

**NDSU Carrington Research Extension Center**

2006

**Influence of Starter Fertilizer on Soybean Performance - Field Q-9C**

\*\* The objective of this trial was to determine the influence of varied rates of starter fertilizer placed in the seed furrow on stand establishment.

\*\* The trials row spacing was 7 inches, trial was planted on May 24, and soil moisture conditions after planting were fair to good.

**Table 1. Soybean performance as influenced by starter fertilizer.**

**\*\*\* Plant Establishment \*\*\***

Starter Fertilizer Salts	Equivalent 11-52-0		Yield bu/ac	Test Weight lb/bu	Seed Protein %	Seed Oil %	Seeds / Pound	Days to PM	Pod Ht cm	Initial		Final plants ft <sup>-2</sup>	Stand % of Check	Visual Asses. %
	lbs/acre	lbs/acre								Initial plants ft <sup>-2</sup>	Final plants ft <sup>-2</sup>			
0	0	37.7	56.1	36.9	19.0	2926	110.9	6.7	3.6	3.4	100	91		
5	45	38.6	55.8	36.7	18.9	2793	110.6	7.3	2.8	2.4	71	83		
10	91	31.4	56.1	37.4	19.0	2949	110.9	6.1	2.2	2.6	76	75		
15	136	37.0	55.9	36.9	19.0	2837	111.6	7.5	2.0	2.4	71	72		
LSD.05		4.6	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.3	0.6		8.2	
LSD.01		NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	0.4	0.9		11.1	

**Table 2. Soybean performance as influenced by variety.**

**\*\*\* Plant Establishment \*\*\***

Variety	Seed Size	Yield bu/ac	Test Weight lb/bu	Seed Protein %	Seed Oil %	Seeds / Pound	Days to PM	Pod Ht cm	Initial		Final plants ft <sup>-2</sup>	Stand % of Check	Visual Asses. %
									Initial plants ft <sup>-2</sup>	Final plants ft <sup>-2</sup>			
NuTech Seed NT-078	Large	42.6	56.0	36.4	19.1	2812	112.2	7.5	3.0	2.6		88	
Kruger K-072 RR	Medium	34.6	55.9	36.8	18.9	2921	114.4	6.9	2.3	3.0		73	
Gold Country 923 RR	Small	30.8	56.0	37.8	18.9	2901	105.9	6.2	2.7	2.6		80	
LSD.05		3.8	NS	0.8	NS	NS	1.1	NS	0.2	NS		6.7	
LSD.01		5.1	NS	1.1	NS	NS	1.5	NS	0.3	NS		9.1	

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**Table 3. Soybean performance as influenced by interaction of variety and starter fertilizer.**

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**Table 4.** Analysis of variance for sources of variation and traits reported.

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Source of Variation	Test Weight		Seed Protein		Seeds / Pound		Days to PM			Initial	Final	Visual Asses.
	Yield	Weight	Seed Oil	Pound	Pod Ht							
Variety	**	NS	**	NS	NS	**	NS	**	NS	**	NS	**
Starter Fertilizer	*	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	**	**	**
Variety * Starter Fertilizer	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS
Mean	36.2	56	37.0	19.0	2877	111.0	6.9	2.6	2.7			80.3
C.V. %	12.3	1.1	2.7	3.0	9.6	1.1	41.2	10.8	22.7			9.8