



## LAKE CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION



### Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up in June

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore on the Great Lakes increased 4.5 percent from June of last year to 5.1 million tons. Shipments were a near match to the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date, the iron ore trade stands at 17.3 million tons, an increase of 4.2 percent compared to 2025. Iron shipments are below their 5-year average by 4.6 percent for the first six 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: June 2021-2026 and 5-Year Average

Includes Transshipments to Quebec City for Shipment Overseas

(net tons)

Port	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Average 2021-2025
Duluth, MN	964,547	515,405	1,120,658	1,120,760	875,070	951,740	919,288
Superior, WI	1,374,544	1,276,666	1,472,725	1,211,514	1,244,202	953,445	1,315,930
Two Harbors, MN	1,849,425	1,121,048	1,836,255	1,549,993	1,328,926	1,353,408	1,537,129
Silver Bay, MN	519,082	291,468	190,095	430,117	449,707	444,053	376,094
Marquette, MI*	666,102	562,558	777,187	802,822	758,984	994,823	713,531
Cleveland, OH**	399,386	124,748	354,271	323,542	258,974	439,787	292,184
Ashtabula, OH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,773,086</b>	<b>3,891,893</b>	<b>5,751,191</b>	<b>5,438,748</b>	<b>4,915,863</b>	<b>5,137,256</b>	<b>5,154,156</b>

\*Marquette = Presque Isle in previous reports

\*\*\*Transshipments within Cleveland Harbor

### Year-To-Date 2021-2026

Port	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Average 2021-2025
Duluth, MN	3,208,568	2,160,592	3,499,255	3,431,780	3,324,351	2,906,205	3,124,909
Superior, WI	4,762,549	3,839,519	4,850,880	3,978,685	3,284,045	3,362,384	4,143,136
Two Harbors, MN	6,630,395	4,874,410	6,135,912	5,891,306	5,262,821	4,665,290	5,758,969
Silver Bay, MN	1,964,363	712,212	536,769	2,040,483	1,449,924	1,391,668	1,340,750
Marquette, MI*	2,813,645	1,706,723	2,809,626	2,745,353	2,387,155	3,126,184	2,492,500
Cleveland, OH**	1,325,311	491,212	2,023,344	1,756,735	938,541	1,859,112	1,307,029
Ashtabula, OH	28,553	0	0	0	0	34,181	5,711
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,733,384</b>	<b>13,784,668</b>	<b>19,855,786</b>	<b>19,844,342</b>	<b>16,646,837</b>	<b>17,345,024</b>	<b>18,173,003</b>

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