



# Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	4,870,999	2,049,093	4,297,747	4,484,390	4,293,441	4,378,601	4,486,644
Transshipments	191,033	0	99,433	287,270	230,038	120,296	201,944
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>5,062,032</b>	<b>2,049,093</b>	<b>4,397,180</b>	<b>4,771,660</b>	<b>4,523,479</b>	<b>4,498,897</b>	<b>4,688,588</b>
<b>Coal</b>							0
Lake Superior	2,236,646	1,760,417	1,857,930	1,400,953	1,127,445	1,714,727	1,655,744
Lake Michigan	320,712	283,850	207,934	303,624	313,949	205,767	286,555
Lake Erie	336,579	350,370	534,464	468,628	306,598	514,237	411,567
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,893,937</b>	<b>2,394,637</b>	<b>2,600,328</b>	<b>2,173,205</b>	<b>1,747,992</b>	<b>2,434,731</b>	<b>2,353,866</b>
Limestone	3,497,364	2,172,778	2,401,298	2,896,743	2,721,514	2,958,713	2,879,230
Cement	347,471	401,581	376,883	398,152	352,656	459,049	368,791
Salt	175,832	138,795	177,207	107,593	35,293	61,936	123,981
Sand	28,135	26,861	31,260	26,631	31,186	14,546	29,303
Grain	14,635	0	22,500	0	64,410	51,761	25,386
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12,019,406</b>	<b>7,183,745</b>	<b>10,006,656</b>	<b>10,373,984</b>	<b>9,476,530</b>	<b>10,479,633</b>	<b>10,469,144</b>

\* Excludes 2009.

## U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage Year-To-Date 2008-2013 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	29,407,922	11,841,648	24,289,528	26,506,157	26,261,535	25,293,414	26,616,286
Transshipments	1,490,987	0	1,617,376	1,836,424	1,541,350	1,627,513	1,621,534
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>30,898,909</b>	<b>11,841,648</b>	<b>25,906,904</b>	<b>28,342,581</b>	<b>27,802,885</b>	<b>26,920,927</b>	<b>28,237,820</b>
<b>Coal</b>							0
Lake Superior	10,402,635	9,287,285	9,395,293	7,515,104	6,283,926	6,969,511	8,399,240
Lake Michigan	1,748,073	1,069,712	1,088,182	1,629,688	1,639,532	1,246,804	1,526,369
Lake Erie	2,106,596	1,421,321	2,036,395	2,441,252	1,552,478	1,922,651	2,034,180
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>14,257,304</b>	<b>11,778,318</b>	<b>12,519,870</b>	<b>11,586,044</b>	<b>9,475,936</b>	<b>10,138,966</b>	<b>11,959,789</b>
Limestone	15,000,845	9,292,488	12,273,612	12,316,910	14,125,849	13,470,825	13,429,304
Cement	1,967,767	1,650,173	1,634,041	1,736,244	1,984,257	1,904,140	1,830,577
Salt	754,123	722,471	871,585	863,532	588,301	689,960	769,385
Sand	133,200	162,786	115,224	175,881	190,010	180,583	153,579
Grain	89,664	135,966	123,188	121,991	185,271	226,545	130,029
<b>Totals</b>	<b>63,101,812</b>	<b>35,583,850</b>	<b>53,444,424</b>	<b>55,143,183</b>	<b>54,352,509</b>	<b>53,531,946</b>	<b>56,510,482</b>

\* Excludes 2009.

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