



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: March 2010-2015 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	1,758,334	1,437,567	1,282,759	1,240,958	527,253	375,163	1,249,374
Transshipments	321,714	339,890	260,483	327,499	299,863	159,879	309,890
Total - Iron Ore	2,080,048	1,777,457	1,543,242	1,568,457	827,116	535,042	1,559,264
Coal							0
Lake Superior	229,648	325,808	422,580	166,207	57,110	115,318	240,271
Lake Michigan	0	13,216	35,070	17,647	19,109	32,671	17,008
Lake Erie	98,802	135,232	16,037	0	25,874	0	55,189
Total - Coal	328,450	474,256	473,687	183,854	102,093	147,989	312,468
Limestone	16,920	46,721	146,347	276,489	0	92,938	97,295
Cement	125,748	159,316	184,971	157,037	51,592	48,327	135,733
Salt	102,620	0	0	0	0	0	20,524
Sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	2,653,786	2,457,750	2,348,247	2,185,837	980,801	824,296	2,125,284

Year-To-Date 2010-2015 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,495,252	4,076,357	4,555,250	3,710,519	1,931,711	2,282,307	3,553,818
Transshipments	457,074	405,508	397,027	578,478	620,820	326,256	491,781
Total - Iron Ore	3,952,326	4,481,865	4,952,277	4,288,997	2,552,531	2,608,563	4,045,599
Coal							0
Lake Superior	595,605	882,589	592,310	223,745	215,955	543,485	502,041
Lake Michigan	26,846	58,202	111,940	100,776	79,821	75,094	75,517
Lake Erie	201,561	176,206	70,995	43,906	174,556	113,548	133,445
Total - Coal	824,012	1,116,997	775,245	368,427	470,332	732,127	711,003
Limestone	16,920	51,049	171,975	276,489	0	197,276	103,287
Cement	155,308	194,341	257,678	216,512	111,082	229,618	186,984
Salt	102,620	54,808	214,093	24,020	45,767	0	88,262
Sand	0	0	0	13,892	0	0	2,778
Grain	0	0	15,764	0	0	0	3,153
Totals	5,051,186	5,899,060	6,387,032	5,188,337	3,179,712	3,767,584	5,141,065

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