

# Lake Carriers' Association

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## Iron Ore Trade Up 2 Percent in May

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore from U.S. Great Lakes ports totaled 6 million tons in May, an increase of nearly 2 percent compared to a year ago, and 4 percent above the month's 5-year average.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 14.5 million tons, an increase of 2.8 percent compared to the same point in 2018. Iron ore shipments are also 7.7 percent ahead of their 5-year average for five months of the year.

Lake Carriers' Association represents 13 American companies that operate 46 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, aggregate and cement for the construction industry, coal for power generation, as well as salt, sand and grain. Collectively, these vessels can transport more than 90 million tons of cargo per year. More information is available at [www.lcaships.com](http://www.lcaships.com).

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