

FIS Steel and Scrap Report

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FOB China HRC

The index rose by \$1/t yesterday (29.11.22) to US\$536/t, MTD US\$525.24/t.

The China Securities Regulatory Commission said on 28 November that it will allow private share placements for Chinese and Hong Kong property companies, a move that will enable developers raise funds. Beijing also called to check unauthorized lockdowns and other excessive Covid restrictions. China will also keep adjusting its Covid policies to reduce the negative influence on the national economy and people's life, said Mi Feng, spokesman of the National Health Commission. Chinese domestic market sentiment was further supported by the real estate stimulus policies, leaving sellers to be more bullish on steel prices in the near term. Major Chinese mills lifted offers to \$545-560/t fob China for SS400 HRC after domestic sales prices rose. Seaborne buyers bid at equivalent of \$510-515/t fob China. Chinese mills were not in a rush to take orders below \$540-545/t fob China as they are facing less sales pressure for January shipment cargoes. Vietnamese buyers lifted bids to \$530/t cfr Vietnam for Japanese SAE1006-grade coil, below the latter's offer at \$550/t cfr Vietnam. Offers were higher at \$570/t cfr Vietnam from China, attracting no buying interest. (Argus)

Turkish Scrap

Turkish deepsea import scrap price jumps on latest Baltic sale

Deepsea offers for Jan shipment at \$370/mt CFR

Fresh Baltic-origin sale heard for Dec shipment

Turkish import deepsea scrap prices continued to climb sharply Nov. 29, following a fresh Baltic-origin deal as Turkish mills continued restocking amid limited December shipment cargo availability. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) Nov. 29 at \$366/mt CFR, up \$6/mt day on day. A Baltic-origin deal was booked Nov. 29 by an Iskenderun mill, with 20,000 mt HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$366/mt CFR, and 10,000 mt bonus scrap at \$386/mt CFR. The deal was for December shipment and was confirmed by the buyer. Sellers were bullish about the near-term price direction amid concerns of tighter scrap supply and weak collection rates into the winter period. HMS collection prices were largely heard at Eur300-305/mt delivered to the dock minimum in the Benelux region, while on the US East Coast, HMS dock prices were heard around \$250/mt delivered, up from \$230-\$240/mt delivered heard earlier in the month. "These are the last December shipment cargoes, so there's not much availability and time has run out for some buyers — the next round will be for second-half January shipment, as there will be no first-half January shipment cargoes due to the holidays," a Turkish trader said, citing offers heard for premium HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$375/mt CFR. One Turkish agent source cited an indicative tradable value for Baltic-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) above \$370/mt CFR for second half January shipment, while a second agent source cited an indicative near-term tradable value for US-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$370/mt CFR. (Platts)

EU HRC

Italy firms as north slides European hot-rolled coil prices diverged yesterday, with Italy firming on the back of brisker end-user demand as prices in the north of the continent softened. Italian service centres said end buyers had returned to market following the increase in apparent demand caused by one mill's decision to drop prices below €600/t delivered. This was emboldening service centres to try and increase sheet prices, although there was still talk of sales completed below €700/t delivered for commodity grades. One service centre said it was selling some lots at around €720/t. Service centres said they had some gaps appearing on certain sizes and grades, meaning they had to buy when they were selling, although some sizes were also overstocked.

Mills were indicatively offering around €620-640/t base delivered, according to buy-side sources. Japanese and South Korean import offers appeared to have exited the market, amid louder talk of European association Eurofer lobbying for an anti-dumping investigation. Buyers were also watching the recent strengthening in Chinese prices, which have pushed up Asian prices on a dollar-denominated basis. North European mills were selling into southern Europe at around €610-630/t delivered base, depending on volume, and remained hungrier than their southern counterparts. A Benelux-based producer reported sales at around €615/t delivered base into the key consumption hub of the Ruhr. (Argus)

Market Rates

Indices	Price	Change	MTD
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	366.00	6.00	347.49
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	645.00	2.50	636.26
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	602.25	-16.75	633.79
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	536.00	1.00	525.24

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-22	515	545	530
Dec-22	535	565	550
Jan-23	555	585	570
Q1-23	567	577	572
Q2-23	575	585	580
Q3-23	590	600	595

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-22	347	357	352
Dec-22	373	383	378
Jan-23	371	381	376
Q1-23	369	379	374
Q2-23	365	375	370
Q3-23	359	369	364

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-22	623	633	628
Dec-22	653	663	658
Jan-23	647	657	652
Q1-23	643	653	648
Q2-23	622	632	627
Q3-23	605	615	610

BUSHELING			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Dec-22	380	390	385
Jan-23	400	410	405
Feb-23	410	420	415
Q1-23	410	420	415
Q2-23	427	437	432
Q3-23	472	482	477

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-22	655	675	665
Dec-22	645	665	655
Jan-23	695	715	705
Q1-23	707	727	717
Q2-23	725	745	735
Q3-23	735	755	745

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-22	625	645	635
Dec-22	615	635	625
Jan-23	650	670	660
Q1-23	673	683	678
Q2-23	700	710	705
Q3-23	730	740	735

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