

## Canadian (Seed) Potato Storage Holdings by Province

February 1, 2021 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	3-yr.	2020-21	2021 vs.
				Average		3-yr. avg
Prince Edward I	1,902	1,978	1,930	1,937	1,866	-3.6%
New Brunswick	1,829	1,645	1,657	1,710	1,016	-40.6%
Quebec	1,147	1,253	1,204	1,201	1,111	-7.5%
Ontario	129	105	71	102	69	-32.0%
Eastern Canada	5,007	4,981	4,862	4,950	4,062	-17.9%
Manitoba	1,593	1,241	1,341	1,392	1,531	+10.0%
Alberta	2,264	2,700	3,325	2,763	3,209	+16.1%
British Columbia	192	193	138	174	156	-10.5%
Western Canada	4,049	4,133	4,804	4,329	4,896	+13.1%
Total Canada	9,056	9,116	9,665	9,279	8,959	-3.4%

Seed Inventory on February 1, 2021 is just below 9 million hundred weight which is 3.4% below 3-yr. average levels. All four Eastern provinces have a reduction in seed available for planting, led by New Brunswick which is down 40%. Alberta has an increase in seed stocks 16% above 3-yr. averages and has already moved significant volume out of holdings. Manitoba holdings are up 10% above average. Seed supply of some chip and red varieties appear to be in tight supply for Canadian growers this year.