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Imports of Brass Mill Products Fall While Exports Rise in January 2013

U.S. imports of brass mill products fell in January 2013 compared with the corresponding 2012 period, while exports rose.

Imports of brass mill products in January 2013 totaled 35,826,717 pounds compared to 40,004,707 in January 2012, a decrease of 10.4 percent. Exports totaled 20,420,149 pounds in January 2013, up from 18,799,156 in January 2012, an 8.6 percent increase.

Canada was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in January at 6,968,139 pounds followed by Mexico at 6,203,528 pounds, South Korea at 1,515,894 pounds, China at 707,474 pounds and Saudi Arabia at 628,527 pounds.

Imports from South Korea in January 2013 totaled 6,127,924 pounds, followed by Germany at 6,116,797 pounds, Mexico at 4,092,882 pounds, Canada at 3,570,667 pounds and China at 3,534,060 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 8,892,680 pounds while exports of those products totaled 8,045,602 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 13,301,880 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 5,397,970 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 10,839,698 pounds while exports totaled 4,940,301 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,792,459 pounds while exports totaled 2,036,277 pounds.

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

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