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### **Imports Rose While Exports of Brass Mill Products Fell in October 2014**

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

Imports of brass mill products in October 2014 totaled 45,654,865 pounds compared to 41,828,484 in October 2013, an increase of 9.1 percent. Exports totaled 20,991,527 pounds in October 2014, compared to 23,287,875 in October 2013, a 9.9 percent decrease.

For YTD 2014 through October, imports of brass mill products totaled 449,021,524 pounds compared to 417,591,145 pounds through October 2013 YTD, an increase of 7.5 percent. Exports YTD 2014 totaled 215,188,845 compared to 220,636,245 in the same 2013 period, a decrease of 2.5 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in October at 7,870,634 pounds followed by Canada at 5,349,407 pounds, South Korea at 1,498,899 pounds, China at 762,494 pounds, and Hong Kong at 632,136 pounds.

Imports from Germany in October 2014 totaled 10,499,780 pounds, followed by South Korea at 6,535,232 pounds, Mexico at 5,335,258, Canada at 4,022,244 pounds, and China at 3,712,284 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 14,448,724 pounds while exports of those products totaled 9,170,986 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 14,584,170 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,802,466 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 12,644,018 pounds while exports totaled 6,257,091 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,977,954 pounds while exports totaled 1,760,984 pounds.

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

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