

# Lake Carriers' Association

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## Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down in January

Cleveland – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 1.8 million tons in January, a decrease of 24.7 percent compared to a year ago. Loadings also topped the month's 5-year average by 13.8 percent.

### Great Lakes Iron Ore Shipments: January 2015-2020 and 5-Year Average Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

Port	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average 2015-2019
Duluth, MN	292,818	72,818	227,655	102,563	444,204	166,229	217,715
Superior, WI	390,275	467,021	198,186	463,581	464,504	476,153	409,953
Two Harbors, MN	786,692	937,401	720,447	514,295	892,077	420,961	711,979
Silver Bay, MN	194,039	23,810	127,730	80,862	32,795	220,792	113,338
Presque Isle, MI	274,835	113,040	403,963	138,146	316,837	272,367	253,198
Escanaba, MI*	365,372	279,016	356,801	0	0	0	166,865
Cleveland, OH**	166,377	60,627	145,817	204,432	107,904	210,951	149,351
Ashtabula, OH	0	0	47,124	0	162,056	55,369	44,092
Conneaut, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,470,408</b>	<b>1,953,733</b>	<b>2,227,723</b>	<b>1,503,879</b>	<b>2,420,377</b>	<b>1,822,822</b>	<b>2,115,224</b>

\* Dock ceased operations in April 2017.

\*\* Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

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