

GREAT LAKES



DREDGING CRISIS



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Lost Inches, Lost Efficiencies



Commercial vessels working the Great Lakes are leaving behind cargo virtually every time they load because of inadequate dredging of deep-draft ports and waterways. The map above uses select Great Lakes ports to illustrate how many inches of loaded draft the dredging crisis is costing the industry. Graphic courtesy U.S. Maritime Administration.

Impact of Dredging on Per-Trip Carrying Capacity Major Great Lakes Vessel Classes

Major Great Lakes Vessel Classes	Vessel Length (feet)	Per-Trip Carrying Capacity	Capacity Per Inch Of Draft*
	1,000	69,664	267
	806	34,720	146
	767	28,336	127
	730	27,558	115
	635	22,064	107
	501	13,776	71

*Capacity per inch of draft reflects the incremental tonnage carried at normal loaded draft.

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