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**Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Increased in August 2013**

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products increased in August 2013 compared with the corresponding 2012 period.

Imports of brass mill products in August 2013 totaled 43,062,432 pounds compared to 39,482,552 in August 2012, an increase of 9.1 percent. Exports totaled 21,845,073 pounds in August 2013, up from 20,930,860 in August 2012, a 4.4 percent increase.

For 2013 through August, imports of brass mill products totaled 334,270,376 pounds compared to 338,155,003 pounds for August 2012 YTD, a decrease of 1.1 percent. Exports for August 2013 YTD totaled 167,511,247 pounds compared to 165,869,838 pounds for August 2012 YTD, an increase of 1.0 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in August at 7,415,712 pounds followed by Canada at 6,281,798 pounds, South Korea at 2,358,188 pounds, Saudi Arabia at 836,807 pounds and China at 829,688 pounds.

Imports from Germany in August 2013 totaled 9,993,941 pounds, followed by South Korea at 7,268,529 pounds, Mexico at 4,083,772 pounds, Canada at 3,856,092 pounds and Peru at 2,352,421 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 13,995,389 pounds while exports of those products totaled 9,981,615 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 13,834,577 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 4,063,072 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 11,831,798 pounds while exports totaled 5,742,518 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,400,668 pounds while exports totaled 2,057,868 pounds.

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

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