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### **Ferrosilicon Market**

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### **Coming Events**



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# **Ferrosilicon Spot Price**

Ferrosilicon	Area	Area Price (RMB/MT)	
	Inner Mongolia	7000-7200	
	Gansu	7000-7200	
Si75#	Ningxia	7100-7300	
	Qinghai	7000-7100	
	Shaanxi	7000-7100 6900-7100	
	Inner Mongolia	6750-6850	<b>↑</b>
	Gansu	6700-6800	<b>↑</b>
Si72#	Ningxia	6700-6850	<b>↑</b>
	Qinghai	6600-6700	<u> </u>
	Shaanxi	6500-6600	$\uparrow$

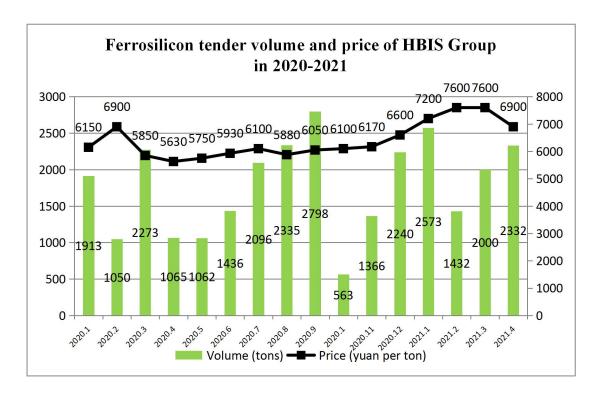
# **Bidding Information – April, 2021**

Commodity	Steel Mills	Price (RMB/T)	Change vs. Last Month (RMB/T)	Volume & change vs. last month (Tons)
FeSi75-B	Bao Steel	7200	-300	/
FeSi75-B	Wugang Group	7150	-350	3200
FeSi75-B	KISC	7240	-(190-250)	2700
FeSi75-B	Shagang Group	6900	-600	2500
FeSi75-B	HBIS Group	6900	-700	2332 (+332)
FeSi75-B	ZENITH	7050	1	2300
FeSi75-B	Fujian Sangang Group	angang Group 7100 -500		2000
FeSi75-B	Nanjing Iron and Steel Group	Group 6800 -500		2000
FeSi75-B	Valin LY Steel	lin LY Steel 7030		2000
FeSi75-B	A local steel mill in North China	6800 700		1870
FeSi75-B	Xinjianag Bagang	/	/	1700
FeSi75-B	Shaoguan Steel Group	7150	-550	1500
		7100	-550	1200
FeSi75-B	Xiangtan Iron & Steel	6950	1	1500
FeSi75-B	Tianjin Iron & Steel Group	6695	/	1000
FeSi75-B	Shandong Luli Steel	/	/	700

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FeSi75-B	Henan Jiyuan Iron & Steel	6900	-700	600
FeSi75-B	Xining Special Steel	7200	-100	600
FeSi75-B	Anhui Changjiang Steel	7100	-550	500
FeSi75-B	Cangzhou Zhongtie Equipment Manufacturing Material	6415	-700	500
FeSi75-B	Yuanli Group	6830	/	500
FeSi75-B	Hebei Jianlong	6850	-700	400
FeSi75-B	Helongjiang Jianlong	7000	-450	400
FeSi75-B	Wenfeng Steel	/	/	300
FeSi75-B	Shougang Group Shuicheng Steel Company	7290	1	300
FeSi75-B	Hengyang Valin Steel Tube	7200	-400	100
FeSi75-B	CITIC Limited	7000	/	/
FeSi75-B	A local steel mill in Guangxi	7280	/	/



# **Supply**

Sell>> Erdos Xijin Company supplies ferrosilicon (70#,72#,75#) & special ferrosilicon (low Al, low Ti, low C), Sales Manager, Mr. Ning

Sell>> Wuhai Junzheng Group sells ferrosilicon, 72#, 75#

Sell>> Tengda Northwest Ferroalloys Group supplies silicon, chrome and manganese products

Sell>> Baotou Oma company sell ferrosilicon, Mr. Fang

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- Sell>> Sanyuan Zhongtai Company sell ferrosilicon, Mr.Di
- Sell>> Inner Mongolia Sanwei company Mr. Zhang
- Sell>> Ningxia Juhe Silicon Company Mr. Chen
- Sell>> Zhongwei Maoye Metallurgy company sell ferrosilicon Mr. Huang
- Sell>> Zhongwei Dayou Metallurgy company Mr. He
- Sell>> Zhongwei Yuexin Steel supply ferrosilicon 72#、75#, size10-50、10-80、50-10mm, Ms. Xiao
- Sell>> Zhongwei Tianze Metallurgy supply ferrosilicon65#70#72#75#, low Al0.02.Zhang Yue
- Sell>> Ningxia Xinkangsheng supply ferrosilicon, carbon raiser etc Mr. Ma
- Sell>> Ningxia Ruitaixiang company supply ferrosilicon 60# 65# 66# 72# 75# Ms. Wang
- Sell>> Aerbadi (Ningxia) Smelting Co., Ltd supply ferrosilicon 72# 75#, natural block, Mr. Chen, Mr. Liu
- Sell>> Qinghai Wutong Industry Mr. Lee
- Sell>> Qinghai Huesheng Ferroalloy Co., Ltd, Mr. Chen
- Sell>> Qinghai Fuxin Silicon Mr. Gan
- Sell>> Gansu Honest special ferrosilicon Mr. Dai
- Sell>> Gansu Tianyikuangye company special ferrosilicon, normal ferrosilicon etc, Mr.Zhang
- Sell>> Lanzhou Hongye Company high purity ferrosilicon (Si $\geq$ 75% Al<0.1% Ca<0.02%,C<0.02%,Ti<0.05% -0.01% etc.),supply all types of ferrosilicon and size under 0-3mm, size(10-50mm , 3-10mm )Si 72#powder(0-3mm),Mr. Shi

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### **Demand**

- Buy>> Shanxi Shenmu Dongfeng Magnesium Co.Ltd., Chen Jiashuai
- Buy>> Shandong Xiangcheng Metallurgical Furnace Charge Co. Ltd., Mr. Li
- Buy>> Jiangsu Zhongzaixin Metallurgical Furnace Charge Co. Ltd., Mr. Song
- Buy>> Henan Anyang Zhenhuan Metallurgical Refactories Co. Ltd., Mr. Li
- Buy>> Boyu Metal Corporation, Ms. Tong
- Buy>> Beijing LY Metals and Mining Co., Ltd, Mr. Zhao
- Buy>> Shanxi Orient Henglye Investment Casting Co., Ltd, Mr. Mou

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Buy>> Silicon 68-72, Barium 4-6, granularity 0.2-0.8, 5-15, 3-8 or natural block, Mr. Chen Please email to kangmingfei@ferro-alloys.com if you are interested in any information.

# **Market Insight**

#### • AISI: US Steel Imports Up More Than 3% Year-to-Date Through March

Based on preliminary Census Bureau data, the American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) reported that the U.S. imported a total of 2,292,000 net tons (NT) of steel in March 2021, including 1,774,000 net tons (NT) of finished steel (up 20.7% and 23.6%, respectively, vs. February final data). Through the first three months of 2021, total and finished steel imports are 6,613,000 and 4,447,000 net tons (NT), up 3.1% and down 1.4%, respectively, vs. the same period in 2020. Annualized total and finished steel imports in 2021 would be 26.5 and 17.8 million NT, up 20.1% and 10.2%, respectively, vs. 2020. Finished steel import market share was an estimated 19% in March and is estimated at 18% over the first three months of 2021.

Key finished steel products with a significant increase in imports in March compared to February are sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 171%), reinforcing bars (up 66%), hot rolled bars (up 58%), oil country goods (up 45%), sheets and strip hot dipped galvanized (up 43%), cut lengths plates (up 33%), mechanical tubing (up 27%), wire drawn (up 27%), standard pipe (up 25%), tin plate (up 19%) and wire rods (up 19%). Products with a significant year-to-date (YTD) increase vs. the same period in 2020 were tin plate (up 26%), sheets and strip all other metallic coatings (up 22%), reinforcing bars (up 19%), cut lengths plates (up 19%), hot rolled sheets (up 17%) and wire drawn (up 10%).

In March, the largest volumes of finished steel imports from offshore were from South Korea (239,000 NT, up 4% from February final), Taiwan (88,000 NT, up 162%), Japan (85,000 NT, down 3%), Germany (82,000 NT, up 27%) and Turkey (43,000 NT, down 45%). For the first three months of 2021, the largest offshore suppliers were South Korea (601,000 NT, up 10% vs. the same period in 2020), Japan (219,000 NT, up 8%), Turkey (201,000 NT, up 29%), Germany (170,000 NT, up 1%) and Taiwan (149,000 NT, up 9%). Below are charts on estimated steel import market share in recent months and on finished steel imports from offshore by country.

#### • AISI: US domestic raw steel production in the week ending on April 17, 2021

In the week ending on April 17, 2021, domestic raw steel production was 1,770,000 net tons while the capability utilization rate was 78.0 percent. Production was 1,240,000 net tons in the week ending April 17, 2020 while the capability utilization then was 55.4 percent. The current week production represents a 42.7 percent increase from the same period in the previous year. Production for the week ending April 17, 2021 is up 0.5 percent from the previous week ending April 10, 2021 when production was 1,761,000 net tons and the rate of capability utilization was 77.6 percent.

Adjusted year-to-date production through April 17, 2021 was 26,703,000 net tons, at a capability utilization rate of 77.1 percent. That is up 0.1 percent from the 26,665,000 net tons during the same period last year, when the capability utilization rate was 73.7 percent.

Broken down by districts, here's production for the week ending April 17, 2021 in thousands of net tons: North East: 164; Great Lakes: 603; Midwest: 183; Southern: 747 and Western: 73 for a total of 1770.

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### **Futures Market**

#### Ferrosilicon futures 2105 contract

- 1. Futures warehouse: The number of warehouse receipts was 8292 (41460 tons), and 7062 (35310 tons) were valid for the number of warehouse orders.
- 2. The 2105 ferrosilicon contract price on ZCE closed at 7,502 yuan per ton on April 26.
- 3. The main position: the top 20 positions increased and decreased variedly, the purchase volume is less than the holding position.

Below are ferrosilicon futures main contract 2105 daily specific performances:

Date	Opening price	Highest price	Lowest price	Closing price	Trading volume	Positions	Range	Settlement Price
4.26	7,662	7,676	7,500	7,502	241,295	137,643	-0.14%	7,580

# **Currency Exchange Rate**

Currency exchange RMB&USD

Intermediate exchange rate of RMB exchange rate in the inter-bank foreign exchange market: RMB: USD 6.4913.

# **Exports & Imports**

• China ferrosilicon (>55%) exports up 190.43% in March, 2021

According to data of China Customs, in March, 2021, China exported 51659.26 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight more than 55% of silicon), up 16.3% than the same period of last year and up 190.43% than last month. Among them, 15275.85 tons were exported to Korea, accounting for 29.57% and 14744.27 tons were exported to Japan, accounting for 28.541%.

• China ferrosilicon (>55%) exports up 18.68% in Jan-Mar, 2021

According to data of China Customs, from January to March, 2021, China exported 89975.007 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight more than 55% of silicon), up 18.68% than the same period of last year. Among them, 29938.85 tons were exported to Korea, accounting for 33.275% and 23834.502 tons were exported to Japan, accounting for 26.490%.

• China ferrosilicon (≤55%) exports up 37.51% in March, 2021

According to data of China Customs, in March, 2021, China exported 2277.94 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight  $\leq$  55% of silicon), down 7.11% than the same period of last

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year and up 37.51% than last month. Among them, 804.94 tons were exported to Korea, accounting for 35.34% and 701.5 tons were exported to Japan, accounting for 30.80%.

#### • China ferrosilicon (≤55%) exports up 9.55% in Jan-Mar, 2021

According to data of China Customs, from January to March, 2021, China exported 5960.02 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight  $\leq$  55% of silicon), up 9.55% year on year. Among them, 2727.94 tons were exported to Korea, accounting for 45.77% and 1347.98 tons were exported to Japan, accounting for 22.62%.

#### • Japan's ferrosilicon (>55%) imports down 8.36% YoY in February, 2021

According to the statistical data of Trade Statistics of Japan, in February, 2021, Japan imported 27020.91 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight more than 55% of silicon), down 8.36% compared with last year and up 13.84% vs. the previous month. Among them, 4965.448 tons were improved from China, which accounts for 18.38%.

According to the statistical data of Trade Statistics of Japan, in Jan-Feb, 2021, Japan imported 50757.255 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight more than 55% of silicon), down 26.51% year on year. Among them, 10164.913 tons were improted from China, which accounts for 20.03%.

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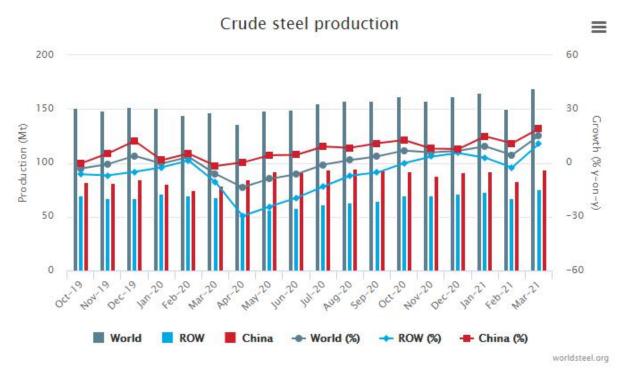
According to the statistical data of Trade Statistics of Japan, in February, 2021, Japan imported 646.9 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight  $\leq 55\%$  of silicon), down 8.51% compared with last year and up 26.35% vs. the previous month. Among them, 293 tons were improted from China, which accounts for 45.29%.

According to the statistical data of Trade Statistics of Japan, in Jan-Feb, 2021, Japan imported 1158.9 tons of ferrosilicon (containing by weight ≤ 55% of silicon), down 31.06% year on year. Among them, 677 tons were improted from China, which accounts for 58.42%.

### **Crude Steel Production**

#### • worldsteel: March 2021 crude steel production

World crude steel production for the 64 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 169.2 million tonnes (Mt) in March 2021, a 15.2% increase compared to March 2020.



#### Crude steel production by region

Global crude steel production was 486.9 Mt in the first three months of 2021, up by 10.0% compared to the same period in 2020.

Asia and Oceania produced 356.9 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2021, an increase of 13.2% over the first quarter of 2020.

The EU (27) produced 37.8 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2021, up by 3.1% compared to the same quarter of 2020.

North America's crude steel production in the first three months of 2021 was 28.1 Mt, a decrease of 5.2% compared to the first quarter of 2020.

The CIS produced 26.2 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2021, an increase of 3.1% over the first quarter of 2020.

Table 1. Crude steel production by region							
	Mar 2021 (Mt)	% change Mar 21/20	Jan-Mar 2021 (Mt)	% change Jan-Mar 21/20			
Africa	1.5	25.9	3.9	3.4			
Asia and Oceania	123.8	17.6	356.9	13.2			
CIS	9.1	7.0	26.2	3.1			
EU (27)	13.6	17.5	37.8	3.1			
Europe, Other	4.4	10.5	12.6	8.3			
Middle East	3.6	6.6	10.5	3.2			

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Total 64 countries	169.2	15.2	486.9	10.0
South America	3.6	8.1	10.9	7.1
North America	9.7	0.1	28.1	-5.2

The 64 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 98% of total world crude steel production in 2020. Regions and countries covered by the table:

Africa: Egypt, Libya, South Africa

Asia and Oceania: Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan (China), Vietnam

CIS: Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

European Union (27)

Europe, Other: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Turkey, United Kingdom

Middle East: Iran, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates

North America: Canada, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, United States

South America: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

### **Top 10 steel-producing countries**

China produced 94.0 Mt in March 2021, up 19.1% on March 2020. India produced 10.0 Mt, up 23.9%. Japan produced 8.3 Mt, up 4.6%. The United States produced 7.1 Mt, up 1.0%. Russia is estimated to have produced 6.6 Mt, up 9.4%. South Korea produced 6.1 Mt, up 4.7%. Germany is estimated to have produced 3.6 Mt, up 10.4%. Turkey produced 3.4 Mt, up 9.2%. Brazil produced 2.8 Mt, up 4.1%. Iran is estimated to have produced 2.6 Mt, up 10.7%.

Table 2. Top 10 steel-producing countries							
	Mar 2021 (Mt)		% change Mar 21/20	Jan-Mar 2021 (Mt)	% change Jan-Mar 21/20		
China	94.0		19.1	271.0	15.6		
India	10.0		23.9	29.6	10.4		
Japan	8.3		4.6	23.7	-1.7		
United States	7.1		1.0	20.4	-6.3		
Russia	6.6	е	9.4	18.9	4.4		
South Korea	6.1		4.7	17.6	3.8		

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Germany	3.6	е	10.4	10.0	1.7
Turkey	3.4		9.2	9.8	9.5
Brazil	2.8		4.1	8.7	6.2
Iran	2.6	е	10.7	7.5	10.7

e - estimated. Ranking of top 10 producing countries is based on year-to-date aggregate

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