

## STEEL AND SCRAP REPORT

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## US HRC

US HRC futures saw renewed strength today, with front-end contracts extending recent gains. Jul25 traded at \$905 in 1kt, while Aug25 printed at \$890 in 500t, reflecting continued bullish momentum supported by this morning's CRU index jump to \$878—up \$31 w/w. The Jul –Aug spread widened to +\$18 in 500tpm (905 v 887). Further along the curve, Oct25 printed \$863 and \$860 in two blocks of 500t, implying modest backwardation against current values but holding above last week's prints.

The tone in the physical market remains firm but cautious. While mills like Nucor and Cleveland-Cliffs have lifted HRC offers to \$900 and \$950/ton respectively, many buyers report that increases are not sticking across the board. SMU's HRC average rose \$20 to \$880/st, aligning with futures sentiment, but some participants still cite weak spot demand and high inventories limiting full pass-through. The latest delay in US-Canada tariff negotiations keeps the current 50% Section 232 regime in place through mid-July. Industry voices, including CLF CEO Lourenco Goncalves, view these tariffs as structurally embedded rather than cyclical, arguing they provide a critical backstop to domestic production. Still, demand-side risks remain. Goncalves pointed to housing and auto sector weakness and called out the Fed for lagging policy adjustments. With domestic production ticking up and lead times holding steady at 4.7 weeks, the sustainability of this price rebound hinges on macro stability and mill discipline.



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CME Settlements—US HRC						
Period	CME Value	Prior	Diff	Open Int	Chg	
June 25	870	864	+6	8835	0	
July 25	906	909	-3	6182	-32	
Aug 25	891	894	-3	4316	+129	
Sep 25	872	874	-2	4077	-47	
Oct 25	860	860	0	2860	0	
Nov25	855	855	0	1783	0	
Dec25	860	855	+5	2183	0	
Jan26	858	860	-2	730	+2	
Feb26	861	860	+1	565	0	
Mar26	858	855	+3	533	0	
Apr26	871	868	+3	35	0	
May26	873	870	+3	34	0	

Oct25 US HRC @863 in 500t
Aug25 US HRC @890 in 500t
Jul25 US HRC @905 in 1kt
Jul25 v Aug25 US HRC @+18 in 500tpm (905 v 887)
Oct25 US HRC @860 in 500t

**CME Block Trades - US HRC** 

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

Indices	Price	Change
Platts TSI HMS 1/2 80:20 (\$/mt CFR)	340	0
Turkish Rebar (\$/mt FOB)	545	0
CRU HRC (\$/mt)	878	+31
Nucor CSP HRC (\$/mt)	900	+10
Cleveland Cliff HRC (\$/mt)	950	+40
Argus FOB China HRC (\$/mt)	444	0
		Source: FIS. Nucor. Cliff

LME HRC FOB TIANJIN CHINA USD/mt				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jun-25	437	447	442	
Jul-25	437	447	442	
Aug-25	438	448	443	
Sep-25	439	449	444	
Oct-25	443	453	448	
Q3-25	438	448	443	

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LME HMS 80:20 CF	LME HMS 80:20 CFR TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value		
Jun-25	337	343	340		
Jul-25	338	344	341		
Aug-25	336	342	339		
Sep-25	337	343	340		
Oct-25	338	344	341		
Q3-25	337	343	340		

LME REBAR FOB TK				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jun-25	536	546	541	
Jul-25	536	546	541	
Aug-25	540	550	545	
Sep-25	542	552	547	
Oct-25	546	556	551	
Q3-25	539	549	544	

CME US BUSHELING				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jun-25	457	465	460	
Jul-25	472	480	475	
Aug-25	465	475	468	
Sep-25	522	530	525	
Oct-25	522	530	525	
Q3-25	486	495	489	

CME US HRC USD/short ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jun-25	865	875	871	
Jul-25	905	915	908	
Aug-25	880	890	887	
Sep-25	865	875	870	
Oct-25	850	860	855	
Q3-25	885	895	888	

CME NWE HRC EUR/metric ton				
Period	Bid	Ask	Value	
Jun-25	575	585	580	
Jul-25	550	560	557	
Aug-25	555	565	558	
Sep-25	560	570	566	
Oct-25	570	580	577	
Q3-25	555	565	560	

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