

REPRO (pellet) FOB USEC \$/lb

Resin/Grade	Price	Mean Change
HDPE HMW Film - Natural	0.490-0.520	0.000
HDPE HMW Film - Black	0.480-0.490	0.000
HDPE HMW Drums	0.530-0.550	0.000
HDPE PC Frac-melt Homopolymer (dairy)	0.610-0.630	0.000
HDPE PC Frac-melt Copolymer Black	0.520-0.550	0.000
HDPE PC Frac-melt Copolymer MC	0.510-0.550	0.000
HDPE PI Frac-melt Copolymer Black	0.480-0.490	0.000
HDPE PI Frac-melt Copolymer MC	0.470-0.480	0.000
HDPE Injection-crate MC	0.500-0.510	0.000
LDPE Film MC	0.430-0.450	0.000
LLDPE MC	0.440-0.460	0.000
HoPP - Injection Black	0.480-0.490	0.000
HoPP - Injection MC	0.470-0.480	0.000
CoPP - Injection Black	0.475-0.485	0.000
GPPS Clear	0.520-0.530	0.000
GPPS - White	0.500-0.520	0.000
GPPS Black	0.450-0.470	0.000
HIPS - White	0.700-0.710	0.000
HIPS - Black	0.660-0.670	0.000
PET FDA-Sanctioned Clear	0.670-0.700	0.000
PET FDA-Sanctioned Green	0.490-0.510	0.010
Nylon 66 Post-Industrial - Black	0.790-0.810	-0.010
Nylon 6 Post-Industrial - Black	0.700-0.710	-0.010

REPRO (pellet) FOB LA/Long Beach \$/lb

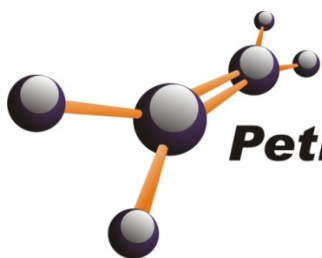
HDPE Repro, PC Gray & Natural, 50/50	0.540-0.560	0.000
HDPE Repro, PC Natural	0.570-0.590	0.000

REGRIND (flake) FOB USEC \$/lb

Resin/Grade	Price	Mean Change
HDPE HMW Film - Natural	0.410-0.430	0.000
HDPE HMW Film MC	0.350-0.370	0.000
HDPE HMW Drums	0.380-0.390	0.000
HDPE PC Frac-melt Homopolymer (dairy)	0.500-0.520	0.000
HDPE PI Frac-melt Copolymer Black	0.380-0.390	0.000
HDPE PI Frac-melt Copolymer MC	0.370-0.380	0.000
HDPE Inj Crate - Black	0.435-0.445	0.000
HDPE Injection-crate MC	0.430-0.440	0.000
LDPE Injection Natural	0.390-0.410	0.000
LDPE Injection MC	0.360-0.380	0.000
HoPP - Injection Black	0.390-0.400	0.000
HoPP - Injection MC	0.380-0.400	0.003
CoPP - Injection Black	0.400-0.410	0.015
GPPS - Clear	0.370-0.380	0.000
GPPS - White	0.360-0.380	0.000
GPPS MC	0.330-0.370	0.000
HIPS White	0.520-0.530	0.000
HIPS MC	0.460-0.480	0.000
*PET Clear High-grade Bottles Curbside	0.490-0.500	0.000
PET Food-grade Sheet	0.470-0.480	0.000
PET Sheet /Filament Fiber - Clear	0.330-0.340	0.000
PET Sheet /Filament Fiber - Green	0.230-0.270	0.000
PET Staple Fiber - Clear	0.420-0.430	0.000
PET Staple Fiber - Green	0.320-0.330	0.000
Nylon 66 Post-Industrial Unfilled - Black	0.400-0.420	0.000
Nylon 66 Post-Industrial Unfilled - MC	0.380-0.390	0.000
Nylon 6 Post-Industrial Unfilled - Black	0.230-0.240	-0.010
Nylon 6 Post-Industrial Unfilled - MC	0.210-0.220	-0.010

* Specs: IV, 0.74-0.80; 10 ppm max metal; 40 ppm max PVC.

Prices are in \$/lb, for minimum truckload quantities, originating from the US East Coast. Prices reflect confirmed deals, bids and offers to the market-at-large. PC designates post-consumer resin; PI, post-industrial.



REPRO/REGRIND NEWS IN BRIEF

HDPE repro and regrind prices were mostly unchanged. Supply and demand is in relative balance in markets east of the Rockies. Winter weather-related delivery slowdowns of repro, regrind and scrap bales are now only sporadic. HDPE post-industrial injection-crate regrind was done at 46 cpp delivered Mid-Atlantic region, for mixed-colors (44 cpp FOB), steady on a week ago. HDPE PI frac-melt regrind MC was done at 40 cpp delivered East Coast (38 cpp FOB), with a half-cent-to-one-cent premium for black. Less-than-truckload business for MC frac-melt regrind was done at 46 cpp, delivered East Coast. HDPE HMW repro drums were done at 54 cpp FOB southern US, unchanged from a week ago; regrind of the same was done at the high 30's cpp level, FOB.

LLDPE mixed color post-industrial repro was done 45 cpp FOB East Coast, steady on a week ago. LDPE injection MC regrind was also steady with business done at 37 cpp FOB. Natural LDPE injection-grade regrind was offered at 41 cpp FOB, steady on a week ago.

In Southern California, HDPE post-consumer natural regrind was steady for a second consecutive week at 58 cpp delivered Los Angeles. HDPE PC gray repro was unchanged at 55 cpp delivered LA.

HDPE wide-spec dairy (.7 melt, .960 density, Phillips) was offered this week at 55-59 cpp, delivered Midwest bulk truck and rail, up 2-4 cpp from last week. Generic prime HDPE blow-mold was selling at week's end at 63 cpp delivered east of the Rockies, steady from late February.

CoPP mixed-colors regrind was done this week at 43 cpp delivered East Coast (41 cpp FOB), up 1.5 cpp from a week ago. CoPP black repro was offered at 49 cpp FOB Midwest and East Coast, steady on a week ago. CoPP black repro with an FDA (US Food and Drug Administration) seal of approval was reportedly selling at a 10-15 cpp premium to CoPP repro without this designation. PP regrind from bottle caps (60-65% PP) was steady this week at 27 cpp FOB New York area.

HIPS white regrind was done at 55 cpp delivered Upper Midwest (53 cpp FOB), steady on late February. HIPS mixed-color regrind was done a nickel cheaper, also steady on late February. GPPS MC regrind was done as high at 37 cpp FOB East Coast, and on the low at 35 cpp delivered Midwest (33 cpp FOB), steady from early March. HIPS white repro was steady with offers firm at 71 cpp FOB East Coast.

Nylon 66 mixed-luster fiber regrind with anti-stat was steady at 55 cpp, FOB Tennessee. Nylon 6 regrind, post-industrial unfilled mixed-colors, fell 1 cpp as offers at 23 cpp drew no buying interest. Nylon 66 post-industrial black repro prices fell 1 cpp to 79-81 cpp on weak demand and lower prime nylon feedstock costs.

Prime Grade Resins: US Gulf spot blow mold HDPE held at 63 cpp from March 5 to March 12. HIPS remained at 86 cpp while HoPP was constant at 66.5 cpp. US prime PET, bottle-grade, delivered rail Midwest, was steady at 57-58 cpp. Formula-based contract prices for prime PET could rise 3-4 cpp for March deliveries, sources said.

Upstream Monomers: US Gulf spot ethylene rose 0.625 cpp to 34.625 cpp. Polymer grade propylene fell 0.625 cpp to 45.75 cpp. Benzene was down 19 cpg (2.6 cpp) to \$2.44/gal (33.29 cpp).

SCRAP FOB US East Coast \$/lb

Resin/Grade	Price	Mean Change
HDPE Bottles Natural Bales From Curbside	0.250-0.280	0.000
HDPE Bottles MC Bales From Curbside	0.250-0.270	0.015
LDPE Film Grade A Bales, No Color (NY/NJ)	0.220-0.240	0.010
PET Bottles MC Bales Curbside	0.120-0.140	0.000
PET Bottles MC Bales Curbside (LA/LB)	0.180-0.190	0.000
PET Strapping, Bales, Green	0.070-0.080	0.000
Nylon 66 Fiber, Bales, Natural	0.740-0.760	0.000
Nylon 6 Fiber, Bales, Natural	0.510-0.530	0.000
Nylon 6 Fiber, Bales, Carpet, 5-10% ash PC	0.080-0.090	0.000
Nylon 6 Fiber Bales, Carpet, 10-15% ash PC	0.060-0.070	0.000

SCRAP NEWS IN BRIEF

HDPE HMW post-industrial bales were done at 34 cpp delivered Mid-Atlantic (32 cpp FOB), for truckload business. Post-consumer HDPE frac-melt bales were done at 28 cpp delivered Mid-Atlantic (26 cpp FOB).

Bales of dirty LDPE film from chicken boxes were offered at 11-13 cpp FOB southern US, steady from early March. Most of this scrap is targeted for export to Southeast Asia.

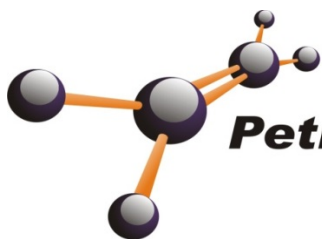
Grade A LDPE film scrap bales were done at 24-26 cpp delivered Midwest (22-24 cpp FOB), steady on early March. This scrap has no bubble wrap or other contaminants and only limited labeling. Grade B LDPE film bales, which include some contaminants, were offered at 12-14 cpp FOB East Coast.

Densified expanded PS (EPS) logs were steady at 40 cpp, truckload quantities, delivered east of the Rockies. HDPE HMW Intermediate Bulk Containers (IBCs) were also steady at the low 30 cpp level.

Clean PP Super Sacks were up a penny at 10-11 cpp FOB Houston as demand from Asia has picked up. This is the result in part of the end of New Year's holiday festivities in this part of the world and recycling plants that went down during the holidays resuming operations.

Clean HIPS hangers were done at 22 cpp delivered Midwest steady on February business. Clean white HIPS sheet was done at 43 cpp and mixed-colors HIPS sheet at 38 cpp, both delivered Midwest and unchanged.

Yarn-on-Tube prices were steady. PP YOT was offered at 30 cpp; Nylon 66 and Nylon 6 were both offered at 45 cpp, FOB Georgia plant.



Confirmed Transactions

US Domestic: March/April Delivery *

Repro/Regrind

- HDPE HMW Regrind Drums, 54 cpp FOB southern US, March.
HDPE Dairy Repro, 62 cpp FOB southern US, March.
HDPE Regrind, Injection-crate mixed-colors, 46 cpp delivered East Coast, March.
CoPP Regrind, mixed-colors, 43 cpp delivered East Coast, March.
PP Regrind, from bottle caps, 65% PP, 27 cpp FOB New York, March.
HIPS White Regrind, 55 cpp delivered Upper Midwest, March.
GPPS Clear Repro, 53 cpp FOB East Coast, March.

Scrap

- Dirty LDPE Film bales, from chicken boxes, 11 cpp FOB southern US, March.
Grade A LDPE Film Bales, 24 cpp delivered Midwest, March.
HDPE Natural Bales, from curbside, 25 cpp FOB East Coast, March.
HDPE Mixed-colors Bales, from curbside, 25 cpp FOB East Coast, March.
PET Bales, Grade A from curbside, 18 cpp LA/Long Beach, March.
PET Bales, from curbside, 14 cpp FOB Midwest, March.
Clean HIPS Hangers, baled or in Gaylord boxes, 22 cpp delivered Upper Midwest, March.
Clean PP Super Sacks, 10 cpp FOB Houston, March.

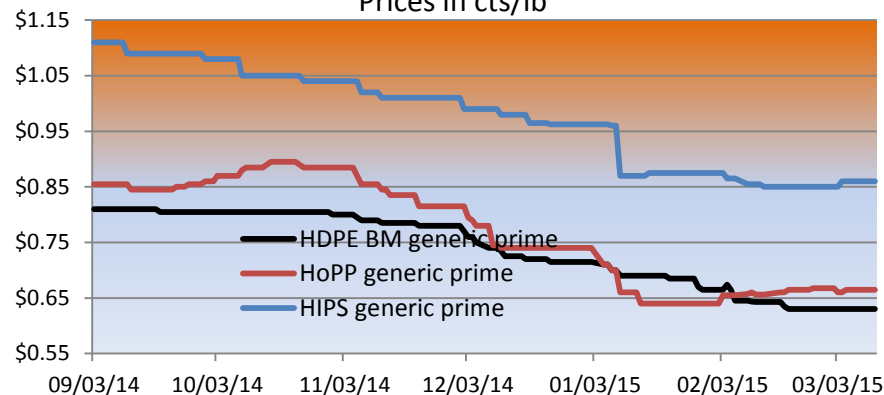
Prime PET

- PET, US-produced bottle-grade, 58 cpp delivered rail Midwest, March.
PET, China-produced bottle-grade, 54 cpp delivered US port, April.
PTA Feedstock, 43.17 cpp, to US end-user, March.

* All deals truckloads unless otherwise indicated.

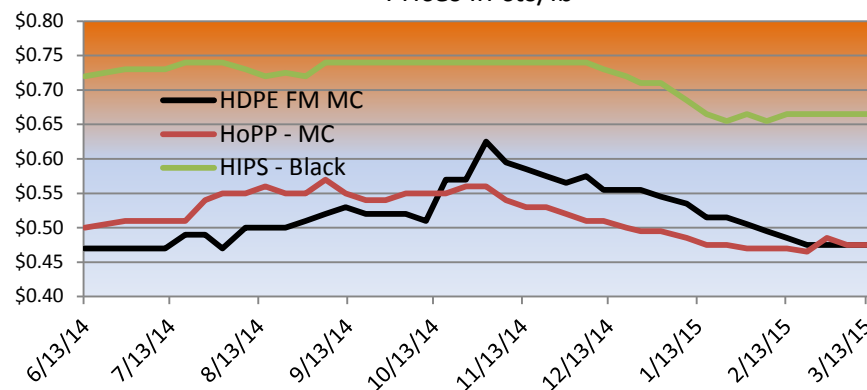
Prime Resins

Prices in cts/lb



Reprocessed Resins

Prices in cts/lb



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<u>Resin/Grade</u>	<u>US \$/lb</u>
Bottle grade, delivered Midwest Rail	0.57-0.58

PET News in Brief

Prime PET Producers Raising Prices

Higher PET feedstock prices are pressuring prime US PET prices higher. PET producers have proposed price increases of 3-4 cpp for March deliveries to US end-users and are heard to be asking for another 3 cpp increase for April. Buyers of prime PET using a “raw-materials-plus” buying formula most likely will see these price increases, sources said. The price rise is also tied to warmer weather which brings a rise in consumption of beverages in PET bottles. Prime PET spot prices, meanwhile, were steady this week at 57-58 cpp delivered railcar Midwest. US prime PET import prices were also steady this week. PET from China was offered at 54 cpp delivered US ports, West Coast, East Coast or Midwest, with delivery time of 4-6 weeks. Delivery from China and other Southeast Asia locations to US West Coast destinations is still being affected by the backup of container ships at West Coast ports due to the recent labor dispute. The backlog at LA/Long Beach, California, has also caused a slowdown in deliveries on prime PET and PET scrap bales to California bottle manufacturers who depend on supply warehoused at and delivered to the LA/LB port complex.

rPET repro, Regrind Prices Steady

rPET FDA-approved bottle-grade repro prices were steady at 67-70 cpp FOB East Coast, for truckload quantities. Higher-volume business was reported at the mid-60 cpp level. rPET bottle-grade flake was steady at 49-50 cpp FOB Midwest, while rPET food-grade flake was steady at 47-48 cpp FOB Midwest. rPET staple fiber clear flake was unchanged at 42-43 cpp with demand from the non-woven and home furnishings sectors steady.

BP’s Carolina PTA Deliveries Still Down

Deliveries of PET feedstock PTA from BP’s Cooper River plant in South Carolina remain at 65% of planned allocations, sources said on March 13. The allocation situation was first reported last week. Cooper River is undergoing an upgrade following a fire last August that damaged one of its two production units. BP’s spokesman had no comment on the situation.

PET Yarn-on-tube Scrap Price Steady Again

PET natural yarn-on-tube scrap was offered at 25 cpp and mixed-colors PET YOT at 10 cpp, FOB Georgia plant, both unchanged.

PET Bales Unchanged at 12-14 cpp

PET bale prices were unchanged at 12-14 cpp, FOB East Coast and Midwest, and 18-19 cpp FOB LA/Long Beach in Southern California.

PET Feedstock Prices Rise

US PTA spot prices were up 2 cpp at 43 cpp, delivered east of the Rockies. Tight supply tied to an allocation at BP’s Cooper River PTA plant in South Carolina has pushed prices higher. At least one major US PET producer relying on PTA from Cooper River has had to scramble to cover feedstock needs, sources said. PET feedstock mono-ethylene Glycol (MEG) was up 1 cpp to 43 cpp, delivered US plants.

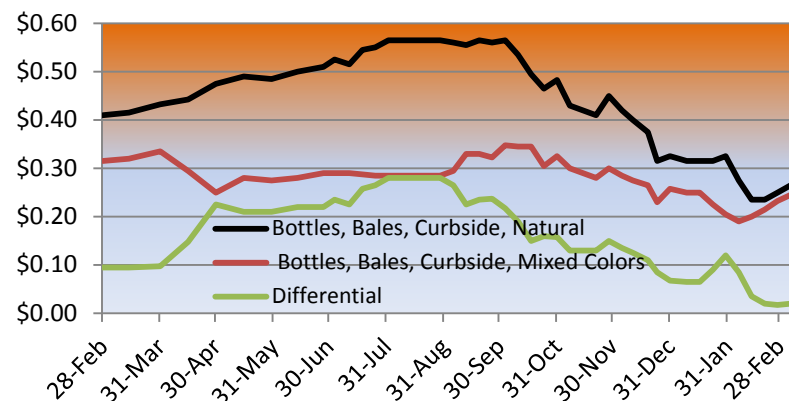
ABS Update—US Regrind Steady at 65 cpp

ABS regrind prices were steady at 65 cpp FOB East Coast. This is regrind with a 5 melt and 5 izod rating. Prime ABS imported from Asia to the US West Coast was steady at the mid-90 cpp level.

US PET producers file dumping complaint against China, India, Canada, Oman

Three PET producers are asking the US government to impose antidumping duties on prime PET imports from Canada, Oman, China and India. On March 10, DAK Americas LLC, M&G Chemicals and Nan Ya Plastics Corporation, America, filed an anti-dumping petition with the US International Trade Commission. The ITC is expected to make a decision on whether it will investigate the matter within 45 days.

Natural and Mixed-Color HDPE Bales Near Price Parity



The price differential between post-consumer HDPE natural and mixed-color bales has narrowed to less-than-a-cent, a level never seen by industry veterans. Natural bales were done this week at 25-28 cpp with MC bales at 25-27 cpp, both FOB east of the Rockies for minimum truckload business. A year ago, natural bales were at a 9.5 cpp premium to MC bales-- 41.5 cpp for natural and 32 cpp for MC, FOB east of the Rockies. The narrower differential is the result of less demand and increased supply for natural bales, which drove that price down 15 cpp or 36 % from a year ago. Lower feedstock costs also contributed to the price decline as did more vigorous sorting of recyclables by municipalities and MRFs in some parts of the US.