



Lake Carriers' Association

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

Commodity	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average 2005-2009
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	3,561,218	4,265,568	3,870,832	3,887,492	3,288,633	3,843,416	3,774,749
Transshipments	204,506	144,863	146,837	0	301,659	268,565	159,573
Total - Iron Ore	3,765,724	4,410,431	4,017,669	3,887,492	3,590,292	4,111,981	3,934,322
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,630,161	1,634,460	1,501,920	2,074,458	1,628,377	1,498,900	1,693,875
Lake Michigan	281,365	330,840	266,596	389,034	317,889	227,671	317,145
Lake Erie	679,793	484,417	522,525	499,408	538,494	485,755	544,927
Total - Coal	2,591,319	2,449,717	2,291,041	2,962,900	2,484,760	2,212,326	2,555,947
Limestone	2,560,169	3,197,372	2,850,613	2,646,785	2,415,733	2,157,234	2,734,134
Cement	329,300	328,469	296,469	349,936	329,464	291,529	326,728
Salt	203,927	114,093	137,560	140,382	127,064	112,658	144,605
Sand	35,155	38,280	50,183	86,159	13,801	55,900	44,716
Grain	45,083	29,912	19,669	0	56,979	22,500	30,329
Totals	9,530,677	10,568,274	9,663,204	10,073,654	9,018,093	8,964,128	9,770,780

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: 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	39,503,258	41,580,950	40,310,616	42,786,978	19,966,281	35,676,348	36,829,617
Transshipments	2,443,198	2,995,174	2,030,814	1,893,887	494,424	2,118,175	1,971,499
Total - Iron Ore	41,946,456	44,576,124	42,341,430	44,680,865	20,460,705	37,794,523	38,801,116
Coal							
Lake Superior	15,851,962	15,326,133	14,841,597	16,221,917	14,268,418	14,342,487	15,302,005
Lake Michigan	3,411,066	2,796,451	2,388,289	2,865,565	1,866,206	1,776,412	2,665,515
Lake Erie	5,434,086	4,553,802	5,324,865	3,411,365	2,890,994	3,318,391	4,323,022
Total - Coal	24,697,114	22,676,386	22,554,751	22,498,847	19,025,618	19,437,290	22,290,543
Limestone	26,337,588	27,006,668	24,449,700	23,250,335	16,487,816	19,751,472	23,506,421
Cement	3,550,322	3,752,179	3,344,078	3,082,188	2,695,027	2,615,613	3,284,759
Salt	1,063,946	1,035,514	1,128,706	1,110,823	1,132,968	1,205,539	1,094,391
Sand	433,795	399,158	438,169	343,843	262,805	212,032	375,554
Grain	357,688	298,810	358,589	215,202	287,777	246,161	303,613
Totals	98,386,909	99,744,839	94,615,423	95,182,103	60,352,716	81,262,630	89,656,398

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