



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

December 1, 2021 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

| Province | 2018-2019 | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 3-yr. Average | 2021-2022 | 2021 vs. 3-yr. avg |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Prince Edward I | 11,924 | 11,821 | 9,695 | 11,146 | 13,951 | 25% |
| New Brunswick | 8,075 | 7,966 | 5,207 | 7,083 | 8,208 | 16% |
| Quebec | 3,347 | 3,454 | 3,214 | 3,338 | 4,078 | 22% |
| Ontario | 3,257 | 3,124 | 3,585 | 3,322 | 4,264 | 28% |
| Eastern Canada | 26,603 | 26,365 | 21,701 | 24,890 | 30,501 | 23% |
| Manitoba | 11,541 | 10,749 | 12,865 | 11,718 | 14,132 | 21% |
| Alberta | 12,998 | 13,405 | 11,695 | 12,700 | 12,258 | -3% |
| Western Canada | 24,539 | 24,154 | 24,560 | 24,418 | 26,390 | 8% |
| Total Canada | 51,142 | 50,519 | 46,260 | 49,307 | 56,890 | 15% |

Holdings of potatoes destined for processing are up 15% or 7.5 million hundred weight above the 3-yr. average on December 1st. All provinces except Alberta report increases in their potatoes available for processing. The increases will alleviate the issue of processing plants having to import potatoes into Eastern Canada, as in previous years, but will still require importations into Western Canada to keep their expanded processing plants running at full capacity. Ontario reports the largest increase in processing stocks at 28% above 3-yr averages. Their processing stocks are almost entirely destined for the chip industry which saw increases in contract volume due to growth in demand.