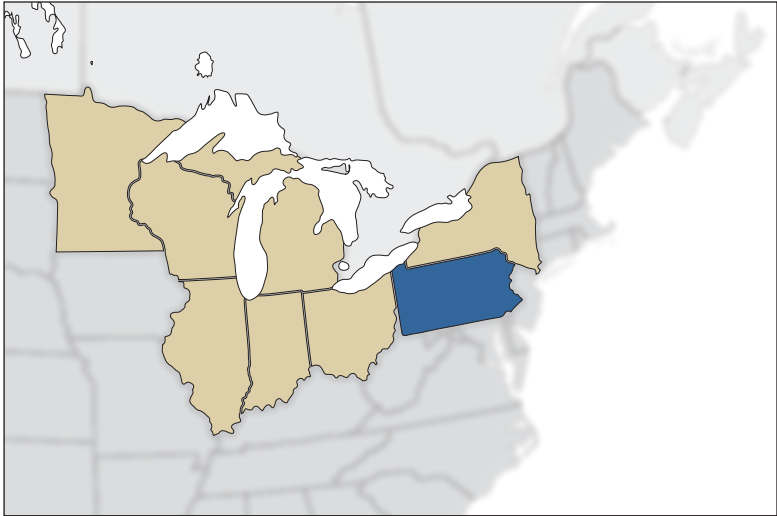




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Pennsylvania Relies on Great Lakes-Seaway Shipping

Pennsylvania borders approximately 45 miles of shoreline along Lake Erie. The Port of Erie is the state’s single Great Lakes port and handles more than 600,000 tons of inbound and outbound cargo annually.

Great Lakes Seaway shipping serves western Pennsylvania by offering low-cost efficient waterborne transportation for bulk commodities. For example, limestone is delivered to the Port of Erie for use in local construction projects. Lake ships deliver salt to the port for distribution to state and local highway agencies. The port also handles large project cargo such as power generation equipment.

Erie is also home to a large shipyard at which commercial vessels are both constructed and maintained.

Jobs	Personal Income	Business Revenue	Local Purchases	Local Taxes Paid
853	\$78 million	\$72 million	\$33 million	\$23 million

Port	Annual Cargo Tonnage	Major Cargoes Handled
Erie	614,667	limestone, sand/gravel, salt

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