



LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down Slightly in November

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes totaled 4.2 million tons in November, a decrease of less than 1 percent from 2020. Shipments were also below the month's 5-year average by 13.7 percent.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 47.1 million tons, an increase of 28.8 percent compared to the same point in 2020.

Through November iron ore loadings are 2.4 percent above their 5-year average for that timeframe.

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: November 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 | 545,436 | 708,781 | 780,592 | 561,577 | 824,836 | 682,574 | 684,244 |
| Superior, WI | 958,749 | 1,256,199 | 1,145,313 | 1,184,841 | 751,116 | 859,438 | 1,059,244 |
| Two Harbors, MN | 1,595,437 | 1,951,660 | 1,394,560 | 1,258,690 | 1,170,290 | 1,397,608 | 1,474,127 |
| Silver Bay, MN | 811,142 | 341,400 | 638,939 | 710,390 | 601,077 | 608,681 | 620,590 |
| Presque Isle, MI | 659,871 | 572,305 | 807,771 | 774,154 | 622,171 | 306,662 | 687,254 |
| Escanaba, MI* | 107,156 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21,431 |
| Cleveland, OH** | 299,834 | 248,115 | 291,188 | 195,218 | 208,093 | 354,062 | 248,490 |
| Ashtabula, OH | 103,799 | 113,988 | 68,641 | 36,278 | 72,524 | 0 | 79,046 |
| Total | 5,081,424 | 5,192,448 | 5,127,004 | 4,721,148 | 4,250,107 | 4,209,025 | 4,874,426 |

* Dock ceased operations in April 2017.

** Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

Conneaut was removed from tables. All shipments go out by rail.

Year-To-Date 2016-2021

| Port | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Average 2016-2020 |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Duluth, MN | 4,358,451 | 6,168,209 | 7,086,496 | 7,736,261 | 7,336,522 | 8,257,878 | 6,537,188 |
| Superior, WI | 9,139,108 | 11,805,446 | 11,800,131 | 10,640,698 | 6,422,301 | 10,639,426 | 9,961,537 |
| Two Harbors, MN | 14,645,231 | 16,234,434 | 15,123,590 | 15,482,782 | 11,587,432 | 13,848,222 | 14,614,694 |
| Silver Bay, MN | 2,896,627 | 5,560,714 | 5,855,716 | 4,966,654 | 3,875,154 | 5,503,555 | 4,630,973 |
| Presque Isle, MI | 6,574,685 | 6,192,417 | 6,401,337 | 6,224,836 | 4,653,617 | 5,586,158 | 6,009,378 |
| Escanaba, MI | 3,793,603 | 1,016,867 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 962,094 |
| Cleveland, OH | 2,684,919 | 2,663,661 | 2,583,196 | 2,346,481 | 1,840,962 | 3,246,798 | 2,423,844 |
| Ashtabula, OH | 103,799 | 1,037,218 | 984,552 | 1,228,067 | 860,736 | 28,553 | 842,874 |
| Total | 44,196,423 | 50,678,966 | 49,835,018 | 48,625,779 | 36,576,724 | 47,110,590 | 45,982,582 |

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