



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	2,542,629	3,305,421	3,987,199	5,048,303	4,830,008	3,704,263	4,102,035
Transshipments	0	264,961	246,696	240,737	247,458	294,537	183,723
Total - Iron Ore	2,542,629	3,570,382	4,233,895	5,289,040	5,077,466	3,998,800	4,285,758
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,740,663	1,159,290	1,505,087	1,057,814	1,247,493	1,096,419	1,387,764
Lake Michigan	387,436	130,587	240,983	497,851	198,828	190,179	331,275
Lake Erie	344,677	359,393	356,506	383,598	234,358	444,850	329,785
Total - Coal	2,472,776	1,649,270	2,102,576	1,939,263	1,680,679	1,731,448	2,048,824
Limestone	381,735	579,416	658,794	1,068,694	680,120	1,117,522	697,336
Cement	211,883	170,296	166,646	180,847	191,535	174,831	187,728
Salt	113,946	127,933	185,700	159,136	173,823	41,069	158,151
Sand	15,348	0	13,561	31,313	27,674	16,978	21,974
Grain	32,395	16,730	60,711	68,703	46,059	53,101	51,967
Totals	5,770,712	6,114,027	7,421,883	8,736,996	7,877,356	7,133,749	7,451,737

* Excludes 2009.

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Commodity	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Average 2008-2012
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	45,329,607	23,271,702	39,663,547	44,443,975	42,700,840	41,218,215	43,034,492
Transshipments	1,893,887	759,385	2,364,871	2,780,768	2,488,187	2,633,826	2,381,928
Total - Iron Ore	47,223,494	24,031,087	42,028,418	47,224,743	45,189,027	43,852,041	45,416,421
Coal							
Lake Superior	17,962,580	15,427,708	15,847,574	12,954,188	11,947,617	12,216,668	14,677,990
Lake Michigan	3,253,001	1,996,793	2,017,395	3,166,372	2,654,506	2,314,161	2,772,819
Lake Erie	3,756,042	3,250,387	3,674,897	4,118,767	2,977,825	3,706,811	3,631,883
Total - Coal	24,971,623	20,674,888	21,539,866	20,239,327	17,579,948	18,237,640	21,082,691
Limestone	23,632,070	17,067,232	20,410,266	21,434,839	21,794,394	22,111,494	21,817,892
Cement	3,294,071	2,865,323	2,782,259	2,817,846	3,183,388	3,129,748	3,019,391
Salt	1,224,769	1,260,901	1,391,239	1,452,134	1,020,157	1,004,837	1,272,075
Sand	359,191	262,805	225,593	332,172	336,316	371,279	313,318
Grain	247,597	304,507	306,872	283,200	371,406	447,653	302,269
Totals	100,952,815	66,466,743	88,684,513	93,784,261	89,474,636	89,154,692	93,224,056

* Excludes 2009.

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