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### **Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Fall in April 2011**

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products fell in April 2011 compared with the corresponding 2010 period.

Imports of brass mill products in April 2011 totaled 41,363,677 pounds compared to 49,134,467 in April 2010, a decrease of 15.8 percent. Exports totaled 20,128,450 pounds in April 2011, down from 20,629,657, in April 2010, a 2.4 percent decrease.

For YTD 2011 through April, imports of brass mill products totaled 155,968,404 pounds compared to 162,312,685 pounds through April 2010 YTD, a decrease of 3.9 percent. Exports YTD 2011 totaled 78,289,499 compared to 78,532,810 in the same 2010 period, a decrease of 0.3 percent.

Canada was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in April at 7,356,924 pounds followed by Mexico at 6,639,662 pounds, China at 781,077 pounds, Saudi Arabia at 458,656 pounds and Taiwan at 400,031 pounds.

Imports from Germany in April 2011 totaled 8,629,356 pounds, followed by South Korea at 6,208,753 pounds, China at 3,832,322 pounds, Mexico at 3,581,346 pounds and Canada at 3,390,893 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 12,506,605 pounds while exports of those products totaled 6,733,069 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 14,821,733 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 6,080,500 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 11,113,193 pounds while exports totaled 5,049,865 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,922,147 pounds while exports totaled 2,265,015 pounds.

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

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