



MMi Dashboard

Iron Ore Price Indices

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao)
IOPI61 61% Fe Fines RMB/t

 **796**
-4 -0.52%

Mar 18th, 2026

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao)
IOPI65 65% Fe Fines RMB/t

 **907**
0.03 0.00%

Mar 18th, 2026

Iron Port Stock (FOT Qingdao)
IOPI58 58% Fe Fines RMB/t

 **728**
0 0.03%

Mar 18th, 2026

Iron Ore Seaborne (CFR Qingdao)
IOSI61 61% Fe Fines USD/dmt

 **106.20**
-0.40 -0.38%

Mar 18th, 2026

Iron Ore Seaborne (CFR Qingdao)
IOSI65 65% Fe Fines USD/dmt

 **125.05**
0.30 0.24%

Mar 18th, 2026

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao)
IOPLI 62.5% Fe Lump RMB/t

 **910**
37 4.24%

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

Exchange Traded Contracts

DCE Iron Ore 62% Fines
I2605 (May) RMB/t (3pm close)

 **811.00**
-5.50 -0.67%

Mar 18th, 2026 (3pm close)

SGX Iron Ore (CFR Qingdao) 62% Fe Fines
March 26 USD/dmt

 **107.35**
-1.45 -1.33%

Mar 18th, 2026 (5.30 pm Print)

SHFE Rebar
RB2605 (Jan) RMB/t

 **3140**
-8 -0.25%

Mar 18th, 2026 (3pm close)

Freight Rates

C3, Tubarao - Qingdao USD/t

 **29.69**
-0.03 -0.1%

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C5, W. Australia - Qingdao USD/t

 **13.33**
-0.31 -2.2%

Mar 17th, 2026

Steel Price

Steel Rebar (China Domestic) RMB/t

 **3164**
31 0.99%

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

Inventory Levels

Iron Ore Inventory at Chinese Ports (35)
million tonnes

 **155.41**
0.61 0.39%

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

Steel Inventory in China
million tonnes

 **15.16**
0.40 2.68%

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

Steel Price

Steel HRC (China Domestic) RMB/t

 **3282**
57 1.76%

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

IRON ORE PORT STOCK INDEX (IOPI)

Mar 18th, 2026		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne ¹						
Index	Fe Content	Price	Change	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low ²	High ²	Price	Change	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low ²	High ²
IOPI62	62% Fe Fines	796	-4	-0.5%	787	828	683	1063	107.25	-0.50	-0.5%	102.58	108.09	89.33	140.24
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	728	0	0.0%	694	727	610	963	98.84	0.11	0.1%	90.94	95.57	80.25	128.13
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	907	0	0.0%	896	938	794	1175	122.70	0.10	0.1%	117.31	122.96	104.47	155.37

IRON ORE SEABORNE INDEX (IOSI)

MARKET COMMENTARY

Mar 18th, 2026		CFR Qingdao, USD/dry tonne							Today , DCE iron ore futures were in the doldrums today. The most-traded contract, I2605, finally closed at 811 yuan/mt, down 0.12% from the previous trading session. Spot prices fell by about 2-5 yuan from the previous trading day. Traders were moderately active in offering quotations, while steel mills purchased as needed. Overall transactions in the spot market were limited. According to SMM statistics, the daily average hot metal production of the 242 sampled steel enterprises reached 2.3894 million mt this week, an increase of 38,000 mt WoW, and is expected to rise to 2.4089 million mt next week. As blast furnaces previously under maintenance gradually resumed production, rigid demand for iron ore improved somewhat. However, as spot prices remained at relatively high levels, steel mills' inquiry activity and purchase willingness were suppressed, and the decline in trading volume limited the upward momentum of ore prices to some extent. Looking ahead to future market trends, port supply is expected to adjust this weekend, with a relatively noticeable impact on the supply side of iron ore. Therefore, ore prices are expected to continue fluctuating at high levels in the short term until new information or factors emerge in the market and drive prices to form a clear trend.
Index	Fe Content	Price	Change	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low ²	High ²	
IOSI62	62% Fe Fines	106.20	-0.40	-0.38%	103.49	109.07	89.79	142.65	
IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	125.05	0.30	0.24%	115.66	123.68	98.23	171.65	

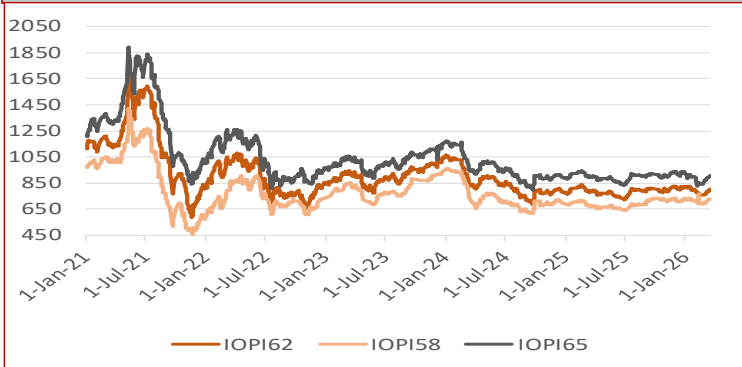
IRON ORE PORT LUMP INDEX (IOPLI)

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne ³						
Index	Fe Content	Price	W-o-W	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low ²	High ²	Price	W-o-W	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low ²	High ²
IOPLI62	62.5% Fe Lump	910	37	4.2%	895	953	820	1210	117.83	5.16	4.58%	112.19	119.69	102.77	153.57

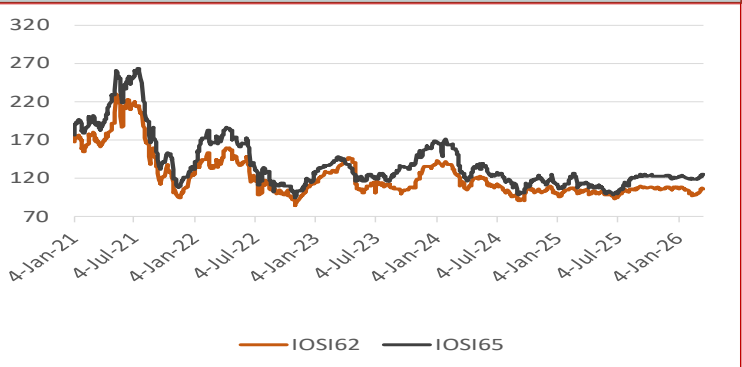
IRON ORE DOMESTIC CONCENTRATE SPOT PRICE ASSESSMENTS AND COMPOSITE INDEX

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026				RMB/tonne (excluding tax) ³				USD/tonne (excluding tax) ³			
Province	Region	Product	Basis	This week	Change %	Low ²	High ²	This week	Change %	Low ²	High ²
Hebei	Hanxing	66% Fe Concentrate	Dry	927	1.9%	859	1226	134.34	2.00%	119.88	172.59
Hebei	Qian'an	65% Fe Concentrate	Dry	975	0.5%	880	1300	141.29	0.65%	122.81	183.23
Liaoning	Anshan	65% Fe Concentrate	Wet	740	0.0%	690	970	107.24	0.13%	96.49	136.72
Shandong	Zibo	65% Fe Concentrate	Dry	955	2.0%	878	1294	138.40	2.17%	122.53	182.16
Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026				This week	Change %	Low ²	High ²	¹ Exchange rate applied: RMB/USD = 7.191 ²Last 12 months ³ Weekly exchange rate applied: RMB/USD =7.19258			
China Mines Concentrate Composite Index RMB/WT				858.04	-0.23%	802.20	905.40				

IRON ORE PORT INDEX, FOT QINGDAO (RMB/WT)



IRON ORE SEABORNE INDEX, CFR QINGDAO (USD/DMT)



IRON ORE PORT STOCK INDEX MONTHLY, QUARTERLY AND YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES

Mar 18th, 2026		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne						
Index	Fe Content	November	December	January	February	MTD	QTD	YTD	November	December	January	February	MTD	QTD	YTD
IOPI62	62% Fe Fines	805	798	810	769	787	783	828	105.46	100.24	107.43	102.60	102.58	101.95	108.09
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	720	716	719	699	694	689	727	95.02	94.72	96.04	93.94	90.94	90.27	95.57
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	917	925	900	852	896	892	938	120.64	122.17	119.85	114.11	117.31	116.73	122.96

IRON ORE SEABORNE INDEX MONTHLY, QUARTERLY AND YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES

FREIGHT RATES

Mar 18th, 2026		CFR Qingdao, USD/dry tonne							Mar 17th, 2026		FREIGHT RATES - DRY BULK US\$/wet tonne				
Index	Fe Content	November	December	January	February	MTD	QTD	YTD	Route	Designation	Change	Change %	Low ²	High ²	
IOSI62	62% Fe Fines	106.33	105.42	106.27	99.65	103.49	102.82	109.07	W. Australia - Qingdao	C5	13.33	-0.31	-2.2%	5.92	14.89
IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	122.46	121.09	121.51	118.61	115.66	114.84	123.68	Tubarao - Qingdao	C3	29.69	-0.03	-0.1%	16.08	35.02

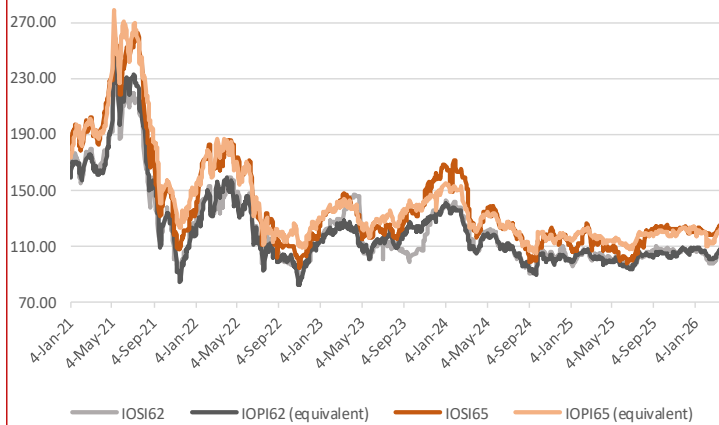
IRON ORE PORT LUMP INDEX MONTHLY, QUARTERLY AND YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES

Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne ¹						
Index	Fe Content	November	December	January	February	MTD	QTD	YTD	November	December	January	February	MTD	QTD	YTD
IOPLI62	62.5% Fe Lump	880	864	875	844	895	891	953	114.52	110.83	111.50	108.31	112.19	111.76	119.69

IRON ORE INDEX PREMIUMS/DISCOUNTS

Mar 18th, 2026		PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)		Mar 18th, 2026		SEABORNE INDEX (USD/DMT)	
Index	Fe Content	Spread to IOPI62	% Spread to IOPI62	Index	Fe Content	Spread to IOSI62	% Spread to IOSI62
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	-68	-8.53%	IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	18.85	17.75%
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	111	13.90%				

IRON ORE INDEX COMPARISONS (USD/DMT)



CHINA DOMESTIC COMPOSITE MINES INDEX (RMB/Wet Tonne, including VAT)



IRON ORE BRAND SPOT PRICE ASSESSMENTS

Mar 18th, 2026				Mar 18th, 2026			
PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)				SEABORNE INDEX (USD/DMT)			
	Price	Change	Diff to IOPI62		Price	Change	Diff to IOSI62
Roy Hill	754	-1	-42	Roy Hill	99.10	-0.40	-7.10
SIMEC Fines	774	4	-22	SIMEC Fines	95.35	-0.40	-10.85
PB Fines	801	-7	5	PB Fines	105.90	-0.40	-0.30
Newman Fines	801	-4	5	Newman Fines	103.35	-0.40	-2.85
MAC Fines	795	-4	-1	MAC Fines	102.35	-0.40	-3.85
Jimblebar Blended Fines	707	-5	-89	Jimblebar Blended Fines	95.20	-0.40	-11.00
Carajas Fines	875	-19	79	Carajas Fines	125.20	-0.40	19.00
Brazilian SSF	859	7	63	Brazilian SSF	102.20	-0.40	-4.00
Brazilian Blend Fines	859	-2	63	Brazilian Blend Fines	113.05	-0.40	6.85
RTX Fines	655	-5	-141	RTX Fines	96.00	-0.40	-10.20
West Pilbara Fines	794	-3	-2	West Pilbara Fines	98.20	-0.40	-8.00

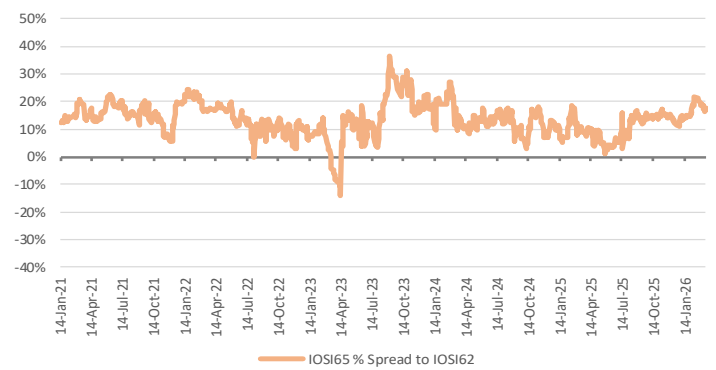
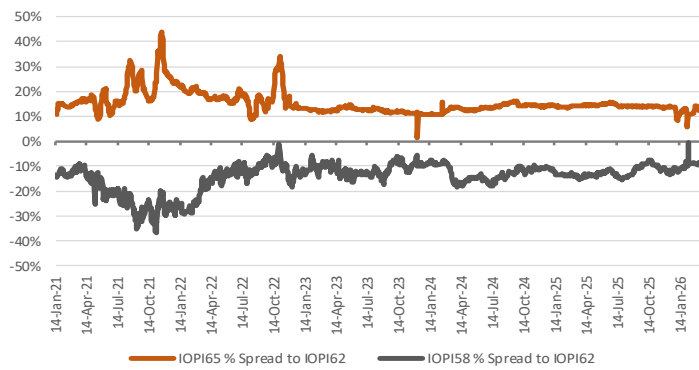
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PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)			
	Price	Change	Diff to IOPI58
SSF	677	0	-51
FMG Blended Fines	738	0	10
Robe River	733	0	5
Western Fines	684	0	-44
Atlas Fines	736	0	8
Yandi	709	0	-19

IRON ORE INDEX NORMALISATION DIFFERENTIALS

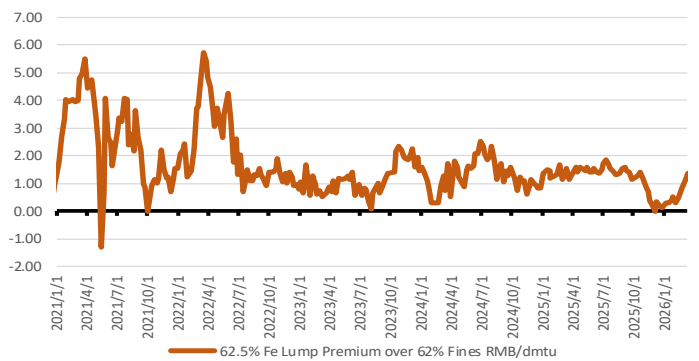
Port Stock Index Product Differentials (RMB/wet tonne)				Seaborne Index Product Differentials (USD/dry tonne)			
	Applicable range	Value	Change		Applicable range	Value	Change
1% Fe	High Grade Fe 60 - 63%	5.00	0.00	1% Fe	High Grade Fe 60 - 63%	5.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 63 - 64%	6.00	-3.00		High Grade Fe 63 - 64%	2.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 64 - 65%	6.00	-3.00		High Grade Fe 64 - 65%	2.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 65 - 65.5%	6.00	-3.00		High Grade Fe 65 - 65.5%	2.00	0.00
1% Alumina	Low Grade Fe	16.00	0.00	1% Alumina	High Fe Grade Al <2.25%	7.75	0.00
	High Fe Grade Al <2.25%	60.00	0.00		High Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	7.75	0.00
	High Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	66.00	0.00		High Fe Grade Si <4%	2.25	0.00
	Low Fe Grade Al <2.25%	25.00	5.00		High Fe Grade Si 4 - 6.5%	6.50	0.00
1% Silica	Low Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	15.00	-1.00	1% Silica	High Fe Grade Si <4%	2.25	0.00
	High Fe Grade Si <4%	5.00	-4.00		High Fe Grade Si 4 - 6.5%	6.50	0.00
	High Fe Grade Si 4 - 6.5%	25.00	-5.00		High Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.115%	1.75	0.00
	Low Fe Grade	24.00	0.00		High Fe Grade 0.115%<P<0.15%	1.75	0.00
0.01% Phosphorus	High Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.115%	30.00	0.00	0.01% Phosphorus	High Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.115%	1.75	0.00
	High Fe Grade 0.115%<P<0.15%	30.00	0.00		High Fe Grade 0.115%<P<0.15%	1.75	0.00
0.01% Phosphorus	Low Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.1%	5.00	0.00		Low Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.1%	5.00	0.00

Port Stock Price Differentials to Qingdao Port for PB Fines (RMB/wet tonne)											
Port	Value	Change	Port	Value	Change	Port	Value	Change	Port	Value	Change
Bayuquan	-20.00	0.00	Fangcheng	-25.00	0.00	Lanshan	0.00	0.00	Rizhao	0.00	0.00
Beilun	0.00	0.00	Jiangyin	-18.00	0.00	Lianyungang	-3.00	0.00	Shekou	0.00	0.00
Caofeidian	-15.00	0.00	Jingtang	-17.00	0.00	Majishan	0.00	0.00	Taicang	-18.00	0.00
Dalian	0.00	0.00	Lanqiao	0.00	0.00	Qingdao	0.00	0.00	Tianjin	-20.00	0.00

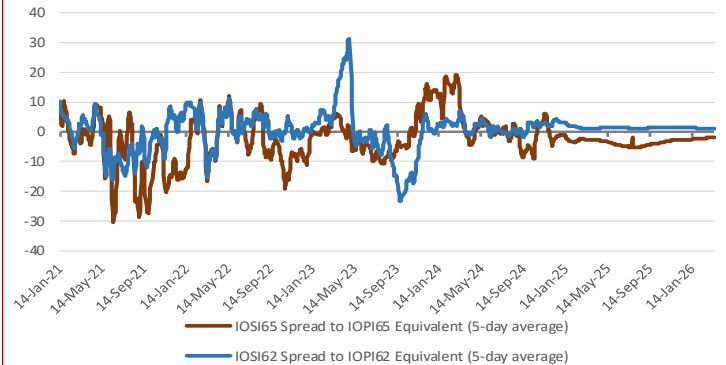
IRON ORE INDEX PREMIUMS/DISCOUNTS



WEEKLY IRON ORE PORT STOCK LUMP PREMIUM (RMB/DMTU)



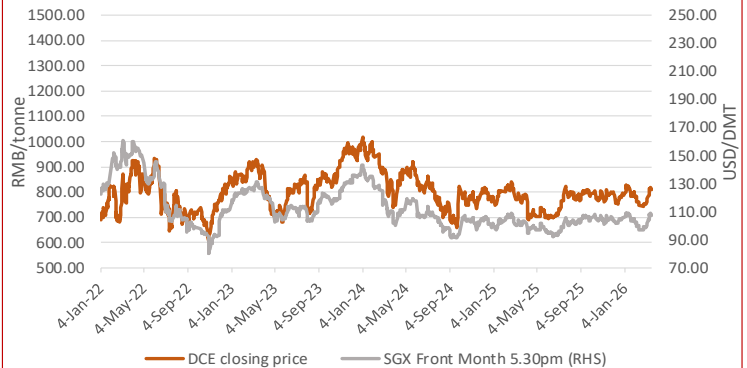
IRON ORE SEABORNE TO PORT STOCK PRICE SPREADS (USD/DMT)



TOTAL IRON ORE INVENTORIES AT CHINA PORTS (MILLION TONNES)



FUTURE TRADING—FRONT MONTH CLOSING PRICE



IRON ORE PORT INVENTORIES (MILLION TONNES)

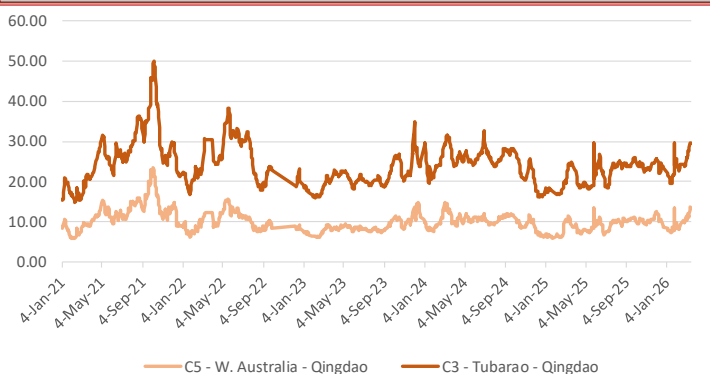
Week Ending Mar 13th, 2026

Province	This week	Change %	Low ²	High ²
Jingtang	18.00	3.45%	8.29	18.00
Qingdao	32.19	0.72%	22.28	34.83
Caofeidian	17.52	2.22%	7.56	20.28
Tianjin	12.52	2.96%	6.64	12.52
Rizhao	12.42	-4.61%	11.52	21.35
Total (35 Ports)	155.41	0.39%	105.01	166.39

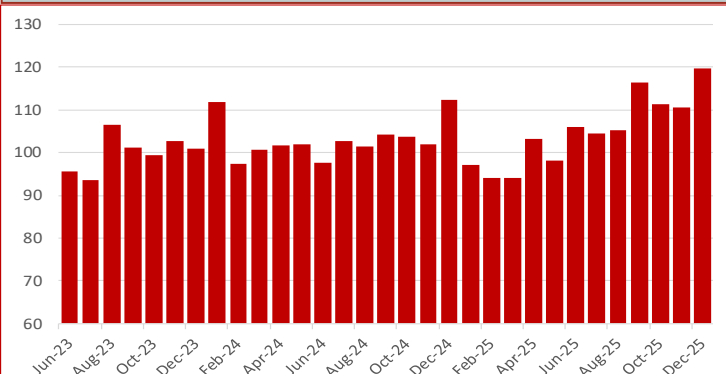
IRON ORE FUTURES CONTRACTS

Closing Date	DCE (RMB/WMT)			SGX (USD/DMT)		
	Mar 18th, 3pm close			Mar 18th, 5:30pm		
Contract	I2605	Change	Change %	Mar. 26	Change	Change %
Closing Price	811.00	-5.50	-0.67%	107.35	-1.45	-1.33%
Vol traded ('000 lots)	18.92	-2.09	-9.93%	11.19	1.77	18.72%
Open positions ('000 lots)	45.55	-0.62	-1.34%	48.94	1.07	2.24%
Day Low	806.0	1.50	0.19%	107.20	0.20	0.19%
Day High	818.5	-0.50	-0.06%	108.80	-0.20	-0.18%

DRY BULK FREIGHT RATES (USD/MT)



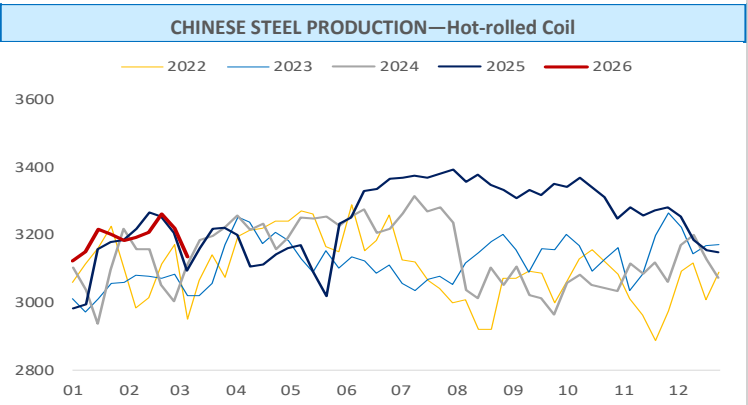
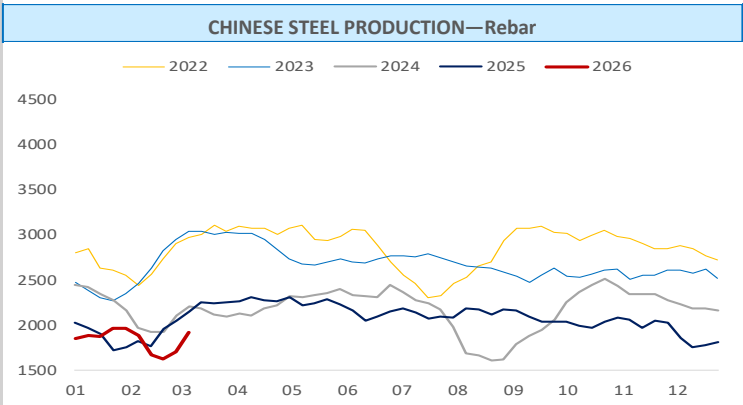
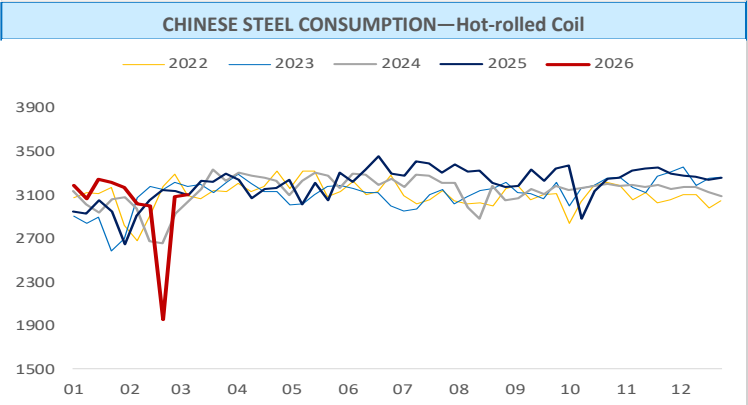
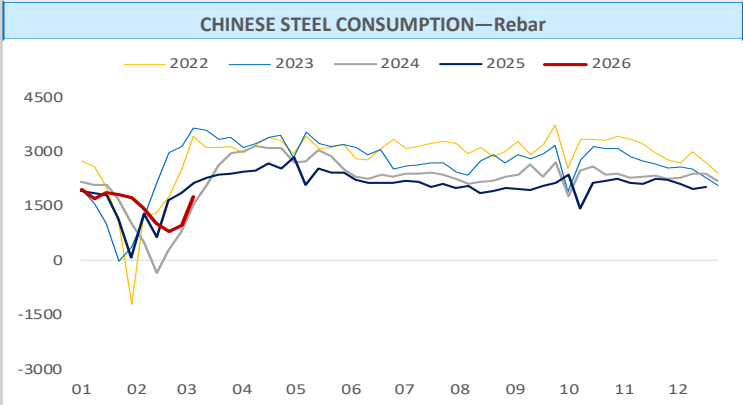
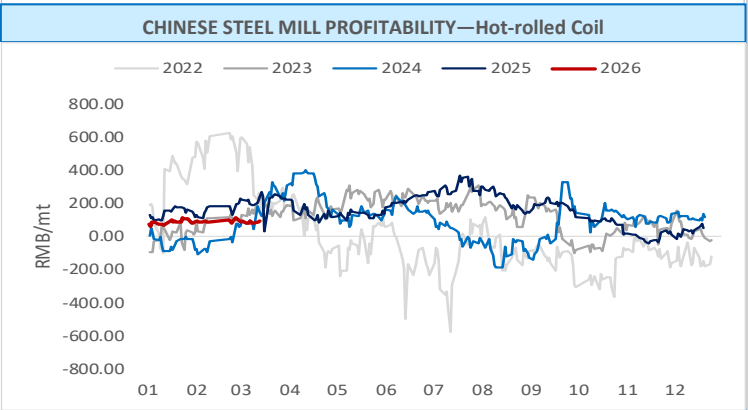
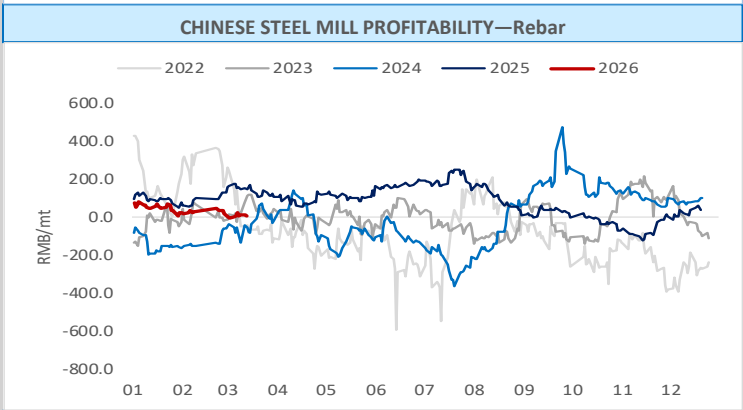
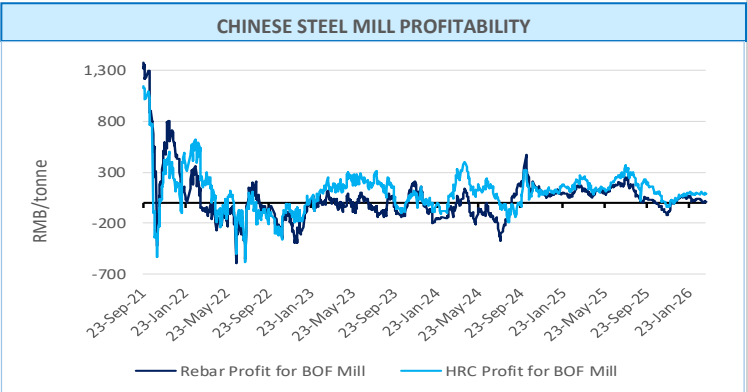
TOTAL CHINA IRON ORE IMPORT VOLUMES (MILLION TONNES)



STEEL SPOT MARKET PRICES—CHINA			
Steel Spot Market RMB/tonne			
Product	2026/03/13	Change	Change %
ReBar HRB400 φ18mm	3,164	31	0.99%
Wirerod Q300 φ6.5mm	3,361	28	0.84%
HRC Q235/SS400 5.5mm*1500*C	3,282	57	1.76%
CRC SPCC/ST12 1.0mm*1250*2500	3,787	54	1.45%
Medium & Heavy Plate Q235B 20mm	3,377	50	1.50%
GI ST02Z 1.0mm*1000*C	4,037	23	0.58%
Colour Coated Plate	6,300	0	0.00%

CHINESE STEEL MILL PROFITABILITY			
SMM Tracking of Steel Mill P&L - Rebar and Hot-rolled Coil (RMB/tonne)			
Category	Price	Change (WoW)	Note
MMi (Fe 62%), USD/mt excluding tax	106.77	2.60	Mmi CFR Equivalent index for 1st Feb
Coke	1,605	0	2nd grade met coke, Tangshan, incl. tax
Steel Scrap	2,480	50	steel scrap (6mm) in Zhangjiagang, ext. tax
Billet Cost	2,563	36	Q234, incl. tax
Rebar cost - Blast furnace	3,123	41	calculated based on theoretical weight, incl. tax
Rebar profit - Blast furnace	7	-1	based on Shanghai prices, incl. tax
Hot-rolled coil cost - Blast furnace	3,199	40	based on actual weight, incl. tax
Hot-rolled coil profit - Blast furnace	91	10	based on Shanghai prices, incl. tax

Note: 1. Costs in the table are calculated based on today's market prices and facout our management, sales, financial and depreciations fe
2. The cost refers to average cost in the industry based on SMM's survey of small, medium and large mills in China



IRON ORE INDEX SPECIFICATIONS, COMPILATION RATIONALE AND DATA EXCLUSIONS

Iron Ore Index Specifications (Port and Seaborne)					Iron Ore Index Compilation Rationale and Data Exclusions			
Fe %	65% Fe Fines	62% Fe Fines	58% Fe Fines	62.5% Fe Lump	MMi iron ore indices are compiled from data provided by companies that are part of the iron ore supply chain and involved in spot market transactions. The indices are calculated using detailed transaction-level data submitted to MMI by these companies. This data is normalised to the appropriate specifications and screened to remove outliers before volume-weighted average prices are calculated from the remaining core set of data.			
Alumina %	65.00	62.00	58.00	62.50				
Silica%	1.40	2.25	2.25	1.50				
Phosphorus %	1.50	4.00	5.50	3.50				
Sulphur %	0.06	0.09	0.05	0.08				
Moisture %	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02				
	8.00	8.00	9.00	4.00				
Sizing	Granular size below 10mm for at least 90% of cargo; maximum of 40% below 150 micron			Size below 6.3mm max 15% Size above 31.15mm max 25%				
Pricing Point	Qingdao Port (FOT and CFR respectively)			FOT Qingdao Port				
Timing (Seaborne)	Loading within 4 weeks, Delivery within 8 weeks			Delivery within 2 weeks				
Payment Terms	L/C at sight			L/C at sight or CAD				

IRON ORE DOMESTIC CONCENTRATE INDEX CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

The compilation method for price index generally refers to the compilation method of CPI price index and other price indices, breakdown the price data and calculate the average value according to a certain method, taking the vertical axis as the regional composite index (average of different grade index) and the horizontal axis as the grade composite index (average of different regional index), a total composite index for domestic ore can be output ultimately. The process system is also adopted in the calculation i.e. each sub-index can be obtained as well.

AVERAGE IRON ORE SPECIFICATIONS APPLIED FOR BRAND PRICE ASSESSMENTS

PORT STOCK BRANDS						SEABORNE BRANDS					
Mar 18th, 2026	Specifications applied for 62% brand assessments						Specifications applied for 62% brand assessments				
	Fe	Alumina	Silica	Phos	Moisture		Fe	Alumina	Silica	Phos	Moisture
Roy Hill	60.88%	2.35%	4.45%	0.055%	9.26%	Roy Hill	60.70%	2.30%	4.90%	0.055%	8.00%
SIMEC Fines	60.00%	2.30%	6.30%	0.060%	6.00%	SIMEC Fines	60.00%	2.30%	6.30%	0.060%	6.00%
PB Fines	61.64%	2.31%	3.87%	0.099%	9.45%	PB Fines 62%	62.00%	2.60%	4.30%	0.090%	9.50%
Newman Fines	62.49%	2.31%	3.98%	0.090%	7.72%	Newman Fines	62.30%	2.40%	4.40%	0.090%	8.00%
MAC Fines	60.43%	2.38%	4.64%	0.078%	7.57%	MAC Fines	60.80%	2.35%	4.70%	0.080%	7.80%
Jimblebar Blended Fines	60.87%	2.95%	4.53%	0.111%	7.32%	Jimblebar Blended Fines	60.50%	3.00%	4.50%	0.120%	8.00%
Carajas Fines	64.90%	1.39%	1.82%	0.080%	7.78%	Carajas Fines	65.10%	1.50%	1.70%	0.080%	8.50%
Brazilian SSF	62.00%	1.00%	6.50%	0.040%	6.00%	Brazilian SSF	62.00%	1.00%	6.50%	0.040%	6.00%
Brazilian Blend Fines	62.56%	1.58%	4.79%	0.091%	8.72%	Brazilian Blend Fines	63.00%	1.50%	5.00%	0.070%	7.00%
RTX Fines	61.00%	3.10%	4.50%	0.135%	7.50%	RTX Fines	61.00%	3.10%	4.50%	0.135%	7.50%
West Pilbara Fines	60.10%	2.30%	4.70%	0.075%	8.50%	West Pilbara Fines	60.10%	2.30%	4.70%	0.075%	8.50%
Mar 18th, 2026	Specifications applied for 58% brand assessments										
	Fe	Alumina	Silica	Phos	Moisture						
SSF	56.49%	3.20%	6.19%	0.065%	9.18%						
FMG Blended Fines	58.20%	2.43%	5.54%	0.057%	8.29%						
Robe River	56.44%	3.16%	5.73%	0.042%	8.44%						
Western Fines	57.88%	2.87%	7.50%	0.062%	7.45%						
Atlas Fines	58.00%	1.85%	5.50%	0.090%	9.00%						
Yandi	56.87%	1.58%	6.41%	0.042%	9.53%						

BLOOMBERG TICKERS

PORT STOCK INDICES			SEABORNE INDICES	
	FOT Qingdao (RMB/wet tonne)	CFR Qingdao Equivalent (USD/dry tonne)		CFR Qingdao (USD/DMT)
IOPI62	IRCNQ001	IRCNQ004	IOSI62	IRCN0034
IOPI58	IRCNQ002	IRCNQ005	IOSI65	IRCN0035
IOPI65	IRCNQ003	IRCNQ006		
IOPLI62	IRCN0036	IRCN0037		

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