

Canadian Potato Storage Holdings (All Sectors) by Province

March 1, 2023 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

*Note: Saskatchewan data not available

| Province | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | Feb 23 vs. Feb 22 | 3-yr. Average | 2022-23 vs. 3-yr. avg |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Prince Edward Island | 12,379 | 13,391 | 11,507 | 14,832 | 15,320 | 3.3% | 13,243 | 15.7% |
| New Brunswick | 7,550 | 7,711 | 5,123 | 8,450 | 7,660 | -9.3% | 7,094 | 7.80% |
| Quebec | 5,281 | 5,698 | 5,598 | 7,209 | 6,212 | -13.8% | 6,168 | 0.60% |
| Ontario | 2,570 | 2,724 | 3,251 | 3,976 | 3,422 | -13.9% | 3,317 | -0.20% |
| Eastern Canada | <u>27,780</u> | <u>29,523</u> | <u>25,479</u> | <u>34,467</u> | <u>32,614</u> | -5.4% | <u>29,823</u> | 4.50% |
| Manitoba | 8,640 | 8,974 | 11,146 | 10,820 | 10,950 | 1.2% | 10,313 | 3.40% |
| Alberta | 11,811 | 11,711 | 10,269 | 10,453 | 13,189 | 26.2% | 10,811 | 12.00% |
| British Columbia | 548 | 391 | 463 | 331 | 292 | -11.8% | 395 | -29.80% |
| Western Canada | <u>20,999</u> | <u>21,076</u> | <u>21,878</u> | <u>21,604</u> | <u>24,431</u> | 13.1% | <u>21,519</u> | 7.50% |
| Total Canada | <u>48,779</u> | <u>50,599</u> | <u>47,356</u> | <u>56,071</u> | <u>57,045</u> | 1.7% | <u>51,342</u> | 5.80% |

Total Canadian Potato Storage Holdings on March 1, 2023 are up slightly (1.7%) over 2022 numbers for the same period, and almost 6% above the 3-yr. average. Based on the disappearance figures, there were 10.1 million cwt of potatoes shipped from storage in February 2023, down from shipments levels last month, 11% lower than in February 2022 but still 22% higher than pre-covid (2019) numbers. Shipments of Fresh potatoes were down in February for all provinces except PEI and NB who were on par with January numbers. PEI and Quebec showed increased movement of potatoes in the processing sector in February over January, and Quebec and Alberta had a good movement of seed potatoes for the month compared to last. Most areas were commenting on slower sales in February, particularly in reds vs. yellows or russets, but are predicting good movement in March leading up to St Patrick's Day.

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