



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes March 2005-2010 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	1,714,783	1,717,543	1,368,211	1,357,577	371,692	1,758,334	1,305,961
Transshipments	479,015	240,493	230,456	244,269	0	321,714	238,847
Total - Iron Ore	2,193,798	1,958,036	1,598,667	1,601,846	371,692	2,080,048	1,544,808
Coal							0
Lake Superior	375,520	546,869	462,798	502,240	56,471	229,648	388,780
Lake Michigan	208,450	151,340	82,039	22,171	0	0	92,800
Lake Erie	59,890	134,342	93,155	83,867	0	98,802	74,251
Total - Coal	643,860	832,551	637,992	608,278	56,471	328,450	555,830
Limestone	321,243	385,628	61,993	122,151	0	16,920	178,203
Cement	134,609	213,265	163,724	150,751	151,121	125,748	162,694
Salt	40,527	24,433	13,025	0	0	0	15,597
Sand	0	4,811	0	0	0	0	962
Grain	16,668	0	0	0	0	0	3,334
Totals	3,350,705	3,418,724	2,475,401	2,483,026	579,284	2,551,166	2,461,428

Year-To-Date 2005-2010 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2010
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,373,018	4,613,825	3,795,266	4,416,283	990,849	3,495,252	3,637,848
Transshipments	701,397	570,984	329,596	351,575	0	457,074	390,710
Total - Iron Ore	5,074,415	5,184,809	4,124,862	4,767,858	990,849	3,952,326	4,028,559
Coal							0
Lake Superior	814,425	967,027	939,690	1,051,076	267,693	595,605	807,982
Lake Michigan	254,488	441,150	203,253	65,944	60,668	26,846	205,101
Lake Erie	59,890	314,094	142,594	180,057	27,934	201,561	144,914
Total - Coal	1,128,803	1,722,271	1,285,537	1,297,077	356,295	824,012	1,157,997
Limestone	516,630	390,628	250,296	122,151	0	16,920	255,941
Cement	319,253	376,314	323,695	241,699	127,589	155,308	277,710
Salt	54,328	85,627	35,591	101,324	0	0	55,374
Sand	0	4,811	0	0	0	0	962
Grain	16,668	0	0	0	0	0	3,334
Totals	7,110,097	7,764,460	6,019,981	6,530,109	1,474,733	4,948,566	5,779,876

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