



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: August 2000-2005 and 5-Year Average

(net tons)

Commodity	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Average 2000-2004
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	6,158,335	4,995,745	5,491,827	3,945,638	5,245,457	4,506,340	5,167,400
Transshipments	590,481	371,415	286,760	62,440	229,970	198,107	308,213
Total - Iron Ore	6,748,816	5,367,160	5,778,587	4,008,078	5,475,427	4,704,447	5,475,614
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,634,244	1,557,040	1,541,511	1,889,450	1,838,383	1,994,745	1,692,126
Lake Michigan	193,430	226,119	242,229	349,721	289,679	343,589	260,236
Lake Erie	746,847	694,013	668,299	646,938	520,992	758,316	655,418
Total - Coal	2,574,521	2,477,172	2,452,039	2,886,109	2,649,054	3,096,650	2,607,779
Limestone	3,412,752	3,458,844	3,347,825	3,227,032	3,784,831	3,593,229	3,446,257
Cement	486,784	519,992	462,946	513,136	432,582	457,812	483,088
Salt	106,300	69,517	44,718	127,538	200,982	158,160	109,811
Sand	48,723	72,165	7,295	85,482	38,975	102,024	50,528
Grain	29,002	15,953	31,864	42,323	56,024	58,239	35,033
Totals	13,406,898	11,980,803	12,125,274	10,889,698	12,637,875	12,170,561	12,208,110

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage Year-To-Date 2000-2005 and 5-Year Average

(net tons)

Commodity	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Average 2000-2004
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	33,892,538	27,713,806	27,001,470	24,415,828	29,303,696	26,901,866	28,465,468
Transshipments	4,073,221	2,445,107	839,665	894,387	1,972,751	1,737,523	2,045,026
Total - Iron Ore	37,965,759	30,158,913	27,841,135	25,310,215	31,276,447	28,639,389	30,510,494
Coal							0
Lake Superior	7,554,957	8,389,765	7,402,066	8,195,609	9,099,468	10,608,252	8,128,373
Lake Michigan	1,104,135	1,334,594	1,326,979	1,523,253	2,100,571	2,368,443	1,477,906
Lake Erie	3,426,374	3,249,516	3,363,423	2,476,773	3,024,256	3,249,886	3,108,068
Total - Coal	12,085,466	12,973,875	12,092,468	12,195,635	14,224,295	16,226,581	12,714,348
Limestone	16,267,787	15,651,346	15,201,420	13,818,369	18,195,878	17,418,802	15,826,960
Cement	2,585,912	2,562,071	2,378,652	2,426,001	2,526,085	2,368,536	2,495,744
Salt	622,213	418,934	324,780	613,575	644,836	669,282	524,868
Sand	152,635	317,573	104,289	323,251	285,427	300,959	236,635
Grain	112,716	146,449	165,559	158,975	216,686	208,002	160,077
Totals	69,792,488	62,229,161	58,108,303	54,846,021	67,369,654	65,831,551	62,469,125

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