

12/09/2022**Turkish Scrap**

Turkish deepsea import scrap prices fall sharply amid weak demand

Outright rebar-scrap spread rises to highest level since late June

Further near-term downtrend expected

Turkish import deepsea scrap prices fell sharply Sept. 9, as sellside sources indicated lower workable levels as Turkish mills pulled back from purchasing. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) Sept. 9 at \$354.50/mt CFR, down \$14/mt on the day. "I fear there are lots of offers in the market and am expecting sales below \$360/mt CFR, but this depends on dropping purchase prices," an EU recycler said, citing an indicative tradable value for Benelux-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$345-\$350/mt CFR for some sellers, with Baltic-origin HMS put at \$355-\$360/mt CFR, depending on the grade. HMS collection prices in the Benelux region were heard down at Eur300-310/mt delivered to the dock, but some suppliers suggested exporters collecting for recent higher-priced bookings to Turkey were still willing to pay Eur320/mt delivered.

Another EU supplier cited an indicative tradable value for EU-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$350/mt CFR for some recyclers, and an indicative seller tradable value for US-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$360-\$365/mt CFR, with deals expected for HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$350-\$360/mt CFR, depending on the origin. "I don't see a big overhang of scrap, but I expect the market will correct a bit more," the EU supplier added. A trading source said buyers were seeking \$340/mt CFR for Venezuela-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20), but said workable levels were above \$350/mt CFR due to alternative demand. Another agent source said below \$350/mt CFR was not yet possible for premium HMS 1/2 (80:20). (Platts)

EU HRC

Market rises in low liquidity European hot-rolled coil (HRC) prices moved up yesterday as some small buyers paid higher levels for November deliveries. Argus' daily Italian HRC index increased by €4.25/t (\$4.25/t) to €776.25/t ex-works, while the daily benchmark northwest EU HRC index rose €2.25/t to €769.75/t.

In Italy the increase was underpinned by buyers' expectations that prices were moving up, and by attempts to pass off higher costs in the outsell market. Sheet offers from service centres have increased by €30-50/t and they expect some acceptance. With any further price increases, if there are such, end user prices would have to rise too, which service centres suggest can be expected in the current economic scenario. There were signs that import offers were moving up too, with some heard above €700/t cfr today. Cold-rolled coil from Japan was offered at €805/t cif for December shipment. One buyer reported procuring a small tonnage at €830/t base, after getting initial offers at €860/t, for higher-grade tonnage.

A German producer was still offering smaller tonnages at €780/t ex-works, and large domestic service centres said they could secure much lower levels. Another buyer said it would be able to purchase at around €760/t for typical 1,000t lots. Imports were offered at around €700/t cfr Antwerp but demand was limited, with many preferring to take domestic material on shorter lead times. While some producers were booked into November, some still had October availability and were more flexible on price. A Scandinavian mill and the German producer were seen as the most competitive in the marketplace. (Argus)

US HRC

The daily Platts TSI US hot-rolled coil index was assessed at \$820/st on an ex-works Indiana basis Sept. 9, unchanged from the previous assessment. A service center source reported offers heard from three different mini-mills and one integrated mill at \$820/st or more for orders up to 500 st. (Platts)

Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	354.50	-14.00	379.18
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	675.00	0.00	669.29
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	769.75	2.25	765.29
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	573.00	0.00	568.86

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	565	595	580
Oct-22	590	620	605
Nov-22	605	635	620
Q4-22	613	623	618
Q1-23	640	650	645
Q2-23	657	667	662

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	360	370	365
Oct-22	357	367	362
Nov-22	355	365	360
Q4-22	356	366	354
Q1-23	349	359	354
Q2-23	337	347	342

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	675	685	680
Oct-22	675	685	680
Nov-22	665	675	670
Q4-22	667	677	672
Q1-23	640	650	645
Q2-23	612	622	617

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	Bid	Ask	Value
Oct-22	435	445	440
Nov-22	445	455	450
Dec-22	455	465	460
Q4-22	445	455	450
Q1-23	470	480	475
Q2-23	498	508	503

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	800	820	810
Oct-22	805	825	815
Nov-22	810	830	820
Q4-22	812	832	822
Q1-23	838	858	848
Q2-23	878	898	888

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Sep-22	790	810	800
Oct-22	820	840	830
Nov-22	825	845	835
Q4-22	830	840	835
Q1-23	848	858	853
Q2-23	862	872	867

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