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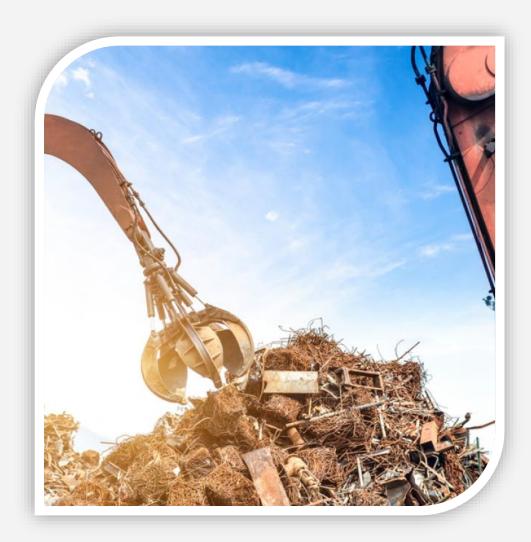
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SMU ferrous scrap market trends analysis



Our goal is to provide quality information to the flat-rolled steel industry.

Our survey is by invitation only. We ask companies, mostly in the processing, generating, and distribution industries, to participate.

All responses are kept confidential and are never attributed to the individual or company responding.

To become a data provider, contact: david@steelmarketupdate.com.





Survey participants

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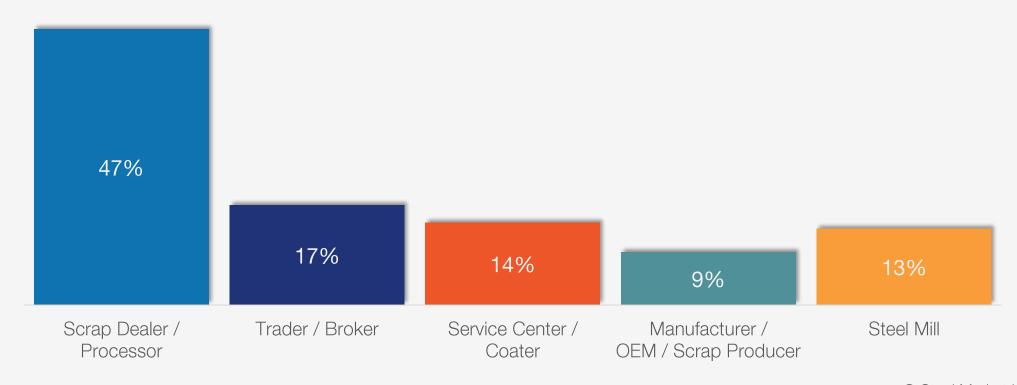




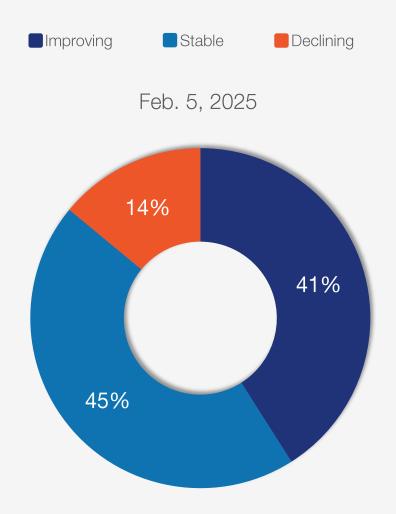
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Overall demand

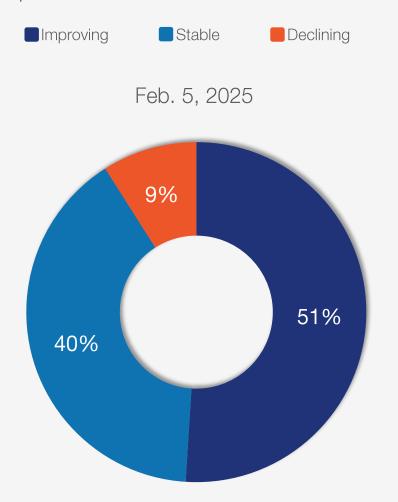
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Overall domestic demand

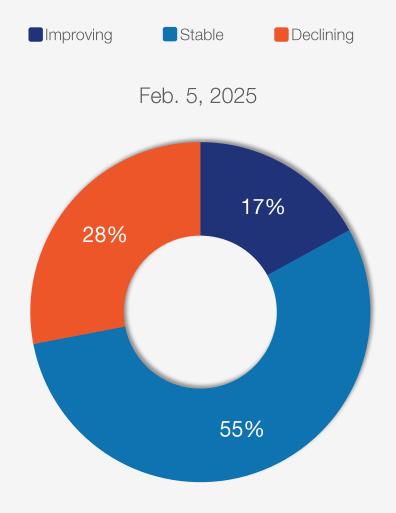
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Overall export demand

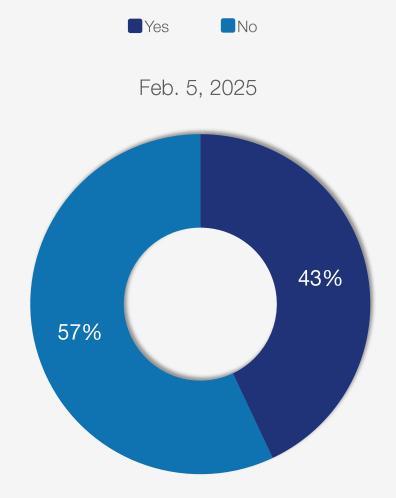
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Ferrous scrap supply vs. demand

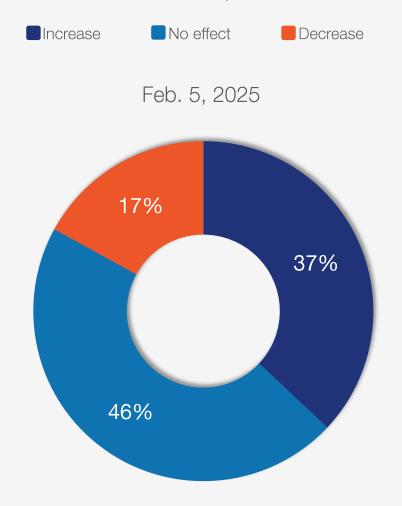
Do you see the scrap market being in balance now, given supply and demand?





Export scrap demand vs. US price

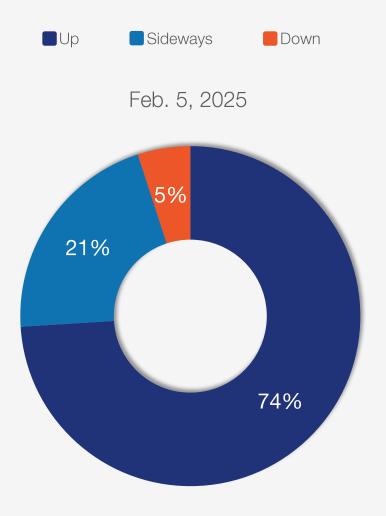
How do you think the levels of export demand will affect domestic prices?





Prime scrap prices

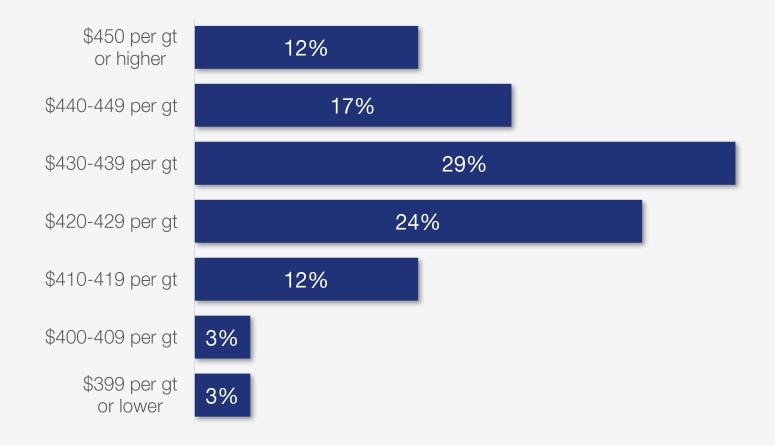
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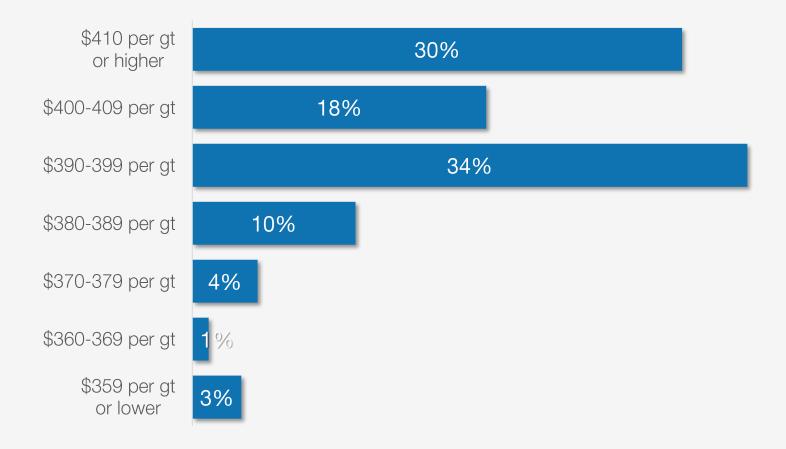
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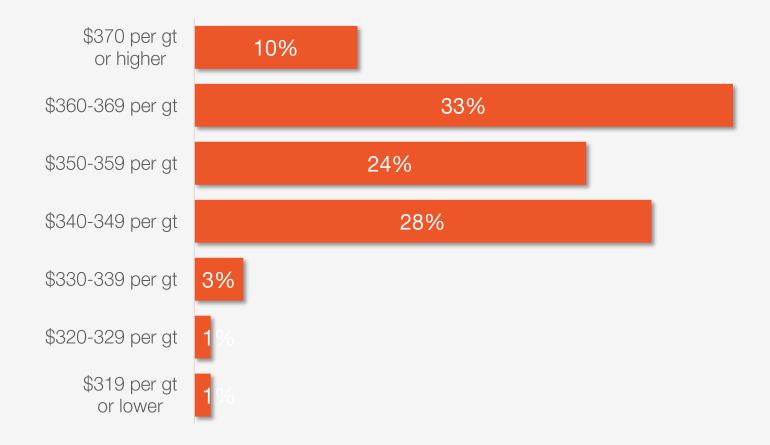
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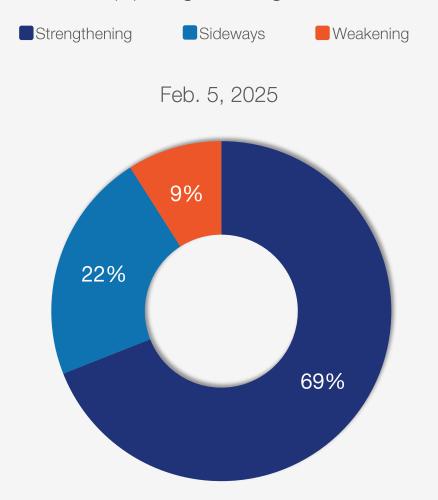
Where do you think HMS prices will be in February?





Ferrous scrap prices

Two months from now, How do you see ferrous scrap pricing behaving?





Scrap buyers' sentiment Initial reading at 51.2 points

SMU's current ferrous scrap buyers' sentiment index.

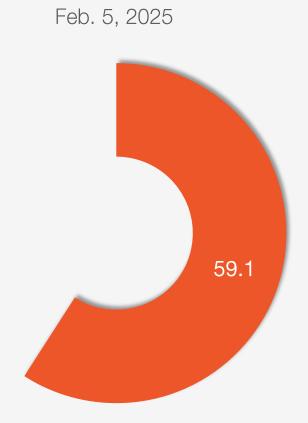
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Scrap buyers' future sentiment Initial reading at 59.1 points

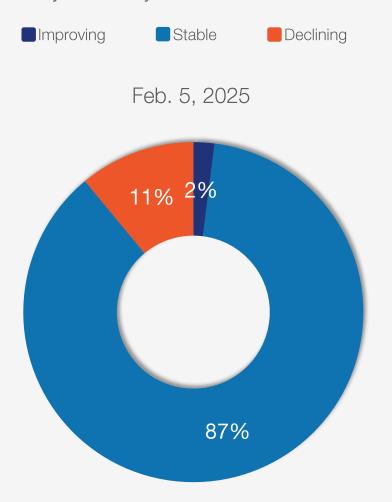
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Ferrous scrap flows

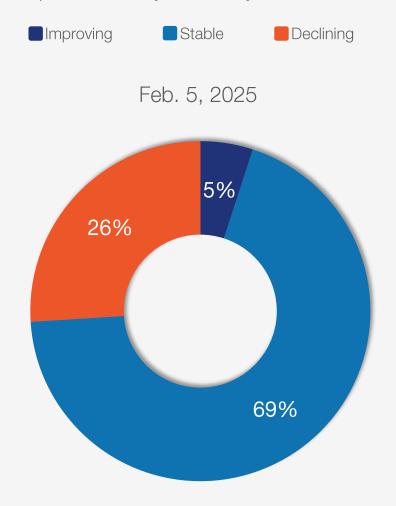
How is the quality of ferrous scrap delivered into your facility?





Prime scrap flows

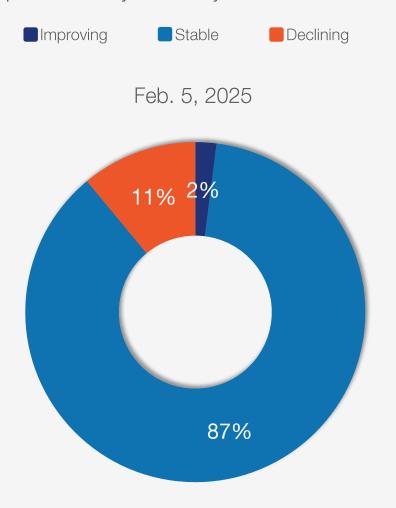
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Obsolescent scrap flows

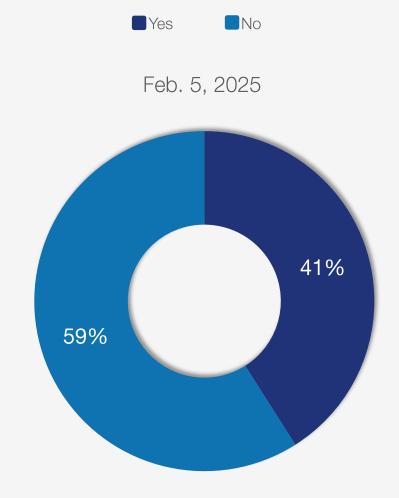
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Export scrap shipments

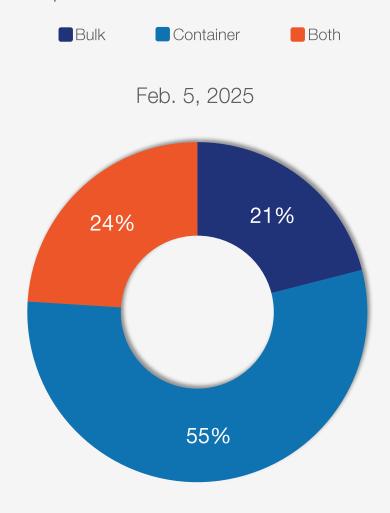
Is your company currently shipping scrap into the export market?





Export scrap shipments

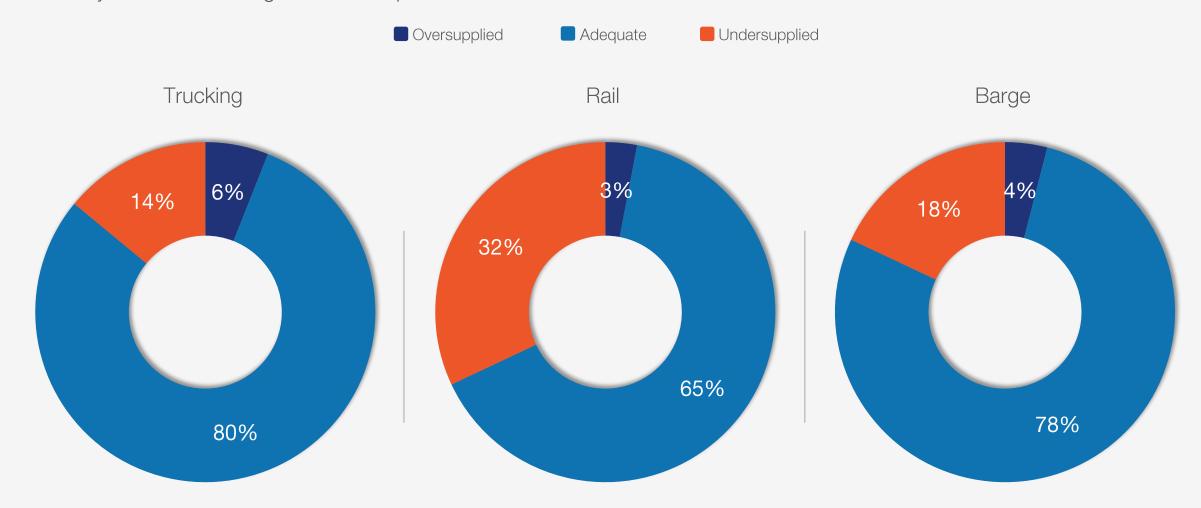
How is your company shipping scrap into the export market?





Scrap logistics trends

How do you rate current logistics for scrap movements?





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