



## LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



### Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up Slightly in March

CLEVELAND – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 1.3 million tons in March, a near match to 2020. However, loadings trailed the month's 5-year average by 13.5 percent.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 3.9 million tons, an increase of 26.3 percent compared to last year. Iron ore shipments are 12.2 percent ahead of their 5-year average for the first three months of the year.

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](http://www.lcaships.com).

### Great Lakes Iron Ore Shipments: March 2016-2021 and 5-Year Average

**Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas**

(net tons)

Port	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Average 2016-2020
Duluth, MN	142,241	277,318	188,029	188,289	194,436	152,933	198,063
Superior, WI	225,907	321,111	260,345	120,248	273,399	297,293	240,202
Two Harbors, MN	438,646	449,544	500,308	210,504	188,899	396,737	357,580
Silver Bay, MN	0	189,844	162,756	123,857	169,362	63,012	129,164
Presque Isle, MI	49,446	164,086	118,692	59,753	101,156	201,592	98,627
Escanaba, MI*	240,006	399,959	0	0	0	0	127,993
Cleveland, OH**	364,687	319,997	339,774	272,121	317,461	171,456	322,808
Ashtabula, OH	0	0	25,857	0	18,478	0	8,867
Conneaut, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,460,933</b>	<b>2,121,859</b>	<b>1,595,761</b>	<b>974,772</b>	<b>1,263,191</b>	<b>1,283,023</b>	<b>1,483,303</b>

\* Dock ceased operations in April 2017.

\*\* Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

### Year-To-Date 2016-2021

Port	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Average 2016-2020
Duluth, MN	215,059	504,973	290,592	632,493	360,665	445,476	400,756
Superior, WI	692,928	519,297	723,926	584,752	749,552	958,781	654,091
Two Harbors, MN	1,376,047	1,169,991	1,014,603	1,102,581	609,860	1,412,625	1,054,616
Silver Bay, MN	23,810	317,574	243,618	156,652	390,154	208,995	226,362
Presque Isle, MI	162,486	568,049	256,838	376,590	373,523	622,118	347,497
Escanaba, MI	519,022	779,087	0	0	0	0	259,622
Cleveland, OH	425,314	465,814	544,206	380,025	528,412	221,922	468,754
Ashtabula, OH	0	47,124	25,857	162,056	73,847	28,553	61,777
Conneaut, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,414,666</b>	<b>4,371,909</b>	<b>3,099,640</b>	<b>3,395,149</b>	<b>3,086,013</b>	<b>3,898,470</b>	<b>3,473,475</b>

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