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

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

Imports of brass mill products in November 2014 totaled 38,155,045 pounds compared to 34,901,347 in November 2013, an increase of 9.3 percent. Exports totaled 19,476,261 pounds in November 2014, compared to 21,049,510 in November 2013, a 7.5 percent decrease.

For YTD 2014 through November, imports of brass mill products totaled 487,176,569 pounds compared to 452,492,492 pounds through November 2013 YTD, an increase of 7.7 percent. Exports YTD 2014 totaled 234,665,106 compared to 241,685,754 in the same 2013 period, a decrease of 2.9 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in November at 7,325,743 pounds followed by Canada at 5,170,047 pounds, South Korea at 1,712,231 pounds, Trinidad and Tobago at 997,011 pounds, and China at 604,667 pounds.

Imports from Germany in November 2014 totaled 8,310,114 pounds, followed by South Korea at 5,743,475 pounds, Canada at 3,747,313 pounds, Mexico at 4,167,415, and Peru at 2,389,835 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 12,208,407 pounds while exports of those products totaled 8,402,403 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 12,507,809 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,237,647 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 10,965,346 pounds while exports totaled 6,167,420 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 2,473,484 pounds while exports totaled 1,668,792 pounds.

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

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