



# Lake Carriers' Association

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## U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes: June 2009-2014 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average 2009-2013*
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	2,178,200	4,007,515	4,470,576	4,461,487	4,347,549	4,672,217	4,321,782
Transshipments	0	294,122	356,979	215,066	237,242	231,678	275,852
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>2,178,200</b>	<b>4,301,637</b>	<b>4,827,555</b>	<b>4,676,553</b>	<b>4,584,791</b>	<b>4,903,895</b>	<b>4,597,634</b>
<b>Coal (By Lake of Loading)</b>							0
Lake Superior	2,014,106	2,034,558	1,225,106	957,976	1,382,012	1,480,131	1,399,913
Lake Michigan	229,193	273,741	292,486	371,819	190,817	163,717	282,216
Lake Erie	303,704	375,493	487,951	354,457	415,312	502,132	408,303
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,547,003</b>	<b>2,683,792</b>	<b>2,005,543</b>	<b>1,684,252</b>	<b>1,988,141</b>	<b>2,145,980</b>	<b>2,090,432</b>
Limestone	1,903,468	2,853,041	2,648,015	2,996,550	2,982,838	2,745,301	2,870,111
Cement	315,770	263,842	301,352	359,542	324,306	405,723	312,261
Salt	166,761	169,378	196,074	128,472	141,478	170,610	158,851
Sand	27,888	17,403	15,908	30,374	28,915	65,046	23,150
Grain	57,914	67,505	22,500	13,311	63,998	24,900	41,829
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7,197,004</b>	<b>10,356,598</b>	<b>10,016,947</b>	<b>9,889,054</b>	<b>10,114,467</b>	<b>10,461,455</b>	<b>10,094,267</b>

\* Long-term average excludes 2009.

## U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date 2009-2014 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average 2009-2013*
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	7,146,010	15,704,925	17,070,459	17,921,019	16,568,250	12,659,760	16,816,163
Transshipments	0	1,309,180	1,244,629	1,026,608	1,232,987	1,325,347	1,203,351
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>7,146,010</b>	<b>17,014,105</b>	<b>18,315,088</b>	<b>18,947,627</b>	<b>17,801,237</b>	<b>13,985,107</b>	<b>18,019,514</b>
<b>Coal (By Lake of Loading)</b>							0
Lake Superior	5,678,162	5,296,904	4,556,699	3,923,421	3,818,122	3,181,710	4,398,787
Lake Michigan	661,062	629,554	990,884	966,637	778,282	507,807	841,339
Lake Erie	770,867	1,351,154	1,523,948	1,032,185	1,059,098	1,434,441	1,241,596
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>7,110,091</b>	<b>7,277,612</b>	<b>7,071,531</b>	<b>5,922,243</b>	<b>5,655,502</b>	<b>5,123,958</b>	<b>6,481,722</b>
Limestone	5,016,257	6,922,718	6,583,584	7,563,739	7,441,681	6,210,353	7,127,931
Cement	956,697	976,467	1,012,040	1,248,890	1,098,978	1,039,485	1,084,094
Salt	449,566	544,080	519,917	476,004	496,299	519,775	509,075
Sand	81,131	68,324	62,571	106,434	114,758	103,955	88,022
Grain	115,095	84,083	99,490	69,210	134,498	49,801	96,820
<b>Totals</b>	<b>20,874,847</b>	<b>32,887,389</b>	<b>33,664,221</b>	<b>34,334,147</b>	<b>32,742,953</b>	<b>27,032,434</b>	<b>33,407,178</b>

\* Excludes 2009.

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