



# Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	4,430,601	4,523,328	4,554,567	4,411,563	1,737,342	3,796,902	3,931,480
Transshipments	205,825	240,145	200,962	197,655	0	186,056	168,917
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>4,636,426</b>	<b>4,763,473</b>	<b>4,755,529</b>	<b>4,609,218</b>	<b>1,737,342</b>	<b>3,982,958</b>	<b>4,100,398</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	1,742,774	1,535,861	1,622,712	1,402,561	1,625,943	1,071,322	1,585,970
Lake Michigan	398,823	200,342	227,570	391,680	156,747	137,742	275,032
Lake Erie	527,145	587,976	427,961	323,444	141,329	418,840	401,571
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,668,742</b>	<b>2,324,179</b>	<b>2,278,243</b>	<b>2,117,685</b>	<b>1,924,019</b>	<b>1,627,904</b>	<b>2,262,574</b>
Limestone	2,813,022	2,735,647	2,478,711	2,145,602	1,123,319	1,656,407	2,259,260
Cement	256,770	312,823	299,867	230,852	142,820	241,259	248,626
Salt	84,829	98,758	62,336	81,833	132,596	98,035	92,070
Sand	19,109	26,837	0	34,392	0	16,123	16,068
Grain	16,317	59,604	54,850	19,648	36,481	0	37,380
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10,495,215</b>	<b>10,321,321</b>	<b>9,929,536</b>	<b>9,239,230</b>	<b>5,096,577</b>	<b>7,622,686</b>	<b>9,016,376</b>

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	8,803,619	9,137,153	8,349,833	8,895,046	2,728,191	7,292,154	7,582,768
Transshipments	907,222	811,129	530,558	549,230	0	643,130	559,628
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>9,710,841</b>	<b>9,948,282</b>	<b>8,880,391</b>	<b>9,444,276</b>	<b>2,728,191</b>	<b>7,935,284</b>	<b>8,142,396</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	2,557,199	2,502,888	2,562,402	2,453,637	1,893,636	1,666,927	2,393,952
Lake Michigan	653,311	641,492	430,823	457,624	217,415	164,588	480,133
Lake Erie	587,035	902,070	570,555	503,501	169,263	620,401	546,485
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>3,797,545</b>	<b>4,046,450</b>	<b>3,563,780</b>	<b>3,414,762</b>	<b>2,280,314</b>	<b>2,451,916</b>	<b>3,420,570</b>
Limestone	3,277,333	3,126,275	2,729,007	2,267,753	1,123,319	1,673,327	2,504,737
Cement	576,023	689,137	623,562	472,551	293,941	396,567	531,043
Salt	139,157	184,385	97,927	183,175	132,596	200,655	147,448
Sand	19,109	31,648	0	34,392	0	16,123	17,030
Grain	32,985	59,604	54,850	19,638	36,481	0	40,712
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17,552,993</b>	<b>18,085,781</b>	<b>15,949,517</b>	<b>15,836,547</b>	<b>6,594,842</b>	<b>12,673,872</b>	<b>14,803,936</b>

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