



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

**April 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	7,496	7,500	6,714	7,237	7,416	+2.5%
New Brunswick	4,382	4,509	4,045	4,312	4,100	-4.9%
Quebec	1,653	1,880	1,379	1,637	1,693	+3.4%
Ontario	1,084	1,710	1,607	1,467	1,498	+2.1%
Eastern Canada	14,615	15,599	13,745	14,653	14,707	+0.4%
Manitoba	7,596	7,168	5,466	6,743	5,459	-19.0%
Alberta	5,464	8,100	7,814	7,126	7,158	+0.4%
Western Canada	13,060	15,268	13,280	13,869	12,617	-9.0%
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>27,676</b>	<b>30,867</b>	<b>27,026</b>	<b>28,522</b>	<b>27,324</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>

Processing Holdings on April 1, 2020 are 4.2% below the 3-yr. average. The 27.3 million hundredweight compares to 27.0 in 2019. The processing industry is now reeling from a shortage of supply in the previous month to one that is currently seeing a reduction in servings as many restaurants close the sit-down portions of their establishments as a result of people staying home. Fryers are working hard to estimate the change in their raw product needs over the coming weeks. Chip sales have been excellent, as consumer purchase their favorite “comfort food” during these times.