



# Lake Carriers' Association

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## U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes: May 2006-2011 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Average 2006-2010
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	4,727,822	5,151,421	5,505,952	2,239,619	4,405,256	4,358,283	4,406,014
Transshipments	221,314	258,762	349,963	0	371,928	242,523	240,393
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>4,949,136</b>	<b>5,410,183</b>	<b>5,855,915</b>	<b>2,239,619</b>	<b>4,777,184</b>	<b>4,600,806</b>	<b>4,646,407</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	1,738,637	1,868,939	1,797,879	1,770,420	1,595,419	1,380,825	1,754,259
Lake Michigan	239,086	261,197	304,264	214,454	191,225	361,269	242,045
Lake Erie	555,408	583,693	400,188	297,900	355,260	365,754	438,490
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,533,131</b>	<b>2,713,829</b>	<b>2,502,331</b>	<b>2,282,774</b>	<b>2,141,904</b>	<b>2,107,848</b>	<b>2,434,794</b>
Limestone	4,058,892	3,278,700	3,053,729	1,989,470	2,396,350	2,204,139	2,955,428
Cement	422,202	475,940	345,043	346,986	316,058	330,475	381,246
Salt	126,649	146,147	113,120	150,209	174,047	189,233	142,034
Sand	59,060	76,696	0	53,243	34,798	46,663	44,759
Grain	16,347	36,754	20,195	20,700	16,578	38,790	22,115
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12,165,417</b>	<b>12,138,249</b>	<b>11,890,333</b>	<b>7,083,001</b>	<b>9,856,919</b>	<b>9,517,954</b>	<b>10,626,784</b>

## U.S.-Flag Carriage Year-To-Date 2006-2011 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Average 2006-2010
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	13,864,975	13,501,254	14,400,998	4,967,810	11,697,410	12,599,883	11,686,489
Transshipments	1,032,443	789,320	899,193	0	1,015,058	887,650	747,203
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>14,897,418</b>	<b>14,290,574</b>	<b>15,300,191</b>	<b>4,967,810</b>	<b>12,712,468</b>	<b>13,487,533</b>	<b>12,433,692</b>
<b>Coal</b>							0
Lake Superior	4,241,525	4,431,341	4,251,516	3,664,056	3,262,346	3,331,593	3,970,157
Lake Michigan	880,578	692,020	761,888	431,869	355,813	698,398	624,434
Lake Erie	1,457,478	1,154,248	903,689	467,163	975,661	1,035,997	991,648
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>6,579,581</b>	<b>6,277,609</b>	<b>5,917,093</b>	<b>4,563,088</b>	<b>4,593,820</b>	<b>5,065,988</b>	<b>5,586,238</b>
Limestone	7,185,167	6,007,707	5,321,482	3,112,789	4,069,677	3,935,569	5,139,364
Cement	1,111,339	1,099,502	817,594	640,927	712,625	710,688	876,397
Salt	311,034	244,074	296,295	282,805	374,702	323,843	301,782
Sand	90,708	76,696	34,392	53,243	50,921	46,663	61,192
Grain	75,951	91,604	39,843	57,181	16,578	76,990	56,231
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30,251,198</b>	<b>28,087,766</b>	<b>27,726,890</b>	<b>13,677,843</b>	<b>22,530,791</b>	<b>23,647,274</b>	<b>24,454,898</b>

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