



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Carriage on the Great Lakes: December 2004-2009 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Average 2004-2008
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,734,614	4,381,314	4,269,348	4,739,105	2,542,629	3,305,421	4,133,402
Transshipments	274,168	244,349	126,640	125,848	0	264,961	154,201
Total - Iron Ore	5,008,782	4,625,663	4,395,988	4,864,953	2,542,629	3,570,382	4,287,603
Coal							
Lake Superior	1,522,896	1,577,517	1,853,981	1,850,750	1,740,663	1,159,290	1,709,161
Lake Michigan	448,254	349,411	365,353	330,585	387,436	130,587	376,208
Lake Erie	509,246	583,308	464,393	434,543	344,677	359,393	467,233
Total - Coal	2,480,396	2,510,236	2,683,727	2,615,878	2,472,776	1,649,270	2,552,603
Limestone	1,451,122	1,597,925	2,482,742	1,516,357	381,735	579,416	1,485,976
Cement	286,457	342,500	272,524	258,410	211,883	170,296	274,355
Salt	69,887	124,480	91,348	112,591	113,946	127,933	102,450
Sand	41,395	28,018	30,253	11,305	15,348	0	25,264
Grain	42,062	45,367	58,333	46,284	32,395	16,730	44,888
Totals	9,380,101	9,274,189	10,014,915	9,425,778	5,770,712	6,114,027	8,773,139

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Commodity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Average 2004-2008
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	48,265,018	43,884,572	45,850,298	45,049,721	45,329,607	23,271,702	45,675,843
Transshipments	2,936,493	2,687,547	3,121,814	2,156,662	1,893,887	759,385	2,559,281
Total - Iron Ore	51,201,511	46,572,119	48,972,112	47,206,383	47,223,494	24,031,087	48,235,124
Coal							
Lake Superior	15,459,399	17,429,479	17,180,114	16,692,347	17,962,580	15,427,708	16,944,784
Lake Michigan	3,734,928	3,760,477	3,134,804	2,718,874	3,253,001	1,996,793	3,320,417
Lake Erie	5,222,022	6,017,394	5,018,195	5,759,408	3,756,042	3,250,387	5,154,612
Total - Coal	24,416,349	27,207,350	25,333,113	25,170,629	24,971,623	20,674,888	25,419,813
Limestone	29,861,141	27,935,513	29,489,410	25,966,057	23,632,070	17,067,232	27,376,838
Cement	3,965,401	3,892,822	4,024,703	3,602,488	3,294,071	2,865,323	3,755,897
Salt	1,032,109	1,187,777	1,126,862	1,241,297	1,224,769	1,260,901	1,162,563
Sand	489,355	461,813	429,411	449,474	359,191	262,805	437,849
Grain	367,785	403,055	357,143	404,873	247,597	304,507	356,091
Totals	111,333,651	107,660,449	109,732,754	104,041,201	100,952,815	66,466,743	106,744,174

Lake Carriers' Association represents 18 American corporations that operate 55 U.S.-Flag vessels on the Great Lakes and carry the raw materials that drive the nation's economy: iron ore and fluxstone for the steel industry, limestone and cement for the construction industry, coal for power generation.... Collectively, these vessels can transport more than 115 million tons of cargo a year when high water offsets lack of adequate dredging. More information is available at www.lcaship.com. Source: Lake Carriers' Association. Contact: Glen G. Nekvasil – Vice President, Corporate Communications (440-333-9996)

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