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Turkish Scrap

Turkish deepsea import ferrous scrap prices increased on Nov. 28, as recyclers were heard to target higher prices amid elevated freight costs, sources said. Platts assessed Turkish imports of premium heavy melting scrap 1/2 (80:20) at \$392.50/mt CFR Nov. 28, up \$2.50/mt on day, according to indications from mills, traders, agents and recyclers. Market sources mostly shared tradable value indications for US/Baltic-origin or premium HMS 1/2 (80:20) between \$390- \$395/mt CFR. An EU-origin deal was booked on Nov. 27 by a Marmara mill, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$386/mt CFR, but the majority of market sources did not consider the deal to be repeatable and instead reported fresh offers for EU-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) at above \$390/mt CFR on the day. A second EU-origin deal was also heard to be booked by an Iskenderun mill, with HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$388/mt CFR, but the timing of the deal could not be confirmed. "The mills are still enquiring for H1 Jan shipment, and they are still hoping to get \$388-\$389/mt CFR [for EU-origin HMS 1/2 (80:20) but we are no longer there. We need well into the \$390's/mt CFR because of our buying prices and higher freight costs," an EU recycler said.

The EU recycler shared HMS collection costs in the Benelux region at Eur315-320/mt delivered to the docks, which other EU recyclers later confirmed on the day. Platts assessed the dry bulk freight rate for the RotterdamAliaga Turkey route for 30,000 mt Supramax at \$29/mt Nov. 28, up \$1/mt on day and from \$25.50/mt on Nov. 15. The 40,000 mt Rotterdam-Aliaga scrap route also climbed \$1 on the day to \$24/mt. The recent strength in the euro against the dollar was also heard to have contributed to the hiked seller targets from European recyclers. Platts assessed the euro at \$1.0932 Nov. 28, appreciating from \$1.0863 Nov 15. Elsewhere, US recyclers were reported to have restricted their offers of ferrous scrap into Turkey, due to elevated freight rates from the US Gulf Coast following delays and queues in the Panama Canal. The USGC saw healthy spot rates for both trans-Atlantic and fronthaul runs, with activity reported as slow on the day while Panama Canal delays persisted with southbound average days in queue pushed up at around 10 days. "The freight rates are the problem, they are up by a lot already, so the US recyclers will not offer below \$400/mt CFR [into Turkey]," an agent source said.

Platts assessed the dry bulk freight rate for the New Jersey US East Coast-Aliaga Turkey route for 40,000 mt Supramax at \$35.75/mt Nov. 28, up 75 cents/mt on day and from \$30.50/mt on Nov. 15, which has likely contributed to the increased US seller targets. Market participants also expressed bullish price sentiment for US exports of HMS 1/2 (80:20) due to an expected increase in US domestic HMS settlements during the buy week in early December, with one market participant expecting HMS to settle \$35/lt higher on month. However, a UK trader said that the Turkish mills were so far resisting the increased seller targets reported by EU/US recyclers. "The recyclers can offer higher but it isn't leading to sales yet, the mills won't pay those prices," the trader said, suggesting prices of premium HMS 1/2 (80:20) were still at around \$390/mt CFR. Elsewhere, several deals were heard to be booked for Romanian and Bulgarian shortsea scrap on Nov. 27. These included a Romania-origin deal head to be booked by a Marmara mill, with 7,000 mt of HMS 1/2 (80:20) at \$371/mt CFR and 3,000 mt of HMS 1/2 (90:10) at \$391/mt CFR. A second Romania-origin deal was heard to be booked at \$369/mt CFR, while two Bulgaria-origin deals were heard to be booked at \$375/mt CFR and \$372/mt CFR. Platts assessed Turkish imports of shortsea scrap at \$371.75/mt CFR Nov. 28, down \$3.25/mt on day. (Platts; Abdi Salad)

Market Rates

PRODUCT (WoW = Week on Week)	LAST	CHG	MTD AVG
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 CFR Turkey (\$/mt) *CHG 1D*	392.50	2.50	381.05
Platts Steel Rebar FOB Turkey (\$/mt) *CHG 1D*	582.50	0.00	567.75
US HRC CRU *CHG WoW*	967.00	69.00	880.00

LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-23	383	389	386
Dec-23	401	407	404
Jan-24	407	413	410
Q1-24	405	411	408
Q2-24	402	408	405
Q3-24	402	408	405

US HRC USD/short ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Dec-23	1035	1045	1040
Jan-24	1090	1100	1095
Feb-24	1055	1065	1060
Q1-24	1003	1013	1008
Q2-24	895	905	899
Q3-24	850	860	854

LME REBAR FOB TK			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-23	565	575	570
Dec-23	592	602	597
Jan-24	596	606	601
Q1-24	597	607	602
Q2-24	596	606	601
Q3-24	598	608	603

NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-23	640	650	645
Dec-23	695	705	700
Jan-24	720	730	725
Q1-24	720	730	725
Q2-24	735	745	738
Q3-24	750	760	755

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Nov-23	540	550	545
Dec-23	561	571	566
Jan-24	574	584	579
Q1-24	582	592	587
Q2-24	592	602	597
Q3-24	593	603	598

BUSHELING			
	Bid	Ask	Value
Dec-23	480	490	485
Jan-24	520	530	525
Feb-24	520	530	525
Q1-24	518	528	523
Q2-24	515	525	520
Q3-24	510	520	517

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Spread Moves

SPREAD TABLE								
Metal	Front Mth	Back Mth	Current	T-1W	T-1M	T-3M	T-12M	Tight/Eased T-1W
US HRC	DEC 23	JAN 24	-36	-53	9	-21	-20	Tightened
	DEC 23	FEB 24	-11	-12	25	-17	-20	Tightened
	DEC 23	MAR 24	36	37	35	-32	-20	Eased
	JAN 24	FEB 24	25	41	16	4	0	Eased
	JAN 24	MAR 24	72	90	26	-11	0	Eased
	FEB 24	MAR 24	47	49	10	-15	0	Eased
EU HRC	DEC 23	JAN 24	-49	-47	-17	-5	0	Eased
	DEC 23	FEB 24	-74	-67	-25	-10	-25	Eased
	DEC 23	MAR 24	-89	-76	-21	-15	-25	Eased
	JAN 24	FEB 24	-25	-20	-8	-5	-25	Eased
	JAN 24	MAR 24	-40	-29	-4	-10	-25	Eased
	FEB 24	MAR 24	-15	-9	4	-5	0	Eased
Atlantic Spread (US-EU)	DEC 23	DEC 23	355	338	303	93	20	Tightened
	JAN 24	JAN 24	366	371	286	109	15	Eased
	FEB 24	FEB 24	326	321	274	100	15	Tightened
	MAR 24	MAR 24	279	266	259	115	15	Tightened
ARC Spread (Rebar - Scrap)	DEC 23	DEC 23	196	186.5	189	195	272	Tightened
	JAN 24	JAN 24	192	183	195	194.5	272	Tightened
	FEB 24	FEB 24	194.5	188	195	193.5	267	Tightened
	MAR 24	MAR 24	195.5	197	195.5	196	272.5	Eased

Front Month Price Grid

Field	US HRC	US BUS	NW EUR HRC	LME \$CRAP TK	LME HRC FOB	LME REBAR TK	TimeFrame
PRICE	1050	495	646	381	547	575	Current
	1033	495	648	384	550	570	T-1W
	985	470	610	370	550	563	T-1M
	758	460	633	372	555	566	T-3M
	776	445	770	365	532	592	T-6M
	785	440	633	374	567	645	T-12M
	824	460	646	385	673	650	YTD

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