

23/03/2022**FOB China HRC**

The index rose by \$2/t yesterday (22.3.22) to US\$852/t, MTD US\$854.38/t.

China's domestic market sentiment was shaky between Beijing's call for more economic stimulus and the spread of Covid-19 lockdowns that have stalled demand and deliveries.

Most major Chinese mills lifted offers or workable levels to above \$860/t fob for SS400 HRC given firm domestic and international steel prices. But a north China mill was still willing to receive orders at around \$830/t fob and sold SS400 HRC at \$855/t cfr to South Korea last week. A second north China mill sold SS400 HRC at \$900/t fob this week, for June shipment. That level is not acceptable for most seaborne buyers.

Vietnamese buyers held a wait-and-see attitude as they have bought enough cargoes for April shipment and are not in a hurry to place orders for May shipment. (Argus)

Turkish Scrap

Firm finished steel prices expected to support scrap prices

Mills expect near-term uptick in scrap workable levels

Turkish Deepsea import ferrous scrap prices were unchanged March 22, as Turkish mills indicated they were waiting before buying further cargoes, sources said. Platts Turkish imports of premium heavy-melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) were assessed unchanged at \$655/mt CFR March 22, according to data from S&P Global Commodity Insights.

Market chatter was heard regarding a US-origin cargo sold during the week ended March 18 to a Marmara mill below \$655/mt CFR for HMS 1/2 (80:20), as well as a Baltic-origin cargo sold to an Izmir mill the same week, but further details were unavailable at the time of publication. "In the last few months, mills have had low scrap stock levels and because of this, they all have to buy for May shipment," a Turkish mill source said. "For now, the \$640/mt-\$660/mt CFR workable range will continue [for premium HMS 1/2 (80:20)], but usually Turkish mills all enter the market at the same time so the scrap price can jump suddenly." A second Turkish mill source cited an indicative tradable value for US/Baltic-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$655/mt-\$660/mt CFR. "The market is silent for now, but there could be some action on Thursday or Friday," the second mill source added. A third mill source said \$650/mt CFR was workable, while a fourth mill source expected \$660/mt CFR to be possible in the near-term. (Platts)

US HRC

S&P Global Commodity Insights assessed the Platts TSI US hot-rolled coil index at \$1,320/st EXW Indiana March 22, up \$20 from March 21.

The daily price moved higher as minimum offers continued to be reported at \$1,400/st but there were no firm bids to test current offer levels. Still, prices at \$1,300/st were no longer repeatable based on market feedback given the new offer levels. The price remained below the latest offers but increased above the no longer repeatable previous transaction levels. (Platts)

Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	655.00	0.00	634.28
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	960.00	20.00	908.59
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	1400.00	0.00	1232.70
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	852.00	2.00	854.38

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-22	875	905	890
Apr-22	870	900	885
May-22	845	875	860
Q2-22	857	867	862
Q3-22	815	825	820
Q4-22	795	805	800

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-22	595	605	600
Apr-22	665	675	670
May-22	645	655	650
Q2-22	647	657	595
Q3-22	590	600	595
Q4-22	560	570	565

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-22	855	865	860
Apr-22	960	970	965
May-22	945	955	950
Q2-22	942	952	947
Q3-22	882	892	887
Q4-22	848	858	853

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	Bid	Ask	Value
Apr-22	890	900	895
May-22	875	885	880
Jun-22	870	880	875
Q2-22	878	888	883
Q3-22	860	870	865
Q4-22	837	847	842

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-22	1130	1150	1140
Apr-22	1530	1550	1540
May-22	1650	1670	1660
Q2-22	1603	1623	1613
Q3-22	1562	1582	1572
Q4-22	1495	1515	1505

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-22	1310	1330	1320
Apr-22	1540	1560	1550
May-22	1530	1550	1540
Q2-22	1535	1545	1540
Q3-22	1485	1495	1490
Q4-22	1375	1385	1380

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