



# Peas

Canada holds the highly enviable status of being the largest producer of peas in the world.

In 2020, we exported nearly 730,000 tonnes of peas, with 87 percent going to China. This compares with 606,000 tonnes in 2019, of which 79 percent went to China.

Alberta sells \$118 million worth of peas to India each year.

Part of this pea appeal is due to their high levels of protein; pea protein is of such high quality that many commercial protein powder producers are starting to use it as a core ingredient. Just this year, Nestlé began rolling out a pea-based tuna alternative in Switzerland.

Peas in Mackenzie Region are exposed to long summer growing days, which has shown to significantly increase their levels of this popular protein.



THANKS TO  
OUR LONG  
SUMMER DAYS,  
OUR PEAS YIELD  
CONSISTENTLY  
HIGH PROTEIN  
LEVELS.



## Facts & Figures on Peas

Statistics Canada, Mackenzie County

PEAS, 2011/2016 CENSUS	2011	2016
Number of farms reporting	74	166
Acres	17,234	50,299
Hectares	6,974	20,355

India is the largest buyer of Alberta's dry field peas at **\$118 million** each year



Alberta's northwest acres dedicated to dry field peas have increased dramatically over the last decade.

Dry field peas produced in northwest Alberta are transported out of the region by rail; **98%** of the volume produced in 2017 was delivered to a grain terminal within the northwest region.



A complete business case for pea processing in the Mackenzie Region is **available upon request.**

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