



August best month yet for 2019 tonnage at Port of Green Bay

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(Green Bay, Wis.) – The month of August brought the highest amount of cargo through the [Port of Green Bay](#) so far this year. A total of 316,224 tons were moved in August, bringing the 2019 shipping season total to 1,299,927 tons. That’s an 18% increase in tonnage year-to-date from 2018.

The main contributors to the increase were limestone and petroleum products, along with an increase in salt. Domestic limestone imports are up 75% over 2018, and petroleum products foreign exports up 72%. Foreign imports of petroleum products increased, up 47% over last year.

“In August, we saw big imports of limestone and salt to the area,” explained Port Director Dean Haen. “As we make our way into winter, stockpiles of salt are starting to be built up. In Wisconsin, salt is an important commodity that keeps our roads and drivers safe from ice. We’re likely to continue seeing salt as a major import in the following months.”

Negative contributors to August’s tonnage included a drop in domestic exports of limestone, petroleum products and project cargo, as well as a drop in foreign imports of limestone.

So far this year, 101 vessels have moved through the Port of Green Bay, one more than the same time last year.

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About the Port of Green Bay: The Port of Green Bay exists to enhance the prosperity of the people of Northeast Wisconsin by providing facilities and infrastructure able to effectively and efficiently move commodities and goods across the nation. As the western-most port of Lake Michigan, the Port of Green Bay offers a direct route for shipping from the Midwest to the rest of the world. The Port of Green Bay has 14 active terminal operators located along three miles of the Fox River involved in shipping commodities: Ace Marine, C. Reiss Coal Company, Construction Resources Management, Flint Hills Resources, Fox River Terminals, Georgia-Pacific, Graymont, GLC Minerals, KK Integrated Logistics, Lafarge Northern America, RGL, Sanimax, St. Mary’s Cement and U.S. Venture.

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