

Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2010-2014
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,297,747	4,484,390	4,293,441	4,378,601	5,146,523	4,036,054	4,520,140
Transshipments	99,433	287,270	230,038	120,296	393,390	271,715	226,085
Total - Iron Ore	4,397,180	4,771,660	4,523,479	4,498,897	5,539,913	4,307,769	4,746,226
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,857,930	1,400,953	1,127,445	1,714,727	1,283,154	1,303,629	1,476,842
Lake Michigan	207,934	303,624	313,949	205,767	196,413	60,366	245,537
Lake Erie	534,464	468,628	306,598	514,237	498,720	382,136	464,529
Total - Coal	2,600,328	2,173,205	1,747,992	2,434,731	1,978,287	1,746,131	2,186,909
Limestone	2,401,298	2,896,743	2,721,514	2,958,713	2,766,974	3,142,194	2,749,048
Cement	376,883	398,152	352,656	459,049	462,678	437,710	409,884
Salt	177,207	107,593	35,293	61,936	168,445	151,417	110,095
Sand	31,260	26,631	31,186	14,546	40,515	35,984	28,828
Grain	22,500	0	64,410	51,761	42,004	42,487	36,135
Totals	10,006,656	10,373,984	9,476,530	10,479,633	10,998,816	9,863,692	10,267,124

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo 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	24,289,528	26,506,157	26,261,535	25,293,414	22,892,758	22,667,921	25,048,678
Transshipments	1,617,376	1,836,424	1,541,350	1,627,513	1,930,034	2,170,143	1,710,539
Total - Iron Ore	25,906,904	28,342,581	27,802,885	26,920,927	24,822,792	24,838,064	26,759,218
Coal							
Lake Superior	9,395,293	7,515,104	6,283,926	6,969,511	5,889,213	7,261,106	7,210,609
Lake Michigan	1,088,182	1,629,688	1,639,532	1,246,804	836,050	732,896	1,288,051
Lake Erie	2,036,395	2,441,252	1,552,478	1,922,651	2,510,088	2,100,609	2,092,573
Total - Coal	12,519,870	11,586,044	9,475,936	10,138,966	9,235,351	10,094,611	10,591,233
Limestone	12,273,612	12,316,910	14,125,849	13,470,825	12,368,580	14,022,460	12,911,155
Cement	1,634,041	1,736,244	1,984,257	1,904,140	1,898,513	2,218,682	1,831,439
Salt	871,585	863,532	588,301	689,960	775,796	797,207	757,835
Sand	115,224	175,881	190,010	180,583	203,963	222,264	173,132
Grain	123,188	121,991	185,271	226,545	91,805	179,590	149,760
Totals	53,444,424	55,143,183	54,352,509	53,531,946	49,396,800	52,372,878	53,173,772

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