

Lake Carriers' Association

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Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down Slightly in April

Cleveland – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 5.1 million tons in April, a slight decrease compared to a year ago. Shipments were, however, 18 percent ahead of the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 8.5 million tons, an increase of 3.3 percent compared to the same point in 2018.

Through April iron ore shipments are 10.6 percent ahead of their 5-year average for four months of the year.

Lake Carriers' Association represents 13 American companies that operate 46 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 90 million tons of cargo per year. More information is available at www.lcaships.com.

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