EMISSIONS | OIL | FERROUS | FREIGHT | AGRI | METALS | ENERGY | PHYSICAL



STEEL AND SCRAP REPORT

03/19/2025

info@freightinvestor.com | freightinvestorservices.com | fis-live.com London (+44) 20 7090 1120 | Singapore (+65) 6535 5189 | Shanghai (+86) 21 6335 4002 | Dubai (+971) 4 4493900

US HRC

US HRC futures saw steady activity today, with spreads continuing to reflect front-month premiums/backwardation while deferred contracts remained under pressure. Apr25 traded at \$930 in 500t alone, while Apr v May rolls printing at +21 to +23 in a combined 4.1ktpm. May25 transacted at \$905-\$915 in 1.02kt, while Jul25 weakened to \$850 in 500t, signaling deeper softness in mid-year contracts. The Apr-Jun25+Q325 strip traded at \$857 across 2.7ktpm, reinforcing the downward pressure.

CRU edged down \$2 to \$947 this morning, bringing the March average to \$934. Domestic HRC prices were largely flat week-over-week, following significant gains over the past two months. While the Section 232 tariffs initially pushed U.S. prices higher, their full reinstatement last week narrowed the premium over imports, cutting the landed cost differential by 10 percentage points. Domestic HRC remains \$138/st more expensive than offshore alternatives, slightly lower than last week's differential. Globally, the European Union is moving to curb steel imports by 15% as the market struggles with overcapacity, high energy costs, and increased competition from redirected exports following U.S. trade restrictions. The European Commission announced it will tighten its steel safeguard measures in April to reduce imports exceeding historical levels. EU steel production has suffered under rising input costs, with capacity utilization currently at **65%**, a level deemed unsustainable by policymakers.

CME US HRC INDIC



680 670 662.5 660 650 645 640 630 620 610 600 Mar-25 Apr-25 Jun-25 Jul-25 Aug-25 Sep-25 Oct-25 Nov-25 Dec-25

CME Settlements-US HRC

Period	CME Value	Prior	Diff	Open Int	Chg
Mar 25	937	940	-3	6054	0
Apr 25	933	938	-5	6237	-34
May 25	910	920	-10	7827	+86
June 25	856	865	-9	9161	+50
July 25	845	852	-7	4626	-4
Aug 25	843	850	-7	1732	0
Sep 25	843	850	-7	1480	0
Oct 25	830	837	-7	1368	0
Nov25	820	831	-9	1101	+1
Dec25	826	831	-5	1077	+2
Jan26	832	835	-3	279	0
Feb26	832	835	-3	239	+4

CME Block Trades - US HRC

CME EURO HRC INDIC

Apr-Jun25+Q325 US HRC @857 in 760t/780tpm/1.16ktpm
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+21 in 500tpm (927 v 906)
Apr25 US HRC @930 in 500t
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+22 in 500tpm (930 v 908)
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+21 in 500tpm (927 v 906)
Q225 US HRC @895 in 500tpm
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+23 in 1ktpm (928 v 905)
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+23 in 1.1ktpm (928 v 905)
Apr25 v May25 US HRC @+23 in 1ktpm (928 v 905)
May25 US HRC @905 in 500t
May25 US HRC @915 in 520t
Jul25 US HRC @850 in 500t

Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	381	0
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	572.5	-2.5
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	947	-2
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	930	+15
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	900	+100
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	464	-1
		Source: FIS, Nucor, Cliff

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt			LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-25	458	468	463	Mar-25	372	378	375
Apr-25	463	473	468	Apr-25	376	382	379
May-25	468	478	473	May-25	375	381	378
Jun-25	472	482	477	Jun-25	376	382	379
Jul-25	474	484	479	Jul-25	380	386	383
Q2-25	467	477	472	Q2-25	375	381	378

LME REBAR FOB TK				CME US BUSHELIN	NG		
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-25	569	579	574	Mar-25	507	515	510
Apr-25	579	589	584	Apr-25	507	515	510
May-25	581	591	586	May-25	480	490	483
Jun-25	583	593	588	Jun-25	507	515	510
Jul-25	587	597	592	Jul-25	507	515	510
Q2-25	581	591	586	Q2-25	498	505	501

CME US HRC USD/short ton				CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton			
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	Period	Bid	Ask	Value
Mar-25	935	945	939	Mar-25	620	630	625
Apr-25	925	935	928	Apr-25	625	635	629
May-25	905	915	908	May-25	630	640	635
Jun-25	850	860	856	Jun-25	635	645	640
Jul-25	835	845	839	Jul-25	640	650	645
Q2-25	890	900	897	Q2-25	630	640	635

Edited by:

Catherine Wang, Steel and Scrap Broker

FIS

CONTACT

Catherine Wang

Catherinew@freightinvestor.com

+12035177212

The information provided in this communication is not intended for retail clients. It is general in nature only and does not constitute advice or an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to purchase any swap or other financial instruments, nor constitute any recommendation on our part. The information has been prepared without considering your investment objectives, financial situation, or knowledge and experience. This material is not a research report and is not intended as such. FIS is not responsible for any trading decisions taken based on this communication. Trading swaps and over-the-counter derivatives, exchange-traded derivatives, and options involve substantial risk and are not suitable for all investors. You are advised to perform an independent investigation to determine whether a transaction is suitable for you. No part of this material may be copied or duplicated in any form by any means or redistributed without our prior written consent. Freight Investor Services Ltd (FIS) is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FRN: 211452) and is a member of the National Futures Association ("NFA"). Freight Investor Services PTE Ltd ('FIS PTE') is a private limited company, incorporated and registered in Singapore with company number 200603922G, and has subsidiary offices in India and Shanghai. Freight Investor Solutions DMCC ('FIS DMCC') is a private limited company, incorporated and registered in Dubai with company number DMCC1225. Further information about FIS including the location of its offices can be found on our website at freightinvestorservices.com