

# Lake Carriers' Association

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<b>U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: October 2010-2015 and Long-Term Average</b>							
<b>(net tons)</b>							
<b>Commodity</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>Average 2010-2014</b>
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	3,700,178	4,053,529	3,696,709	4,143,562	4,863,257	3,853,014	4,091,447
Transshipments	133,968	270,189	127,747	284,041	508,280	348,908	264,845
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>3,834,146</b>	<b>4,323,718</b>	<b>3,824,456</b>	<b>4,427,603</b>	<b>5,371,537</b>	<b>4,201,922</b>	<b>4,356,292</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	1,668,030	1,292,549	1,423,650	1,390,371	1,525,627	1,794,092	1,460,045
Lake Michigan	235,144	374,608	248,653	282,441	267,210	117,739	281,611
Lake Erie	413,097	417,884	328,942	424,659	582,846	300,405	433,486
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,316,271</b>	<b>2,085,041</b>	<b>2,001,245</b>	<b>2,097,471</b>	<b>2,375,683</b>	<b>2,212,236</b>	<b>2,175,142</b>
Limestone	2,797,913	2,805,094	2,258,605	2,705,047	2,808,522	2,771,856	2,675,036
Cement	319,674	347,467	320,930	359,311	376,483	336,374	344,773
Salt	148,368	169,038	76,480	110,077	242,728	124,855	149,338
Sand	27,889	19,878	43,778	68,671	73,111	5,002	46,665
Grain	38,838	39,047	63,153	57,572	24,600	79,826	44,642
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9,483,099</b>	<b>9,789,283</b>	<b>8,588,647</b>	<b>9,825,752</b>	<b>11,272,664</b>	<b>9,732,071</b>	<b>9,791,889</b>

## **U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage Year-To-Date 2010-2015 and Long-Term Average**

**(net tons)**

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>Average 2010-2014</b>
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	31,832,932	35,013,560	34,003,658	33,969,418	32,607,668	30,437,625	33,485,447
Transshipments	1,849,610	2,237,286	1,975,337	2,102,190	2,963,457	2,902,107	2,225,576
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>33,682,542</b>	<b>37,250,846</b>	<b>35,978,995</b>	<b>36,071,608</b>	<b>35,571,125</b>	<b>33,339,732</b>	<b>35,711,023</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	12,843,587	10,466,738	9,160,773	9,719,218	8,670,265	10,724,998	10,172,116
Lake Michigan	1,548,741	2,349,804	2,172,070	1,804,514	1,352,512	928,162	1,845,528
Lake Erie	2,832,636	3,242,016	2,277,294	2,756,462	3,454,659	2,702,934	2,912,613
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>17,224,964</b>	<b>16,058,558</b>	<b>13,610,137</b>	<b>14,280,194</b>	<b>13,477,436</b>	<b>14,356,094</b>	<b>14,930,258</b>
Limestone	17,594,238	17,768,277	18,890,398	18,720,831	17,914,354	19,691,763	18,177,620
Cement	2,324,084	2,365,927	2,668,236	2,667,317	2,683,841	2,919,534	2,541,881
Salt	1,092,881	1,152,709	778,063	908,808	1,155,311	1,037,442	1,017,554
Sand	156,132	225,610	248,116	307,131	300,674	274,253	247,533
Grain	223,661	198,358	264,320	335,844	175,077	285,216	239,452
<b>Totals</b>	<b>72,298,502</b>	<b>75,020,285</b>	<b>72,438,265</b>	<b>73,291,733</b>	<b>71,277,818</b>	<b>71,904,034</b>	<b>72,865,321</b>

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