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Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Increased in March 2014

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products increased in March 2014 compared with the corresponding 2013 period.

Imports of brass mill products in March 2014 totaled 50,782,225 pounds compared to 41,931,369 in March 2013, an increase of 21.1 percent. Exports totaled 23,159,334 pounds in March 2014, up from 23,142,312 in March 2013, a negligible 0.07 percent increase.

For YTD 2014 through March, imports of brass mill products totaled 128,687,877 pounds compared to 112,508,075 pounds through March 2013 YTD, an increase of 14.4 percent. Exports YTD 2014 totaled 63,179,107 compared to 65,718,895 in the same 2013 period, a decrease of 3.9 percent.

Canada was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in March at 7,203,039 pounds followed by Mexico at 7,022,683 pounds, South Korea at 1,563,094 pounds, Saudi Arabia at 1,313,831, and China at 712,743 pounds.

Imports from Germany in March 2014 totaled 10,501,469 pounds, followed by South Korea at 8,085,154 pounds, China at 4,589,494 pounds, Chile at 4,411,998, and Mexico at 4,243,434 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 14,224,553 pounds while exports of those products totaled 9,309,631 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 16,859,253 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 5,275,850 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 16,251,088 pounds while exports totaled 6,402,604 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,447,331 pounds while exports totaled 2,171,249 pounds.

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

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