



Lake Carriers' Association

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Great Lakes Coal Shipments: March 2001-2006 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Port	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Average 2001-2005
Superior	414,705	355,002	53,577	582,512	463,910	634,990	373,941
Thunder Bay	0	29,966	0	75,123	0	25,749	21,018
Total - Lake Superior	414,705	384,968	53,577	657,635	463,910	660,739	394,959
Chicago	77,939	39,982	0	106,362	237,546	182,232	92,366
Total - Lake Michigan	77,939	39,982	0	106,362	237,546	182,232	92,366
Toledo	24,424	218,771	54,976	69,555	65,815	38,464	86,708
Sandusky	213,648	160,843	28,678	78,307	58,010	227,717	107,897
Ashtabula	340,772	29,635	385,784	0	155,399	293,429	182,318
Conneaut	370,872	105,638	0	238,592	241,141	330,713	191,249
Total - Lake Erie	949,716	514,887	469,438	386,454	520,365	890,323	568,172
Total - All Lakes	1,442,360	939,837	523,015	1,150,451	1,221,821	1,733,294	1,055,497

Great Lakes Coal Shipments: Year-To-Date 2001-2006 And 5-Year Average (net tons)

Port	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Average 2001-2005
Superior	759,986	413,950	161,494	1,024,653	929,508	1,322,967	657,918
Thunder Bay	0	29,966	0	160,845	43,319	50,849	46,826
Total - Lake Superior	759,986	443,916	161,494	1,185,498	972,827	1,373,816	704,744
Chicago	158,945	143,834	74,184	288,556	478,801	472,042	228,864
Total - Lake Michigan	158,945	143,834	74,184	288,556	478,801	472,042	228,864
Toledo	24,424	218,771	54,976	69,555	65,815	38,464	86,708
Sandusky	213,648	160,843	28,678	105,727	169,143	342,952	135,608
Ashtabula	660,465	555,592	608,129	379,999	371,281	676,100	515,093
Conneaut	1,524,098	715,924	298,720	620,788	748,691	833,474	781,644
Total - Lake Erie	2,422,635	1,651,130	990,503	1,176,069	1,354,930	1,890,990	1,519,053
Total - All Lakes	3,341,566	2,238,880	1,226,181	2,650,123	2,806,558	3,736,848	2,452,662

Lake Carriers' Association represents 14 American corporations that operate 55 U.S.-Flag vessels on the Great Lakes. These vessels carry the raw materials that drive the nation's economy: Iron ore and fluxstone for the steel industry, limestone and cement for the construction industry, coal for power generation.... Collectively, these vessels can transport as much as 125 million tons of cargo a year when high water levels at least partially offset the lack of adequate dredging of Great Lakes ports and waterways. For more information, contact Glen G. Nekvasil, Vice President - Corporate Communications: Tel: (216) 861-0592 / Fax: (216) 241-8262 / E-Mail: info@lcaships.com.

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