



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes: April 2002-2007 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Average 2002-2006
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,810,015	4,098,552	4,436,037	4,430,601	4,523,328	4,554,567	4,259,707
Transshipments	0	366,580	249,398	205,825	240,145	200,962	212,390
Total - Iron Ore	3,810,015	4,465,132	4,685,435	4,636,426	4,763,473	4,755,529	4,472,096
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,105,148	1,037,838	1,217,036	1,742,774	1,535,861	1,622,712	1,327,731
Lake Michigan	216,962	182,364	390,191	398,823	200,342	227,570	277,736
Lake Erie	477,992	200,951	512,068	527,145	587,976	427,961	461,226
Total - Coal	1,800,102	1,421,153	2,119,295	2,668,742	2,324,179	2,278,243	2,066,694
Limestone	2,289,291	1,733,241	3,011,366	2,813,022	2,735,647	2,478,711	2,516,513
Cement	270,123	311,802	373,996	256,770	312,823	299,867	305,103
Salt	107,467	133,966	13,551	84,829	98,758	62,336	87,714
Sand	0	42,949	39,502	19,109	26,837	0	25,679
Grain	15,677	14,362	14,620	16,317	59,604	54,850	24,116
Totals	8,292,675	8,122,605	10,257,765	10,495,215	10,321,321	9,929,536	9,497,916

U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date 2002-2007 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Average 2002-2006
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	6,296,389	6,994,785	9,847,948	8,803,619	9,137,153	8,349,833	8,215,979
Transshipments	0	585,198	885,724	907,222	811,129	530,558	637,855
Total - Iron Ore	6,296,389	7,579,983	10,733,672	9,710,841	9,948,282	8,880,391	8,853,833
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,402,544	1,110,914	1,925,312	2,557,199	2,502,888	2,562,402	1,899,771
Lake Michigan	352,703	256,548	666,670	653,311	641,492	430,823	514,145
Lake Erie	805,493	245,473	756,477	587,035	902,070	570,555	659,310
Total - Coal	2,560,740	1,612,935	3,348,459	3,797,545	4,046,450	3,563,780	3,073,226
Limestone	2,465,509	1,757,486	3,457,734	3,277,333	3,126,275	2,729,007	2,816,867
Cement	619,725	531,268	636,377	576,023	689,137	623,562	610,506
Salt	119,625	184,178	38,317	139,157	184,385	97,927	133,132
Sand	0	42,949	39,502	19,109	31,648	0	26,642
Grain	15,677	14,362	14,620	32,985	59,604	54,850	27,450
Totals	12,077,665	11,723,161	18,268,681	17,552,993	18,085,781	15,949,517	15,541,656

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