



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,405,256	4,358,283	4,616,076	4,617,663	4,293,870	4,952,431	4,458,230
Transshipments	371,928	242,523	225,565	246,268	277,590	406,544	272,775
Total - Iron Ore	4,777,184	4,600,806	4,841,641	4,863,931	4,571,460	5,358,975	4,731,004
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,595,419	1,380,825	1,286,009	1,224,827	1,306,189	1,274,541	1,358,654
Lake Michigan	191,225	361,269	320,601	268,053	133,908	156,091	255,011
Lake Erie	355,260	365,754	318,682	314,032	445,070	500,059	359,760
Total - Coal	2,141,904	2,107,848	1,925,292	1,806,912	1,885,167	1,930,691	1,973,425
Limestone	2,396,350	2,204,139	2,477,358	2,809,526	2,590,284	2,946,370	2,495,531
Cement	316,058	330,475	380,684	380,024	345,909	336,909	350,630
Salt	174,047	189,233	102,935	215,319	185,398	201,573	173,386
Sand	34,798	46,663	59,678	37,500	38,909	54,156	43,510
Grain	16,578	38,790	23,701	23,700	24,901	0	25,534
Totals	9,856,919	9,517,954	9,811,289	10,136,912	9,642,028	10,828,674	9,793,020

U.S.-Flag Carriage 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	11,697,410	12,599,883	13,459,532	12,220,701	7,987,543	10,314,610	11,593,014
Transshipments	1,015,058	887,650	811,542	995,745	1,093,669	1,050,489	960,733
Total - Iron Ore	12,712,468	13,487,533	14,271,074	13,216,446	9,081,212	11,365,099	12,553,747
Coal							
Lake Superior	3,262,346	3,331,593	2,965,445	2,436,110	1,701,579	2,687,156	2,739,415
Lake Michigan	355,813	698,398	594,818	587,465	344,090	397,098	516,117
Lake Erie	975,661	1,035,997	677,728	643,786	932,309	926,535	853,096
Total - Coal	4,593,820	5,065,988	4,237,991	3,667,361	2,977,978	4,010,789	4,108,628
Limestone	4,069,677	3,935,569	4,567,189	4,458,843	3,465,052	4,626,091	4,099,266
Cement	712,625	710,688	889,348	774,672	633,762	914,523	744,219
Salt	374,702	323,843	347,532	354,821	349,165	302,946	350,013
Sand	50,921	46,663	76,060	85,843	38,909	54,156	59,679
Grain	16,578	76,990	55,899	70,500	24,901	24,302	48,974
Totals	22,530,791	23,647,274	24,445,093	22,628,486	16,570,979	21,297,906	21,964,525

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