



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: October 2008-2013 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,651,943	2,662,795	3,700,178	4,053,529	3,696,709	4,143,562	4,025,590
Transshipments	219,064	192,765	133,968	270,189	127,747	284,041	187,742
Total - Iron Ore	4,871,007	2,855,560	3,834,146	4,323,718	3,824,456	4,427,603	4,213,332
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,851,640	1,954,519	1,668,030	1,292,549	1,423,650	1,390,371	1,558,967
Lake Michigan	363,573	312,256	235,144	374,608	248,653	282,441	305,495
Lake Erie	439,452	463,614	413,097	417,884	328,942	424,659	399,844
Total - Coal	2,654,665	2,730,389	2,316,271	2,085,041	2,001,245	2,097,471	2,264,306
Limestone	2,942,381	2,514,506	2,797,913	2,805,094	2,258,605	2,705,047	2,700,998
Cement	366,750	385,879	319,674	347,467	320,930	359,311	338,705
Salt	96,633	145,945	148,368	169,038	76,480	110,077	122,630
Sand	88,445	50,262	27,889	19,878	43,778	68,671	44,998
Grain	40,359	57,601	38,838	39,047	63,153	57,572	45,349
Totals	11,060,240	8,740,142	9,483,099	9,789,283	8,588,647	9,825,752	9,730,317

* Excludes 2009.

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo 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	38,899,486	16,677,648	31,832,932	35,013,560	34,003,658	33,969,418	34,937,409
Transshipments	1,893,887	192,765	1,849,610	2,237,286	1,975,337	2,102,190	1,989,030
Total - Iron Ore	40,793,373	16,870,413	33,682,542	37,250,846	35,978,995	36,071,608	36,926,439
Coal							
Lake Superior	14,147,459	12,640,041	12,843,587	10,466,738	9,160,773	9,719,218	11,654,639
Lake Michigan	2,476,531	1,548,317	1,548,741	2,349,804	2,172,070	1,804,514	2,136,787
Lake Erie	2,961,957	2,352,500	2,832,636	3,242,016	2,277,294	2,756,462	2,828,476
Total - Coal	19,585,947	16,540,858	17,224,964	16,058,558	13,610,137	14,280,194	16,619,902
Limestone	20,603,550	14,072,083	17,594,238	17,768,277	18,890,398	18,720,831	18,714,116
Cement	2,732,252	2,365,563	2,324,084	2,365,927	2,668,236	2,667,317	2,522,625
Salt	970,441	1,005,904	1,092,881	1,152,709	778,063	908,808	998,524
Sand	257,684	249,004	156,132	225,610	248,116	307,131	221,886
Grain	215,202	230,798	223,661	198,358	264,320	335,844	225,385
Totals	85,158,449	51,334,623	72,298,502	75,020,285	72,438,265	73,291,733	76,228,875

* Excludes 2009.

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