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### **Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Fell in February 2015**

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products declined in February 2015 compared with the corresponding 2014 period.

Imports of brass mill products in February 2015 totaled 34,053,980 pounds compared to 38,235,749 in February 2014, a decrease of 11 percent. Exports totaled 20,802,520 pounds in February 2015, down from 21,363,489 in February 2014, a 2.6 percent decrease.

For YTD 2015 through February, imports of brass mill products totaled 74,170,004 pounds compared to 77,905,652 pounds through February 2014 YTD, a decrease of 4.8 percent. Exports YTD 2015 totaled 41,059,169 pounds compared to 40,019,773 pounds in the same 2014 period, an increase of 2.6 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in February at 8,852,920 pounds followed by Canada at 5,237,151 pounds, Saudi Arabia at 751,480 pounds, China at 685,236 pounds, and Hong Kong at 632,127 pounds.

Imports from Germany in February 2015 totaled 7,305,348 pounds, followed by South Korea at 5,487,516 pounds, Mexico at 5,123,008 pounds, Canada at 3,521,760 pounds, and Peru at 2,397,500 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 9,424,286 pounds while exports of those products totaled 8,084,480 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 12,853,517 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,246,659 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 8,985,888 pounds while exports totaled 7,473,570 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,790,289 pounds while exports totaled 1,997,811 pounds.

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

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