



Canadian (Seed) Potato Storage Holdings by Province

January 1, 2021 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	3-yr. Average	2020-21	2021 vs. 3-yr. avg
Prince Edward I	1,926	2,030	1,957	1,971	1,872	-4.8%
New Brunswick	1,923	1,770	1,753	1,815	1,138	-37.3%
Quebec	1,224	1,279	1,207	1237	1,167	-5.7%
Ontario	119	114	71	101	69	-31.7%
Eastern Canada	5,192	5,193	4,988	5,124	4,246	-17.1%
Manitoba	1,593	1,241	1,341	1,392	1,531	+10.0%
Alberta	2,300	2,800	3,507	2,869	3,428	+19.5%
British Columbia	200	197	138	178	156	-12.4%
Western Canada	4,093	4,238	4,986	4,439	5,115	+15.2%
Total Canada	9,285	9,431	9,974	9,563	9,360	-2.1%

Seed Inventory on January 1, 2021 is 9.4 million hundred weight which is 2.1% below 3-yr. average levels. All four Eastern provinces have a reduction in seed available for planting, led by New Brunswick which is down 37%. Alberta has an increase in seed stocks 19.5% above 3yr. averages, even with record movement to date. Manitoba holdings are up 10% above average. All provinces in Canada expect seed to be tight this spring and it is recommended that growers line up their supply sources early.