



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,506,340	4,797,318	4,595,700	4,870,999	2,049,093	4,297,747	4,163,890
Transshipments	198,107	350,525	243,816	191,033	0	99,433	196,696
Total - Iron Ore	4,704,447	5,147,843	4,839,516	5,062,032	2,049,093	4,397,180	4,360,586
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,994,745	1,887,704	1,811,152	2,236,646	1,760,417	1,857,930	1,938,133
Lake Michigan	343,589	295,182	267,162	320,712	283,850	207,934	302,099
Lake Erie	758,316	651,857	821,460	336,579	350,370	534,464	583,716
Total - Coal	3,096,650	2,834,743	2,899,774	2,893,937	2,394,637	2,600,328	2,823,948
Limestone	3,593,229	3,067,699	2,983,122	3,497,364	2,172,778	2,401,298	3,062,838
Cement	457,812	412,672	380,093	347,471	401,581	376,883	399,926
Salt	158,160	123,760	103,056	175,832	138,795	177,207	139,921
Sand	102,024	39,086	79,619	28,135	26,861	31,260	55,145
Grain	58,239	29,553	57,852	14,635	0	22,500	32,056
Totals	12,170,561	11,655,356	11,343,032	12,019,406	7,183,745	10,006,656	10,874,420

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	26,901,866	28,267,099	27,154,447	29,407,922	11,841,648	24,289,528	24,714,596
Transshipments	1,737,523	2,250,713	1,574,689	1,490,987	0	1,617,376	1,410,782
Total - Iron Ore	28,639,389	30,517,812	28,729,136	30,898,909	11,841,648	25,906,904	26,125,379
Coal							0
Lake Superior	10,608,252	9,851,843	9,881,757	10,402,635	9,287,285	9,395,293	10,006,354
Lake Michigan	2,368,443	1,737,424	1,500,839	1,748,073	1,069,712	1,088,182	1,684,898
Lake Erie	3,249,886	3,039,389	3,518,283	2,106,596	1,421,321	2,036,395	2,667,095
Total - Coal	16,226,581	14,628,656	14,900,879	14,257,304	11,778,318	12,519,870	14,358,348
Limestone	17,418,802	17,359,584	15,598,435	15,000,845	9,292,488	12,273,612	14,934,031
Cement	2,368,536	2,525,266	2,303,240	1,967,767	1,650,173	1,634,041	2,162,996
Salt	669,282	713,147	710,888	754,123	722,471	871,585	713,982
Sand	300,959	216,261	248,633	133,200	162,786	115,224	212,368
Grain	208,002	148,663	231,145	89,664	135,966	123,188	162,688
Totals	65,831,551	66,109,389	62,722,356	63,101,812	35,583,850	53,444,424	58,669,792

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