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US HRC

US HRC futures market continued its downward trajectory today, with Dec25 trading at \$830 in 2kt, Q225 printing \$847 in 200tpm, and May25 slipping to \$842 and \$840 in 500t clips. Multiple Q225 prints at \$850 earlier in the session suggest sellers are stepping down along the curve amid reduced momentum and lower conviction from buyers.

This softening trend aligns with the broader macroeconomic backdrop. US consumer confidence has fallen for four consecutive months, hitting a 12-year low in March, driven by growing concerns around inflation, job security, and policy uncertainty. The Conference Board's Expectations Index dropped sharply to 65.2—well below the recession threshold of 80—indicating deteriorating sentiment about future economic conditions. A similar narrative comes from the University of Michigan's consumer sentiment data, now at its lowest since November 2022. Tariff coverage now includes countries that were previously exempt—Canada, Mexico, the EU, Japan, South Korea, and Australia—creating a wider import cost base. Market participants are now focused on the implications of these changes for both domestic supply and inflation. While the tariffs provide a protective floor for US mills, falling consumer demand and waning confidence may cap further pricing power. The surge in short-term inflation expectations to above 5% reflects consumer concern about future cost pressures.



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CME Settlements—US HRC					
Period	CME Value	Prior	Diff	Open Int	Chg
Apr 25	895	890	+5	5949	+10
May 25	843	842	+1	7983	+27
June 25	815	820	-5	8987	-145
July 25	815	820	-5	4560	+4
Aug 25	821	826	-5	1743	0
Sep 25	821	826	-5	1485	0
Oct 25	827	832	-5	1404	0
Nov25	820	825	-5	1144	0
Dec25	830	835	-5	1122	+2
Jan26	835	830	+5	314	+5
Feb26	840	835	+5	247	+1
Mar26	843	838	+5	217	+1

Dec25 US HRC @830 in 2kt

CME Block Trades - US HRC

Q225 US HRC @850 in 500tpm Q225 US HRC @850 in 500tpm

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

Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	379	-1
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	572.5	0
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	932	-15
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	935	0
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	900	+100
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	466	0
		Source: FIS. Nucor. Cliff

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	890	900	894	
May-25	835	845	841	
Jun-25	810	820	815	
Jul-25	810	820	817	
Aug-25	815	825	821	
Q2-25	845	855	850	

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LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	368	374	371	
May-25	360	366	363	
Jun-25	360	366	363	
Jul-25	360	366	363	
Aug-25	365	371	368	
Q2-25	362	368	365	

LME REBAR FOB TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	567	577	572	
May-25	571	581	576	
Jun-25	574	584	579	
Jul-25	578	588	583	
Aug-25	583	593	588	
Q2-25	570	580	575	

CME US BUSHELING				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	490	500	493	
May-25	481	490	484	
Jun-25	472	480	475	
Jul-25	472	480	475	
Aug-25	492	500	495	
Q2-25	481	490	484	

CME US HRC USD/short ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	890	900	894	
May-25	835	845	841	
Jun-25	810	820	815	
Jul-25	810	820	817	
Aug-25	815	825	821	
Q2-25	845	855	850	

CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Apr-25	635	645	639	
May-25	635	645	640	
Jun-25	635	645	640	
Jul-25	635	645	640	
Aug-25	645	655	648	
Q2-25	635	645	640	

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