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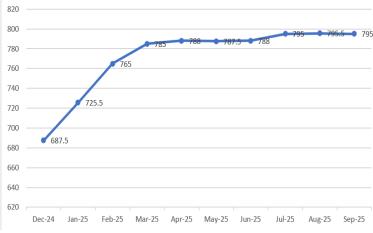
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US HRC

The US HRC futures market displayed moderate activity. *Apr25* traded at **\$785** in 1kt, while spreads dominated much of the trading focus. The *Mar25-Jun25* spread printed at **-\$15** in 2.5ktpm total (783 vs. 798), signaling some stability in forward expectations. In the prompt months, while *Dec24-Mar25* spread traded at **-\$85**, trading 1.86ktpm, indicative of sustained near-term pricing pressure.

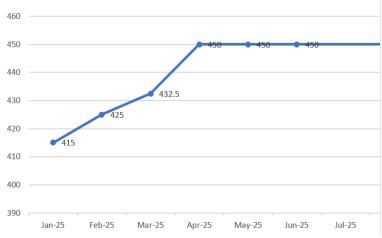
Cleveland-Cliffs (CLF), Nucor, and reportedly U.S. Steel (USX) are holding firm at **\$750**, but this level appears increasingly disconnected from transactional realities. Platts dropped its HRC price by **\$5** to **\$695**, while SMU remains at **\$680** and CRU at **\$671**. Mills appear willing to negotiate aggressively to secure orders, with **88%** of steel buyers surveyed by SMU reporting that mills are flexible on spot pricing. This is among the highest levels recorded this year, and underscores mills' difficulty in holding firm pricing amidst buyer resistance. Hot-rolled products, in particular, saw **96% negotiation rates**, the highest since February. December scrap prices are projected to drop by **\$10-20**, with some forecasts suggesting declines as steep as **\$30**, driven by weak mill demand and efforts to reduce inventories before year-end. Looking ahead, the market's recovery will likely depend on inventory normalization, improved demand from key sectors, and any supportive trade measures.

CME US HRC INDIC



	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	
CME Settlements-US HRC											
F	Period		CME alue	Pri	or	Diff	C)pen Int	C	hg	
De	c 24	(589	68	86	+3	7	7507	-3	33	
Jar	า 25	-	725	72	20	+5	(5663	+1	.63	
Fe	b 25	-	765	76	53	+2	3	3472	+2	.97	
Ma	ar 25	-	783	78	80	+3	3	3617	+	47	
Ар	r 25	-	785	79	0	-5	2	1877	+	·5	
Ma	ay 25	7	790	79	95	-5	2	1498	+	48	
Jur	ne 25	-	798	79	95	-3	ź	2303		0	
Jul	y 25	7	792	80)2	-10		584		0	
Au	g 25	-	781	79	0	-9		632		0	
Se	p 25	-	781	79	0	-9		343		0	
Oc	t 25	-	781	79	0	-9		213		0	
No	v25	-	781	79	0	-9		159		0	

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CME Block Trades - US HRC

Apr25 US HRC @785 in 1kt

Mar25 v Jun25 US HRC @-15 in 500tpm (783 v 798) Mar25 v Jun25 US HRC @-15 in 2ktpm (783 v 798) Dec24 v Mar25 US HRC @-85 in 500tpm (695 v 780) Dec24 v Mar25 US HRC @-85 in 1.36ktpm (695 v 780) Mar25 US HRC @785 in 500t Mar25 v Jun25 US HRC @-10 in 1ktpm (785 v 795)

Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	337.5	0
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	562.5	0
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	671	+3
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	485	-1
		Source: FIS, Nucor, Cliff

LME HRC FOB TIAN	IJIN CHINA	USD/mt		LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Dec-24	483	493	488	Dec-24	335	341	338	
Jan-25	489	499	494	Jan-25	338	344	341	
Feb-25	495	505	500	Feb-25	345	351	348	
Mar-25	498	508	503	Mar-25	352	358	355	
Apr-25	502	512	507	Apr-25	357	363	360	
Q1-25	494	504	499	Q1-25	345	351	348	

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Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value		
Dec-24	558	568	563	Jan-25	412	420	415		
Jan-25	562	572	567	Feb-25	422	430	425		
Feb-25	574	584	579	Mar-25	430	440	433		
Mar-25	575	585	580	Apr-25	447	455	450		
Apr-25	580	590	585	May-25	447	455	450		
Q1-25	570	580	575	Q1-25	433	440	436		

CME US HRC USD/s	hort ton			CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Dec-24	685	695	688	Dec-24	555	565	562	
Jan-25	720	730	726	Jan-25	560	570	565	
Feb-25	760	770	765	Feb-25	575	585	582	
Mar-25	780	790	785	Mar-25	605	615	610	
Apr-25	785	795	788	Apr-25	605	615	608	
Q1-25	755	765	759	Q1-25	580	590	585	

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