



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,887,492	3,288,633	3,843,416	4,382,112	3,867,174	3,544,534	3,995,049
Transshipments	0	301,659	268,565	302,745	265,392	237,099	209,176
Total - Iron Ore	3,887,492	3,590,292	4,111,981	4,684,857	4,132,566	3,781,633	4,204,224
Coal							
Lake Superior	2,074,458	1,628,377	1,498,900	1,429,636	1,539,351	1,401,031	1,635,586
Lake Michigan	389,034	317,889	227,671	318,717	283,608	319,468	304,758
Lake Erie	499,408	538,494	485,755	493,153	466,173	505,499	486,122
Total - Coal	2,962,900	2,484,760	2,212,326	2,241,506	2,289,132	2,225,998	2,426,466
Limestone	2,646,785	2,415,733	2,157,234	2,597,868	2,223,876	2,273,141	2,406,441
Cement	349,936	329,464	291,529	271,072	323,617	287,600	309,039
Salt	140,382	127,064	112,658	140,289	68,271	54,960	115,400
Sand	86,159	13,801	55,900	75,249	60,526	47,170	69,459
Grain	0	56,979	22,500	16,139	61,027	58,708	24,917
Totals	10,073,654	9,018,093	8,964,128	10,026,980	9,159,015	8,729,210	9,555,944

* Excludes 2009.

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: 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	42,786,978	19,966,281	35,676,348	39,395,672	37,870,832	37,513,952	38,932,458
Transshipments	1,893,887	494,424	2,118,175	2,540,031	2,240,729	2,339,289	2,198,206
Total - Iron Ore	44,680,865	20,460,705	37,794,523	41,935,703	40,111,561	39,853,241	41,130,663
Coal							
Lake Superior	16,221,917	14,268,418	14,342,487	11,896,374	10,700,124	11,120,249	13,290,226
Lake Michigan	2,865,565	1,866,206	1,776,412	2,668,521	2,455,678	2,123,982	2,441,544
Lake Erie	3,411,365	2,890,994	3,318,391	3,735,169	2,743,467	3,261,961	3,302,098
Total - Coal	22,498,847	19,025,618	19,437,290	18,300,064	15,899,269	16,506,192	19,033,868
Limestone	23,250,335	16,487,816	19,751,472	20,366,145	21,114,274	20,993,972	21,120,557
Cement	3,082,188	2,695,027	2,615,613	2,636,999	2,991,853	2,954,917	2,831,663
Salt	1,110,823	1,132,968	1,205,539	1,292,998	846,334	963,768	1,113,924
Sand	343,843	262,805	212,032	300,859	308,642	354,301	291,344
Grain	215,202	287,777	246,161	214,497	325,347	394,552	250,302
Totals	95,182,103	60,352,716	81,262,630	85,047,265	81,597,280	82,020,943	85,772,320

* Excludes 2009.

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