



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

February 1, 2021 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	3-yr. Average	2020-2021	2021 vs. 3-yr. avg
Prince Edward I	10,139	9,238	9,236	9,538	8,217	-13.8%
New Brunswick	6,425	6,131	6,068	6,208	3,757	-39.5%
Quebec	2,788	2,161	2,647	2,532	2,519	-0.5%
Ontario	2,572	2,352	2,439	2,454	2,713	+10.5%
Eastern Canada	21,924	19,882	20,390	20,732	17,206	-17.0%
Manitoba	9,196	8,110	8,289	8,532	10,083	+18.2%
Alberta	11,200	10,243	10,261	10,568	8,589	-18.7%
Western Canada	20,396	18,353	18,550	19,100	18,672	-2.2%
Total Canada	42,320	38,235	38,940	39,832	35,879	-9.9%

Holdings of potatoes destined for processing are down 10% or almost 4 million hundred weight below the 3-yr. average on February 1st. The largest decline is in New Brunswick at 39.5% below 3-yr. averages for this time of year. Alberta processing stocks are 18.7% below historical followed by PEI with a reduction of 13.8%. Manitoba's holdings are 18.2% above 3-yr. average but cullage rates may level out that number. Imports of potatoes moving into that province have slowed in recent weeks. Ontario's chip stocks are up 10.5% above other years, to balance demand in that sector.