



LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



Lakes Limestone Trade Up in July

CLEVELAND — Shipments of limestone on the Great Lakes totaled 3.97 million tons in July, an increase of 4.6 percent compared to a year ago. The trade was above to the month's 5-year average by 2.4 percent.

Loadings from U.S. quarries totaled 3 million tons, an increase of 2.8 percent compared to 2021. Shipments from Canadian quarries increased by 10.9 percent to 931,669 tons.

Year-to-date the Lakes limestone trade stands at 13.7 million tons, a decrease of less than 1 percent compared to a year ago. Loadings from Michigan and Ohio quarries total 10.7 million tons, an increase of 2 percent. Shipments from Ontario quarries total nearly 3 million tons, a decrease of 8.7 percent compared to 2021.

GREAT LAKES LIMESTONE TRADE: JULY 2017-2022 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Average 2017-2021
U.S. Ports	3,162,664	3,142,622	3,485,232	2,615,573	2,959,154	3,041,011	3,073,049
Canadian Ports	701,953	863,506	814,790	807,203	839,825	931,669	805,455
Total	3,864,617	4,006,128	4,300,022	3,422,776	3,798,979	3,972,680	3,878,504

YEAR-TO-DATE 2017-2022 AND LONG-TERM AVERAGE (NET TONS)

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Average 2017-2021
U.S. Ports	10,284,836	10,849,884	12,392,300	9,832,471	10,488,981	10,700,362	10,769,694
Canadian Ports	2,350,025	2,526,823	2,661,486	2,583,192	3,270,092	2,986,502	2,678,324
Total	12,634,861	13,376,707	15,053,786	12,415,663	13,759,073	13,686,864	13,448,018

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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