



Ontario



Ontario Relies on Great Lakes-Seaway Shipping

Ontario's shoreline borders Lakes Superior, Huron, Erie, and Ontario. The province's 29 ports handle more than 62 million tons of inbound and outbound cargo annually.

Great Lakes Seaway shipping provides the most cost effective mode of transport for many industries in Ontario's manufacturing center, which extends from Oshawa to the Niagara Peninsula west to Windsor and to Sarnia. Major steel producers depend on lake vessels to receive shipments of iron ore, coal and limestone at their facilities in Hamilton,

Nanticoke and Sault Ste. Marie. Ontario steel products are used in the automobile, construction and consumer goods sectors. Salt mined in Goderich and Windsor is loaded onto vessels for delivery to both Canadian and U.S. communities for winter road deicing. Aggregates quarried from the north shore of Lake Huron and Manitoulin Island are transported by vessel to communities throughout the Great Lakes region and used in construction and other infrastructure projects. Farm products from western Ontario and the Canadian prairies are loaded on vessels at the Port of Thunder bay for export to overseas markets.

Jobs	Personal Income	Business Revenue	Local Purchases	Total Taxes Paid
63,542	\$2.8 billion	\$9.6 billion	\$2.5 billion	\$1.2 billion

Invested in Ontario port, terminal and waterway infrastructure
\$996 million

Port	Major Cargoes Handled
Bath	Cement, gypsum
Bowmanville	Coal, salt, gypsum
Bruce Mines	Limestone
Clarkson	Limestone, coal, cement, gypsum
Courtright	Limestone, coal
Goderich	Grain, salt
Hamilton	Iron ore, coal, grain, general cargo, salt, gypsum

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Port	Major Cargoes Handled
Heron Bay	Cement
Marathon	Liquid bulk
Meldrum Bay	Limestone
Michipicoten	Iron ore
Nanticoke	Iron ore, coal, liquid bulk
Oakville	Liquid bulk
Oshawa	General cargo, salt, cement, potash
Owen Sound	Grain, salt
Parry Sound	Salt
Picton	Coal, cement, gypsum
Port Credit	Coal
Port Colborne	Limestone, grain, salt
Port Lambton	Coal
Port Stanley	Grain
Prescott	Limestone, grain, salt
Sarnia	Limestone, grain, liquid bulk, potash
Saulte Ste. Marie	Iron ore, coal
Serpent Harbor	Coal
Thessalon	Limestone, sand/gravel
Thunder Bay	Coal, grain, salt, potash, sand/gravel
Toronto	General cargo, salt, sand/gravel
Windsor	Limestone, coal, grain, general cargo, salt, liquid bulk, sand/gravel

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