

**13/09/2022****FOB China HRC**

The index was flat yesterday (12.9.22) at US\$573/t, MTD US\$573/t.

The market was quiet with China being off for public holiday yesterday. Deals for around 10,000-15,000t Chinese SS400 HRC were done at \$580/t cfr Vietnam early last week and some other Chinese coils were sold at even lower at \$570/t cfr Vietnam during the same period. Those levels were no longer available as sellers all lifted sales prices after deals done much higher with South Korean buyers.

Traders lifted offers to \$630/t cfr Vietnam for Chinese SAE1006-grade coils last Friday, while mills from Taiwan and India stopped quoting seeing the rising trend. Vietnamese buyers also increased bids to \$585-590/t cfr Vietnam. More Vietnamese producers pushed up local sales prices for steel products including HRC, galvanized steel, wire rod and bars. Vietnamese mill Hoa Sen Group was heard to have lifted its export steel prices by around \$20/t on increased enquiries from Europe. (Argus)

**Turkish Scrap**

Turkish import deepsea scrap prices slide amid lower deals and softer sentiment

New Baltic and UK cargoes booked

Scrap recyclers try to resist below \$350/mt CFR

More October shipment deals anticipated

Turkish import deepsea scrap prices continued to slide Sept. 12 amid lower transaction levels and general softer sentiment in the market. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) at \$351.50/mt CFR Sept. 12, down \$3/mt from Sept. 9. Prices below \$350/mt CFR Turkey for Baltic or US HMS 1/2 (80:20) material were not confirmed yet, despite buyers reported to be pushing for it. A UK-origin cargo booked late in the week to Sept. 9 at \$342/mt CFR Izmir, normalizing to \$347/mt CFR for premium HMS, showed that prices below \$350/mt CFR were already seen in the market. A sell-side source said that the price for the UK cargo was feasible for smaller volumes of only heavy melting scrap. For larger shipments including also higher value grades, the price for HMS 1/2 (80:20) may still be higher than \$350/mt CFR. A sale of a Baltic cargo was indeed reported at \$356/mt CFR Iskenderun, for 10,000 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20). The order also included 13,000 mt shredded and 2,000 mt bonus scrap, both at \$376/mt CFR. Sources also discussed another UK-origin deal, also only HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$340/mt CFR Iskenderun. It was denied by the buyer mentioned in the deal. Another couple of cargoes from Benelux were denied by the reported seller. The first one, prompt shipment, was rumored at \$340/mt for HMS 1/2 (80:20) and \$355/mt for bonus, CFR Izmir. The other one with the average price at \$335/mt CFR Turkey, included 25,000 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20), 5,000 mt PS and 5,000 mt shredded. "It seems like an effort [by buyers] to try and bring the market down before buying starts again," a European scrap recycler said. (Platts)

**EU HRC**

Prices fall European hot-rolled coil (HRC) prices decreased yesterday, as some mills were still taking orders at previous prices, despite the higher offers announced. The Argus daily northwest EU index fell by €20.25/t to €749.50/t ex-works today, while the Italian price decreased by €4.50/t to €771.75/t ex-works. Order intake to producers is low, while uncertainty is high, as end-users are also hit by the energy crisis. Some buyers report they do not expect latest mill offers to be accepted. But there are indications of the market having bottomed out, at least in southern Europe, and Italy in particular. This could eventually stimulate demand across the bloc. Import prices are on the increase, with new offers this week coming in at €700/t cfr and above. Some expect import prices to eventually settle around the €715/t cif mark for HRC, and €800/t and above for cold-rolled coil.

The downstream market in Europe is still on the decline, despite efforts to move prices up, but without coil prices moving up first, it is difficult to convince end-buyers. Some traders reported today that the largest of buyers in Italy have been enquiring with them, which is also a signal that Italian mills are firm on their current asking prices. But mills in northern Europe are still finding it hard to not give discounts. (Argus)

## Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	351.50	-3.00	375.72
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	670.00	-5.00	669.38
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	749.50	-20.25	763.31
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	573.00	0.00	569.38

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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