



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,597,243	4,345,968	4,607,352	4,651,943	2,662,795	3,700,178	4,173,060
Transshipments	268,006	317,107	101,146	219,064	192,765	133,968	219,618
Total - Iron Ore	4,865,249	4,663,075	4,708,498	4,871,007	2,855,560	3,834,146	4,392,678
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,854,789	1,842,782	1,747,910	1,851,640	1,954,519	1,668,030	1,850,328
Lake Michigan	406,553	364,351	379,138	363,573	312,256	235,144	365,174
Lake Erie	687,869	480,571	642,348	439,452	463,614	413,097	542,771
Total - Coal	2,949,211	2,687,704	2,769,396	2,654,665	2,730,389	2,316,271	2,758,273
Limestone	3,055,717	3,055,157	2,985,181	2,942,381	2,514,506	2,797,913	2,910,588
Cement	423,783	450,062	363,550	366,750	385,879	319,674	398,005
Salt	119,530	114,404	185,169	96,633	145,945	148,368	132,336
Sand	63,730	95,281	82,735	88,445	50,262	27,889	76,091
Grain	28,478	45,391	56,735	40,359	57,601	38,838	45,713
Totals	11,505,698	11,111,074	11,151,264	11,060,240	8,740,142	9,483,099	10,713,684

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	35,942,040	37,315,382	36,439,784	38,899,486	16,677,648	31,832,932	33,054,868
Transshipments	2,238,692	2,850,311	1,883,977	1,893,887	192,765	1,849,610	1,811,926
Total - Iron Ore	38,180,732	40,165,693	38,323,761	40,793,373	16,870,413	33,682,542	34,866,794
Coal							
Lake Superior	14,221,801	13,691,673	13,339,677	14,147,459	12,640,041	12,843,587	13,608,130
Lake Michigan	3,129,701	2,465,611	2,121,693	2,476,531	1,548,317	1,548,741	2,348,371
Lake Erie	4,754,293	4,069,385	4,802,340	2,961,957	2,352,500	2,832,636	3,788,095
Total - Coal	22,105,795	20,226,669	20,263,710	19,585,947	16,540,858	17,224,964	19,744,596
Limestone	23,777,419	23,809,296	21,599,087	20,603,550	14,072,083	17,594,238	20,772,287
Cement	3,221,022	3,396,710	3,047,609	2,732,252	2,365,563	2,324,084	2,952,631
Salt	860,019	921,421	991,146	970,441	1,005,904	1,092,881	949,786
Sand	398,640	360,878	387,986	257,684	249,004	156,132	330,838
Grain	312,605	268,898	338,920	215,202	230,798	223,661	273,285
Totals	88,856,232	89,149,565	84,952,219	85,158,449	51,334,623	72,298,502	79,890,218

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