Steel and Scrap Report

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TURKISH SCRAP

Turkish deepsea imported scrap prices fell further on April 24, as suppliers cited lower workable levels. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) at \$412.50/mt CFR April 24, down \$3.50/mt on the day. Several deals booked over the week to April 21 were also heard. A Baltic-origin deal was booked on April 20 by a Marmara mill, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$415/mt CFR and bonus scrap at \$435/mt CFR. The deal was confirmed by the sell side. A Benelux-origin deal was booked during the middle of the week started April 17 by an Iskenderun mill and was confirmed by both the sell side and the buy side.

The shipment consisted of HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$415/mt CFR and bonus scrap at \$435/mt CFR. A second Baltic-origin deal was also heard by market sources to have been booked on April 20-21 by an Izmir mill, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$415/mt CFR and bonus scrap at \$435/mt CFR. A US-origin deal was also booked by the same Izmir mill on April 20, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$415/mt CFR. Prior to the news of the aforementioned European-origin deals, market participants had largely reported that Baltic and Benelux recyclers were stepping back from the market at prices below \$420/mt CFR, as high collection costs, an appreciating euro and a strong domestic European scrap market meant that Turkish buyer targets were unworkable for many recyclers on the continent. (Platts)

EU HRC

Large Italian hot-rolled coil (HRC) buyers, especially in the pipe-making sector, have started curtailing production, being squeezed by high costs and low end-product prices.

The domestic Italian market was quiet today, amid public holidays, but certain buyers are reportedly operating on reduced shifts, taking extra days off around bank holidays, and asking employees to take annual leave, because they prefer to stop output rather than deepen losses. Some of them have struggled to find raw material at a price that would be workable for the final market, as end-product prices across many sectors in Italy and wider Europe have been sluggish, and altogether did not match the increases seen in HRC prices in the first quarter.

Many of those buyers are now looking at importing HRC for usage after the summer — currently the spread with domestic prices is at €150-200/t. Taiwanese and Vietnamese HRC were today reported offered at \$730/t cif southern Europe, which would equate to €660-665/t. But some want to wait for another few weeks in case prices fall further. (Argus)

Market Rates

Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt)	412.50	-3.50	429.57
Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt)	660.00	-10.00	682.68
Argus HRC NW Europe (€/mt)	834.00	-0.25	842.88
US HRC CRU	1195.00	-8.00	1183.67
No.1 BUS	530.00	10.00	530.00

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK								
	Bid Ask Value							
Apr-23	420	430	425					
May-23	385	395	390					
Jun-23 380		390	385					
Q2-23	395	405	400					
Q3-23	380	390	385					
Q4-23	380	390	385					

LME REBAR FOB TK								
	Bid Ask Value							
Apr-23	670	680	675					
May-23	610	620	615					
Jun-23	605	615	610					
Q2-23	630	640	635					
Q3-23	605	615	610					
Q4-23	600	610	605					

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt						
	Bid Ask Value					
Apr-23	610	620	615			
May-23	570	580	575			
Jun-23	560	570	565			
Q2-23	580	590	585			
Q3-23	560	570	565			
Q4-23	555	565	560			

	US HRC USD/short ton							
	Bid Ask Value							
Apr-23	1175	1185	1180					
May-23	1085	1095	1090					
Jun-23 990		1000	995					
Q2-23	1080	1090	1085					
Q3-23	860	870	865					
Q4-23	795	805	800					

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton							
	Bid Ask Value						
Apr-23	840	850	845				
May-23	775	785	780				
Jun-23	720	730	725				
Q2-23	780	790	785				
Q3-23	685	695	690				
Q4-23	665	675	670				

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Bid Ask Value							
May-23	515	525	520				
Jun-23	470	480	475				
Jul-23	445	455	450				
Q3-23	445	455	450				
Q4-23	435	445	440				
Q1-24	445	455	450				

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Spread Moves

SPREAD TABLE								
Metal	Front Mth	Back Mth	Current	T-1₩	T-1M	T-3M	T-12M	Tight/Eased T-1W
	APR 23	MAY 23	93	53	- 39	9	0	Tightened
	APR 23	JUN 23	189	160	138	- 7	0	Tightened
US HRC	APR 23	JUL 23	278	240	228	9	0	Tightened
03 TIKC	MAY 23	JUN 23	96	107	- 99	-2	0	Eased
	MAY 23	JUL 23	185	187	189	0	0	Eased
	JUN 23	JUL 23	89	80	90	2	0	Tightened
	APR 23	MAY 23	45	40	10	-10	0	Tightened
	APR 23	JUN 23	104	- 75	30	-10	0	Tightened
EU HRC	APR 23	JUL 23	135	90	35	-10	-100	Tightened
LOTING	MAY 23	JUN 23	59	35	20	0	0	Tightened
	MAY 23	JUL 23	90	50	25	0	-100	Tightened
	JUN 23	JUL 23	31	15	5	0	-100	Tightened
	MAY 23	MAY 23	564	592	628	320	410	Eased
Mill Margin	JUN 23	JUN 23	513	515	519	322	410	Eased
	JUL 23	JUL 23	439	450	469	320	470	Eased
	MAY 23	MAY 23	294	322	333	- 15	160	Eased
Atlantic Spread	JUN 23	JUN 23	257	250	254	17	160	Tightened
(US-EU)	JUL 23	JUL 23	199	185	169	- 15	60	Tightened
	AUG 23	AUG 23	161	165	135	15	110	Eased

Front Month Price Grid

Field	US HRC	U\$ BU\$	N¥ EUR HRC	LME SCRAP TK	LME HRC FOB	LME REBAR TK	TimeFrame
	1177	520	841	427	612	673	Current
	1175	530	840	427	628	684	T-1¥
	1197	530	835	440	640	707	T-1M
PRICE	799	470	765	422	647	686	T-3 M
	738	420	700	353	557	634	T-6 M
	960	550	800	466	791	758	T-12M
	817	475	750	405	674	681	YTD

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