



LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



Lakes Limestone Trade Up 16.8 Percent in November

CLEVELAND — Shipments of limestone on the Great Lakes totaled 3.3 million tons in November, an increase of 16.8 percent compared to a year ago. Limestone cargos were 18.4 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Loadings from U.S. quarries increased 19.1 percent from 2020 to 2.7 million tons. Shipments from Canadian quarries totaled 625,608 tons, an increase of 7.6 percent.

Year-to-date the limestone trade stands at nearly 28 million tons, an increase of 9.9 percent compared to a year ago. Loadings from Michigan and Ohio quarries increased 9.5 percent to 22.2 million tons, while shipments from Ontario quarries total 5.8 million tons, an increase of 11.2 percent from 2020.

GREAT LAKES LIMESTONE TRADE: NOVEMBER 2016-2021 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Average 2016-2020
U.S. Ports	2,081,092	2,523,544	2,302,814	2,583,922	2,284,249	2,721,277	2,355,124
Canadian Ports	405,819	447,992	488,619	429,649	581,670	625,608	470,750
Total	2,486,911	2,971,536	2,791,433	3,013,571	2,865,919	3,346,885	2,825,874

YEAR-TO-DATE 2016-2021 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Average 2016-2020
U.S. Ports	20,463,002	22,025,906	22,137,094	24,844,595	20,242,293	22,168,663	21,942,578
Canadian Ports	4,795,349	4,765,506	5,060,831	5,390,529	5,234,444	5,818,778	5,049,332
Total	25,258,351	26,791,412	27,197,925	30,235,124	25,476,737	27,987,441	26,991,910

U.S. ports: Calcite, MI; Cedarville, MI; Drummond Island, MI; Marblehead, OH; Port Inland, MI; and Presque Isle, MI.
Canadian ports: Bruce Mines, Manitoulin Island, Port Colborne (from August 2017 on), and Smelter Bay (all Ontario).

About Lake Carriers' Association

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.

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