



## Canadian (Seed) Potato Storage Holdings by Province

**December 1, 2022** Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022 vs. 2021	3-yr. Average	2022 vs. 3-yr. avg
Prince Edward Island	1,978	1,876	1,626	1,700	4.6%	1,827	-6.9%
New Brunswick	1,818	1,196	1,839	1,736	-5.6%	1,618	7.3%
Quebec	1,231	1,202	1,433	1,342	-6.4%	1,289	4.1%
Ontario	68	68	86	198	130.2%	74	167.6%
<b>Eastern Canada</b>	<b>5,095</b>	<b>4,342</b>	<b>4,858</b>	<b>4,976</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>4,765</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
Manitoba	1,341	1,531	1,471	1,990	35.3%	1,448	37.5%
Alberta	3,667	3,731	3,650	3,867	5.9%	3,683	5.0%
British Columbia	138	154	143	119	-16.8%	145	-17.9%
<b>Western Canada</b>	<b>5,146</b>	<b>5,416</b>	<b>5,264</b>	<b>5,976</b>	<b>13.5%</b>	<b>5,275</b>	<b>13.3%</b>
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b><u>10,240</u></b>	<b><u>9,759</u></b>	<b><u>10,122</u></b>	<b><u>10,952</u></b>	<b><u>8.2%</u></b>	<b><u>10,040</u></b>	<b><u>9.1%</u></b>

Seed Inventory on December 1, 2022 is 10.95 million hundred weight which is 9.1% above 3-yr. average levels and 8.2% over last year. Due to on-going restrictions on shipments off island and very good yields on the crop overall, stocks in PEI for December are higher than at this time last year. Alberta which, as of 2022, certifies 25% of the seed acres in Canada, has the largest seed stocks on hand at just over 3.8 million hundred weight, which is 6% above 2021 levels. New Brunswick and Quebec stocks of potatoes intended to be used as seed, are

both down in 2022 but still well on track with 3-yr. averages. Although only a small part of the overall seed acreage, Ontario showed a 43% increase in certified hectares in 2022 resulting in a 130% increase in holdings as of December 1<sup>st</sup>.

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