



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes July 2008-2013 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	5,310,924	2,646,545	4,286,856	4,951,308	4,047,075	4,346,563	4,649,041
Transshipments	201,881	0	208,763	304,525	284,704	274,230	249,968
Total - Iron Ore	5,512,805	2,646,545	4,495,619	5,255,833	4,331,779	4,620,793	4,899,009
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,924,258	1,848,706	2,240,459	1,557,452	1,233,060	1,436,662	1,738,807
Lake Michigan	375,940	124,800	250,694	335,180	358,946	262,755	330,190
Lake Erie	479,270	300,084	150,777	448,676	213,695	349,316	323,105
Total - Coal	2,779,468	2,273,590	2,641,930	2,341,308	1,805,701	2,048,733	2,392,102
Limestone	3,068,833	2,103,453	2,949,596	2,836,583	3,840,596	3,070,431	3,173,902
Cement	417,946	291,895	280,691	326,052	382,711	346,113	351,850
Salt	135,053	134,110	150,298	236,022	77,004	131,725	149,594
Sand	38,427	54,794	15,640	86,679	52,390	51,279	48,284
Grain	14,494	20,871	16,605	22,501	51,651	40,286	26,313
Totals	11,967,026	7,525,258	10,550,379	11,104,978	10,541,832	10,309,360	11,041,054

* Excludes 2009.

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date: 2008-2013 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	24,536,923	9,792,555	19,991,781	22,021,767	21,968,094	20,914,813	22,129,641
Transshipments	1,299,954	0	1,517,943	1,549,154	1,311,312	1,507,217	1,419,591
Total - Iron Ore	25,836,877	9,792,555	21,509,724	23,570,921	23,279,406	22,422,030	23,549,232
Coal							0
Lake Superior	8,165,989	7,526,868	7,537,363	6,114,151	5,156,481	5,254,784	6,743,496
Lake Michigan	1,427,361	785,862	880,248	1,326,064	1,325,583	1,041,037	1,239,814
Lake Erie	1,770,017	1,070,951	1,501,931	1,972,624	1,245,880	1,408,414	1,622,613
Total - Coal	11,363,367	9,383,681	9,919,542	9,412,839	7,727,944	7,704,235	9,605,923
Limestone	11,503,481	7,119,710	9,872,314	9,420,167	11,404,335	10,512,112	10,550,074
Cement	1,620,296	1,248,592	1,257,158	1,338,092	1,631,601	1,445,091	1,461,787
Salt	578,291	583,676	694,378	755,939	553,008	628,024	645,404
Sand	105,065	135,925	83,964	149,250	158,824	166,037	124,276
Grain	75,029	135,966	100,688	121,991	120,861	174,784	104,642
Totals	51,082,406	28,400,105	43,437,768	44,769,199	44,875,979	43,052,313	46,041,338

* 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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