

Soybean Seeding Speed Trial

Trial ID: 2025-SSS01 - R.M. of De Salaberry

Objective: Quantify the agronomic and economic impacts of different seeding speeds on soybean production.

Summary: There was no significant yield difference between seeding speeds of 5 mph and 7 mph. There was no significant difference in plant stand, plant spacing uniformity and seeding depth between seeding speeds.

Trial Information

Treatment	5 mph vs. 7 mph
Soil Texture	Clay
Previous Crop	Canola
Tillage	Conventional Tillage
Seeding Equipment	88 ft Planter
Seeding Date	5/1/2025
Variety	DKB006-80
Seeding Rate	170,000 seeds/ac
Row Spacing	22 in.
Harvest Date	9/30/2025

Precipitation (mm)

	May	June	July	Aug	Total
Rainfall	52	34.6	60.4	58.1	205.1
Normal	74.86	96.12	87.95	80.44	339.37
% Norm	69%	36%	69%	72%	60%

Plant Stand (plants/ac) +

	V2	R6
5 mph	125,875 A	125,500 A
7 mph	128,500 A	127,250 A

[†] Columns followed by different letters are significantly different from one another

Plant Establishment and Survivability +

	Establishment at V2	Survivability to R6	Change V2 to R6
5 mph	74%	74%	0%
7 mph	76%	75%	-1%

+ % establishment = plant count at V stages/seeding rate; % survivability = plant count at R stages/seeding rate

NDVI Field Image August 13





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Seeding Depth +

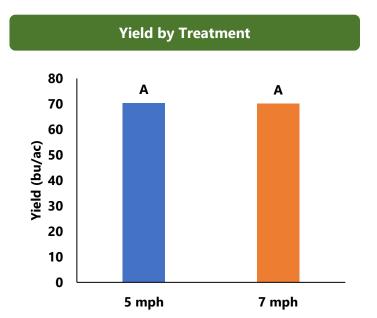
	Average Seeding Depth (in.)
5 mph	0.97 A
7 mph	0.94 A

[†] Seeding depths in columns followed by different letters are significantly different from one another

Plant Spacing Uniformity [†]

	Plant Spacing Uniformity (in.)
5 mph	1.73 A
7 mph	2.09 A

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Overall Yield & Economics

	Mean (bu/ac)	Change in Profit †	
5 mph	70.3	n/a	
7 mph	70.1	n/a	
Yield Difference	-0.2		
P-Value	0.6107		
CV	1%		
Significance	No	Economic N/A	

[†]The economics of changing seeding speed are not calculated since factors like seeding time per acre and fuel consumption were not fully assessed.