

THUNDER BAY PORT AUTHORITY

ADMINISTRATION PORTUAIRE DE THUNDER BAY

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For the first time since 2008, annual cargo volumes in the Port of Thunder Bay have topped 8.0 million metric tonnes (MT). And with a month left to go in the shipping season, overall volumes are expected to approach the 9.0 million MT mark – a level not seen in over a decade.

The port experienced another month of above-average grain shipments in November, bringing the annual grain tally to over 7.1 million MT. Year-to-date grain volumes are now 57% higher than last year and 43% higher than the five-year average for November 30. Annual grain tonnage is expected to set a 17-year high when the season wraps up in January.

There is a sharp increase in the number of foreign "salty" vessels calling the port this season. For the first time in a decade, the number of salty calls to the Port of Thunder Bay has surpassed 100.

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CARGO STATISTICS - 2014

With Comparative Figures in Metric Tonnes for 2013

Period From November 01 to November 30, 2014

	Month Totals 2014	Month Totals 2013	Year to Date 2014	Year to Date 2013
COAL	72,957	30,284	444,499	549,310
GRAIN	849,965	889,683	7,160,236	4,546,818
POTASH	14,752	19,602	260,980	262,023
DRY BULK	14,981	40,408	178,742	112,361
LIQUID BULK	10,225	7,658	48,691	69,840
GENERAL CARGO - KEEFER	3,553	1,136	5,448	1,651
GENERAL CARGO - OTHER	0	0	4,957	0
TOTALS	966,433	988,771	8,103,553	5,542,003

	VESSEL REPORT				
	Current Month	Same Month Last Year	Year to Date Totals	Last Year Totals	
DOMESTIC	31	31	267	207	
FOREIGN	17	17	108	70	
AMERICAN	0	1	2	3	
TOTALS	48	49	377	280	

^{*}Monthly statistics are edited as cargo reports are received. Cumulative totals are adjusted to reflect changes.

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