

## STEEL AND SCRAP REPORT

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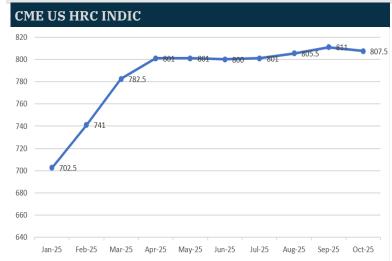
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## **US HRC**

US HRC futures market experienced steady activity, with both outright and spread trades reflecting measured sentiment as market participants anticipate gradual improvements in demand. Nucor's consumer spot price for hot-rolled coil remains steady at \$750 for the 10th consecutive week, unchanged since November. Survey respondents suggest the Q1 market is expected to remain largely flat, with soft demand and ample capacity acting as headwinds. Outright trades included Feb25 at \$735-737 across 1.36kt and Mar25 at \$780 in 1kt. Q225 contract remained active, trading at \$806 in multiple clips totaling 1.5ktpm, while Q425 traded slightly lower at \$804 for 500tpm. Feb25/Mar25 rolls traded at -\$32 to -\$34 totaling 5.96ktpm and widened to -\$40 in 1.5ktpm.

US ferrous scrap prices moved higher in January, driven by restocking activity as steelmakers replenished inventories following delayed purchases in December. Mini-mills, preparing for potential disruptions from winter storms, lifted prices across grades, with Midwest No. 1 busheling assessed up \$15 to \$410, and shredded scrap rising \$20 to \$390. According to reports, Cliffs would acquire U.S. Steel in a cash deal, while Nucor would subsequently purchase Big River Steel. This proposal would reportedly value U.S. Steel shares in the high \$30s, significantly below Nippon Steel's blocked \$55-per-share offer. Nippon, which recently filed lawsuits against the US government and Cleveland-Cliffs' leadership, has had its deal deadline extended to June.



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**CME Block Trades - US HRC** 

CME Settlements—US HRC					
Period	CME Value	Prior	Diff	Open Int	Chg
Jan 25	705	704	+1	5191	+17
Feb 25	739	740	-1	5752	+9
Mar 25	780	778	+2	4443	+50
Apr 25	804	800	+4	2276	-4
May 25	806	797	+9	1982	-35
June 25	806	797	+9	3720	-1
July 25	806	797	+9	1356	+15
Aug 25	802	800	+2	864	+16
Sep 25	802	797	+5	507	0
Oct 25	804	799	+5	336	+15
Nov25	804	800	+4	255	0
Dec25	804	800	+4	255	0

Q225 US HRC @806 in 200tpm
Q425 US HRC @804 in 500tpm
Aug25-Sep25 US HRC @805 in 500tpm
Q225 US HRC @806 in 300tpm
Mar25 US HRC @780 in 1kt
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-40 in 1ktpm (740 v 780)
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-40 in 500tpm (740 v 780)
Q225 v Q425 US HRC @2 in 1ktpm (806 v 804)
Q225 US HRC @806 in 1ktpm
Feb25 US HRC @737 in 500t
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-34 in 1.5ktpm (741 v 775)
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-32 in 2ktpm (739 v 771)
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-34 in 500tpm (741 v 775)
Feb25 v Mar25 US HRC @-32 in 1.96ktpm (739 v 771)
Feb25 US HRC @735 in 860t

Source: CME, FIS, Nucor, SMU Source: CME

Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	341	0
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	555	0
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	687	-7
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	448	0
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Source: FIS, Nucor, Cliff

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	446	456	451	
Feb-25	461	471	466	
Mar-25	470	480	475	
Apr-25	468	478	473	
May-25	473	483	478	
Q1-25	459	469	464	

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LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Bid	Ask	Value		
340	346	343		
344	350	347		
351	357	354		
352	358	355		
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345	351	348		
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Period	Bid	Ask	Value
Jan-25	552	562	557
Feb-25	558	568	563
Mar-25	564	574	569
Apr-25	571	581	576
May-25	576	586	581
Q1-25	558	568	563

CME US BUSHELING				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	432	440	435	
Feb-25	432	440	435	
Mar-25	437	445	440	
Apr-25	437	445	440	
May-25	444	450	447	
Q1-25	434	440	437	

CME US HRC USD/short ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	700	710	703	
Feb-25	735	745	741	
Mar-25	780	790	783	
Apr-25	795	805	801	
May-25	795	805	801	
Q1-25	735	745	742	

CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	575	585	578	
Feb-25	600	610	603	
Mar-25	615	625	620	
Apr-25	620	630	625	
May-25	625	635	630	
Q1-25	595	605	600	

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