



## LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



### Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down in March

CLEVELAND – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 579,217 tons in March, a decrease of 54.9 percent compared to 2021. Loadings also trailed the month's 5-year average by nearly 60 percent.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 2.4 million tons, a decrease of 37.5 percent compared to last year. Iron ore shipments are 31.8 percent below 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 2017-2022 and 5-Year Average Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

Port	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Average 2017-2021
Duluth, MN	277,318	188,029	188,289	194,436	152,933	89,805	200,201
Superior, WI	321,111	260,345	120,248	273,399	297,293	64,613	254,479
Two Harbors, MN	449,544	500,308	210,504	188,899	396,737	213,598	349,198
Silver Bay, MN	189,844	162,756	123,857	169,362	63,012	37,218	141,766
Marquette, MI*	164,086	118,692	59,753	101,156	201,592	36,743	129,056
Escanaba, MI**	399,959	0	0	0	0	0	79,992
Cleveland, OH***	319,997	339,774	272,121	317,461	171,456	137,240	284,162
Ashtabula, OH	0	25,857	0	18,478	0	0	8,867
<b>Total</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>579,217</b>	<b>1,447,721</b>

\*Marquette = Presque Isle in previous reports

\*\*Dock ceased operations in April 2017.

\*\*\*Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

### Year-To-Date 2017-2022

Port	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Average 2017-2021
Duluth, MN	504,973	290,592	632,493	360,665	445,476	408,609	446,840
Superior, WI	519,297	723,926	584,752	749,552	958,781	509,632	707,262
Two Harbors, MN	1,169,991	1,014,603	1,102,581	609,860	1,412,625	902,674	1,061,932
Silver Bay, MN	317,574	243,618	156,652	390,154	208,995	112,691	263,399
Marquette, MI*	568,049	256,838	376,590	373,523	622,118	275,967	439,424
Escanaba, MI**	779,087	0	0	0	0	0	155,817
Cleveland, OH***	465,814	544,206	380,025	528,412	221,922	226,196	428,076
Ashtabula, OH	47,124	25,857	162,056	73,847	28,553	0	67,487
<b>Total</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>2,435,769</b>	<b>3,570,236</b>

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