



POTATO GROWERS OF CANADA
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2018 Canadian Potato Plantings (Acres)

Source: Statistics Canada Table 32-10-0358-01 July 19 2018

Province	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Change
Newfound land	500	380	400	400	350	350	0%
Prince Edward Is.	82,900	85,000	85,800	87,000	84,200	84,000	-0.2%
Nova Scotia	1,900	1,725	1,624	1,774	1,700	1,500	-11.8%
New Brunswick	47,300	47,700	47,700	47,630	51,700	53,000	+2.5%
Quebec	42,996	42,255	41,761	41,761	42,996	42,255	-1.7%
Ontario	38,000	35,500	34,750	34,800	35,400	34,000	-4.0%
Manitoba	70,000	63,000	67,300	65,914	62,900	64,100	+1.9%
Saskatchewa	7,000	6,900	6,700	6,900	6,500	6,500	0%
Alberta	52,483	52,984	53,128	52,998	53,570	55,410	+3.4%
British Columbia	6,200	5,890	6,100	7,250	6,500	6,800	+4.6%
Total	349,279	341,335	345,263	346,417	345,817	347,416	+0.5%

Summary 2018 Planted Potato Acreage

PEI Very little change in the country's largest producer – down 200 acres or -0.2%

NS Acreage in one of the country's smaller producers down 200 acres or -11.8%

NB Acreage up 1300 acres or +2.5% to fill increased processing demand. Seed acres are down and fresh acres are expected to be flat or down slightly.

Quebec Stats Canada reports acreage down 741 acres or -1.7%. This is surprising because acreage was expected to increase by 1,000 for the local processor.

Ontario Shows the largest decrease, down 1,400 acres or 4%. This again is surprising as acreage was expected to be down around 500 acres due to both fresh and chip producers exiting, however this decrease is more substantial.

Manitoba Acreage up 1,200 acres or 1.9%. All of this is required for processing expansion, however industry personnel felt the increase would be closer to 2,000 acres. Not much change expected in the fresh sector.

Saskatchewan No acreage change for that province compared to last year.

Alberta Has the largest increase, with acreage up 1,840 acres or 3.4%. The increase is split between processing and seed opportunities in that province.

British Columbia Acreage up 300 acres or +4.6%. The increase is in the table sector, after a decrease last year.

Canada As a country, planted acreage is up +0.5% and overall reflects improved demand for processing products. It also indicates that producers have made wise planting decisions after assessing supply and demand factors.

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