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Imports of Brass Mill Products Increased While Exports Decreased in November 2018

U.S. imports of brass mill products increased in November 2018 compared with the corresponding 2017 period, yet U.S. exports of brass mill products continue to decrease.

Imports of brass mill products in November 2018 totaled 42,222,351 pounds compared to 38,504,741 in November 2017, an increase of 9.7 percent. Exports totaled 17,965,923 pounds in November 2018, down from 20,817,096 in November 2017, a decrease of 13.7 percent.

For YTD 2018 through November, imports of brass mill products totaled 485,804,210 pounds compared to 452,717,498 pounds through November 2017 YTD, an increase of 7.3 percent. Exports YTD 2018 totaled 231,935,254 pounds compared to 243,782,979 pounds in the same 2017 period, a decrease of 4.9 percent.

Mexico was the leading destination for U.S. exports of brass mill products in November at 6,812,529 pounds followed by Canada at 5,230,535 pounds, China at 1,469,873 pounds, South Korea at 734,917 pounds, and United Arab Emirates at 344,056 pounds.

Imports from Germany in November 2018 totaled 9,256,659 pounds, followed by South Korea at 4,961,512 pounds, Mexico at 3,392,207 pounds, Canada at 2,541,313 pounds, and Brazil at 2,361,005 pounds.

Imports of all sheet, strip, plate and foil products totaled 16,018,117 pounds while exports of those products totaled 7,242,118 pounds.

Imports of all pipe and tube products totaled 13,291,555 pounds while pipe and tube exports totaled 3,538,652 pounds.

Imports of all profiles, rods and bars totaled 9,576,904 pounds while exports totaled 5,982,839 pounds.

Imports of copper alloy wire totaled 3,335,776 pounds while exports totaled 1,202,314 pounds.

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

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