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Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Down Slightly in September

CLEVELAND – Shipments of iron ore from U.S. ports on the Great Lakes totaled 5.8 million tons in September, a decrease of 1.8 percent compared to a year ago. However, shipments outperformed the month's 5-year average by 1.8 percent.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 38.6 million tons, a decrease of less than 1 percent compared to the same point in 2018.

Through September iron ore loadings are 4.8 percent ahead of their 5-year average for the first three quarters.

Since 1880, Lake Carriers' has represented the U.S.-flag Great Lakes fleet, which today can move more than 90 million tons of cargos annually that are the foundation of American industry, infrastructure, and power: iron ore, stone, coal, cement, and other dry bulk materials such as grain, salt, and sand. More information is available at www.lcaships.com.

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