



New York



New York Relies on Great Lakes-Seaway Shipping

The state of New York's Great Lakes shoreline encompasses 577 miles along Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, the Niagara River and the St. Lawrence River. The state's four Great Lakes ports handle more than 2.3 million tons of inbound and outbound cargo annually.

Upstate communities depend upon Great Lakes shipping to facilitate commerce and to serve as a foundation for economic growth. For example, municipalities rely on lake vessels

to deliver salt for winter road maintenance. Cement, sand, aggregate and other construction materials are transported to upstate ports for distribution to local suppliers. Large components manufactured in Germany have been shipped through upstate ports to wind energy projects in New York and Ohio. Aluminum produced in Quebec is shipped to the Port of Oswego for local processing and eventual use in automobile manufacturing.

Jobs	Personal Income	Business Revenue	Local Purchases	Total Taxes Paid
1,350	\$107 million	\$78 million	\$17 million	\$42 million

Invested in New York port, terminal and waterway infrastructure
\$181 million

Port	Annual Tonnage	Major Cargoes Handled
Buffalo	715,270	sand/gravel, salt, cement, wheat
Ogdensburg	56,000	salt, machinery
Oswego	255,000	asphalt, sand/gravel, cement, aluminum
Rochester	96,000	cement

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