



Lake Carriers' Association

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Great Lakes Coal Shipments: October 2003-2008 and 5-Year Average

Net Tons

Port	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Average 2003-2007
Superior, WI	1,816,149	1,808,110	2,220,665	2,141,969	1,986,170	2,298,520	1,994,613
Thunder Bay, ON	187,615	157,432	144,239	112,039	154,929	128,751	151,251
Total - Lake Superior	2,003,764	1,965,542	2,364,904	2,254,008	2,141,099	2,427,271	2,145,863
Chicago, IL	411,143	396,336	406,553	458,024	422,434	357,621	418,898
Total - Lake Michigan	411,143	396,336	406,553	458,024	422,434	357,621	418,898
Toledo, OH	451,093	249,693	438,844	437,778	386,196	407,655	392,721
Sandusky, OH	451,737	312,663	462,905	363,720	358,236	351,194	389,852
Ashtabula, OH	614,345	507,661	470,968	367,366	437,849	370,545	479,638
Conneaut, OH	529,523	378,331	58,557	196,927	220,719	0	276,811
Buffalo, NY	0	0	24,171	0	25,137	19,901	9,862
Total - Lake Erie	2,046,698	1,448,348	1,455,445	1,365,791	1,428,137	1,149,295	1,548,884
Total - All Lakes	4,461,605	3,810,226	4,226,902	4,077,823	3,991,670	3,934,187	4,113,645

Great Lakes Coal Shipments: Year-To-Date 2003-2008 And 5-Year Average

Net Tons

Port	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Average 2003-2007
Superior, WI	14,379,646	14,700,273	16,708,126	16,928,036	16,447,059	17,944,799	15,832,628
Thunder Bay, ON	1,280,319	1,509,293	1,244,383	1,102,773	1,215,919	1,395,714	1,270,537
Total - Lake Superior	15,659,965	16,209,566	17,952,509	18,030,809	17,662,978	19,340,513	17,103,165
Chicago, IL	2,349,925	3,038,005	3,500,029	2,854,407	2,926,434	2,579,074	2,933,760
Total - Lake Michigan	2,349,925	3,038,005	3,500,029	2,854,407	2,926,434	2,579,074	2,933,760
Toledo, OH	2,703,962	2,203,292	2,643,272	2,317,227	2,565,368	2,605,711	2,486,624
Sandusky, OH	3,219,376	2,500,716	3,256,697	3,474,284	3,241,754	2,436,383	3,138,565
Ashtabula, OH	4,523,845	4,032,639	4,383,179	4,139,295	3,458,415	3,788,347	4,107,475
Conneaut, OH	3,353,911	4,037,094	3,331,498	2,939,317	1,851,746	1,075,088	3,102,713
Buffalo, NY	0	0	24,171	265,832	215,800	182,008	101,161
Total - Lake Erie	13,801,094	12,773,741	13,638,817	13,135,955	11,333,083	10,087,537	12,936,538
Total - All Lakes	31,810,984	32,021,312	35,091,355	34,021,171	31,922,495	32,007,124	32,973,463

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