



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: July 2006-2011 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Average 2006-2010
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,996,920	4,644,902	5,310,924	2,646,545	4,286,856	4,951,308	4,377,229
Transshipments	522,715	259,489	201,881	0	208,763	304,525	238,570
Total - Iron Ore	5,519,635	4,904,391	5,512,805	2,646,545	4,495,619	5,255,833	4,615,799
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,779,718	1,959,003	1,924,258	1,848,706	2,240,459	1,557,452	1,950,429
Lake Michigan	261,806	278,288	375,940	124,800	250,694	335,180	258,306
Lake Erie	396,904	651,517	479,270	300,084	150,777	448,676	395,710
Total - Coal	2,438,428	2,888,808	2,779,468	2,273,590	2,641,930	2,341,308	2,604,445
Limestone	3,725,441	3,482,257	3,068,833	2,103,453	2,949,596	2,836,583	3,065,916
Cement	519,314	432,626	417,946	291,895	280,691	326,052	388,494
Salt	97,342	213,232	135,053	134,110	150,298	236,022	146,007
Sand	34,259	42,255	38,427	54,794	15,640	86,679	37,075
Grain	14,387	20,475	14,494	20,871	16,605	22,501	17,366
Totals	12,348,806	11,984,044	11,967,026	7,525,258	10,550,379	11,104,978	10,875,103

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date: 2006-2011 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Average 2006-2010
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	23,469,781	22,558,747	24,536,923	9,792,555	19,991,781	22,021,767	20,069,957
Transshipments	1,900,188	1,330,873	1,299,954	0	1,517,943	1,549,154	1,209,792
Total - Iron Ore	25,369,969	23,889,620	25,836,877	9,792,555	21,509,724	23,570,921	21,279,749
Coal							0
Lake Superior	7,964,139	8,070,605	8,165,989	7,526,868	7,537,363	6,114,151	7,852,993
Lake Michigan	1,442,242	1,233,677	1,427,361	785,862	880,248	1,326,064	1,153,878
Lake Erie	2,387,532	2,696,823	1,770,017	1,070,951	1,501,931	1,972,624	1,885,451
Total - Coal	11,793,913	12,001,105	11,363,367	9,383,681	9,919,542	9,412,839	10,892,322
Limestone	14,291,885	12,615,313	11,503,481	7,119,710	9,872,314	9,420,167	11,080,541
Cement	2,112,594	1,923,147	1,620,296	1,248,592	1,257,158	1,338,092	1,632,357
Salt	589,387	607,832	578,291	583,676	694,378	755,939	610,713
Sand	177,175	169,014	105,065	135,925	83,964	149,250	134,229
Grain	119,110	173,293	75,029	135,966	100,688	121,991	120,817
Totals	54,454,033	51,379,324	51,082,406	28,400,105	43,437,768	44,769,199	45,750,727

Lake Carriers' Association represents 17 American companies that operate 55 U.S.-flag vessels on the Great Lakes that carry the raw materials that drive the nation's economy: iron ore and fluxstone for the steel industry, aggregate and cement for the construction industry, coal for power generation.... Collectively, these vessels can transport more than 115 million tons of cargo per year when high water offsets lack of adequate dredging. More information is available at www.lcaships.com. Contact: Glen G. Nekvasil, Vice President (440-333-9996).

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