



Canadian Potato Storage Holdings (All Sectors) by Province

January 11, 2023 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	Jan 23 vs. Jan 22	3-yr. Average	2022-23 vs. 3-yr. avg
Prince Edward Island	15,020	21,249	19,820	-7.2%	18,696	5.7%
New Brunswick	7,061	11,367	10,437	-8.9%	9,622	7.8%
Quebec	7,603	9,548	8,648	-10.4%	8,600	0.6%
Ontario	4,472	5,400	4,923	-9.7%	4,932	-0.2%
Eastern Canada	34,156	47,564	43,828	-8.5%	41,849	4.5%
Manitoba	14,568	14,843	15,505	+4.3%	14,972	3.4%
Alberta	14,711	15,296	18,310	+16.5%	16,106	12.0%
British Columbia	747	735	512	-43.6%	665	-29.8%
Western Canada	30,026	30,874	34,327*	+10.1%	31,742	7.5%
Total Canada	<u>64,182</u>	<u>78,438</u>	<u>78,155</u>	-0.4%	73,592	5.8%

*Note: Saskatchewan data not available

Total Canadian Potato Storage Holdings on January 11, 2023 are down slightly (-0.4%) over 2022 numbers for the same period, but are still 5.84% above the 3-yr. average, mostly due to the increased size of the crop in the last two years. Demand overall is strong for both fresh and processing given the short crop in the US and we can see the pull in Western Canada with just over 37% of inventory already shipped based on harvest numbers until now. Compared simply to 2022 figures for January, only Alberta and Manitoba have shown an increase in the number of potatoes in storage as of January 2023, both starting with larger crops this season. In contrast, Ontario and BC are below in inventory compared to average for this time of year, but both started with a smaller crop at harvest this year.

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