



LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up 61.8 Percent in July

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes totaled 5.7 million tons in July, an increase of 61.8 percent compared to a year ago. Shipments were also 3.2 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 26.4 million tons, an increase of 27.6 percent compared to the same point in 2020. Iron ore shipments are 5.2 percent above their 5-year average for the first seven 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.

Great Lakes Iron Ore Shipments: July 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	374,591	822,486	853,576	1,242,870	1,235,506	1,113,967	905,806
Superior, WI	978,771	1,580,846	1,618,776	1,362,328	345,472	1,383,365	1,177,239
Two Harbors, MN	1,564,494	1,691,720	1,963,241	1,988,696	1,040,098	1,573,093	1,649,650
Silver Bay, MN	254,819	905,617	861,096	691,577	325,313	607,650	607,684
Presque Isle, MI	902,102	785,678	739,543	771,756	373,246	663,687	714,465
Escanaba, MI*	588,997	0	0	0	0	0	117,799
Cleveland, OH**	290,923	212,074	281,295	269,889	133,016	337,080	237,439
Ashtabula, OH	0	33,507	146,785	235,228	57,837	0	94,671
Conneaut, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4,954,697	6,031,928	6,464,312	6,562,344	3,510,488	5,678,842	5,504,754

* 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	2,508,540	3,696,810	3,756,674	4,541,951	4,357,654	4,322,535	3,772,326
Superior, WI	5,220,621	5,927,379	6,209,924	5,493,506	3,552,795	6,145,914	5,280,845
Two Harbors, MN	7,525,444	8,243,928	8,136,780	8,753,933	6,714,871	8,203,488	7,874,991
Silver Bay, MN	658,060	3,140,573	3,175,258	2,596,327	1,951,505	2,572,013	2,304,345
Presque Isle, MI	3,714,512	3,410,001	3,255,572	3,256,379	2,327,814	3,477,332	3,192,856
Escanaba, MI	2,594,790	1,016,867	0	0	0	0	722,331
Cleveland, OH	1,814,932	1,664,475	1,496,402	1,373,118	1,394,651	1,662,391	1,548,716
Ashtabula, OH	0	381,952	584,328	740,031	398,639	28,553	420,990
Conneaut, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	24,036,899	27,481,985	26,614,938	26,755,245	20,697,929	26,412,226	25,117,399

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