



Lake Erie, one of the five Great Lakes, is a body of fresh water with many features.

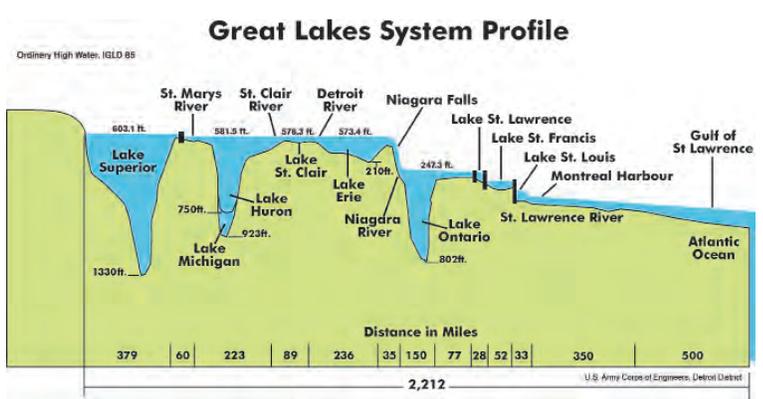


Lake Erie

- Average Depth:** 62 feet
- Maximum Depth:** 210 feet
- Length (west to east):** 241 miles
- Breadth (north to south):** 57 miles
- Total Coast Length:** 871 miles
- Ohio's Coast Length:** 312 miles
- Elevation:** 573.4 feet IGLD 1985
- Water Retention Time:** 2.6 years
- Volume:** 127.7 trillion gallons
- Water Area:** 9,910 sq. mi.

Watershed Drainage Area: 30,140 sq. mi.
Outlets: Niagara River and Welland Canal

Bordered by: The United States [Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan] and Canada [Province of Ontario].



Lake Erie Literacy Principle 1c:
 While smallest by volume, Lake Erie is an integral part of the Great Lakes, the world's largest supply of fresh surface water. Lake Erie's shore and watershed include the most southerly reaches of the Great Lakes ecosystem.

