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

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

Imports of brass mill products in September 2013 totaled 41,492,285 pounds compared to 36,538,758 in September 2012, an increase of 13.6 percent. Exports totaled 17,868,931 pounds in September 2013, up from 17,695,114 in September 2012, a 1.0 percent increase.

For 2013 through September, imports of brass mill products totaled 375,762,661 pounds compared to 374,693,761 pounds for September 2012 YTD, an increase of 0.3 percent. Exports for September 2013 YTD totaled 185,380,178 pounds compared to 183,564,952 pounds for September 2012 YTD, an increase of 1.0 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in September at 5,856,837 pounds followed by Canada at 5,348,732 pounds, South Korea at 1,701,565 pounds, China at 778,200 pounds and Hong Kong at 722,408 pounds.

Imports from Germany in September 2013 totaled 9,435,311 pounds, followed by South Korea at 5,919,920 pounds, Canada at 4,147,042 pounds, Mexico at 3,968,000 pounds and China at 3,212,609 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 12,315,092 pounds while exports of those products totaled 8,348,878 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 14,895,753 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 2,973,858 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 11,481,444 pounds while exports totaled 4,579,047 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,799,996 pounds while exports totaled 1,967,149 pounds.

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

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