

Soybean Seeding Speed Trial

Trial ID: 2025-SSS02 - R.M. of Grey

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
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Precipitation (mm)

	May	June	July	Aug	Total
Rainfall	68.6	28	92.4	80.2	269.2
Normal	68.4	80.86	66.26	57.68	273.2
% Norm	100%	35%	139%	139%	99%

Plant Stand (plants/ac) +

	V2	R7
5 mph	144,000 A	140,875 A
7 mph	145,125 A	143,750 A

⁺ Columns followed by different letters are significantly different from one another

Plant Establishment and Survivability +

	Establishment at V2	Survivability to R7	Change V2 to R7
5 mph	82%	81%	-1%
7 mph	83%	82%	-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	0.81 A
7 mph	0.78 A

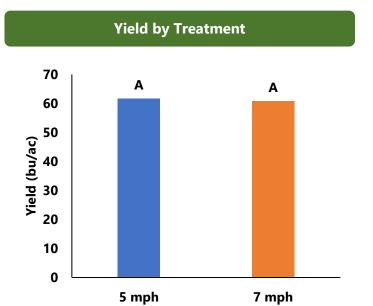
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Plant Spacing Uniformity +

	Uniformity (in.)
5 mph	1.98 A
7 mph	2.06 A

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Significance



Overall Yield & Economics Mean (bu/ac) Change in Profit † 5 mph 61.7 n/a 7 mph 60.7 n/a Yield Difference -1.0 P-Value 0.4717 CV 2.7%

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.