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**Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Rose in September 2014**

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products rose compared with the corresponding 2013 period.

Imports of brass mill products in September 2014 totaled 41,725,435 pounds compared to 41,492,285 in September 2013, an increase of 0.5 percent. Exports totaled 20,654,582 pounds in September 2014, compared to 19,010,213 in September 2013, a 8.6 percent increase.

For YTD 2014 through September, imports of brass mill products totaled 403,366,658 pounds compared to 375,762,661 pounds through September 2013 YTD, an increase of 7.3 percent. Exports YTD 2014 totaled 194,197,319 compared to 197,348,369 in the same 2013 period, a decrease of 1.6 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in September at 8,485,173 pounds followed by Canada at 5,733,045 pounds, South Korea at 1,497,117 pounds, China at 720,878 pounds, and Hong Kong at 615,804 pounds.

Imports from Germany in September 2014 totaled 8,304,375 pounds, followed by South Korea at 5,825,525 pounds, China at 5,813,861 pounds, Canada at 4,454,848 pounds, and Mexico at 4,167,979.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 11,779,656 pounds while exports of those products totaled 9,964,029 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 17,384,605 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,063,029 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 9,525,216 pounds while exports totaled 6,000,057 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,035,957 pounds while exports totaled 1,627,467 pounds.

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

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