



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Average 2007-2011
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,870,832	3,887,492	3,288,633	3,843,416	4,382,112	3,867,174	3,854,497
Transshipments	146,837	0	301,659	268,565	302,745	265,392	203,961
Total - Iron Ore	4,017,669	3,887,492	3,590,292	4,111,981	4,684,857	4,132,566	4,058,458
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,501,920	2,074,458	1,628,377	1,498,900	1,429,636	1,539,351	1,626,658
Lake Michigan	266,596	389,034	317,889	227,671	318,717	283,608	303,981
Lake Erie	522,525	499,408	538,494	485,755	493,153	466,173	507,867
Total - Coal	2,291,041	2,962,900	2,484,760	2,212,326	2,241,506	2,289,132	2,438,507
Limestone	2,850,613	2,646,785	2,415,733	2,157,234	2,597,868	2,223,876	2,533,647
Cement	296,469	349,936	329,464	291,529	271,072	323,617	307,694
Salt	137,560	140,382	127,064	112,658	140,289	68,271	131,591
Sand	50,183	86,159	13,801	55,900	75,249	60,526	56,258
Grain	19,669	0	56,979	22,500	16,139	61,027	23,057
Totals	9,663,204	10,073,654	9,018,093	8,964,128	10,026,980	9,159,015	9,549,212

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: 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	40,310,616	42,786,978	19,966,281	35,676,348	39,395,672	37,870,832	35,627,179
Transshipments	2,030,814	1,893,887	494,424	2,118,175	2,540,031	2,240,729	1,815,466
Total - Iron Ore	42,341,430	44,680,865	20,460,705	37,794,523	41,935,703	40,111,561	37,442,645
Coal							0
Lake Superior	14,841,597	16,221,917	14,268,418	14,342,487	11,896,374	10,700,124	14,314,159
Lake Michigan	2,388,289	2,865,565	1,866,206	1,776,412	2,668,521	2,455,678	2,312,999
Lake Erie	5,324,865	3,411,365	2,890,994	3,318,391	3,735,169	2,743,467	3,736,157
Total - Coal	22,554,751	22,498,847	19,025,618	19,437,290	18,300,064	15,899,269	20,363,314
Limestone	24,449,700	23,250,335	16,487,816	19,751,472	20,366,145	21,114,274	20,861,094
Cement	3,344,078	3,082,188	2,695,027	2,615,613	2,636,999	2,991,853	2,874,781
Salt	1,128,706	1,110,823	1,132,968	1,205,539	1,292,998	846,334	1,174,207
Sand	438,169	343,843	262,805	212,032	300,859	308,642	311,542
Grain	358,589	215,202	287,777	246,161	214,497	325,347	264,445
Totals	94,615,423	95,182,103	60,352,716	81,262,630	85,047,265	81,597,280	83,292,027

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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