



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes May 2008-2013 and 5-Year Average

(net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	5,505,952	2,239,619	4,405,256	4,358,283	4,616,076	4,617,663	4,721,392
Transshipments	349,963	0	371,928	242,523	225,565	246,268	297,495
Total - Iron Ore	5,855,915	2,239,619	4,777,184	4,600,806	4,841,641	4,863,931	5,018,887
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,797,879	1,770,420	1,595,419	1,380,825	1,286,009	1,224,827	1,515,033
Lake Michigan	304,264	214,454	191,225	361,269	320,601	268,053	294,340
Lake Erie	400,188	297,900	355,260	365,754	318,682	314,032	359,971
Total - Coal	2,502,331	2,282,774	2,141,904	2,107,848	1,925,292	1,806,912	2,169,344
Limestone	3,053,729	1,989,470	2,396,350	2,204,139	2,477,358	2,809,526	2,532,894
Cement	345,043	346,986	316,058	330,475	380,684	380,024	343,065
Salt	113,120	150,209	174,047	189,233	102,935	215,319	144,834
Sand	0	53,243	34,798	46,663	59,678	37,500	35,285
Grain	20,195	20,700	16,578	38,790	23,701	23,700	24,816
Totals	11,890,333	7,083,001	9,856,919	9,517,954	9,811,289	10,136,912	10,269,124

5-year average excludes 2009.

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date 2008-2013 and 5-Year Average

(net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	14,400,998	4,967,810	11,697,410	12,599,883	13,459,532	12,220,701	13,039,456
Transshipments	899,193	0	1,015,058	887,650	811,542	995,745	903,361
Total - Iron Ore	15,300,191	4,967,810	12,712,468	13,487,533	14,271,074	13,216,446	13,942,817
Coal							
Lake Superior	4,251,516	3,664,056	3,262,346	3,331,593	2,965,445	2,436,110	3,452,725
Lake Michigan	761,888	431,869	355,813	698,398	594,818	587,465	602,729
Lake Erie	903,689	467,163	975,661	1,035,997	677,728	643,786	898,269
Total - Coal	5,917,093	4,563,088	4,593,820	5,065,988	4,237,991	3,667,361	4,953,723
Limestone	5,321,482	3,112,789	4,069,677	3,935,569	4,567,189	4,458,843	4,473,479
Cement	817,594	640,927	712,625	710,688	889,348	774,672	782,564
Salt	296,295	282,805	374,702	323,843	347,532	354,821	335,593
Sand	34,392	53,243	50,921	46,663	76,060	85,843	52,009
Grain	39,843	57,181	16,578	76,990	55,899	70,500	47,328
Totals	27,726,890	13,677,843	22,530,791	23,647,274	24,445,093	22,628,486	24,587,512

5-year average excludes 2009.

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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