



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Movement on the Great Lakes: April 2010-2015 and Long-Term Average (net tons)

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,796,902	4,165,243	4,288,206	3,892,519	1,761,962	3,079,872	3,580,966
Transshipments	186,056	239,619	188,950	170,999	195,259	317,689	196,177
Total - Iron Ore	3,982,958	4,404,862	4,477,156	4,063,518	1,957,221	3,397,561	3,777,143
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,071,322	1,068,179	1,087,126	987,538	189,435	869,130	880,720
Lake Michigan	137,742	278,927	162,277	218,636	130,361	128,275	185,589
Lake Erie	418,840	494,037	288,051	285,848	312,683	312,928	359,892
Total - Coal	1,627,904	1,841,143	1,537,454	1,492,022	632,479	1,310,333	1,426,200
Limestone	1,656,407	1,680,381	1,917,856	1,372,828	874,768	1,482,455	1,500,448
Cement	241,259	185,872	250,986	178,136	176,771	347,996	206,605
Salt	98,035	79,802	30,504	115,482	118,000	101,373	88,365
Sand	16,123	0	16,382	34,451	0	0	13,391
Grain	0	38,200	16,434	46,800	0	24,302	20,287
Totals	7,622,686	8,230,260	8,246,772	7,303,237	3,759,239	6,664,020	7,032,439

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

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	7,292,154	8,241,600	8,843,456	7,603,038	3,693,673	5,362,179	7,134,784
Transshipments	643,130	645,127	585,977	749,477	816,079	643,945	687,958
Total - Iron Ore	7,935,284	8,886,727	9,429,433	8,352,515	4,509,752	6,006,124	7,822,742
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,666,927	1,950,768	1,679,436	1,211,283	395,390	1,412,615	1,380,761
Lake Michigan	164,588	337,129	274,217	319,412	210,182	241,007	261,106
Lake Erie	620,401	670,243	359,046	329,754	487,239	426,476	493,337
Total - Coal	2,451,916	2,958,140	2,312,699	1,860,449	1,092,811	2,080,098	2,135,203
Limestone	1,673,327	1,731,430	2,089,831	1,649,317	874,768	1,679,721	1,603,735
Cement	396,567	380,213	508,664	394,648	287,853	577,614	393,589
Salt	200,655	134,610	244,597	139,502	163,767	101,373	176,626
Sand	16,123	0	16,382	48,343	0	0	16,170
Grain	0	38,200	32,198	46,800	0	24,302	23,440
Totals	12,673,872	14,129,320	14,633,804	12,491,574	6,928,951	10,469,232	12,171,504

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