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During February and March 2024, a total of 15 potato producing regions as well as non-producing suppliers delivered potatoes nationally to fresh produce markets.

Average percentage downgraded: 9.54%.

Total number of bags delivered from 15 regions and non-producing suppliers and inspected at the fresh produce markets: 11 858 453.

Figure 1: Classes of potato bags inspected during Feb/Mar 2024 at all fresh produce markets.

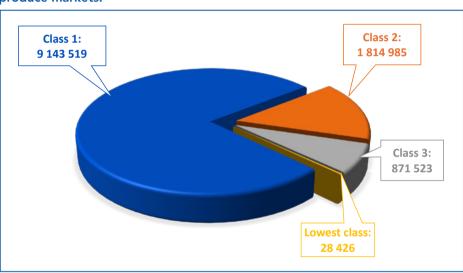


Figure 2: Classes of potato bags downgraded (total 1 131 697) at all fresh produce markets during Feb/Mar 2024.

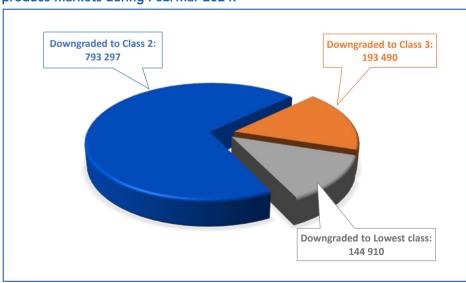




Figure 3: Potato bags downgraded (%) per region at all fresh produce markets during Feb/Mar 2024.

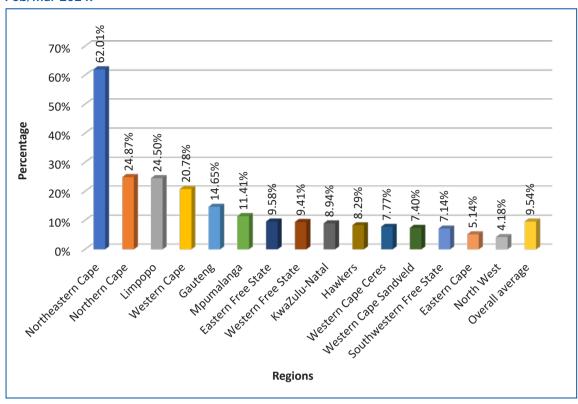
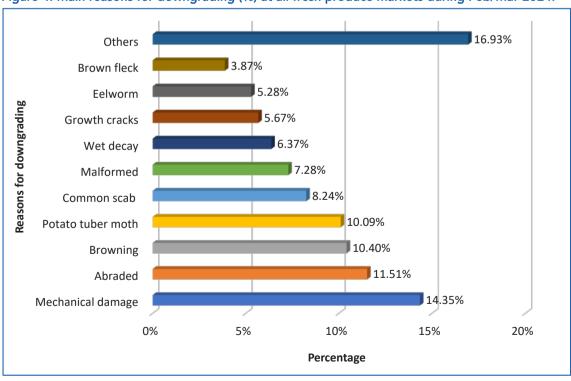
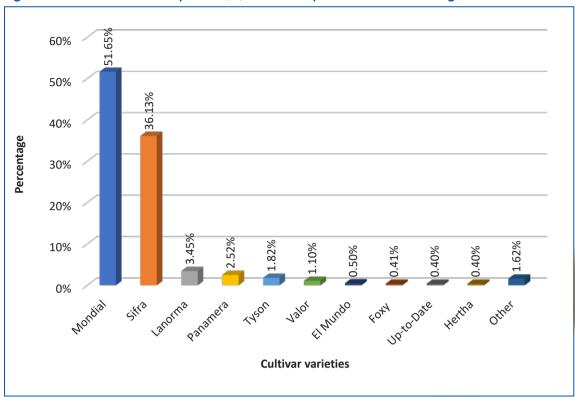


Figure 4: Main reasons for downgrading (%) at all fresh produce markets during Feb/Mar 2024.



Others include: Skin eelworm, insect damage, greening, soiled, too small, broken and cut tubers, hollow heart, glassiness/watery, dry stem-end, wilt, watergrass damage (external), wet by decayed tubers, vascular browning, heat damage, collectively too big and small, sprouts, soiled by decay, too big, Rhizoctonia, watergrass damage (internal), foreign matter.

Figure 5: Cultivar varieties inspected (%) at all fresh produce markets during Feb/Mar 2024.



Others include: Sababa, Innovator, Markies, Savanna, Avalanche, Electra, Nicola, Mondeo, Abby, BP1, Darius, Apache (POWW) and Taisiya.

Figure 6: Volumes of different potato bags inspected at all fresh produce markets during Feb/Mar 2024.

