



LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up 47.8 Percent in June

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes totaled 5.8 million tons in June, an increase of 47.8 percent from 2022. Shipments were 12.7 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 19.9 million tons, 44 percent above the previous year's total of 13.8 million tons. Iron shipments are above their 5-year average by 7.9 percent for the first half 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: June 2018-2023 and 5-Year Average Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

Port	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Average 2018-2022
Duluth, MN	857,425	1,030,836	1,028,637	964,547	515,405	1,120,658	879,370
Superior, WI	1,283,828	1,154,660	621,003	1,374,544	1,276,666	1,472,725	1,142,140
Two Harbors, MN	1,928,499	2,011,123	1,237,334	1,849,425	1,121,048	1,836,255	1,629,486
Silver Bay, MN	872,456	613,415	427,803	519,082	291,468	190,095	544,845
Marquette, MI*	845,631	646,124	446,347	666,102	562,558	777,187	633,352
Cleveland, OH**	238,981	149,964	168,379	399,386	124,748	354,271	216,292
Ashtabula, OH	57,621	132,722	90,860	0	0	0	56,241
Total	6,084,441	5,738,844	4,020,363	5,773,086	3,891,893	5,751,191	5,101,725

*Marquette = Presque Isle in previous reports

***Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

Year-To-Date 2018-2023

Port	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Average 2018-2022
Duluth, MN	2,903,098	3,299,081	3,122,148	3,208,568	2,160,592	3,499,255	2,938,697
Superior, WI	4,591,148	4,131,178	3,207,323	4,762,549	3,839,519	4,850,880	4,106,343
Two Harbors, MN	6,173,539	6,765,237	5,674,773	6,630,395	4,874,410	6,135,912	6,023,671
Silver Bay, MN	2,314,162	1,904,750	1,626,192	1,964,363	712,212	536,769	1,704,336
Marquette, MI*	2,516,029	2,484,623	1,954,568	2,813,645	1,706,723	2,809,626	2,295,118
Cleveland, OH**	1,215,107	1,103,229	1,261,635	1,325,311	491,212	2,023,344	1,079,299
Ashtabula, OH	437,543	504,803	340,802	28,553	0	0	262,340
Total	20,150,626	20,192,901	17,187,441	20,733,384	13,784,668	19,855,786	18,409,804

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