

**WEEKLY
PRICE UPDATE**
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Coal & Coke

INTERNATIONAL FUTURE COAL PRICE



API2: FUTURE PRICE STABLE FROM THREE WEEKS

API2 March month contract for the third week stayed stable at \$ 135.50. Last week the contract closed at \$ 135. The API2 Mar 2023 contract has been down to 62% compared to the contract's 52-week high of \$ 351 and a 12% high from the contract's 52-week low of \$ 121.

During the course of the week, European prices remain steady as big inventories restrained market activity and more affordable natural gas kept the outlook for coal consumption down. Germany switched from using gas to coal because gas is more profitable than coal given its declining pricing and efficiency. On Friday, Dutch TTF's front-month contract closed at 41 euros. The prices of coal shipped to the EU are remaining steady due to the global thermal coal market's decline.



API2 April contract price closed at \$ 127.50 for the week from \$ 126.50 last week, a \$ 1 week-on-week (WoW) rise. The API2 Apr 2023 contract has been down to 63% compared to the contract's 52-week high of \$ 342 and a 5% high from the contract's 52-week low of \$ 121.



API4: THE FUTURE REMAINS BLEAK

API4 coal prices gained 2 points from last week's level of \$ 131.15. The contract closed at \$ 132.50 this week. The API4 Mar 2023 contract has been down to 59% compared to the contract's 52-week high of \$ 327 and a 7% high from the contract's 52-week low of \$ 124.

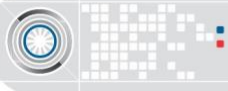
Last year at this time only we have seen so many variations in the prices that this one-two dollar variation does not seem to have much impact. The market now has been stabilized, however at higher levels. SA coal seems to gain the most last year with the EU's shift to SA for its coal requirement. India, SA's one of the largest buyers not turning up as expected as well as getting other competitive options like Russia and Mozambique. SA supply in the market has also increased compared to demand which is negatively impacting the prices.



The April month contract of API4 stayed stable for the week at \$ 131 from \$ 130.85 last week. The API4 Apr 2023 contract has been down to 59% compared to the contract's 52-week high of \$ 320 and a 6% high from the contract's 52-week low of \$ 123.



INTERNATIONAL COAL PRICE



THERMAL COAL

The thermal coal market fell or stayed stable this week as well, showing very limited market activity in the seaborne trade.

South African coal prices are further down, SA FOB 4800 NAR averages \$ 93 and SA FOB 6000 NAR to \$ 127, \$ 2 and \$ 3 WoW decline respectively. The market clearly not showing aggressive seaborne trading activity. Even a bit of a rise in prices and buyers take a step back, not accepting the price increase at this movement. EU checking the existing stock is not ready to further add the material.

The economy of Pakistan is in dire straits. Due to its foreign exchange difficulties, it is unable to import essential fuel, food, and raw materials. Bangladesh, too, has a huge amount of trade deficit and import dependency in its power and energy sector. Due to rising coal costs, these nations are unable to purchase given their current financial situation.

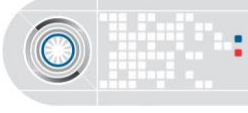
China is also not showing up in the seaborne market with sufficient domestic production and competitive prices in the domestic market. Chinese inquiries are there for Indonesian coal but very limited, which is supporting low CV Indo prices, however high CV prices have seen a decline.

The other surprising fact noticed in the Indian market, which generally ramped up its procurement of seaborne coal around this time for the summer electricity demand as well as to stock up for the next monsoon season, where the procurement of imported coal gets difficult and coal production also gets disturbed due to rail. But this time even Indian buyers are sidelined. Last year in March India experienced its hottest summer, leaving the country to firmly acquire imported material. However, the weather condition this year is completely different. Last week several Indian states experienced abrupt weather changes, long spells of thunderstorm activity, accompanied by gusty winds, and thunderstorms. This time due to thunderstorms and rainfall temperatures were below normal in most parts of the country. This weather is forecasted to prevail till March-end and early April which is expected to make the weather pleasant and less humid in the upcoming days.

Indonesian high CV coal prices for FOB 6500 GAR are down to \$ 175 from \$ 180 last week. Low CV Indo coal prices showing some support from the Ramadan festival, which is stable during the week. AUS coal prices are also stable at last week's level only, showing no sign of support from the unofficial ban relief from China.

Russian delivered prices to India further edged down, with the downturn in other origins. RUS CFR India 5500 NAR and 6000 NAR prices average \$ 128 and \$ 137 respectively for the week.

USA-origin coal prices for CFR India are further down by \$ 5 WoW to \$ 170. However, the newsbreak of the US air strike in Syria on Thursday might trigger coal prices in the upcoming week. The market is already under the heat of a bank crisis in the US and looming economic slowdown worries and this new geo-political tension in the Middle East can provide fuel to the downturn sentiment of coal prices.

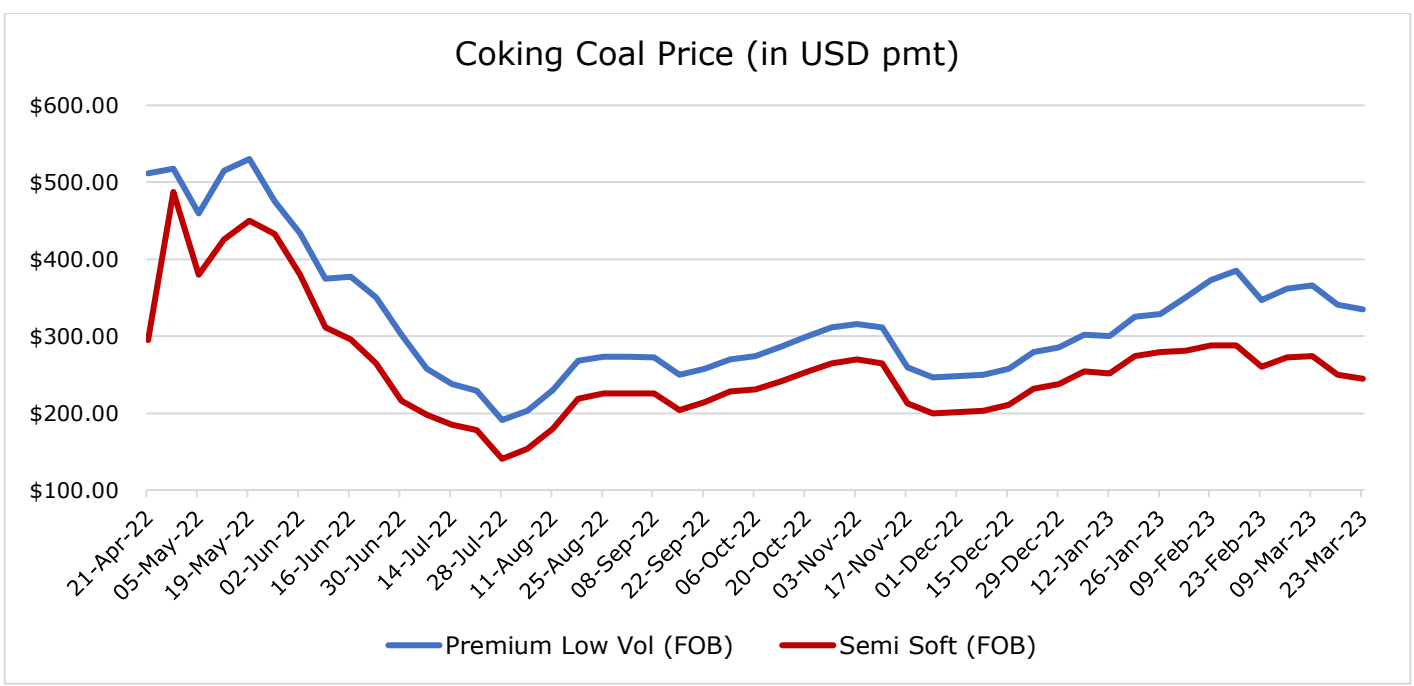


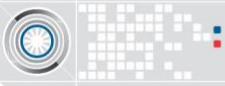
COKING COAL

Asian coking coal prices edged down to two months low amid softer demand and spot availability in the market. Coking coal prices are cooling off from the \$ 385 price point but still not coming under the \$ 300 level, suggesting demand support. Australia PLV FOB price averages around \$ 335 for the week from \$ 341 last week, a \$ 6 WoW decline. Semi-soft reduce to \$ 245 from the \$ 250 price level last week. Metcoke sentiment in the Indian market was bearish for the week with \$ 446 for CSR 62.

China is still not returning to the seaborne market having competitive prices in the domestic coking coal market. The lifting of the unofficial ban on AUS has not seen much impact since China has already moved to Mongolian and Russian coal offsetting the need for AUS coal to a great extent. India has also considered Russia for largely PCI. Russia stepped up coming neck to neck with AUS in India's PCI imports. AUS which once contributes 75% of the Indian share in 2021, drastically reduce to 48%. Russia also increased its coking coal supply, however, Indian buyers still prefer AUS coal largely which provides support to AUS coal prices somewhat to this sufficiently supplied market.

USA coking coal prices have also seen a price decline with higher supply on the market. FOB USGC Low Vol HCC decreases to \$ 310 this week. High Vol A and High Vol B average around \$ 303 (down \$ 7 WoW) and \$ 270 (down \$ 5 WoW) respectively for the week.

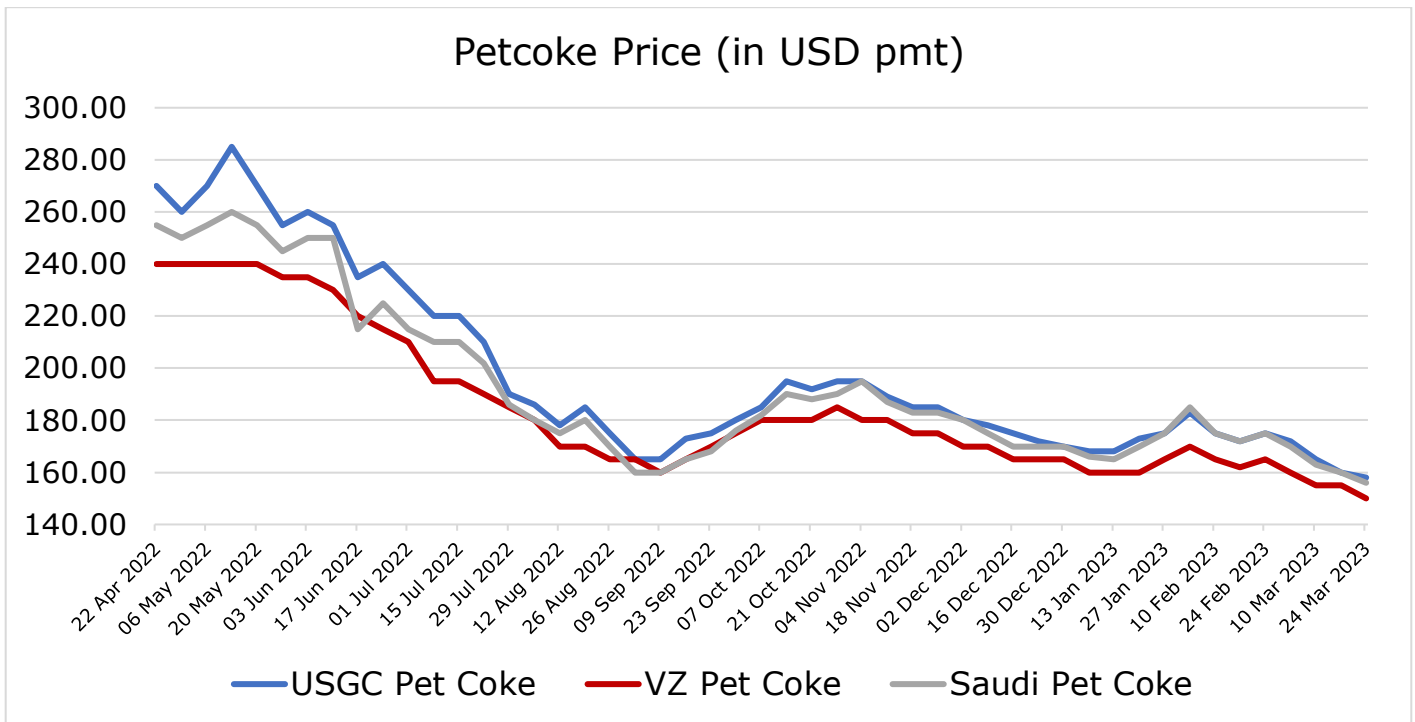


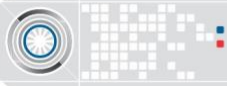


PETCOKE

The international petcoke market continues to be on the bearish side. USA-origin and Saudi-origin come down to July 2021 level, CFR India at \$ 158 and \$ 156 respectively. The two origin prices decline by \$ 2 and \$ 4 WoW respectively. Venezuela-origin petcoke prices touched Jan 2022 level at \$ 150 this week, with a \$ 5 WoW decline.

Petcoke prices are not receiving demand support from its largest end users due to the lower cement outlook. Thermal coal costs have also fallen, causing petcoke prices to fall to a more acceptable level.

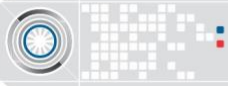




WEEKLY AVG INTERNATIONAL PRICE

Grade	Price pmt								
	25-Mar-23	18-Mar-23	WoW Change	25-Feb-23	MoM Change	25-Mar-22	YoY Change	52 Week High	52 Week Low
FOB Richards Bay									
4800 NAR	\$ 93.00	\$ 95.00	(2.11)%	\$ 92.00	1.09 %	\$ 192.00	(51.56)%	\$ 235.00	\$ 85.00
5500 NAR	\$ 108.00	\$ 111.00	(2.70)%	\$ 115.00	(6.09)%	\$ 230.00	(53.04)%	\$ 295.00	\$ 108.00
6000 NAR	\$ 127.00	\$ 130.00	(2.31)%	\$ 137.00	(7.30)%	\$ 260.00	(51.15)%	\$ 360.00	\$ 125.00
FOB Newcastle									
5500 NAR	\$ 121.00	\$ 122.00	(0.82)%	\$ 115.00	5.22 %	\$ 280.00	(56.79)%	\$ 210.00	\$ 114.00
6000 NAR	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	0.00 %	\$ 185.00	(5.41)%	\$ 380.00	(53.95)%	\$ 440.00	\$ 175.00
FOB Indonesia									
6500 GAR	\$ 175.00	\$ 180.00	(2.78)%	\$ 190.00	(7.89)%	\$ 308.00	(43.18)%	\$ 280.00	\$ 175.00
5800 GAR	\$ 117.50	\$ 118.00	(0.42)%	\$ 125.00	(6.00)%	\$ 220.00	(46.59)%	\$ 198.00	\$ 117.50
5000 GAR	\$ 96.25	\$ 96.00	0.26 %	\$ 95.00	1.32 %	\$ 170.00	(43.38)%	\$ 160.00	\$ 90.00
4200 GAR	\$ 74.50	\$ 73.50	1.36 %	\$ 72.00	3.47 %	\$ 120.00	(37.92)%	\$ 105.00	\$ 68.00
3400 GAR	\$ 50.00	\$ 49.50	1.01 %	\$ 49.00	2.04 %	\$ 74.00	(32.43)%	\$ 75.00	\$ 47.00
CFR (SA Coal)									
4800 NAR	\$ 108.50	\$ 111.50	(2.69)%	\$ 105.50	2.84 %	\$ 343.00	(68.37)%	\$ 256.00	\$ 101.00
5500 NAR	\$ 123.50	\$ 127.50	(3.14)%	\$ 128.50	(3.89)%	\$ 408.00	(69.73)%	\$ 316.00	\$ 123.50
6000 NAR	\$ 142.50	\$ 146.50	(2.73)%	\$ 150.50	(5.32)%	\$ 443.00	(67.83)%	\$ 382.00	\$ 142.00
CFR (Aus Coal)									
5500 NAR	\$ 136.50	\$ 138.50	(1.44)%	\$ 129.00	5.81 %	\$ 302.50	(54.88)%	\$ 235.00	\$ 126.50
6000 NAR	\$ 190.50	\$ 191.50	(0.52)%	\$ 199.00	(4.27)%	\$ 402.50	(52.67)%	\$ 460.00	\$ 190.50
CFR (Indonesia Coal)									
6500 GAR	\$ 188.50	\$ 193.00	(2.33)%	\$ 201.50	(6.45)%	\$ 333.00	(43.39)%	\$ 305.00	\$ 188.50
5800 GAR	\$ 131.00	\$ 131.00	0.00 %	\$ 136.50	(4.03)%	\$ 245.00	(46.53)%	\$ 223.00	\$ 130.00
5000 GAR	\$ 109.75	\$ 109.00	0.69 %	\$ 106.50	3.05 %	\$ 195.00	(43.72)%	\$ 188.00	\$ 100.00
4200 GAR	\$ 88.00	\$ 86.50	1.73 %	\$ 83.50	5.39 %	\$ 145.00	(39.31)%	\$ 133.00	\$ 78.00
3400 GAR	\$ 63.50	\$ 62.50	1.60 %	\$ 60.50	4.96 %	\$ 99.00	(35.86)%	\$ 102.00	\$ 57.00
CFR (Rus Coal)									
5500 NAR	\$ 128.00	\$ 130.00	(1.54)%	\$ 130.00	(1.54)%	\$ 215.00	(40.47)%	\$ 250.00	\$ 125.00
6000 NAR	\$ 137.00	\$ 140.00	(2.14)%	\$ 142.00	(3.52)%	\$ 235.00	(41.70)%	\$ 275.00	\$ 137.00
CFR (USA Coal)									
6900 NAR	\$ 170.00	\$ 175.00	(2.86)%	\$ 190.00	(10.53)%	\$ 290.00	(41.38)%	\$ 310.00	\$ 157.00
Petcoke (CFR - India)									
US Origin (6.5% TS)	\$ 158.00	\$ 160.00	(1.25)%	\$ 175.00	(9.71)%	\$ 260.00	(39.23)%	\$ 290.00	\$ 158.00
VZ Origin (5.0% TS)	\$ 150.00	\$ 155.00	(3.23)%	\$ 165.00	(9.09)%	\$ 235.00	(36.17)%	\$ 265.00	\$ 150.00
Saudi Origin (8.5% TS)	\$ 156.00	\$ 160.00	(2.50)%	\$ 175.00	(10.86)%	\$ 250.00	(37.60)%	\$ 280.00	\$ 156.00

DOMESTIC COAL PRICE



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(West Coast – India)

Indian domestic coal prices for the imported material show a mixed sentiment with Indonesian high and low cv prices plunging and mid cv category rising WoW. Indian market surprisingly still not showing up for the imported material, which generally procures aggressively at this time for summer electricity demand.

Grade	Price pmt / 00-50 MM / Ex-Plot Port				
	25-Mar-23	18-Mar-23	Change	23-Feb-23	Change
US Origin Coal from Tuna / Kandla (WCI)					
NAPP	₹ 16,200.00	₹ 17,000.00	(4.71)%	₹ 14,900.00	8.72 %
ILB	N/A	N/A		₹ 13,500.00	
Indonesian Origin Coal from Tuna / Kandla (WCI)					
5000 GAR	₹ 10,300.00	₹ 10,500.00	(1.90)%	₹ 9,500.00	8.42 %
4200 GAR	₹ 8,300.00	₹ 8,300.00	0.00 %	₹ 7,575.00	9.57 %
3800 GAR	₹ 7,950.00	₹ 7,700.00	3.25 %	₹ 7,175.00	10.80 %
3400 GAR	₹ 6,000.00	₹ 6,200.00	(3.23)%	₹ 5,650.00	6.19 %
Indonesian Origin Coal from Navlakhi (WCI)					
5000 GAR	₹ 10,600.00	₹ 10,700.00	(0.93)%	₹ 9,575.00	10.70 %
4200 GAR	₹ 8,800.00	₹ 8,500.00	3.53 %	₹ 7,600.00	15.79 %
3800 GAR	₹ 7,950.00	₹ 7,800.00	1.92 %	₹ 7,200.00	10.42 %
3400 GAR	₹ 6,100.00	₹ 6,200.00	(1.61)%	₹ 5,675.00	7.49 %
South African coal from Kandla (WCI)					
5500 NAR	₹ 12,000.00	₹ 11,300.00	6.19 %	₹ 11,000.00	9.09 %
Russian coal from Kandla (WCI)					
6000 NAR	₹ 14,400.00	₹ 15,000.00	(4.00)%	₹ 13,500.00	6.67 %
Grade / Sized	Price pmt / Screened Plant / Ex-Plot Screening Plant				
	25-Mar-23	18-Mar-23	Change	23-Feb-23	Change
3400 GAR					
00 - 06 MM	₹ 5,700.00	₹ 5,800.00	(1.72)%	₹ 5,600.00	1.79 %
06 - 20 MM	₹ 7,000.00	₹ 7,100.00	(1.41)%	₹ 6,900.00	1.45 %
20 - 50 MM	₹ 7,500.00	₹ 7,600.00	(1.32)%	₹ 7,100.00	5.63 %
4200 GAR					
00 - 06 MM	₹ 7,200.00	₹ 7,200.00	0.00 %	₹ 6,800.00	5.88 %
06 - 20 MM	₹ 9,300.00	₹ 9,600.00	(3.13)%	₹ 8,700.00	6.90 %
20 - 50 MM	₹ 9,600.00	₹ 9,700.00	(1.03)%	₹ 8,800.00	9.09 %
5000 GAR					
00 - 06 MM	₹ 8,800.00	₹ 8,800.00	0.00 %	₹ 8,100.00	8.64 %
06 - 20 MM	₹ 12,400.00	₹ 12,600.00	(1.59)%	₹ 12,200.00	1.64 %
20 - 50 MM	₹ 12,800.00	₹ 13,000.00	(1.54)%	₹ 12,400.00	3.23 %
* Above prices are Basic Per Metric Ton. GST, Cess, TCS & Other applicable taxes are extra.					

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