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### **Imports of Brass Mill Products Decreased while Exports Rose in April 2016**

U.S. imports declined while exports of brass mill products rose in April 2016 compared with the corresponding 2015 period.

Imports of brass mill products in April 2016 totaled 39,658,726 pounds compared to 47,833,786 in April 2015, a decrease of 17 percent. Exports totaled 32,901,206<sup>1</sup> pounds in April 2016, up from 22,968,784 in April 2015, a 43 percent increase.

For YTD 2016 through April, imports of brass mill products totaled 147,611,709 pounds compared to 170,156,881 pounds through April 2015 YTD, a decrease of 13.2 percent. Exports YTD 2016 totaled 127,264,406<sup>1</sup> pounds compared to 86,783,290 pounds in the same 2015 period, an increase of 47 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in April at 20,651,604<sup>1</sup> pounds followed by Canada at 5,917,812 pounds, China at 822,940 pounds, United Arab Emirates at 574,894 pounds, and Saudi Arabia at 514,611 pounds.

Imports from Germany in April 2016 totaled 9,344,812 pounds, followed by South Korea at 5,297,158 pounds, Mexico at 4,791,266 pounds, Canada at 3,567,638 pounds, and Vietnam at 2,507,483 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 11,788,605 pounds while exports of those products totaled 7,632,799 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 15,281,161 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,806,343 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 9,364,383 pounds while exports totaled 19,473,472<sup>1</sup> pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,224,578 pounds while exports totaled 1,988,591 pounds.

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

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<sup>1</sup> As with February and March's data, it is likely that these figures contain approximately 10 million pounds of products other than brass mill products and have been included in April's U. S. government data due to misclassification. A formal inquiry has been initiated.