

15/07/2022**FOB China HRC**

The index fell by \$4/t yesterday (14.7.22) to US\$593/t, MTD US\$617.44/t.

HRC inventory held by traders and mills increased by nearly 100,000t this week against a rise of around 30,000t last week, showing HRC demand was weak. Chinese mills were reluctant to cut prices although domestic prices fell sharply. While some traders actively cut offers to equivalents of \$575-580/t fob China for SS400 HRC. Some of them were even willing to sell cargoes at equivalents of \$560-570/t fob China. Seaborne buyers were surprised by the quick drop in prices over the last two days, with bids at \$580/t cfr Vietnam.

Traders cut offers to \$650/t cfr Vietnam for Chinese SAE1006 grade coils, with some of them willing to receive orders at \$640/t cfr Vietnam. Indian SAE1006 grade coils offers were unchanged at \$660/t cfr Vietnam. (Argus)

Turkish Scrap

Negative finished steel market pressures sentiment
Benelux HMS dock prices heard as high as Eur335/mt delivered

Turkish Deepsea import ferrous scrap trading remained quiet on July 14, with market activity not expected to restart until July 18, sources said. Platts Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) were assessed at \$410/mt CFR July 14, unchanged on day.

One Turkish mill source cited an indicative tradable value for premium HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$410/mt CFR, while a second Turkish mill source cited an indicative near-term tradable value for premium HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$350-\$360/mt CFR on expectations of slow finished steel demand following the end of the Eid al-Adha holidays in Turkey.

"The real market price is around \$700/mt EXW [for domestic rebar], but there is not any interest around \$700/mt EXW," a second Turkish mill source said. Two other mill sources also held their workable levels for export rebar at \$700/mt FOB Iskenderun.

Platts Turkish export rebar was assessed at \$700/mt FOB Turkey on July 14, unchanged on day. The daily outright spread between Turkish export rebar and import scrap was assessed at \$290/mt July 14, unchanged on the day. Sellside sources looked to hold scrap prices firm in the near-term.

"There are not many US-origin cargoes available, so I don't expect softening yet," one Turkish agent source said. An EU recycler expected market activity to pick up on July 18, but added that HMS collection prices for material delivered to the dock was heard as high as Eur335/mt delivered. (Platts)

US HRC

The daily Platts TSI US hot-rolled coil index was assessed unchanged at \$900/st on an ex-works Indiana basis July 14, according to data from S&P Global Commodity Insights.

The assessment remained unchanged based on a recent transaction, offer level and indicative tradable value at the current price. A Midwest service center source was placing an order at \$900/st for 1,000 st with an integrated mill. The price level was also indicated to be a workable value for 300-500 st orders by a second Midwest service center source. In addition, a third Midwest service center source said offers remained at \$900/st. (Platts)

Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	410.00	0.00	400.18
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	700.00	0.00	692.50
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	824.50	-0.50	817.00
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	593.00	-4.00	617.44

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Jul-22	625	655	640
Aug-22	595	625	610
Sep-22	600	630	615
Q3-22	617	627	622
Q4-22	630	640	635
Q1-23	660	670	665

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Jul-22	395	405	400
Aug-22	365	375	370
Sep-22	355	365	360
Q3-22	372	382	354
Q4-22	349	359	354
Q1-23	340	350	345

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Jul-22	690	700	695
Aug-22	630	640	635
Sep-22	635	645	640
Q3-22	652	662	657
Q4-22	625	635	630
Q1-23	610	620	615

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	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	477	487	482
Sep-22	475	485	480
Oct-22	470	480	475
Q4-22	465	475	470
Q1-23	452	462	457
Q2-23	445	455	450

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Jul-22	910	930	920
Aug-22	820	840	830
Sep-22	840	860	850
Q3-22	857	877	867
Q4-22	833	853	843
Q1-23	823	843	833

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Jul-22	800	820	810
Aug-22	795	815	805
Sep-22	795	815	805
Q3-22	802	812	807
Q4-22	782	792	787
Q1-23	763	773	768

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