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Imports and Exports of Brass Mill Products Fell in May 2019

U.S. imports and exports of brass mill products fell in May 2019 compared with the corresponding 2018 period.

Imports of brass mill products in May 2019 totaled 44,596,591 pounds compared to 47,990,443 in May 2018, a decrease of 7.1 percent. Exports totaled 18,462,696 pounds in May 2019, a decrease from 24,020,409 in May 2018, a 23.1 percent decrease.

For YTD 2019 through May, imports of brass mill products totaled 216,353,357 pounds compared to 210,786,259 pounds through May 2018 YTD, an increase of 2.6 percent. Exports YTD 2019 totaled 92,224,267 pounds compared to 110,673,347 pounds in the same 2018 period, a decrease of 16.7 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in May at 7,292,431 pounds followed by Canada at 5,429,266 pounds, China at 698,120 pounds, Malaysia at 697,659 pounds, and Saudi Arabia at 530,876 pounds.

Imports from Germany in May 2019 totaled 9,076,182 pounds, followed by Vietnam at 5,830,944 pounds, Mexico at 4,823,729 pounds, South Korea at 4,243,103 pounds, and Canada at 3,017,297 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 15,023,068 pounds while exports of those products totaled 6,475,807 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 16,325,186 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 4,647,755 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 9,534,782 pounds while exports totaled 6,045,990 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,713,554 pounds while exports totaled 1,293,143 pounds.

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

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