



# Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average 2009-2013*
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	2,662,795	3,700,178	4,053,529	3,696,709	4,143,562	4,863,257	3,898,495
Transshipments	192,765	133,968	270,189	127,747	284,041	508,280	203,986
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>2,855,560</b>	<b>3,834,146</b>	<b>4,323,718</b>	<b>3,824,456</b>	<b>4,427,603</b>	<b>5,371,537</b>	<b>4,102,481</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	1,954,519	1,668,030	1,292,549	1,423,650	1,390,371	1,525,627	1,443,650
Lake Michigan	312,256	235,144	374,608	248,653	282,441	267,210	285,212
Lake Erie	463,614	413,097	417,884	328,942	424,659	582,846	396,146
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,730,389</b>	<b>2,316,271</b>	<b>2,085,041</b>	<b>2,001,245</b>	<b>2,097,471</b>	<b>2,375,683</b>	<b>2,125,007</b>
Limestone	2,514,506	2,797,913	2,805,094	2,258,605	2,705,047	2,808,522	2,641,665
Cement	385,879	319,674	347,467	320,930	359,311	376,483	336,846
Salt	145,945	148,368	169,038	76,480	110,077	242,728	125,991
Sand	50,262	27,889	19,878	43,778	68,671	73,111	40,054
Grain	57,601	38,838	39,047	63,153	57,572	24,600	49,653
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,740,142</b>	<b>9,483,099</b>	<b>9,789,283</b>	<b>8,588,647</b>	<b>9,825,752</b>	<b>11,272,664</b>	<b>9,421,695</b>

\* Excludes 2009.

## U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo 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	16,677,648	31,832,932	35,013,560	34,003,658	33,969,418	32,607,668	33,704,892
Transshipments	192,765	1,849,610	2,237,286	1,975,337	2,102,190	2,963,457	2,041,106
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>16,870,413</b>	<b>33,682,542</b>	<b>37,250,846</b>	<b>35,978,995</b>	<b>36,071,608</b>	<b>35,571,125</b>	<b>35,745,998</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	12,640,041	12,843,587	10,466,738	9,160,773	9,719,218	8,670,265	10,547,579
Lake Michigan	1,548,317	1,548,741	2,349,804	2,172,070	1,804,514	1,352,512	1,968,782
Lake Erie	2,352,500	2,832,636	3,242,016	2,277,294	2,756,462	3,454,659	2,777,102
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>16,540,858</b>	<b>17,224,964</b>	<b>16,058,558</b>	<b>13,610,137</b>	<b>14,280,194</b>	<b>13,477,436</b>	<b>15,293,463</b>
Limestone	14,072,083	17,594,238	17,768,277	18,890,398	18,720,831	17,914,354	18,243,436
Cement	2,365,563	2,324,084	2,365,927	2,668,236	2,667,317	2,683,841	2,506,391
Salt	1,005,904	1,092,881	1,152,709	778,063	908,808	1,155,311	983,115
Sand	249,004	156,132	225,610	248,116	307,131	300,674	234,247
Grain	230,798	223,661	198,358	264,320	335,844	175,077	255,546
<b>Totals</b>	<b>51,334,623</b>	<b>72,298,502</b>	<b>75,020,285</b>	<b>72,438,265</b>	<b>73,291,733</b>	<b>71,277,818</b>	<b>73,262,196</b>

\* Excludes 2009.

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