

# Lake Carriers' Association

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## Lakes Limestone Trade Up 8 Percent in November

CLEVELAND — Shipments of limestone on the Great Lakes totaled 3 million tons in November, an increase of 8 percent compared to a year ago. Limestone cargos were also 8 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Loadings from U.S. quarries increased 12.2 percent from 2018 to 2.6 million tons. Shipments from Canadian quarries totaled 429,649 tons, a decrease of 12.1 percent.

Year-to-date the limestone trade stands at 30.2 million tons, an increase of 11.2 percent compared to a year ago. Loadings from Michigan and Ohio quarries increased 12.2 percent to 24.8 million tons, while shipments from Ontario quarries total 5.4 million tons, an increase of nearly 330,000 tons.

### GREAT LAKES LIMESTONE TRADE: NOVEMBER 2014-2019 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Average 2014-2018
U.S. Ports	2,235,899	2,484,394	2,081,092	2,523,544	2,302,814	2,583,922	2,325,549
Canadian Ports	460,412	503,109	405,819	447,992	488,619	429,649	461,190
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,696,311</b>	<b>2,987,503</b>	<b>2,486,911</b>	<b>2,971,536</b>	<b>2,791,433</b>	<b>3,013,571</b>	<b>2,786,739</b>

### YEAR-TO-DATE 2014-2019 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Average 2014-2018
U.S. Ports	21,691,064	23,290,880	20,463,002	22,025,906	22,137,094	24,844,595	21,921,589
Canadian Ports	4,049,863	4,248,109	4,795,349	4,765,506	5,060,831	5,390,529	4,583,932
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,740,927</b>	<b>27,538,989</b>	<b>25,258,351</b>	<b>26,791,412</b>	<b>27,197,925</b>	<b>30,235,124</b>	<b>26,505,521</b>

U.S. ports: Calcite, MI, Cedarville, MI, Drummond Island, MI, Marblehead, OH, Port Inland, MI and Presque Isle, MI.  
Canadian ports: Bruce Mines, Manitoulin Island, Port Colborne (from August 2017 on) and Smelter Bay (all Ontario).

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