

STEEL AND SCRAP REPORT

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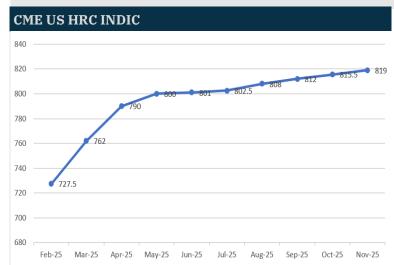
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US HRC

US HRC futures market saw steady flows today, with May25 printing at \$802 in 2kt and Mar25 holding firm at \$770 across multiple blocks in 5.6kt. The Jun v Dec spread traded flat at \$804 in 2.5ktpm, reflecting stable longer-term pricing expectations. While futures remain in contango, the market continues to watch for potential catalysts that could disrupt this structure, particularly as we approach February 1st, when the Trump administration is expected to announce its final stance on tariffs for Canada, Mexico, and potentially Europe.

While Canada could attempt to **divert its exports to new markets**, significant challenges exist. **High production costs** make it difficult for Canadian mills to compete on price globally, particularly against **lower-cost producers in Brazil or Asia**. European markets might be an option, but **freight disadvantages and lack of established sales networks** present additional hurdles. Market sentiment remains **cautiously neutral**. However, **tariff uncertainty remains a major overhang**. If implemented, tariffs could create **a significant realignment in North American trade flows**, potentially **pushing US steel prices higher** and driving **more speculative activity in futures markets**. The next week will be **critical in shaping near-term price action**, as market participants await official tariff announcements and potential retaliatory measures from trading partners.



CME EURO HRC INDIC 680 660 640 638.5 620 600 580 560 520 Jan-25 Feb-25 Mar-25 Apr-25 May-25 Jun-25 Jul-25 Aug-25 Sep-25 Oct-25

CME Settlements-US HRC Period **CME** Open Diff Prior Chg Value Feb 25 732 4687 735 -3 -49 Mar 25 767 760 +7 6622 +68 Apr 25 795 790 +5 2594 +277 802 797 May 25 +5 2323 +230 June 25 805 800 3805 +25 +5 805 July 25 805 0 1315 +49 Aug 25 805 805 0 949 +25 Sep 25 805 805 0 632 +25 Oct 25 803 803 0 572 +121 803 0 Nov25 803 481 +144 804 Dec25 810 446 +114 -6 833 833 0 Jan26 n

CME Block Trades - US HRC
May25 US HRC @802 in 2kt
Jun25 v Dec25 US HRC @FLAT in 2.5ktpm (804)
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 1.5kt
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 500t
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 500t
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 500t
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 700t
Mar25 US HRC @770 in 500t

Source: CME, FIS,

Nucor, SMU

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Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	349	+5.75
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	560	+5
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	698	+18
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	750	0
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	466	0
		Source: EIS Nucer Cliff

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LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt					
Period	Bid	Ask	Value		
Jan-25	458	468	463		
Feb-25	476	486	481		
Mar-25	485	495	490		
Apr-25	491	501	496		
May-25	491	501	496		
Q1-25	473	483	478		

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LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	339	345	342	
Feb-25	362	368	365	
Mar-25	368	374	371	
Apr-25	370	376	373	
May-25	371	377	374	
Q1-25	356	362	359	

LME REBAR FOB TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	555	565	560	
Feb-25	571	581	576	
Mar-25	580	590	585	
Apr-25	584	594	589	
May-25	585	595	590	
Q1-25	569	579	574	

CME US BUSHELING				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	447	455	450	
Feb-25	447	455	450	
Mar-25	457	465	460	
Apr-25	457	465	460	
May-25	457	465	460	
Q1-25	450	460	453	

CME US HRC USD/short ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Feb-25	725	735	728	
Mar-25	755	765	762	
Apr-25	785	795	790	
May-25	795	805	800	
Jun-25	795	805	801	
Q2-25	755	765	760	

CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jan-25	570	580	577	
Feb-25	615	625	618	
Mar-25	635	645	639	
Apr-25	650	660	653	
May-25	660	670	663	
Q1-25	605	615	611	

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