

Lake Carriers' Association

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Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down in 2019

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes totaled 4.8 million tons in December, a decrease of 16.2 percent compared to a year ago. Shipments were also below the 5-year average for the month by 7.2 percent.

The year-end total for the iron ore trade stands at 53.5 million tons, a decrease of 3.8 percent compared to 2018.

Compared to the trade's 5-year average, 2019 iron ore loadings were up 2.2 percent.

Since 1880, Lake Carriers' has represented the U.S.-flag Great Lakes fleet, which today can move more than 90 million tons of cargos annually that are the foundation of American industry, infrastructure, and power: iron ore, stone, coal, cement, and other dry bulk materials such as grain, salt, and sand. More information is available at www.lcaships.com.

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