

Lake Carriers' Association

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Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up More Than 14 Percent in January

Cleveland - Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway totaled 2,468,706 tons in January, an increase of 14.4 percent compared to a year ago. However, shipments were 10.3 percent below the month's 5-year average.

Iron Ore Shipments from Great Lakes and Seaway Ports to Great Lakes Destinations Includes Shipments to Quebec City for Transshipment Overseas January 2012-2017 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

U.S. Great Lakes Ports							
Port	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Average 2012-2016
Duluth, Minnesota	236,121	317,682	207,120	292,818	72,818	227,655	225,312
Superior, Wisconsin	709,294	495,564	169,522	390,275	467,021	198,186	446,335
Two Harbors, Minnesota	647,515	924,672	449,732	786,692	937,401	720,447	749,202
Silver Bay, Minnesota	318,181	194,472	79,528	194,039	23,810	127,730	162,006
Presque Isle, Michigan	608,215	630,146	258,336	274,835	113,040	403,963	376,914
Escanaba, Michigan	931,146	117,310	402,555	365,372	279,016	356,801	419,080
Cleveland, Ohio	136,544	250,979	223,149	166,377	60,627	145,817	167,535
Ashtabula, Ohio	0	0	0	0	0	47,124	0
Total	3,587,016	2,930,825	1,789,942	2,470,408	1,953,733	2,227,723	2,546,385
Canadian Seaway Ports							
Port Cartier, Quebec	0	282,389	236,875	298,370	204,521	240,983	204,431
Sept Iles, Quebec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	282,389	236,875	298,370	204,521	240,983	204,431
Total – U.S. and Canada	3,587,016	3,213,214	2,026,817	2,768,778	2,158,254	2,468,706	2,750,816

Lake Carriers' Association represents 13 American companies that operate 49 U.S.-flag vessels on the Great Lakes and carry the raw materials that drive the nation's economy: iron ore and fluxstone for the steel industry, aggregate and cement for the construction industry, coal for power generation, as well as salt, sand and grain. Collectively, these vessels can transport more than 100 million tons of cargo per year. More information is available at www.lcaships.com. Contact: Glen G. Nekvasil, Vice President (440-333-9996).

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