

# Lake Carriers' Association

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The Greatest Ships on the Great Lakes

### Iron Ore Shipments From Great Lakes and Seaway Ports to Great Lakes Destinations March 2000-2005 And 5-Year Average

#### Gross and Net Tons

#### U.S. Great Lakes Ports

	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		Average 2000-2004	
	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT
Duluth	95,303	106,739	44,981	50,379	103,725	116,172	0	0	160,914	180,224	146,943	164,576	80,985	90,703
Superior	253,831	284,291	249,694	279,657	106,570	119,358	95,136	106,552	389,298	436,014	276,591	309,782	218,906	245,174
Two Harbors	382,492	428,391	609,943	683,136	312,954	350,508	266,276	298,229	332,567	372,475	351,839	394,060	380,846	426,548
Silver Bay	0	0	0	0	27,217	30,483	0	0	99,684	111,646	125,844	140,945	25,380	28,426
Taconite Harbor*	194,087	217,377	21,673	24,274	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43,152	48,330
Presque Isle	95,167	106,587	88,064	98,632	0	0	15,064	16,872	73,940	82,813	174,019	194,901	54,447	60,981
Escanaba	689,924	772,715	512,866	574,410	303,814	340,272	340,520	381,382	490,881	549,787	451,861	506,084	467,601	523,713
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,710,804</b>	<b>1,916,100</b>	<b>1,527,221</b>	<b>1,710,488</b>	<b>854,280</b>	<b>956,794</b>	<b>716,996</b>	<b>803,036</b>	<b>1,547,284</b>	<b>1,732,958</b>	<b>1,527,097</b>	<b>1,710,349</b>	<b>1,271,317</b>	<b>1,423,875</b>

#### Canadian Seaway Ports

Pointe Noire	48,767	54,619	50,891	56,998	26,385	29,551	0	0	25,503	28,563	26,508	29,689	30,309	33,946
Port Cartier	30,078	33,687	0	0	29,673	33,234	25,309	28,346	84,701	94,865	201,298	225,454	33,952	38,026
Sept Iles	26,131	29,267	26,096	29,228	52,984	59,342	0	0	76,211	85,356	23,058	25,825	36,284	40,639
<b>Total</b>	<b>104,976</b>	<b>117,573</b>	<b>76,987</b>	<b>86,225</b>	<b>109,042</b>	<b>122,127</b>	<b>25,309</b>	<b>28,346</b>	<b>186,415</b>	<b>208,785</b>	<b>250,864</b>	<b>280,968</b>	<b>100,546</b>	<b>112,611</b>
<b>Total - All Ports</b>	<b>1,815,780</b>	<b>2,033,674</b>	<b>1,604,208</b>	<b>1,796,713</b>	<b>963,322</b>	<b>1,078,921</b>	<b>742,305</b>	<b>831,382</b>	<b>1,733,699</b>	<b>1,941,743</b>	<b>1,777,961</b>	<b>1,991,316</b>	<b>1,371,863</b>	<b>1,536,486</b>

\*Taconite Harbor shipped iron ore mined by LTV Steel Mining Company in Hoyt Lakes, Minn. The mine closed in 2001 and the dock ceased shipping in August 2001. Two cargos of reclaimed iron ore were shipped from Taconite Harbor in 2005.

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Gross and Net Tons (GT/NT)

### U.S. Great Lakes Ports

Port	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		Average 2000-2004	
	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT
Duluth	176,749	197,959	97,487	109,185	103,725	116,172	325,335	364,375	307,561	344,468	202,542	226,847	202,171	226,432
Superior	512,882	574,428	397,879	445,624	319,775	358,148	412,553	462,059	1,118,039	1,252,204	687,366	769,850	552,226	618,493
Two Harbors	827,614	926,928	832,264	932,136	824,548	923,494	669,028	749,311	1,135,403	1,271,651	807,419	904,309	857,771	960,704
Silver Bay	178,685	200,127	0	0	27,217	30,483	184,141	206,238	593,349	664,551	581,791	651,606	196,678	220,280
Taconite Harbor	515,115	576,929	71,292	79,847	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117,281	131,355
Presque Isle	454,742	509,311	341,786	382,800	409,350	458,472	472,710	529,435	559,268	626,380	676,543	757,728	447,571	501,280
Escanaba	1,606,875	1,799,700	1,042,431	1,167,523	791,036	885,960	811,852	909,274	1,306,981	1,463,819	1,145,797	1,283,293	1,111,835	1,245,255
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,272,662</b>	<b>4,785,381</b>	<b>2,783,139</b>	<b>3,117,116</b>	<b>2,475,651</b>	<b>2,772,729</b>	<b>2,875,619</b>	<b>3,220,693</b>	<b>5,020,601</b>	<b>5,623,073</b>	<b>4,101,458</b>	<b>4,593,633</b>	<b>3,485,534</b>	<b>3,903,799</b>

### Canadian Seaway Ports

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Port Cartier	63,255	70,846	0	0	29,673	33,234	25,309	28,346	84,701	94,865	201,298	225,454	40,588	45,458
Sept Iles	26,131	29,267	26,096	29,228	52,984	59,342	0	0	76,211	85,356	23,058	25,825	36,284	40,639
<b>Total</b>	<b>138,153</b>	<b>154,731</b>	<b>76,987</b>	<b>86,225</b>	<b>109,042</b>	<b>122,127</b>	<b>25,309</b>	<b>28,346</b>	<b>186,415</b>	<b>208,785</b>	<b>250,864</b>	<b>280,968</b>	<b>107,181</b>	<b>120,043</b>
<b>Total – All Ports</b>	<b>4,410,815</b>	<b>4,940,113</b>	<b>2,860,126</b>	<b>3,203,341</b>	<b>2,584,693</b>	<b>2,894,856</b>	<b>2,900,928</b>	<b>3,249,039</b>	<b>5,207,016</b>	<b>5,831,858</b>	<b>4,352,322</b>	<b>4,874,601</b>	<b>3,592,716</b>	<b>4,023,841</b>

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