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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Imports of Brass Mill Products Rise While Exports Fall in January 2010**

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products rose in January 2010 compared with the corresponding 2009 period, while exports fell.

Imports of brass mill products in January 2010 totaled 36,948,510 pounds compared to 36,518,864 in January 2009, an increase of 1.2 percent. Exports totaled 17,185,351 pounds in January 2010, down from 20,445,183 in January 2009, a 15.9 percent decrease.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in January at 5,512,598 pounds followed by Canada at 5,167,252 pounds, China at 1,748,784 pounds, Japan at 606,250 pounds and Germany at 546,071 pounds.

Imports from China in January 2010 totaled 9,422,899 pounds, followed by Mexico at 5,721,717 pounds, Germany at 5,293,264 pounds, Canada at 2,976,380 pounds and South Korea at 2,395,490 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 9,682,987 pounds while exports of those products totaled 7,995,136 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 17,351,269 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,870,920 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 7,813,700 pounds while exports totaled 3,406,326 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,100,554 pounds while exports totaled 1,912,969 pounds.

Brass mill products are widely used in building construction, automotive products and in electronic and electrical applications.

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