



Canadian (**Processing**) Potato Storage Holdings by Province

January 1, 2020 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

| Province | 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 | 3-yr. Average | 2019-2020 | 2020 vs. 3-yr. avg |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Prince Edward I | 11,657 | 11,395 | 10,637 | 11,230 | 11,299 | +0.6% |
| New Brunswick | 7,053 | 7,399 | 7,250 | 7,234 | 7,108 | -1.7% |
| Quebec | 2,776 | 3,173 | 2,928 | 2,959 | 3,088 | +4.4% |
| Ontario | 2,223 | 3,008 | 2,711 | 2,647 | 2,837 | +7.2% |
| Eastern Canada | 23,709 | 24,975 | 23,526 | 24,070 | 24,332 | +1.1% |
| Manitoba | 11,973 | 10,692 | 10,056 | 10,907 | 9,776 | -10.4% |
| Alberta | 9,520 | 12,937 | 11,750 | 11,402 | 11,920 | +4.5% |
| Western Canada | 21,493 | 23,629 | 21,806 | 22,309 | 21,696 | -2.7% |
| Total Canada | 45,202 | 48,603 | 45,332 | 46,379 | 46,028 | -0.8% |

Processing Holdings are down 0.8% below the 3-yr. average. At first glance this available supply would seem close to sufficiency, but this month will see the opening of a second processing plant expansion which was not in existence one year ago. The most significant decrease lies in Manitoba, where growers had extreme weather-related difficulty in harvesting their crop. Ontario's increase in processing stocks would be almost entirely destined for the chip industry.