

16/08/2022**FOB China HRC**

The index fell by \$2/t yesterday (15.8.22) to US\$598/t, MTD US\$600.10/t.

China's real estate investment in January-July decreased by 6.4pc from the same period last year, and the January-July investment in manufacturing industry increased by 9.9pc on the year, slowing down from the 10.4pc growth rate in January-June, according to National Bureau of Statistics today. People's Bank of China (PBOC) cut the rate of one-year medium-term lending facilities by 10 basis points to 2.75pc from 2.85 pc. The cut was within market expectation, and participants said that lowering the five-year rate, which is typically seen as a reference for mortgages, will be crucial. Southwest China's Sichuan province announced it will cut the power supply to all industrial enterprises during 15-20 August due to local power shortages, except for Panzhihua city and Liangshan autonomous prefecture. Local electric arc furnace mills will have to suspend production over the period, mainly affecting long steel products, participants said.

An east China mill cut its offer to \$600-610/t fob China from \$610/t fob China last week. Two other Chinese mills kept offers unchanged at \$615/t fob China, while other major Chinese mills were silent on offers, preferring to negotiate prices on a case by case basis. Seaborne buyers held a cautious attitude and were reluctant to bid after seeing the drop in Chinese domestic sales prices. Some buyers with immediate needs may consider to place orders at \$600/t fob China. Most Vietnamese buyers received offers at \$610/t cif Vietnam for SAE1006-grade coils produced by Vietnamese mill Formosa Ha Tinh. (Argus)

US HRC

The daily Platts TSI US hot-rolled coil index was unchanged at \$810/st on an ex-works Indiana basis Aug. 15, according to data from S&P Global Commodity Insights.

The assessment remained below a recent deal at \$820/st for 25 st by a service center source. The tonnage was less than the minimum 100 st order size to be included in the assessment. It also remained above indicative buy-side values of \$800/st reported by a second service center source. (Platts)

Turkish Scrap

Further September, prompt shipment cargoes booked

Scrap supply tightness continues tension with slow finished steel demand

Turkish deepsea import ferrous scrap prices were heard stable Aug. 15, as several deals were heard to be booked in a wide price range toward the end of the week ended Aug. 12, depending on the shipment date, composition and origin, sources said. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) Aug. 15 at \$398/mt CFR, unchanged day on day.

A UK-origin deal was booked Aug. 12 by an Iskenderun mill, with 25,000 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$387/mt CFR. The sell side confirmed the deal. Another reported UK-origin prompt shipment deal was heard by multiple sources to have been booked Aug. 12 by an Izmir mill heard by Platts Aug. 15, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$402/mt CFR, shredded and bonus scrap at \$422/mt CFR but was not confirmed.

One Turkish agent source said sellers were targeting \$400/mt CFR and above for US/Baltic-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) and didn't consider the reported UK-origin prompt shipment deal as reflective of the wider market. A reported Baltic-origin deal was heard to have been booked Aug. 12 by a Marmara mill, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$395/mt CFR. A Benelux-origin deal was also heard to have been booked Aug. 12 by a Marmara mill, with 22,500 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$393/mt CFR and 7,500 mt shredded scrap at \$413/mt CFR. (Platts)

Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	398.00	0.00	379.14
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	657.50	0.00	640.23
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	746.75	0.00	780.34
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	598.00	-2.00	600.10

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	590	620	605
Sep-22	610	640	625
Oct-22	615	645	630
Q4-22	630	640	635
Q1-23	630	640	635
Q2-23	610	620	615

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	385	395	390
Sep-22	383	393	388
Oct-22	380	390	385
Q4-22	377	387	374
Q1-23	369	379	374
Q2-23	360	370	365

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	653	663	658
Sep-22	635	645	640
Oct-22	635	645	640
Q4-22	635	645	640
Q1-23	628	638	633
Q2-23	613	623	618

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	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	477	487	482
Oct-22	475	485	480
Nov-22	480	490	485
Q4-22	480	490	485
Q1-23	495	505	500
Q2-23	500	510	505

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	790	810	800
Sep-22	815	835	825
Oct-22	825	845	835
Q4-22	845	865	855
Q1-23	892	912	902
Q2-23	913	933	923

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Aug-22	760	780	770
Sep-22	807	827	817
Oct-22	805	825	815
Q4-22	798	808	803
Q1-23	780	790	785
Q2-23	765	775	770

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