
Q1-22	583	593	588
Q2-22	565	575	570
Q3-22	555	565	560

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Dec-21	1650	1670	1660
Jan-22	1530	1550	1540
Feb-22	1435	1455	1445
Q1-22	1460	1480	1470
Q2-22	1263	1283	1273
Q3-22	1043	1063	1053

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-21	955	965	960
Dec-21	955	965	960
Jan-22	945	955	950
Q1-22	945	955	950
Q2-22	925	935	930
Q3-22	882	892	887

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