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Imports of Brass Mill Products Decreased While Exports Increased in November 2013

U.S. imports of brass mill products decreased in November 2013 compared with the corresponding 2012 period while exports increased.

Imports of brass mill products in November 2013 totaled 34,901,347 pounds compared to 37,628,924 in November 2012, a decrease of 7.2 percent. Exports totaled 19,797,149 pounds in November 2013, up from 18,540,133 in November 2012, a 6.8 percent increase.

For 2013 through November, imports of brass mill products totaled 452,492,492 pounds compared to 451,153,954 pounds for November 2012 YTD, an increase of 0.3 percent. Exports for November 2013 YTD totaled 227,397,693 pounds compared to 222,200,992 pounds for November 2012 YTD, an increase of 2.3 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in November at 6,588,782 pounds followed by Canada at 5,327,663 pounds, South Korea at 2,371,508 pounds, China at 1,236,269 pounds and Hong Kong at 906,847 pounds.

Imports from Germany in November 2013 totaled 7,582,398 pounds, followed by South Korea at 4,858,125 pounds, Canada at 3,519,057 pounds, Mexico at 3,283,573 pounds and Peru at 2,718,986 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 10,945,555 pounds while exports of those products totaled 10,040,952 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 10,819,085 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,054,099 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 10,260,698 pounds while exports totaled 4,971,044 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,876,009 pounds while exports totaled 1,731,054 pounds.

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

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