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Imports of Brass Mill Products Rose in January 2014; Exports Fell

U.S. imports of brass mill products rose in January 2014 compared with the corresponding 2013 period while exports fell.

Imports of brass mill products in January 2014 totaled 39,669,903 pounds compared to 35,826,717 in January 2013, an increase of 10.7 percent. Exports totaled 18,656,248 pounds in January 2014, down from 21,753,480 in January 2013, a 14.2 percent decrease.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in January at 7,539,657 pounds followed by Canada at 6,444,767 pounds, China at 624,755 pounds, South Korea at 553,815 pounds and Saudi Arabia at 441,928 pounds.

Imports from Germany in January 2014 totaled 6,621,384 pounds, followed by South Korea at 6,102,134 pounds, Canada at 3,809,857 pounds, Mexico at 3,600,758 pounds and China at 3,456,191 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 10,518,497 pounds while exports of those products totaled 7,802,287 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 13,782,678 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,403,797 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 12,308,425 pounds while exports totaled 6,121,356 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,060,302 pounds while exports totaled 1,328,845 pounds.

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

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