



The Greatest Ships on the Great Lakes

Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes January 2000-2005 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	January 2000	January 2001	January 2002	January 2003	January 2004	January 2005	Average 2000-2004
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	2,413,343	1,069,792	1,422,395	2,099,821	3,264,388	2,383,500	2,053,948
Transshipments	469,530	0	0	0	286,765	222,382	151,259
Total - Iron Ore	2,882,873	1,069,792	1,422,395	2,099,821	3,551,153	2,605,882	2,205,207
Coal							
Lake Superior	181,166	289,737	0	19,499	298,817	438,905	157,844
Lake Michigan	48,861	81,006	103,852	74,184	182,194	46,038	98,019
Lake Erie	241,246	311,748	95,849	44,522	171,457	0	172,964
Total - Coal	471,273	682,491	199,701	138,205	652,468	484,943	428,828
Limestone	25,090	0	0	24,245	80,626	195,387	25,992
Cement	114,812	95,580	174,040	94,309	134,690	184,644	122,686
Salt	0	0	0	50,212	11,946	13,801	12,432
Sand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	3,494,048	1,847,863	1,796,136	2,406,792	4,430,883	3,484,657	2,795,144

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date 2000-2005 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

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