

Canadian Potato Storage Holdings (All Sectors) by Province

July 1, 2023 Infohort: AAFC (000 cwt)

Province	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	Jul 23 vs. Jul 22	3-yr. Average
Prince Edward Island	3,402	2,286	4,297	3,589	-16.5%	3,328
New Brunswick	1,378	-	1,512	-	0.0%	1,445
Quebec	957	655	1,525	956	-37.3%	1,046
Ontario	180	314	489	134	-72.6%	328
Eastern Canada	<u>5,917</u>	<u>3,255</u>	<u>7,823</u>	<u>4,679</u>	-40.2%	<u>5,665</u>
Manitoba	2,305	2,500	2,672	812	-69.6%	2,492
Alberta	3,514	327	531	1,690	218.3%	1,457
British Columbia	2	12	5	-	0.0%	6
Western Canada	<u>5,821</u>	<u>2,839</u>	<u>3,208</u>	<u>2,502</u>	-22.0%	<u>3,956</u>
Total Canada	<u>11,738</u>	<u>6,094</u>	<u>11,032</u>	<u>7,181</u>	-34.9%	<u>9,621</u>

Source: <https://agriculture.canada.ca/en/sector/horticulture/market-information-infohort/storage-reports/potato>

**Note: Saskatchewan data not available, New Brunswick data for 2020-21 and 2022-23 was not available*

As of July 1, 2023, total Canadian Potato Storage Holdings are reported to be down 34.9% over 2022 numbers for the same period, and lower than the 3-yr. average. Although shipments for June were lower than May they are still above the average for the month since recording started in 2020 of the July holdings. Fresh and processing potato inventories continue to move steadily and the seed sector inventory is pretty much depleted as would be expected at this time of year.

Heavy rains through much of the month of June in Eastern Canada have delayed spraying in certain areas and growers are keeping a close eye on the crops as temperatures have also slowly risen since planting in May. BC and Alberta continue to report very dry conditions although temperatures have moderated a bit since the highs experienced through June. All provinces across the country are reporting positively about the crop to date and are cautiously optimistic as we move into the typically hotter and drier month of July.

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