



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,588,096	4,996,920	4,644,902	5,310,924	2,646,545	4,286,856	4,437,477
Transshipments	182,706	522,715	259,489	201,881	0	208,763	233,358
Total - Iron Ore	4,770,802	5,519,635	4,904,391	5,512,805	2,646,545	4,495,619	4,670,836
Coal							0
Lake Superior	2,075,287	1,779,718	1,959,003	1,924,258	1,848,706	2,240,459	1,917,394
Lake Michigan	442,474	261,806	278,288	375,940	124,800	250,694	296,662
Lake Erie	596,833	396,904	651,517	479,270	300,084	150,777	484,922
Total - Coal	3,114,594	2,438,428	2,888,808	2,779,468	2,273,590	2,641,930	2,698,978
Limestone	3,356,566	3,725,441	3,482,257	3,068,833	2,103,453	2,949,596	3,147,310
Cement	501,412	519,314	432,626	417,946	291,895	280,691	432,639
Salt	133,962	97,342	213,232	135,053	134,110	150,298	142,740
Sand	53,767	34,259	42,255	38,427	54,794	15,640	44,700
Grain	14,533	14,387	20,475	14,494	20,871	16,605	16,952
Totals	11,945,636	12,348,806	11,984,044	11,967,026	7,525,258	10,550,379	11,154,154

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage Year-To-Date: 2005-2010 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	22,395,526	23,469,781	22,558,747	24,536,923	9,792,555	19,991,781	20,550,706
Transshipments	1,539,416	1,900,188	1,330,873	1,299,954	0	1,517,943	1,214,086
Total - Iron Ore	23,934,942	25,369,969	23,889,620	25,836,877	9,792,555	21,509,724	21,764,793
Coal							0
Lake Superior	8,613,507	7,964,139	8,070,605	8,165,989	7,526,868	7,537,363	8,068,222
Lake Michigan	2,024,854	1,442,242	1,233,677	1,427,361	785,862	880,248	1,382,799
Lake Erie	2,491,570	2,387,532	2,696,823	1,770,017	1,070,951	1,501,931	2,083,379
Total - Coal	13,129,931	11,793,913	12,001,105	11,363,367	9,383,681	9,919,542	11,534,399
Limestone	13,716,634	14,291,885	12,615,313	11,503,481	7,119,710	9,872,314	11,849,405
Cement	1,910,724	2,112,594	1,923,147	1,620,296	1,248,592	1,257,158	1,763,071
Salt	511,122	589,387	607,832	578,291	583,676	694,378	574,062
Sand	198,935	177,175	169,014	105,065	135,925	83,964	157,223
Grain	149,763	119,110	173,293	75,029	135,966	100,688	130,632
Totals	53,552,051	54,454,033	51,379,324	51,082,406	28,400,105	43,437,768	47,773,584

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