

## LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



## **Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up 43.6 Percent in June**

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes totaled 5.8 million tons in June, an increase of 43.6 percent from 2020. Shipments were 6.6 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 20.7 million tons, 20.6 percent above the previous year's total of 17.2 million tons. Iron shipments are above their 5-year average by 5.7 percent for the first half 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 <a href="https://www.lcaships.com">www.lcaships.com</a>.

## Great Lakes Iron Ore Shipments: June 2016-2021 and 5-Year Average Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

|                  |           |           |           |           |           |           | Average   |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Port             | 2016      | 2017      | 2018      | 2019      | 2020      | 2021      | 2016-2020 |
| Duluth, MN       | 453,151   | 762,133   | 857,425   | 1,030,836 | 1,028,637 | 964,547   | 826,436   |
| Superior, WI     | 1,304,038 | 1,406,011 | 1,283,828 | 1,154,660 | 621,003   | 1,374,544 | 1,153,908 |
| Two Harbors, MN  | 1,367,379 | 1,995,561 | 1,928,499 | 2,011,123 | 1,237,334 | 1,849,425 | 1,707,979 |
| Silver Bay, MN   | 311,743   | 748,751   | 872,456   | 613,415   | 427,803   | 519,082   | 594,834   |
| Presque Isle, MI | 892,722   | 710,497   | 845,631   | 646,124   | 446,347   | 666,102   | 708,264   |
| Escanaba, MI*    | 524,168   | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 104,834   |
| Cleveland, OH**  | 360,311   | 300,999   | 238,981   | 149,964   | 168,379   | 399,386   | 243,727   |
| Ashtabula, OH    | 0         | 85,313    | 57,621    | 132,722   | 90,860    | 0         | 73,303    |
| Conneaut, OH     | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total            | 5,213,512 | 6,009,265 | 6,084,441 | 5,738,844 | 4,020,363 | 5,773,086 | 5,413,285 |

<sup>\*</sup> Dock ceased operations in April 2017.

## Year-To-Date 2016-2021

|                  |            |            |            |            |            |            | Average    |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Port             | 2016       | 2017       | 2018       | 2019       | 2020       | 2021       | 2016-2020  |
| Duluth, MN       | 2,133,949  | 2,874,324  | 2,903,098  | 3,299,081  | 3,122,148  | 3,208,568  | 2,866,520  |
| Superior, WI     | 4,241,850  | 4,346,533  | 4,591,148  | 4,131,178  | 3,207,323  | 4,762,549  | 4,103,606  |
| Two Harbors, MN  | 5,960,950  | 6,552,208  | 6,173,539  | 6,765,237  | 5,674,773  | 6,630,395  | 6,225,341  |
| Silver Bay, MN   | 403,241    | 2,234,956  | 2,314,162  | 1,904,750  | 1,626,192  | 1,964,363  | 1,696,660  |
| Presque Isle, MI | 2,812,410  | 2,624,323  | 2,516,029  | 2,484,623  | 1,954,568  | 2,813,645  | 2,478,391  |
| Escanaba, MI     | 2,005,793  | 1,016,867  | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 604,532    |
| Cleveland, OH    | 1,524,009  | 1,452,401  | 1,215,107  | 1,103,229  | 1,261,635  | 1,325,311  | 1,311,276  |
| Ashtabula, OH    | 0          | 348,445    | 437,543    | 504,803    | 340,802    | 28,553     | 326,319    |
| Conneaut, OH     | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          |
| Total            | 19,082,202 | 21,450,057 | 20,150,626 | 20,192,901 | 17,187,441 | 20,733,384 | 19,612,645 |

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor