



## LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



### Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down in January 2025

Cleveland – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 2 million tons in January, a decrease of 27.8 percent compared to 2024. Loadings were also below the month’s 5-year average by 13 percent.

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: January 2020-2025 and 5-Year Average Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

Port	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Average 2020-2024
Duluth, MN	166,229	292,543	318,804	418,605	373,120	468,561	313,860
Superior, WI	476,153	661,488	1,080,199	550,995	707,819	310,849	568,295
Two Harbors, MN	420,961	1,015,888	689,076	679,400	876,738	722,274	736,413
Silver Bay, MN	220,792	145,983	75,473	0	280,262	222,357	144,502
Marquette, MI*	272,367	420,526	239,224	396,724	269,324	189,862	319,633
Cleveland, OH**	210,951	50,466	88,956	432,677	277,990	97,787	212,208
Ashtabula, OH	55,369	28,553	0	0	0	0	16,784
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,822,822</b>	<b>2,615,447</b>	<b>2,491,732</b>	<b>2,478,401</b>	<b>2,785,253</b>	<b>2,011,690</b>	<b>2,311,695</b>

\* Marquette = Presque Isle in previous reports

\*\* Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

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