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Imports of Brass Mill Products Increased While Exports Slightly Decreased in July 2018

U.S. imports of brass mill products increased in July 2018 compared with the corresponding 2017 period, yet U.S. exports of brass mill products decreased.

Imports of brass mill products in July 2018 totaled 49,651,327 pounds compared to 43,752,860 in July 2017, an increase of 14 percent. Exports totaled 20,772,039 pounds in July 2018, down from 20,801,966 in July 2017, a decrease of 0.14 percent.

For YTD 2018 through July, imports of brass mill products totaled 306,579,588 pounds compared to 289,585,520 pounds through July 2017 YTD, an increase of 6 percent. Exports YTD 2018 totaled 152,679,571 pounds compared to 156,437,470 pounds in the same 2017 period, a decrease of 3 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in July at 8,804,961 pounds followed by Canada at 5,809,344 pounds, China at 978,196 pounds, United Arab Emirates at 622,711 pounds, and South Korea at 616,283 pounds.

Imports from Germany in July 2018 totaled 11,870,816 pounds, followed by South Korea at 4,659,669 pounds, Mexico at 4,606,604 pounds, Vietnam at 4,062,692 pounds, and Canada at 2,982,676 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 19,163,845 pounds while exports of those products totaled 8,395,342 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 17,509,282 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 4,577,907 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 9,816,467 pounds while exports totaled 6,499,150 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,161,734 pounds while exports totaled 1,299,640 pounds.

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

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