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## WHO WE ARE—Your Expert Source on Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Shipping

The Chamber of Marine Commerce is a bi-national association representing more than 130 marine industry stakeholders including major Canadian and American shippers, ports, terminals and marine service providers, as well as domestic and international ship owners. Our membership represents the entire value chain of the bi-national Great Lakes-St. Lawrence marine shipping industry:

-  18 U.S. and Canadian Great Lakes-St. Lawrence ports
-  The St. Lawrence Seaway
-  Ship owners and ship operators
-  Terminal operators and marine-services suppliers
-  Industrial cargo shippers: grain, construction, mining, energy, steel, manufacturing companies with operations in the U.S./Canada

## WE ADVOCATE FOR

The Chamber advocates for safe, sustainable, harmonized and competitive policy and regulation that recognizes the marine transportation system's significant advantages in the Great Lakes, St. Lawrence, Coastal and Arctic regions.

## WHAT WE PROVIDE

**Expert Insight:** CMC President, Bruce Burrows, is a leading transportation industry expert with more than 30 years' experience in the transportation and industrial sectors. CMC also provides interview opportunities with a vast network of experts and executives from our membership.

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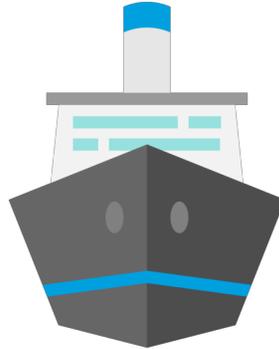
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## WHAT WE PROVIDE

**Vital Statistics:** The Chamber played an instrumental role in the publication of four groundbreaking, bi-national Great Lakes Seaway shipping studies on economic impact, environmental sustainability, safety record and infrastructure investments.



**Bi-National Trade:** Chamber members transport more than 37 million metric tons of cargo between the U.S. and Canada annually and have a keen interest in federal/state security, environmental and economic policies that improve or negatively impact the efficient flow of goods between these two countries. Great Lakes-Seaway shipping supports **227,000 industry jobs**.



**Shipping Trends and Photos:** Each shipping season, the Chamber issues monthly news releases on the St. Lawrence Seaway's cargo tonnage, and other port and ship operator news and how that relates to the overall economy. Please see our [shipping season kick off release](#) as an example. Shipping photos are also regularly updated for download at our [Flickr site](#).



Great Lakes vessels are **7 times** more fuel-efficient than trucks.

**Environmental Leadership:** The Great Lakes-Seaway System is North America's green transportation corridor. Ships are the most fuel-efficient and carbon-friendly way to move goods. Increasing inland and coastal shipping is part of the solution for climate change. Marine shipping is investing billions of dollars on modernizing Great Lakes-Seaway ports, ships and channels and developing innovative new technologies that further reduce its environmental footprint.

**One Ship = 301 Rail Cars = 963 Semi Trucks**

**Public Policy Expertise:** The Chamber and its members are leading public policy experts on shipping issues such as ice-breaking resources, infrastructure investment, ballast water and air emission regulations and fees for services. [See our latest release on our government policy wish list for 2018.](#)

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