



During August and September 2023, a total of 11 potato producing regions as well as non-producing suppliers delivered potatoes nationally to fresh produce markets.

Average percentage downgraded: **4.58%.**

Total number of bags delivered from 11 regions and non-producing suppliers and inspected at the fresh produce markets: **12 437 806.**

Figure 1: Classes of potato bags inspected during Aug/Sep 2023 at all fresh produce markets.

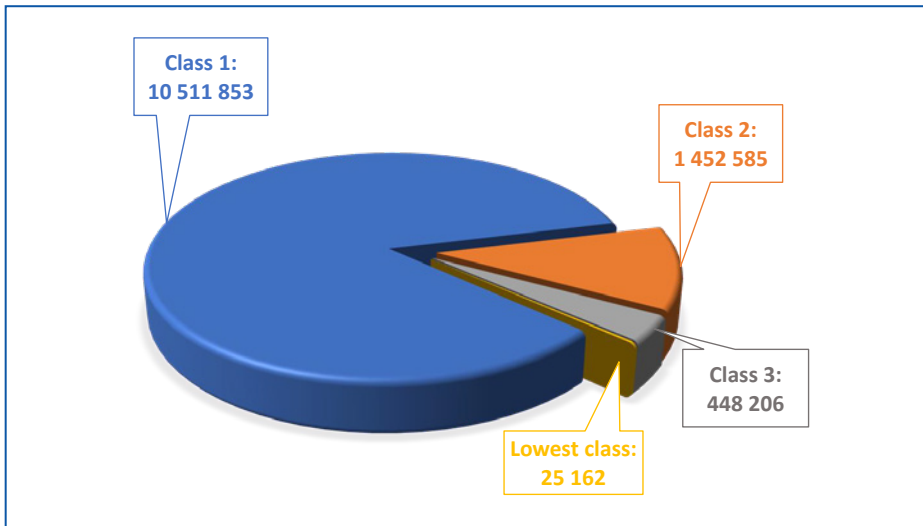


Figure 2: Classes of potato bags downgraded (total 570 102) at all fresh produce markets during Aug/Sep 2023.

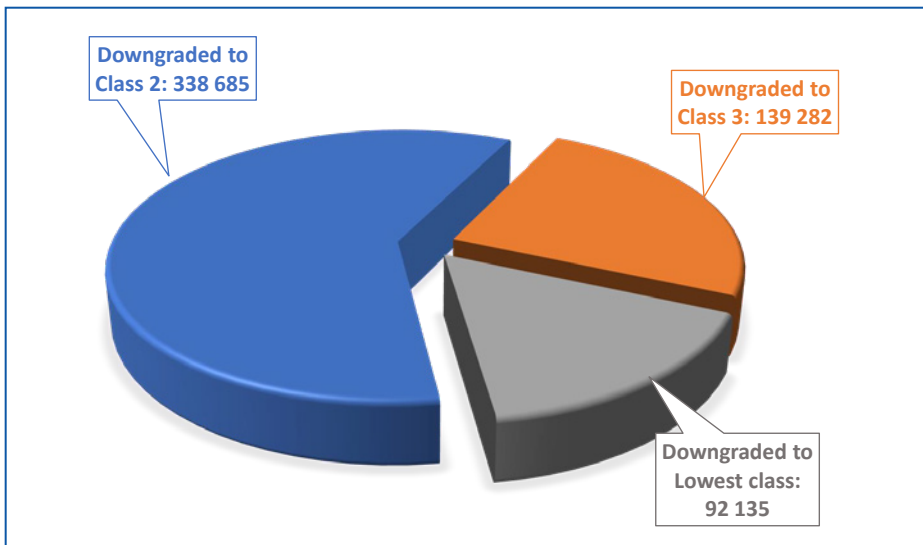


Figure 3: Potato bags downgraded (%) per region at all fresh produce markets during Aug/Sep 2023.

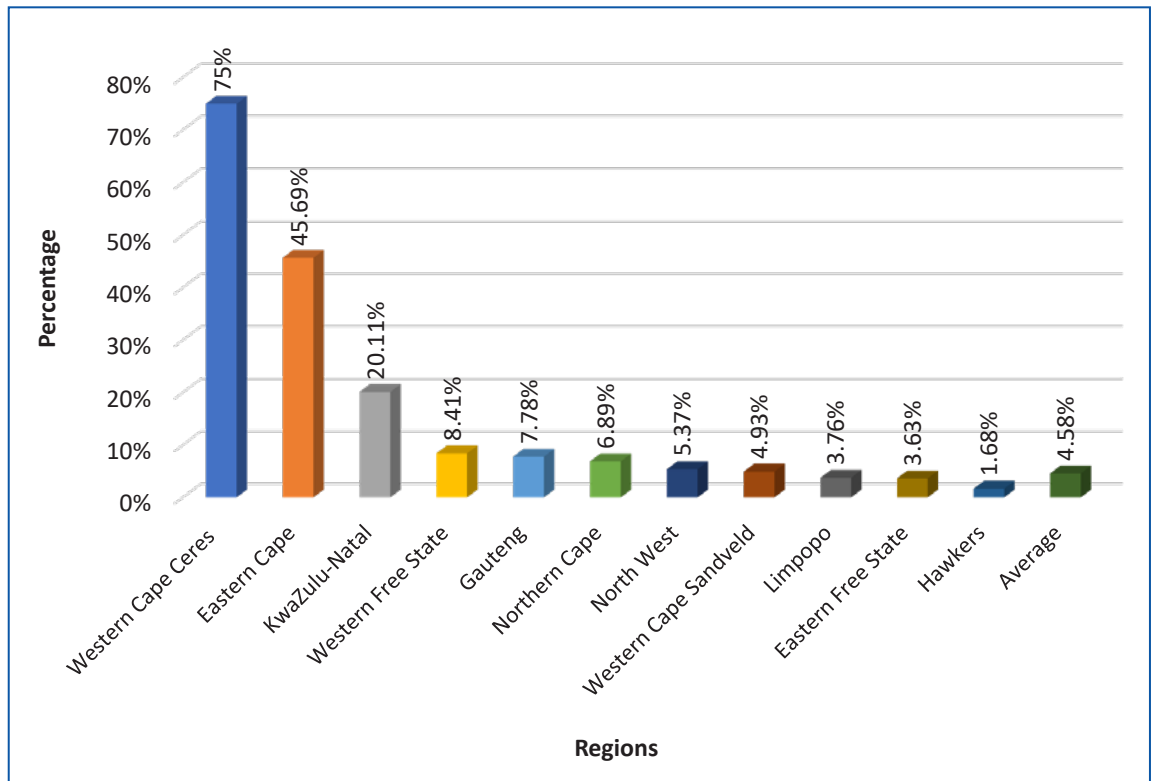
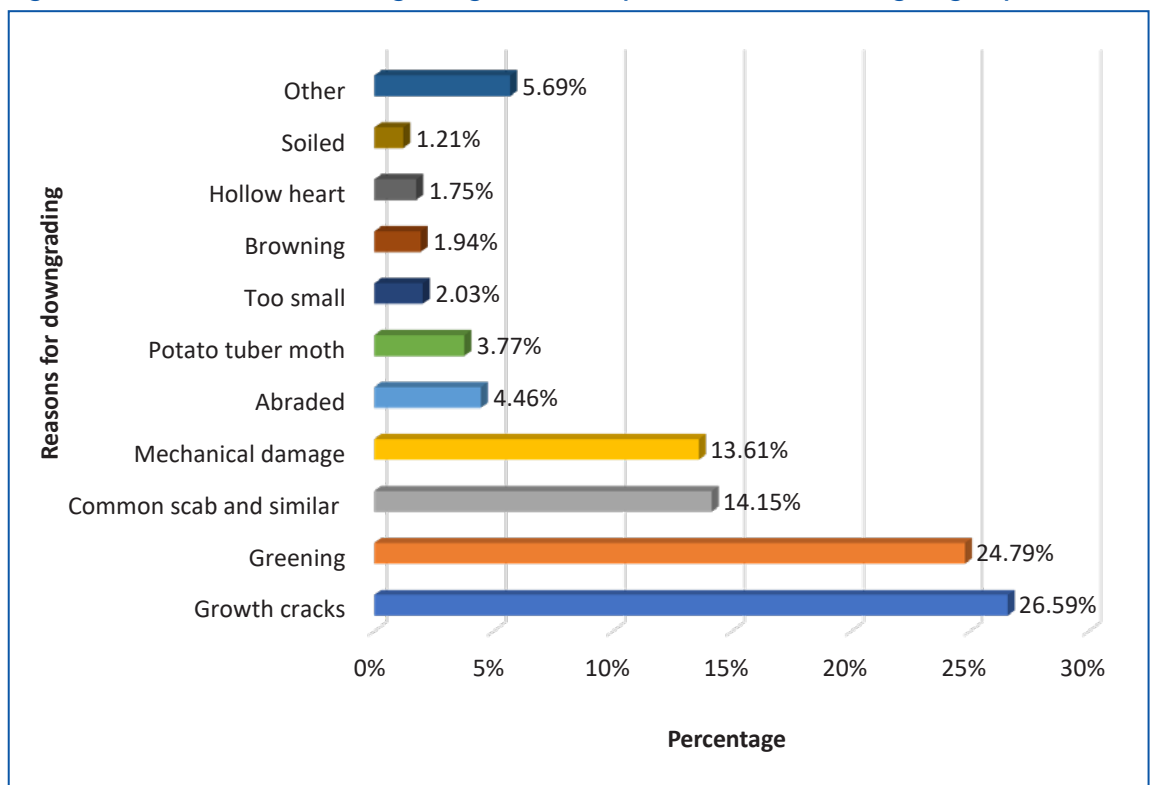
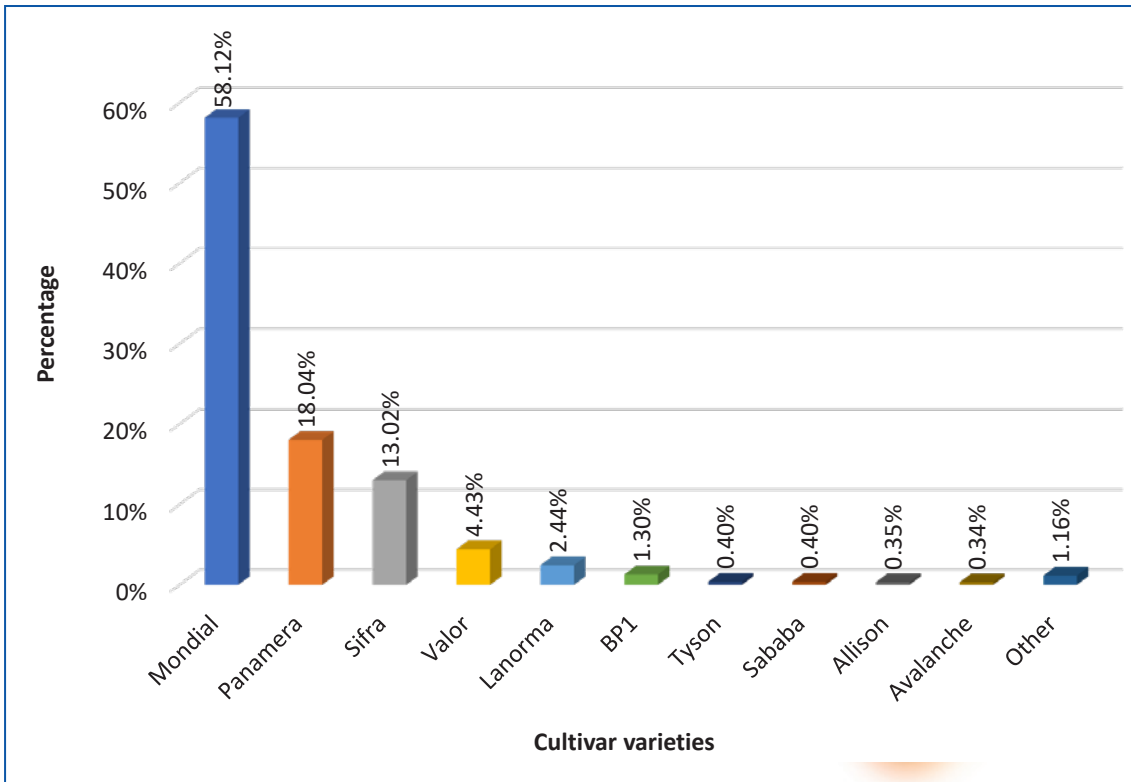


Figure 4: Main reasons for downgrading at all fresh produce markets during Aug/Sep 2023.



Other include: Insect damage, wilt, wet decay, brown fleck, broken and cut tubers, malformed, eelworm, too big, dry stem-end, skin eelworm, sprouts, cold damage, collectively too big and small, Rhizoctonia.

Figure 5: Cultivar varieties inspected at all fresh produce markets during Aug/Sep 2023.



Other include: Up-to-Date, Innovator, Markies, Hertha, Sound, Connect, Noya, Jelly, Musica, 11ZA49A1, Apache (POWW), Taurus, Nicola.

Figure 6: Volumes of different potato bags inspected at all fresh produce markets during Aug/Sep 2023.

