



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average 2009-2013*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,305,421	3,987,199	5,048,303	4,830,008	3,704,263	4,997,500	4,392,443
Transshipments	264,961	246,696	240,737	247,458	294,537	427,561	257,357
Total - Iron Ore	3,570,382	4,233,895	5,289,040	5,077,466	3,998,800	5,425,061	4,649,800
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,159,290	1,505,087	1,057,814	1,247,493	1,096,419	1,419,228	1,226,703
Lake Michigan	130,587	240,983	497,851	198,828	190,179	308,650	281,960
Lake Erie	359,393	356,506	383,598	234,358	444,850	710,590	354,828
Total - Coal	1,649,270	2,102,576	1,939,263	1,680,679	1,731,448	2,438,468	1,863,492
Limestone	579,416	658,794	1,068,694	680,120	1,117,522	1,226,354	881,283
Cement	170,296	166,646	180,847	191,535	174,831	261,362	178,465
Salt	127,933	185,700	159,136	173,823	41,069	118,386	139,932
Sand	0	13,561	31,313	27,674	16,978	52,426	22,382
Grain	16,730	60,711	68,703	46,059	53,101	68,004	57,144
Totals	6,114,027	7,421,883	8,736,996	7,877,356	7,133,749	9,590,061	7,792,496

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Commodity	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average 2009-2013*
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	23,271,702	39,663,547	44,443,975	42,700,840	41,218,215	41,924,590	42,006,644
Transshipments	759,385	2,364,871	2,780,768	2,488,187	2,633,826	3,699,617	2,566,913
Total - Iron Ore	24,031,087	42,028,418	47,224,743	45,189,027	43,852,041	45,624,207	44,573,557
Coal							
Lake Superior	15,427,708	15,847,574	12,954,188	11,947,617	12,216,668	11,325,509	13,241,512
Lake Michigan	1,996,793	2,017,395	3,166,372	2,654,506	2,314,161	1,870,773	2,538,109
Lake Erie	3,250,387	3,674,897	4,118,767	2,977,825	3,706,811	4,576,207	3,619,575
Total - Coal	20,674,888	21,539,866	20,239,327	17,579,948	18,237,640	17,772,489	19,399,195
Limestone	17,067,232	20,410,266	21,434,839	21,794,394	22,111,494	21,459,429	21,437,748
Cement	2,865,323	2,782,259	2,817,846	3,183,388	3,129,748	3,248,033	2,978,310
Salt	1,260,901	1,391,239	1,452,134	1,020,157	1,004,837	1,400,068	1,217,092
Sand	262,805	225,593	332,172	336,316	371,279	376,456	316,340
Grain	304,507	306,872	283,200	371,406	447,653	259,461	352,283
Totals	66,466,743	88,684,513	93,784,261	89,474,636	89,154,692	90,140,143	90,274,526

* Excludes 2009.

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