



# Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Direct Shipments	4,442,931	4,702,315	4,677,985	4,839,621	2,173,205	3,843,226	4,167,211
Transshipments	233,163	282,491	208,142	183,836	0	98,266	181,526
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>4,676,094</b>	<b>4,984,806</b>	<b>4,886,127</b>	<b>5,023,457</b>	<b>2,173,205</b>	<b>3,941,492</b>	<b>4,348,738</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	1,758,760	1,997,048	1,710,010	1,893,184	1,398,237	1,780,264	1,751,448
Lake Michigan	354,705	363,836	241,716	364,885	166,349	225,415	298,298
Lake Erie	816,538	549,425	641,709	415,909	467,565	383,144	578,229
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>2,930,003</b>	<b>2,910,309</b>	<b>2,593,435</b>	<b>2,673,978</b>	<b>2,032,151</b>	<b>2,388,823</b>	<b>2,627,975</b>
Limestone	3,302,900	3,394,555	3,015,471	2,660,324	2,265,089	2,522,713	2,927,668
Cement	428,703	421,382	380,819	397,735	329,511	370,369	391,630
Salt	71,207	93,870	95,089	119,685	137,488	72,928	103,468
Sand	33,951	49,336	56,618	36,039	35,956	13,019	42,380
Grain	76,125	74,844	51,040	85,179	37,231	61,635	64,884
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11,518,983</b>	<b>11,929,102</b>	<b>11,078,599</b>	<b>10,996,397</b>	<b>7,010,631</b>	<b>9,370,979</b>	<b>10,506,742</b>

### Year-To-Date 2005-2010 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
<b>Iron Ore</b>							
Direct Shipments	31,344,797	32,969,414	31,832,432	34,247,543	14,014,853	28,132,754	28,881,808
Transshipments	1,970,686	2,533,204	1,782,831	1,674,823	0	1,715,642	1,592,309
<b>Total - Iron Ore</b>	<b>33,315,483</b>	<b>35,502,618</b>	<b>33,615,263</b>	<b>35,922,366</b>	<b>14,014,853</b>	<b>29,848,396</b>	<b>30,474,117</b>
<b>Coal</b>							
Lake Superior	12,367,012	11,848,891	11,591,767	12,295,819	10,685,522	11,175,557	11,757,802
Lake Michigan	2,723,148	2,101,260	1,742,555	2,112,958	1,236,061	1,313,597	1,983,196
Lake Erie	4,066,424	3,588,814	4,159,992	2,522,505	1,888,886	2,419,539	3,245,324
<b>Total - Coal</b>	<b>19,156,584</b>	<b>17,538,965</b>	<b>17,494,314</b>	<b>16,931,282</b>	<b>13,810,469</b>	<b>14,908,693</b>	<b>16,986,323</b>
Limestone	20,721,702	20,754,139	18,613,906	17,661,169	11,557,577	14,796,325	17,861,699
Cement	2,797,239	2,946,648	2,684,059	2,365,502	1,979,684	2,004,410	2,554,626
Salt	740,489	807,017	805,977	873,808	859,959	944,513	817,450
Sand	334,910	265,597	305,251	169,239	198,742	128,243	254,748
Grain	284,127	223,507	282,185	174,843	173,197	184,823	227,572
<b>Totals</b>	<b>77,350,534</b>	<b>78,038,491</b>	<b>73,800,955</b>	<b>74,098,209</b>	<b>42,594,481</b>	<b>62,815,403</b>	<b>69,176,534</b>

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