



# Lake Carriers' Association

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### U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: June 2001-2006 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Average 2001-2005
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	4,954,038	5,256,946	4,354,040	5,042,580	4,411,733	4,607,886	4,803,867
Transshipments	308,847	175,262	46,568	366,172	239,372	345,030	227,244
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>5,262,885</b>	<b>5,432,208</b>	<b>4,400,608</b>	<b>5,408,752</b>	<b>4,651,105</b>	<b>4,952,916</b>	<b>5,031,112</b>
<b>Coal (By Lake of Loading)</b>							
Lake Superior	1,571,048	1,396,113	1,782,361	1,514,912	2,026,209	1,942,896	1,658,129
Lake Michigan	192,230	181,713	343,603	375,207	544,158	299,858	327,382
Lake Erie	606,677	666,877	631,817	430,540	686,274	533,150	604,437
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,369,955</b>	<b>2,244,703</b>	<b>2,757,781</b>	<b>2,320,659</b>	<b>3,256,641</b>	<b>2,775,904</b>	<b>2,589,948</b>
Limestone	3,342,412	3,085,902	3,011,175	3,503,374	3,472,528	3,381,277	3,283,078
Cement	465,312	475,994	452,801	500,081	417,276	481,941	462,293
Salt	81,154	61,323	85,500	149,402	130,820	181,011	101,640
Sand	123,653	34,072	91,677	76,762	90,425	52,208	83,318
Grain	32,999	50,781	43,366	45,531	14,519	28,772	37,439
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11,678,370</b>	<b>11,384,983</b>	<b>10,842,908</b>	<b>12,004,561</b>	<b>12,033,314</b>	<b>11,854,029</b>	<b>11,588,827</b>

### U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: Year-To-Date 2001-2006 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Average 2001-2005
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	17,927,492	16,343,135	16,263,898	19,306,682	17,807,430	18,472,861	17,529,727
Transshipments	1,949,190	310,995	831,947	1,430,401	1,356,710	1,377,473	1,175,849
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>19,876,682</b>	<b>16,654,130</b>	<b>17,095,845</b>	<b>20,737,083</b>	<b>19,164,140</b>	<b>19,850,334</b>	<b>18,705,576</b>
<b>Coal (By Lake of Loading)</b>							
Lake Superior	4,900,017	4,076,931	4,556,807	5,391,737	6,538,220	6,184,421	5,092,742
Lake Michigan	855,879	866,479	890,289	1,432,676	1,582,380	1,180,436	1,125,541
Lake Erie	2,031,755	2,155,419	1,363,602	1,927,578	1,894,737	1,990,628	1,874,618
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>7,787,651</b>	<b>7,098,829</b>	<b>6,810,698</b>	<b>8,751,991</b>	<b>10,015,337</b>	<b>9,355,485</b>	<b>8,092,901</b>
Limestone	8,949,594	8,697,946	7,567,249	10,633,109	10,360,068	10,566,444	9,241,593
Cement	1,567,980	1,493,743	1,482,274	1,624,673	1,409,312	1,593,280	1,515,596
Salt	265,815	231,046	407,739	313,809	377,160	492,045	319,114
Sand	185,443	82,881	179,060	164,000	145,168	142,916	151,310
Grain	130,496	133,695	102,296	103,541	135,230	104,723	121,052
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38,763,661</b>	<b>34,392,270</b>	<b>33,645,161</b>	<b>42,328,206</b>	<b>41,606,415</b>	<b>42,105,227</b>	<b>38,147,143</b>

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