

Response to MP Green Motion adopted during the March 22, 2021, meeting of the Standing Committee on Government Operations and Estimates

The motion reads as follows:

“That the department responsible for the National Emergency Strategic Stockpile report back to this committee on:

- a) the disposal of all personal protective equipment (PPE) including N-95 masks in 2018, 2019, and 2020; and*
- b) what is the supply levels in real quantities per item across the country nationally as well as per warehouse.”*

Part a):

The table below reflects quantities of PPE disposed as of March 26, 2021:

PRODUCT CATEGORY	Quantity Disposed		
	2018	2019	2020
Coveralls	0	3,010	0
Gloves	780,926	318,028	0
N95 Masks	4,545,370	837,608	0
Surgical Masks	1,604,400	750,600	0
TOTALS	6,930,696	1,909,246	0

As part of its lifecycle management process, the Public Health Agency of Canada disposes of personal protective equipment that has passed the limit of acceptable use, as recommended by the manufacturer. A portion of this personal protective equipment was disposed of during the closure of the warehouse in Regina, while the remaining was disposed of during regular inventory control procedures.

Part b):

The table below reflects quantities held within National Emergency Strategic Stockpile warehouses as of March 26, 2021:

PRODUCT CATEGORY	CATEGORY TOTAL
Coveralls	40,919
Face Shields & Accessories	42,779,315
Gloves	286,213,350

Gowns, Goggles, Shoe Covers	110,932,931
Respirators (N95 & KN95)	74,432,764
Surgical Masks, Face Coverings	186,544,980
WAREHOUSE TOTAL	700,944,259

A breakdown of quantities per warehouse cannot be publicly disclosed due to national security considerations.