Metals Market Index MMi

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Iron Ore Price Indices

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao) IOPI62 62% Fe Fines RMB/t
845
-4 -0.52%
Jun 7th, 2023

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao) IOPI65 65% Fe Fines RMB/t
957
-4.39 -0.46%
Jun 7th, 2023

Iron Port Stock (FOT Qingdao) IOPI58 58% Fe Fines RMB/t
729
0 0.02%
Jun 7th, 2023

Iron Ore Seaborne (CFR Qingdao) IOSI62 62% Fe Fines USD/dmt
107.68
0.00 0.00%
Jun 7th, 2023

Iron Ore Seaborne (CFR Qingdao) IOSI65 65% Fe Fines USD/dmt
134.08
0.00 0.00%
Jun 7th, 2023

Iron Ore Port Stock (FOT Qingdao) IOPLI 62.5% Fe Lump RMB/t
915
12 1.33%
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

Exchange Traded Contracts

DCE Iron Ore 62% Fines I2309 (Jan) RMB/t (3pm close)
770.00
3.50 0.46%
Jun 7th, 2023 (3pm close)

SGX Iron Ore (CFR Qingdao) 62% Fe Fines June 23 USD/dmt
107.70
1.85 1.75%
Jun 7th, 2023 (5.30 pm Print)

SHFE Rebar RB2310 (Jan) RMB/t
3621
-20 -0.55%
Jun 7th, 2023 (3pm close)

Freight Rates

C3, Tubarao - Qingdao USD/t
19.18
0.90 4.91%
Jun 6th, 2023

C5, W. Australia - Qingdao USD/t
8.74
0.75 9.32%
Jun 6th, 2023

Steel Price

Steel Rebar (China Domestic) RMB/t
3600
70 1.98%
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

Inventory Levels

Iron Ore Inventory at Chinese Ports (35) million tonnes
123.66
-0.73 -0.59%
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

Steel Inventory in China million tonnes
12.89
-0.66 -4.90%
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

Steel Price

Steel HRC (China Domestic) RMB/t
3790
40 1.07%
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

IRON ORE PORT STOCK INDEX (IOPI)

Jun 7th, 2023		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	**845**	-4	-0.5%	869	880	858	892	**110.40**	-0.78	-0.7%	120.06	120.58	117.93	122.93
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	**729**	0	0.0%	813	798	761	793	**95.75**	-0.14	-0.1%	113.29	110.17	105.29	110.04
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	**957**	-4	-0.5%	981	992	970	1003	**125.50**	-0.81	-0.6%	136.05	136.43	133.84	138.73

IRON ORE SEABORNE INDEX (IOSI)

Jun 7th, 2023		CFR Qingdao, USD/dry tonne						
Index	Fe Content	Price	Change	Change %	MTD	YTD	Low [2]	High [2]
IOSI62	62% Fe Fines	**107.68**	0.00	0.00%	114.23	123.32	83.90	146.75
IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	**134.08**	0.00	0.00%	125.24	139.41	94.45	165.40

MARKET COMMENTARY

DCE iron ore futures market volatility. the main contract closed 770. Traders have strong willingness to support prices. steel mills purchased on demand. Market wait-and-see sentiment increased, total transactions is poor. PBF at Shandong port dealt 815-828 yuan/mt; decreased 2-10 yuan/mt over yesterday. Today's iron ore import data was released, indicating that the import volume of iron ore in May was 96.18 million tons, an increase of 6.3% month on month and 4% year on year; Mainly due to the weakening of seasonal factors affecting overseas shipments, the volume of shipments has increased. According to SMM shipping tracking data, there was a significant increase in Brazilian shipments from April to May, while Australian mines fluctuated slightly. However, the number of days in June was less than one day. At the same time, considering seasonal factors in historical data, SMM predicts that the arrival of iron ore at ports in June may decrease slightly. There is not much supply pressure. Considering that tomorrow's steel inventory and apparent demand may perform well, it is expected that mining prices may still fluctuate strongly tomorrow.

IRON ORE PORT LUMP INDEX (IOPLI)

Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023		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	**915**	12	1.3%	926	1024	770	1275	**115.45**	0.98	0.86%	119.93	137.46	94.72	172.09

IRON ORE DOMESTIC CONCENTRATE SPOT PRICE ASSESSMENTS AND COMPOSITE INDEX

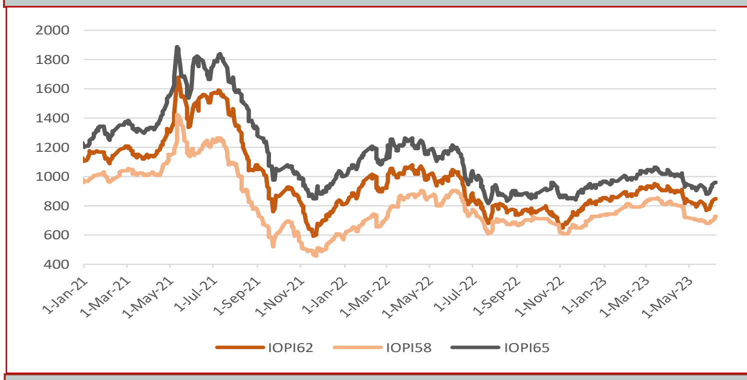
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023				RMB/tonne (excluding tax) [3]				USD/tonne (excluding tax) [3]			
Province	Region	Product	Basis	This week	Change %	Low [2]	High [2]	This week	Change %	Low [2]	High [2]
Hebei	Hanxing	66% Fe Concentrate	Dry	**906**	-5.3%	779	1645	**127.92**	-5.81%	110.31	255.69
Hebei	Qian'an	65% Fe Concentrate	Dry	**1000**	1.0%	780	1630	**141.20**	0.50%	110.51	251.57
Liaoning	Anshan	65% Fe Concentrate	Wet	**715**	-1.4%	620	1310	**100.96**	-1.88%	87.40	202.32
Shandong	Zibo	65% Fe Concentrate	Dry	**906**	-6.0%	800	1752	**127.92**	-6.49%	117.19	272.32

Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023	This week	Change %	Low [2]	High [2]
China Mines Concentrate Composite Index RMB/WT	**857.13**	-1.30%	706.36	1511.22

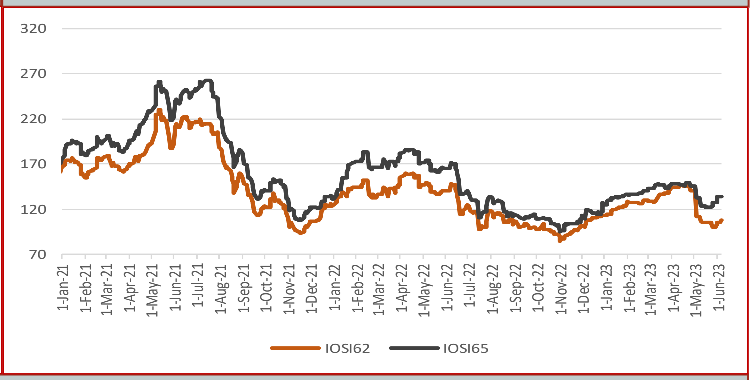
[1] Exchange rate applied: RMB/USD = 6.7522 [2]Last 12 months

[3] Weekly exchange rate applied: RMB/USD =6.87528

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

Jun 7th, 2023		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne						
Index	Fe Content	February	March	April	May	MTD	QTD	YTD	February	March	April	May	MTD	QTD	YTD
IOPI62	62% Fe Fines	892	924	879	804	**869**	881	880	121.64	124.91	118.84	106.85	**120.06**	120.90	120.58
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	799	832	782	698	**813**	792	798	109.79	113.41	106.43	93.21	**113.29**	109.35	110.17
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	1003	1036	991	916	**981**	993	992	137.36	140.49	134.47	122.23	**136.05**	136.72	136.43

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

Jun 7th, 2023		CFR Qingdao, USD/dry tonne						
Index	Fe Content	February	March	April	May	MTD	QTD	YTD
IOSI62	62% Fe Fines	127.73	134.77	144.76	108.53	**112.14**	113.88	123.32
IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	138.06	145.14	147.67	127.20	**122.86**	125.19	139.41

FREIGHT RATES

Jun 6th, 2023		FREIGHT RATES - DRY BULK US$/wet tonne				
Route	Designation		Change	Change %	Low [2]	High [2]
W. Australia - Qingdao	C5	**8.74**	0.75	9.32%	3.57	16.77
Tubarao - Qingdao	C3	**19.18**	0.90	4.91%	6.70	36.40

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

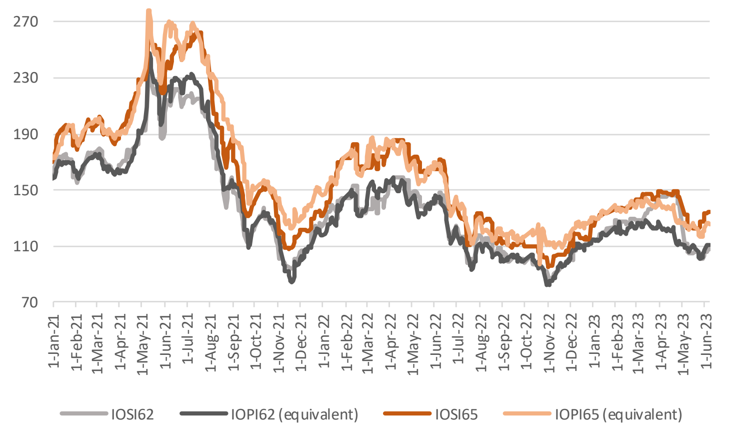
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023		FOT Qingdao (inc. 13% VAT), RMB/wet tonne							CFR Qingdao Equivalent (exc. 13% VAT), USD/dry tonne [1]						
Index	Fe Content	February	March	April	May	MTD	QTD	YTD	February	March	April	May	MTD	QTD	YTD
IOPLI62	62.5% Fe Lump	988	1012	983	919	**925**	924	1032	129.95	131.15	132.68	117.67	**119.39**	119.98	137.99

IRON ORE INDEX PREMIUMS/DISCOUNTS

Jun 7th, 2023		PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)	
Index	Fe Content	Spread to IOPI62	% Spread to IOPI62
IOPI58	58% Fe Fines	**-116**	-13.74%
IOPI65	65% Fe Fines	**112**	13.22%

Jun 7th, 2023		SEABORNE INDEX (USD/DMT)	
Index	Fe Content	Spread to IOSI62	% Spread to IOSI62
IOSI65	65% Fe Fines	**26.40**	24.52%

IRON ORE INDEX COMPARISONS (USD/DMT)



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

IRON ORE BRAND SPOT PRICE ASSESMENTS

Jun 7th, 2023	PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)		
	Price	Change	Diff to IOPI62
Roy Hill	788	-5	-57
SIMEC Fines	717	-5	-128
PB Fines	813	-5	-32
Newman Fines	814	-5	-31
MAC Fines	795	-5	-50
Jimblebar Blended Fines	710	-5	-135
Carajas Fines	1025	-5	180
Brazilian SSF	808	-6	-37
Brazilian Blend Fines	827	-5	-18
RTX Fines	728	-5	-117
West Pilbara Fines	756	-5	-89

Jun 7th, 2023	SEABORNE INDEX (USD/DMT)		
	Price	Change	Diff to IOSI62
Roy Hill	103.15	0.00	-4.53
SIMEC Fines	99.65	0.00	-8.03
PB Fines	103.90	0.00	-3.78
Newman Fines	106.75	0.00	-0.93
MAC Fines	104.00	0.00	-3.68
Jimblebar Blended Fines	96.30	0.00	-11.38
Carajas Fines	137.20	0.00	29.52
Brazilian SSF	111.45	0.00	3.77
Brazilian Blend Fines	113.00	0.00	5.32
RTX Fines	97.50	0.00	-10.18
West Pilbara Fines	102.00	0.00	-5.68

Jun 7th, 2023	PORT STOCK INDEX (RMB/WT)		
	Price	Change	Diff to IOPI58
SSF	729	0	0
FMG Blended Fines	738	0	9
Robe River	739	0	10
Western Fines	741	0	12
Atlas Fines	736	0	7
Yandi	722	0	-7

IRON ORE INDEX NORMALISATION DIFFERENTIALS

Port Stock Index Product Differentials (RMB/wet tonne)

	Applicable range	Value	Change
1% Fe	High Grade Fe 60 - 63%	9.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 63 - 64%	5.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 64 - 65%	5.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 65 - 65.5%	5.00	0.00
	Low Grade Fe	27.00	-2.00
1% Alumina	High Fe Grade Al <2.25%	50.00	8.00
	High Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	5.00	0.00
	Low Fe Grade Al <2.25%	32.00	7.00
	Low Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	32.00	0.00
1% Silica	High Fe Grade Si <4%	45.00	0.00
	High Fe Grade Si 4-6.5%	5.00	-2.00
	Low Fe Grade	20.00	-2.00
0.01% Phosphorus	High Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.115%	7.00	1.00
	High Fe Grade 0.115%<P<0.15%	7.00	1.00
	Low Fe Grade 0.09<P<0.1%	5.00	0.00

Seaborne Index Product Differentials (USD/dry tonne)

	Applicable range	Value	Change
1% Fe	High Grade Fe 60 - 63%	1.50	0.00
	High Grade Fe 63 - 64%	9.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 64 - 65%	9.00	0.00
	High Grade Fe 65 - 65.5%	9.00	0.00
1% Alumina	High Fe Grade Al <2.25%	1.00	0.00
	High Fe Grade Al 2.25-4%	1.25	0.00
1% Silica	High Fe Grade Si <4%	3.50	0.50
	High Fe Grade Si 4 - 6.5%	4.25	0.00
0.01% Phosphorus	High Fe Grade 0.09%<P<0.115%	1.50	0.00
	High Fe Grade 0.115%<P<0.15%	8.50	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	-100.00	0.00	Fangcheng	-25.00	0.00	Lanshan	0.00	0.00	Rizhao	0.00	0.00
Beilun	0.00	0.00	Jiangyin	-30.00	0.00	Lianyungang	0.00	0.00	Shekou	0.00	0.00
Caofeidian	-20.00	0.00	Jingtang	-30.00	0.00	Majishan	0.00	0.00	Taicang	-30.00	0.00
Dalian	0.00	0.00	Lanqiao	0.00	0.00	Qingdao	0.00	0.00	Tianjin	-15.00	0.00

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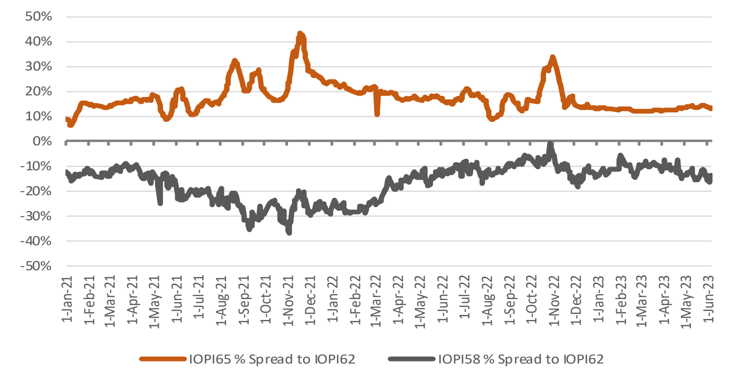
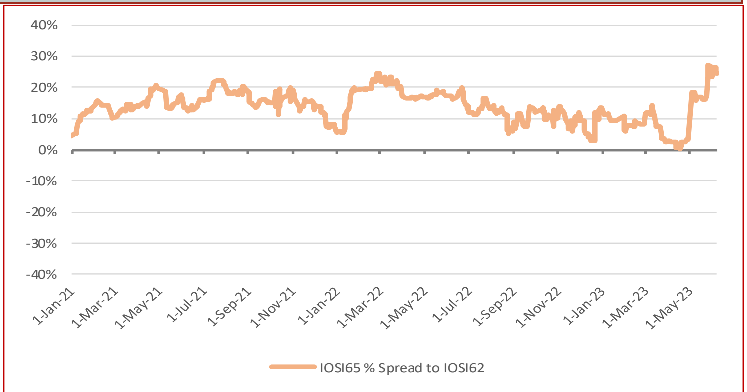
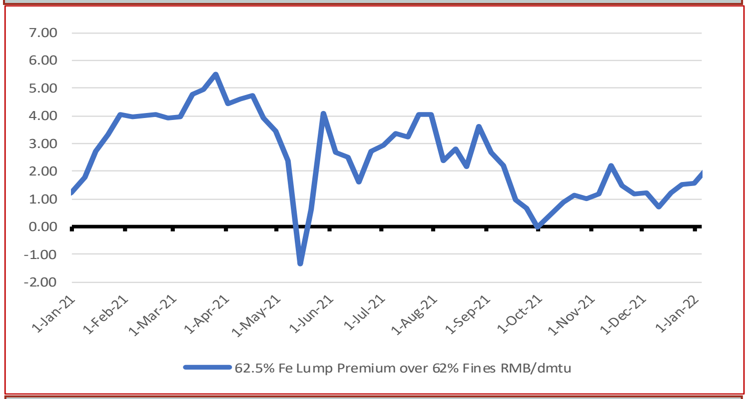
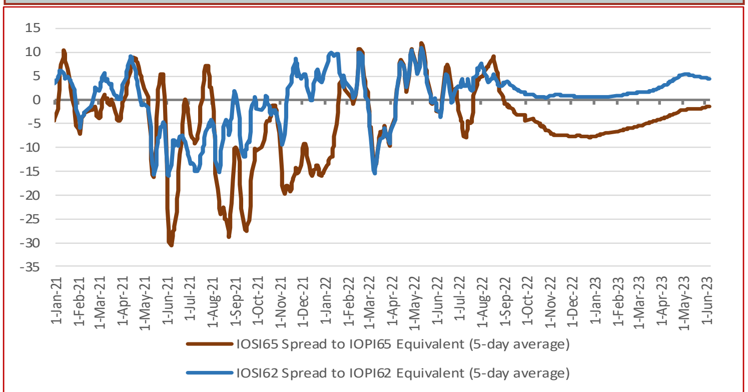




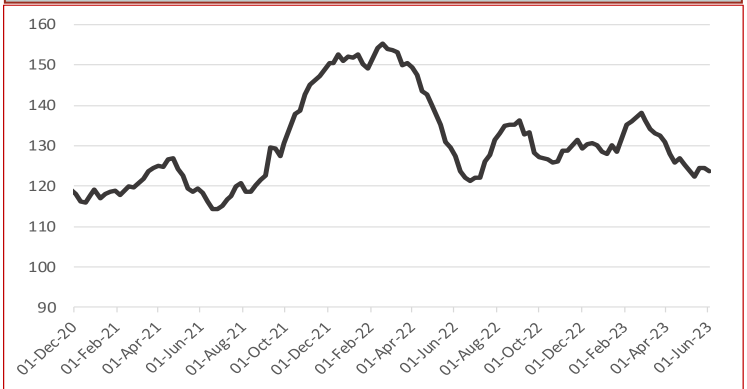
WEEKLY IRON ORE PORT STOCK LUMP PREMIUM (RMB/DMTU)



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



TOTAL IRON ORE INVENTORIES AT CHINA PORTS (MILLION TONNES)



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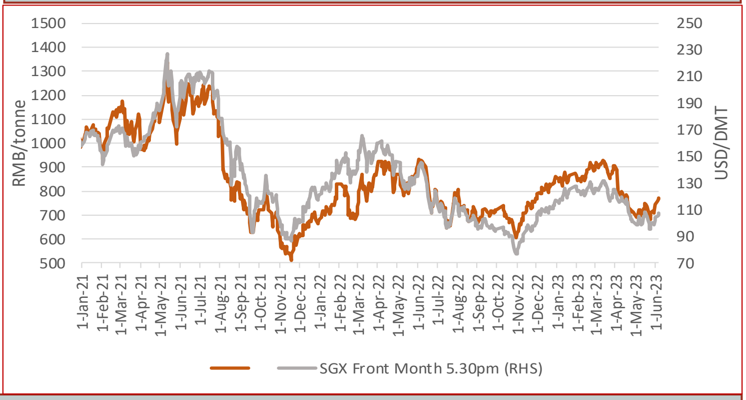


IRON ORE PORT INVENTORIES (MILLION TONNES)

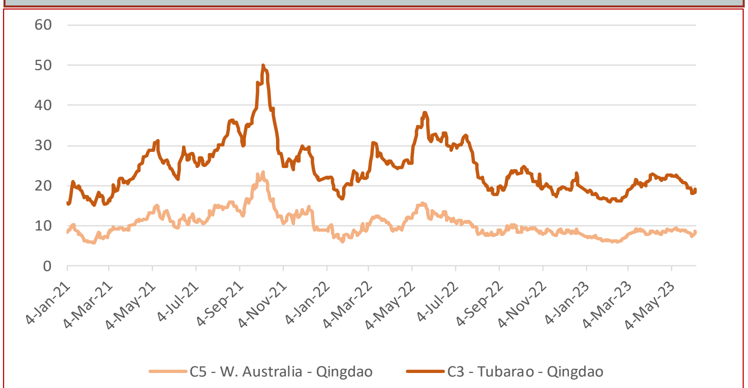
Week Ending Jun 2nd, 2023

Province	This week	Change %	Low [2]	High [2]
Jingtang	11.88	4.95%	9.84	19.20
Qingdao	24.45	-0.61%	9.41	26.24
Caofeidian	11.97	2.48%	9.05	16.29
Tianjin	8.38	-2.90%	7.14	12.97
Rizhao	16.87	-4.04%	9.44	19.26
Total (35 Ports)	123.66	-0.59%	98.80	155.39

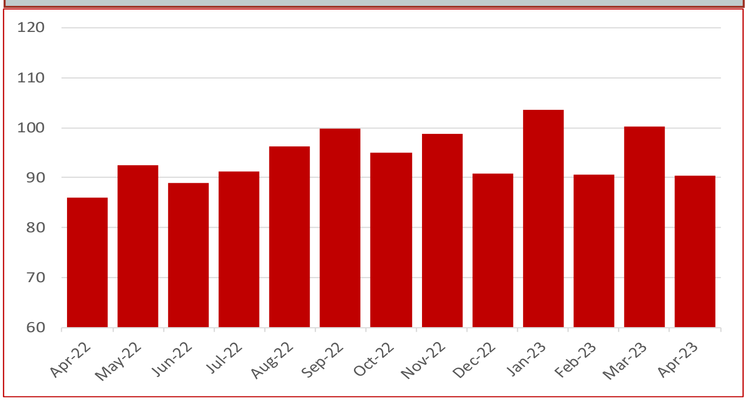
IRON ORE FUTURES CONTRACTS

	DCE (RMB/WMT)			SGX (USD/DMT)		
Closing Date	Jun 7th, 3pm close			Jun 7th, 5:30pm		
Contract	I2309	Change	Change %	Jun. 23	Change	Change %
Closing Price	770.00	3.50	0.46%	107.70	1.85	1.75%
Vol traded ('000 lots)	91.91	-7.11	-7.18%	2.27	-0.37	-14.03%
Open positions ('000 lots)	88.42	3.04	3.56%	26.81	0.50	1.91%
Day Low	762.5	7.50	0.99%	107.70	0.65	0.61%
Day High	780.0	-2.50	-0.32%	110.15	-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	2023/6/2	Change	Change %
ReBar HRB400 ϕ18mm	3,600	70	1.98%
Wirerod Q300 ϕ6.5mm	3,890	70	1.83%
HRC Q235/SS400 5.5mm*1500*C	3,790	40	1.07%
CRC SPCC/ST12 1.0mm*1250*2500	4,370	-20	-0.46%
Medium & Heavy Plate Q235B 20mm	3,940	-50	-1.25%
GI ST02Z 1.0mm*1000*C	4,720	-20	-0.42%
Colour Coated Plate	6,900	-50	-0.72%

CHINESE STEEL MILL PROFITABILITY

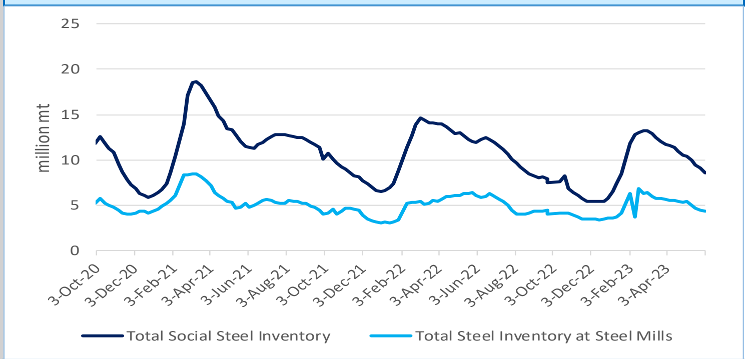
SMM Tracking of Steel Mill P&L - Rebar and Hot-rolled Coil (RMB/tonne)

Category	Price	Change (WoW)	Note
MMi (Fe 62%), USD/mt exluding tax	105.80	5	Mmi CFR Equivalent index for 1st Feb
Coke	2,210	0	2nd grade met coke, Tangshan, incl. tax
Steel Scrap	2,830	80	steel scrap (6mm) in Zhangjiagang, exl. tax
Billet Cost	3,137	79	Q234, incl. tax
Rebar cost - Blast furnace	3,579	89	calculated based on theoretical weight, incl. tax
Rebar profit - Blast furnace	39	69	based on Shanghai prices, incl. tax
Hot-rolled coil cost - Blast furnace	3,600	91	based on actual weight, incl. tax
Hot-rolled coil proft - Blast furnace	220	-51	based on Shanghai prices, incl. tax

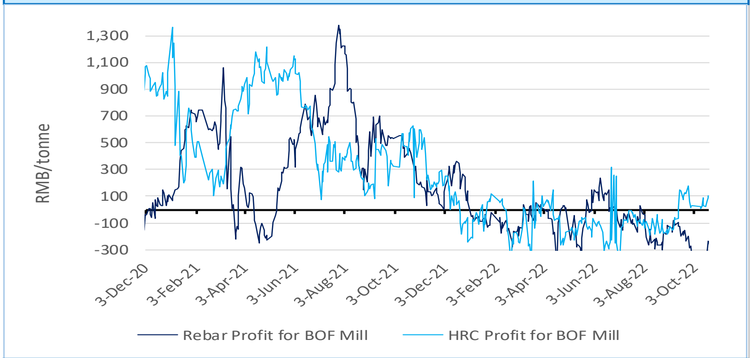
Note: 1. Costs in the table are caluclated based on todays market prices and facout our management, sales, financial and depreciations fe

2. The cost refers to average cost in the industry based on SMM's survey of small, medium and large mills in China

CHINESE STEEL INVENTORIES



CHINESE STEEL MILL PROFITABILITY



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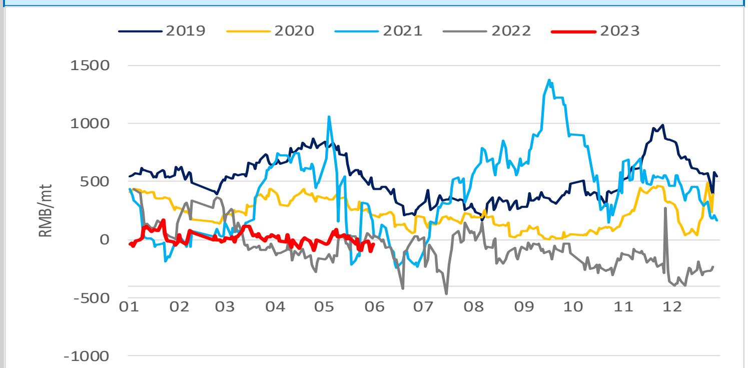
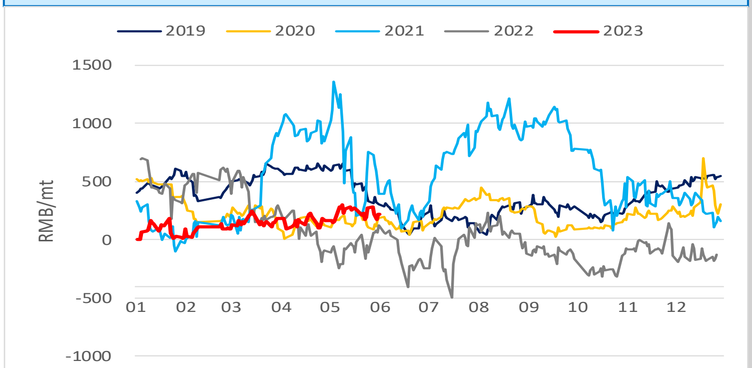
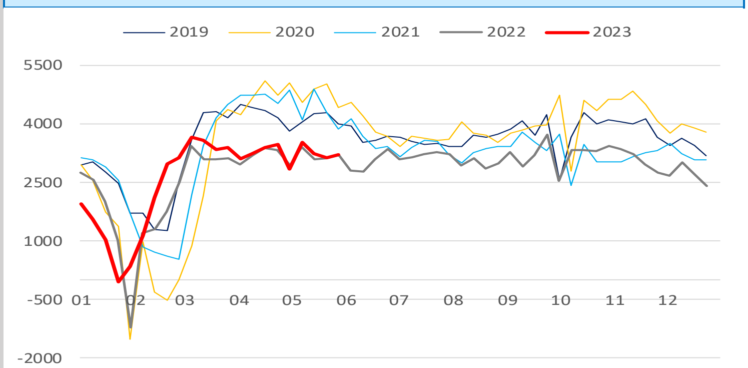


CHINESE STEEL MILL PROFITABILITY—Hot-rolled Coil



CHINESE STEEL CONSUMPTION—Rebar



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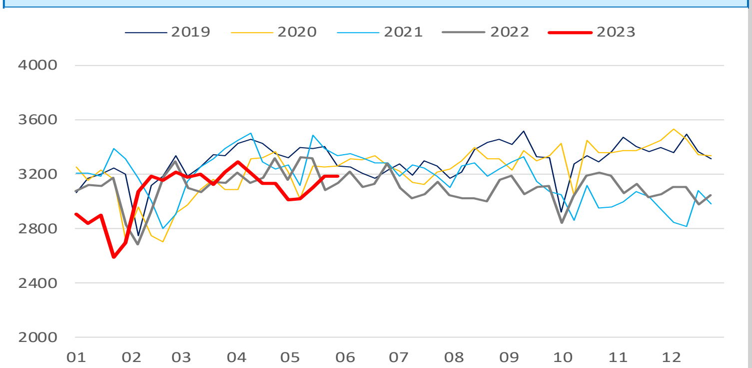
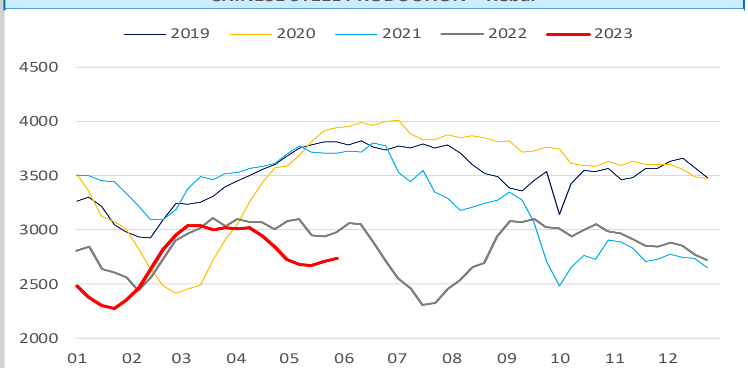


CHINESE STEEL PRODUCTION—Rebar



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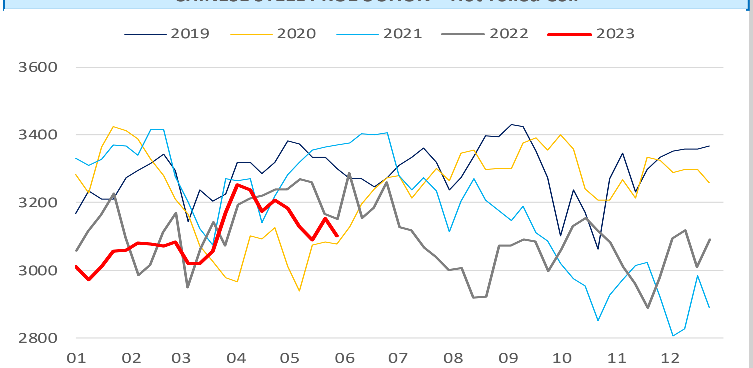

IRON ORE INDEX SPECIFICATIONS, COMPILATION RATIONALE AND DATA EXCLUSIONS

Iron Ore Index Specifications (Port and Seaborne)

	65% Fe Fines	62% Fe Fines	58% Fe Fines	62.5% Fe Lump
Fe %	65.00	62.00	58.00	62.50
Alumina %	1.40	2.25	2.25	1.50
Silica%	1.50	4.00	5.50	3.50
Phosphorus %	0.06	0.09	0.05	0.08
Sulphur %	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02
Moisture %	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 Index Compilation Rationale and Data Exclusions

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.

For more details on MMi's iron ore methodology please download the guide published on our website at: www.mmiprices.com

Data Exclusions*

	62%	58%	65%
Port Index	0	0	0
Seaborne index	0		0
Lump Index 62.5	0		

* Number of price submissions for iron ore indices that were excluded from index calculations today as they were anomalous and could not be verified

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

Jun 7th, 2023	Specifications applied for 62% brand assessments				
	Fe	Alumina	Silica	Phos	Moisture
Roy Hill	60.88%	2.35%	4.45%	0.055%	9.26%
SIMEC Fines	60.00%	2.30%	6.30%	0.060%	6.00%
PB Fines	61.64%	2.31%	3.87%	0.099%	9.45%
Newman Fines	62.49%	2.31%	3.98%	0.090%	7.72%
MAC Fines	60.43%	2.38%	4.64%	0.078%	7.57%
Jimblebar Blended Fines	60.87%	2.95%	4.53%	0.111%	7.32%
Carajas Fines	64.90%	1.39%	1.82%	0.080%	7.78%
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%
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%

Jun 7th, 2023	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%

SEABORNE BRANDS

	Specifications applied for 62% brand assessments				
	Fe	Alumina	Silica	Phos	Moisture
Roy Hill	60.70%	2.30%	4.90%	0.055%	8.00%
SIMEC Fines	60.00%	2.30%	6.30%	0.060%	6.00%
PB Fines 62%	62.00%	2.60%	4.30%	0.090%	9.50%
Newman Fines	62.30%	2.40%	4.30%	0.095%	8.00%
MAC Fines	60.80%	2.35%	4.40%	0.075%	7.80%
Jimblebar Blended Fines	60.50%	3.10%	4.80%	0.120%	7.80%
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 Blend Fines	63.00%	1.50%	5.00%	0.070%	7.00%
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%

BLOOMBERG TICKERS

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

	SEABORNE INDICES
	CFR Qingdao (USD/DMT)
IOSI62	IRCN0034
IOSI65	IRCN0035

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