

Lake Carriers' Association For Immediate Release

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Iron Ore Shipments From Great Lakes and Seaway Ports to Great Lakes Destinations June 2000-2005 And 5-Year Average Gross Tons (GT) and Net Tons (NT)

	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		Average 2000-2004	
	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT	GT	NT
Duluth	670,107	750,520	798,193	893,976	648,572	726,401	333,430	373,442	797,968	712,471	792,272	887,345	632,555	708,461
Superior	808,311	905,308	914,503	1,024,243	1,385,023	1,551,226	889,751	996,521	1,497,901	1,337,412	919,258	1,029,569	1,067,000	1,195,040
Two Harbors	1,183,007	1,324,968	1,198,820	1,342,678	1,499,500	1,679,440	1,538,150	1,722,728	1,416,424	1,264,664	1,136,388	1,272,755	1,336,828	1,497,248
Silver Bay	490,764	549,656	371,568	416,156	343,583	384,813	439,262	491,973	687,530	613,866	442,334	495,414	451,809	506,026
Taconite Harbor*	737,740	826,269	523,548	586,374	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	252,258	282,529
Presque Isle	941,956	1,054,991	492,890	552,037	909,311	1,018,428	773,005	865,766	940,237	839,497	917,578	1,027,687	791,332	886,292
Escanaba	547,275	612,948	346,539	388,124	340,163	380,983	276,916	310,146	413,967	369,613	230,245	257,874	376,101	421,233
Total	5,379,160	6,024,659	4,646,061	5,203,588	5,126,152	5,741,290	4,250,514	4,760,576	5,137,523	5,754,026	4,438,075	4,970,644	4,907,882	5,496,828
Canadian Seaway Ports														
Pointe Noire	478,417	535,827	376,152	421,290	416,135	466,071	260,339	291,580	323,081	288,465	257,687	288,609	363,902	407,570
Port Cartier	335,757	376,048	128,508	143,929	101,107	113,240	193,861	217,124	620,739	554,231	180,090	201,701	262,693	294,216
Sept Iles	415,088	464,899	600,012	672,013	229,837	257,417	473,791	530,646	297,090	265,259	369,018	413,300	396,797	444,413
Total	1,229,262	1,376,773	1,104,672	1,237,233	747,079	836,728	927,991	1,039,350	1,107,955	1,107,955	806,795	903,610	1,023,392	1,146,199
Total - All Ports	6,608,422	7,401,433	5,750,733	6,440,821	5,873,231	6,578,019	5,178,505	5,799,926	6,245,478	6,994,935	5,244,870	5,874,254	5,931,274	6,643,027

*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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Iron Ore Shipments From Great Lakes and Seaway Ports to Great Lakes Destinations Year-To-Date 2000-2005 And 5-Year Average

Gross Tons (GT) and Net Tons (NT)

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	1,918,300	2,148,496	2,052,127	2,298,382	1,886,984	2,113,422	1,580,317	1,769,955	2,493,882	2,793,148	2,043,279	2,288,472	1,986,322	2,224,661
Superior	3,306,383	3,703,149	3,239,944	3,628,737	3,650,870	4,088,974	3,775,902	4,229,010	4,551,484	5,097,662	3,718,177	4,164,358	3,704,917	4,149,507
Two Harbors	4,557,148	5,104,006	4,298,760	4,814,611	4,995,066	5,594,474	4,849,288	5,431,203	4,870,131	5,454,547	4,556,490	5,103,269	4,714,079	5,279,768
Silver Bay	1,588,691	1,779,334	1,185,218	1,327,444	849,692	951,655	1,330,926	1,490,637	2,359,926	2,643,117	2,004,722	2,245,289	1,462,891	1,638,437
Taconite Harbor	2,869,702	3,214,066	1,858,754	2,081,804	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	945,691	1,059,174
Presque Isle	2,922,243	3,272,912	2,145,954	2,403,468	2,963,281	3,318,875	2,428,775	2,720,228	2,634,536	2,950,680	3,233,803	3,621,859	2,618,958	2,933,233
Escanaba	3,516,161	3,938,100	2,735,901	3,064,209	1,790,214	2,005,040	2,017,143	2,259,200	2,542,841	2,847,982	1,824,676	2,043,637	2,520,452	2,822,906
Total	20,678,628	23,160,063	17,516,658	19,618,657	16,136,107	18,072,440	15,982,351	17,900,233	19,452,800	21,787,136	17,381,147	19,466,885	17,953,309	20,107,706

Canadian Seaway Ports	
Pointe Noire	1,501,194
Port Cartier	1,058,011
Sept Iles	955,091
Total	3,514,296
Total - All Ports	24,192,924

Lake Carriers' Association represents 12 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 transport as much as 125 million tons of cargo a year.

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