



Ukrainian steel export: myths and reality

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Myths about Ukrainian export

Ukraine is often called as "a danger for steel market"

Myth #1: Ukraine has enormous export potential

Myth #2: Ukraine has significant advantages in costs

Myth #3: Ukrainian companies use dumping

Myth #4: Ukraine has advantage in logistics to EU



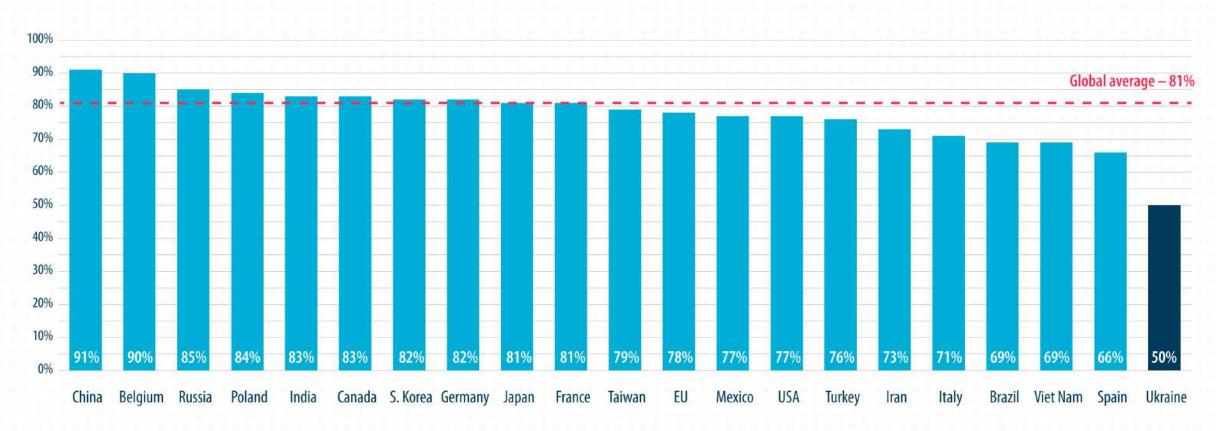


Myth #1:

Ukraine has enormous export potential



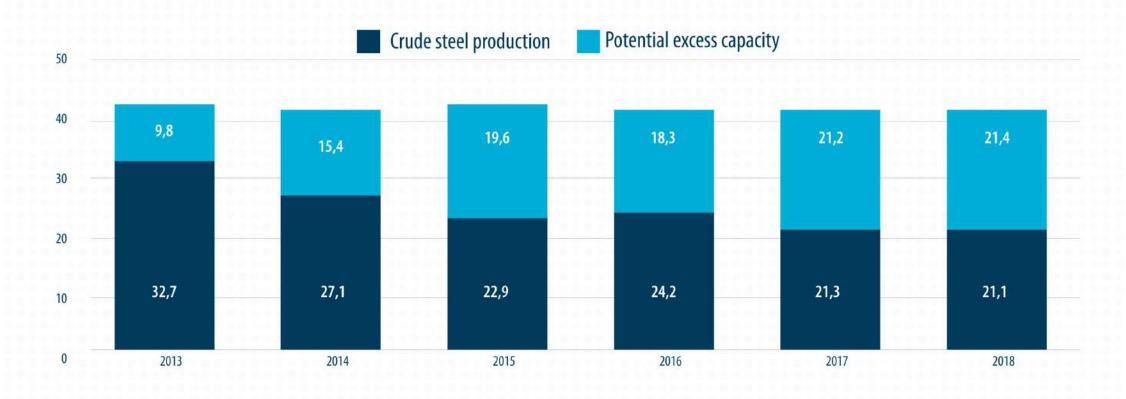
Crude steelmaking capacity utilization rate: Ukraine vs Global average



The least utilizated among TOP-20 steel producing countries — is Ukraine. Its **50%** only.



Excess capacity in Ukraine: OECD view



Ukraine is among the TOP-5 countries with largest excess capacity level, according to OECD.

OECD data: Nominal crude steelmaking capacity in Ukraine — **42,5 mln tons** — unchanged since 2013.

Crude steel production in Ukraine in 2018 – **21,1 mln tons**, 35% lower than in 2013.



Total nominal capacity

about 31,3 mln tons

Territory of Ukraine:

Dnipro Metallurgical Plant 1.5

Interpipe Steel 1.3

Dniprovskyi Iron and Steel Works 4.8

ArcelorMittal Kryvyi Rih 8.0

Zaporizhstal Iron and Steel Works 4.7

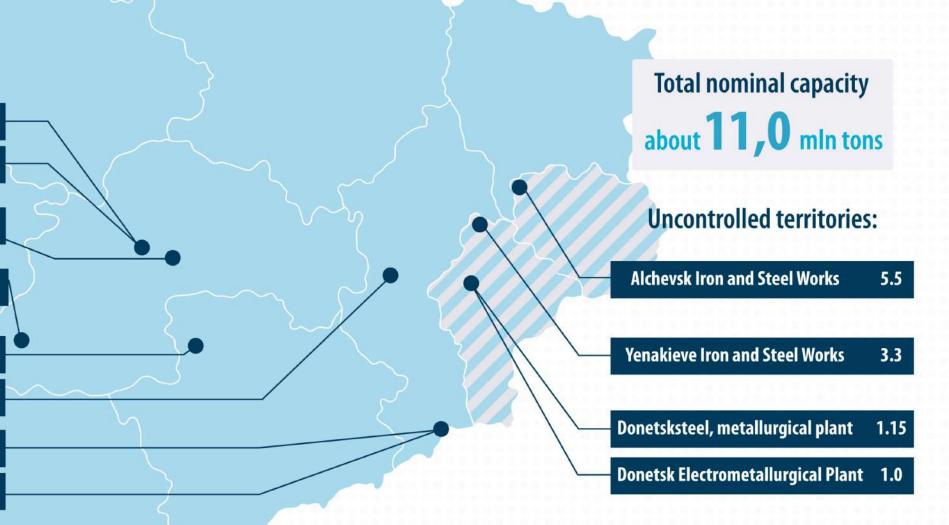
Elektrostal 0.56

Ilyich Iron and Steel Works of Mariupol 3.9

Azovstal Iron and Steel Works 6.6

Excess capacity in Ukraine: uncontrolled territories

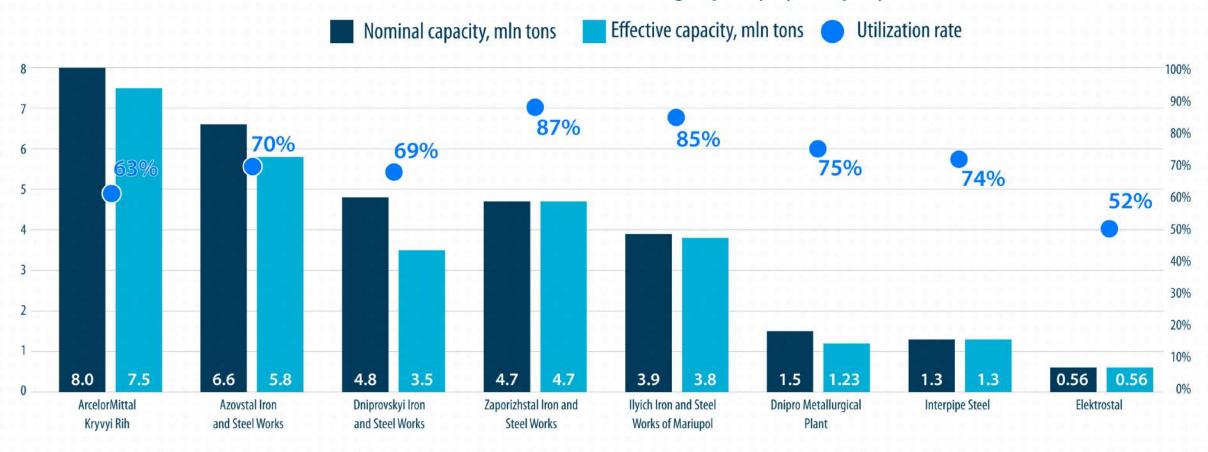
Nominal crude steelmaking capacity in Ukraine by company, mln tons





Excess capacity in Ukraine: nominal capacity vs effective

Nominal and effective crude steelmaking capacity by company



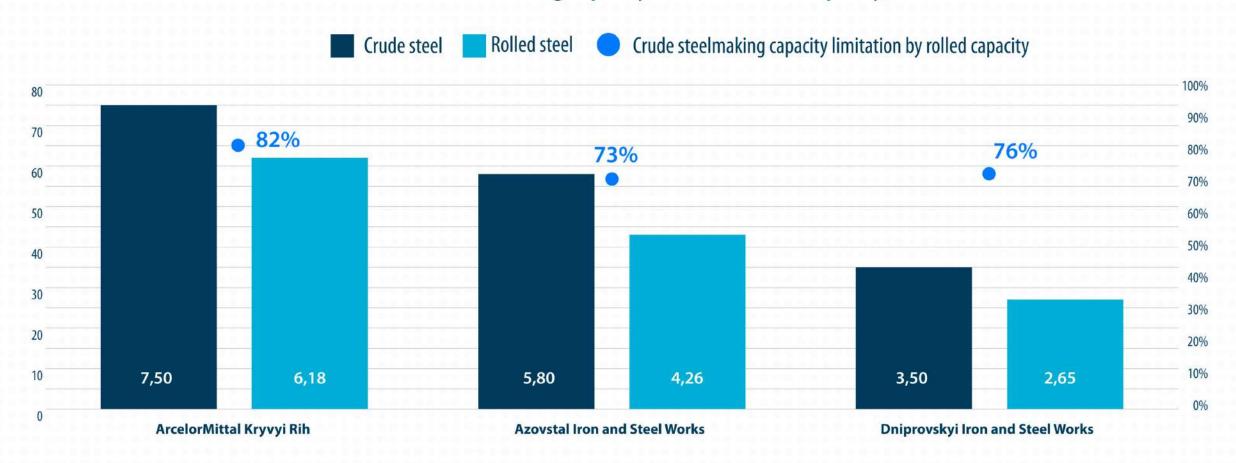
Nominal capacity of 31,3 mln tons vs 28,3 mln tons of effective capacity.

Ukrainian companies had healthy level of utilization — 73% as an average in 2018.



Excess capacity in Ukraine: lack of rolling capacity

Effective crude steelmaking capacity and rolled steel capacity, mln t



Three companies (AMKR, Azovstal and Dniprovskyi Iron and Steel Worls) have bottleneck in rolling production. Raising of crude steel production on these companies could achieved be due to steel semi-products only.



Myth #2:

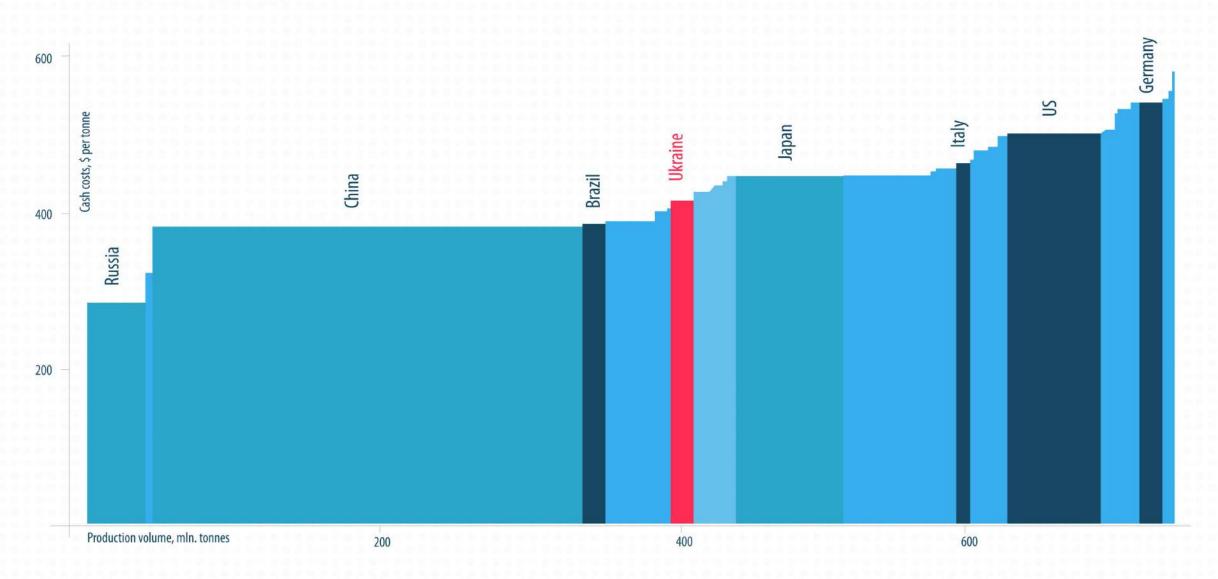
Ukraine has advantages in costs





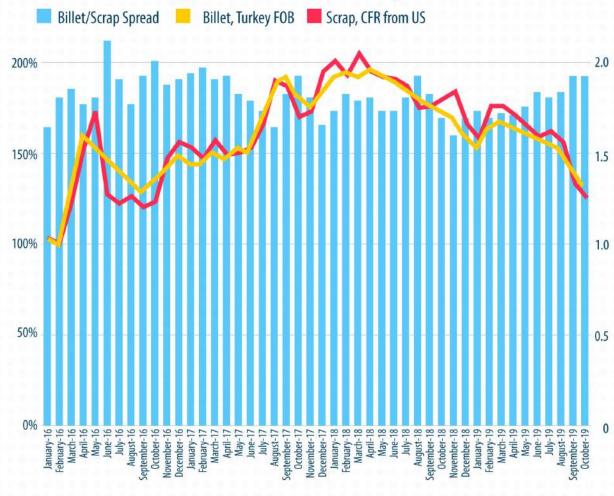
Position of Ukraine on cost curve is risky

HRC cost curve (2018))



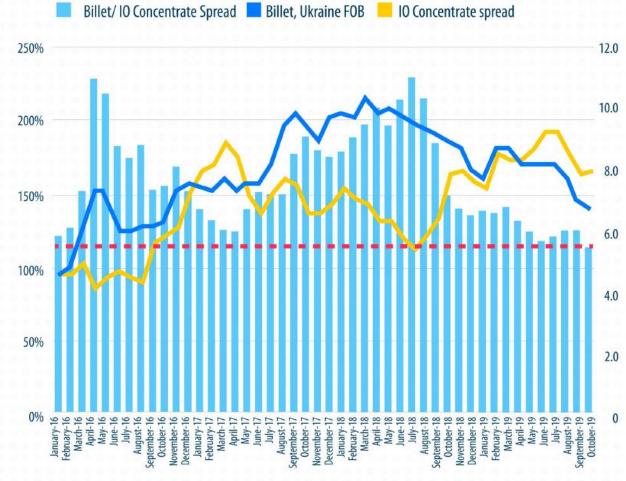
Price competitiveness of Ukrainian longs vs Turkish

Billet and Scrap price indexes in Turkey



Billet/Scrap — normal level Normal margin

Billet and Scrap price indexes in Ukraine

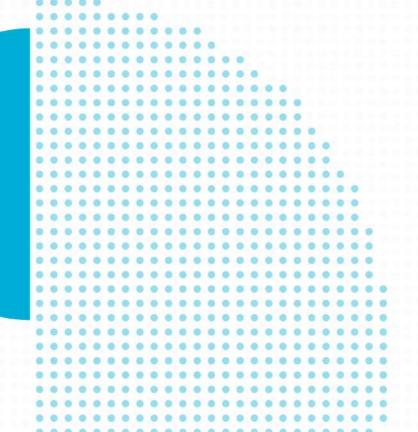


Billet/Iron ore – the lowest level since 2016 Negative margin





Myth #3:



Ukrainian companies use dumping



Ukraine is the liberalization leader in steel industry

Instruments used to develop the steel industry

Countries that have used the instrument	China	India	Japan	U.S.	Russia	South Korea	Turkey	E	Brazil	Canada	South Africa	Egypt	Indonesia	Vietnam	Philippines	Ukraine
Instrument																
Grants	+		+		+	+		+		+						
Export subsidies, other forms of export support	+		+							+	+					
Tax benefits	+		+		+	+		+	+		+		+			
Special economic zones	+		+													
Soft loans	+				+	+		+	+	+	+					
Capital infusion and debt conversion	+					+			+							
Reimbursement of the cost of raw materials	+											+				
Control over prices for raw materials, including raw materials export restrictions	+	+			+	+	+		+					+		+
Preferences for local manufacturers	+						+				+					
Encouraging mergers & acquisitions	+		+			+										
Boosting domestic consumption markets	+	+	+	+	+	+		+					+	+	+	
Import restrictions	-1	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	
Assistance in the sectoral infrastructure development		+			+	+	+		+			+	+			

Export restriction measures against Ukrainian steel products

Defensive measures (4)





Square billet, rebar



EU

Rolled products and pipes



US

all steel products



EAEU

HRC

Antidumping measures (31 in 13 countries)



Brazil

Flats-\$52 Steel pipes - \$145-708



Pakistan

CRC - 19%



Egypt

Rebar – 17-27%



S.Korea

FeSiMn – 19,06%



Canada

HRC - 77%Plate - 15-21% Steel pipes – 37,4%



Thailand

HRC - 32-71,5%



EU

Seamless pipes — 8-25% HRC - €60.5



Indonesia

HRC - 12,3%



India

CRC – min price \$576



Taiwan

HRC - 49,29%



FeSiMn - 163% Rebar – 41,69% HRC - 90.3%Steel pipes -

7,47% Wire rod – 44%



Steel pipes – 19-20% Seamless stainless steel – 4-19% FeSiMn – 26,35% Rebar - 9,3-10,1% Angle - 38%



Mexico

FeSiMn – 16,6% Rebar – 41,69% HRC - 25-60% Seamless pipes



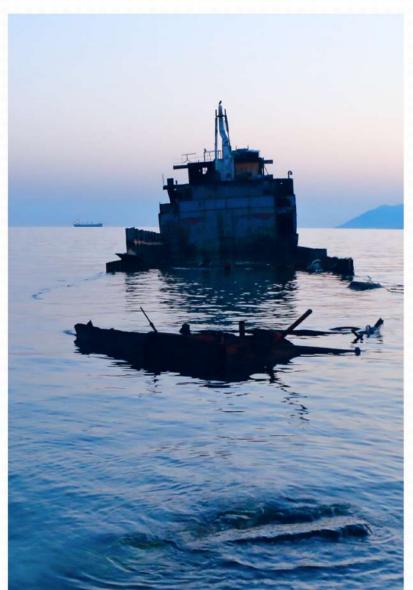


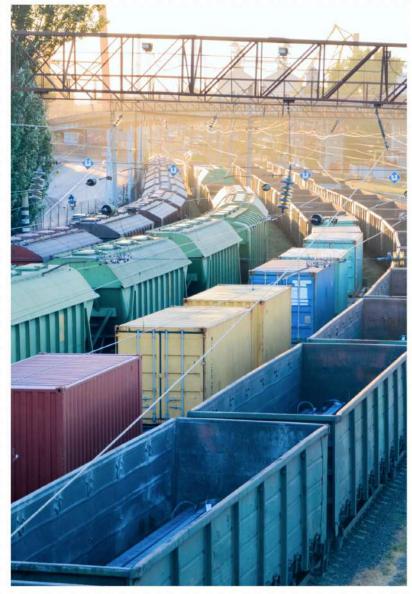
Myth #4:

Ukraine has logistics advantage

Ukrainian infrastructure limits export possibilities







Reality of Ukrainian export

Ukraine is not a danger for steel market players

- 1. Ukraine has about 10% export potential, that is difficult to realize in current conditions
- 2. Ukraine will have problems in the downward phase of the cycle when competition intensifies
- 3. Ukraine is the liberalization leader in steel industry, but faces with number of export restrictions
- 4. Ukraine rather has disadvantages in logistics.







Thank you for your attention!