



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes: June 2007-2012 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Average 2007-2011
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,412,591	4,825,001	2,178,200	4,007,515	4,470,576	4,461,487	3,978,777
Transshipments	282,064	198,800	0	294,122	356,979	215,066	226,393
Total - Iron Ore	4,694,655	5,023,801	2,178,200	4,301,637	4,827,555	4,676,553	4,205,170
Coal (By Lake of Loading)							
Lake Superior	1,680,261	1,990,215	2,014,106	2,034,558	1,225,106	957,976	1,788,849
Lake Michigan	263,369	289,533	229,193	273,741	292,486	371,819	269,664
Lake Erie	891,058	387,058	303,704	375,493	487,951	354,457	489,053
Total - Coal	2,834,688	2,666,806	2,547,003	2,683,792	2,005,543	1,684,252	2,547,566
Limestone	3,125,349	3,113,166	1,903,468	2,853,041	2,648,015	2,996,550	2,728,608
Cement	391,019	384,756	315,770	263,842	301,352	359,542	331,348
Salt	150,526	146,943	166,761	169,378	196,074	128,472	165,936
Sand	50,063	32,246	27,888	17,403	15,908	30,374	28,702
Grain	61,214	20,392	57,914	67,505	22,500	13,311	45,905
Totals	11,307,514	11,388,110	7,197,004	10,356,598	10,016,947	9,889,054	10,053,235

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date: 2007-2012 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Average 2007-2011
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	17,913,845	19,225,999	7,146,010	15,704,925	17,070,459	17,921,019	15,412,248
Transshipments	1,071,384	1,098,073	0	1,309,180	1,244,629	1,026,608	944,653
Total - Iron Ore	18,985,229	20,324,072	7,146,010	17,014,105	18,315,088	18,947,627	16,356,901
Coal (By Lake of Loading)							
Lake Superior	6,111,602	6,241,731	5,678,162	5,296,904	4,556,699	3,923,421	5,577,020
Lake Michigan	955,389	1,051,421	661,062	629,554	990,884	966,637	857,662
Lake Erie	2,045,306	1,290,747	770,867	1,351,154	1,523,948	1,032,185	1,396,404
Total - Coal	9,112,297	8,583,899	7,110,091	7,277,612	7,071,531	5,922,243	7,831,086
Limestone	9,133,056	8,434,648	5,016,257	6,922,718	6,583,584	7,563,739	7,218,053
Cement	1,490,521	1,202,350	956,697	976,467	1,012,040	1,248,890	1,127,615
Salt	394,600	443,238	449,566	544,080	519,917	476,004	470,280
Sand	126,759	66,638	81,131	68,324	62,571	106,434	81,085
Grain	152,818	60,235	115,095	84,083	99,490	69,210	102,344
Totals	39,395,280	39,115,080	20,874,847	32,887,389	33,664,221	34,334,147	33,187,363

Lake Carriers' Association represents 17 American companies that operate 57 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, as well as salt, sand and grain. Collectively, these vessels can transport more than 115 million tons of cargo per year. Those cargos generate more than 103,000 jobs with an average wage of \$47,000. More information is available at www.lcaships.com. Contact: Glen G. Nekvasil, Vice President (440-333-9996).

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