



Looks like spring is near!





You can already see the deer on the meadow.

Spring is on its way!!!





Effect of Increasing Wheat Seeding Rates

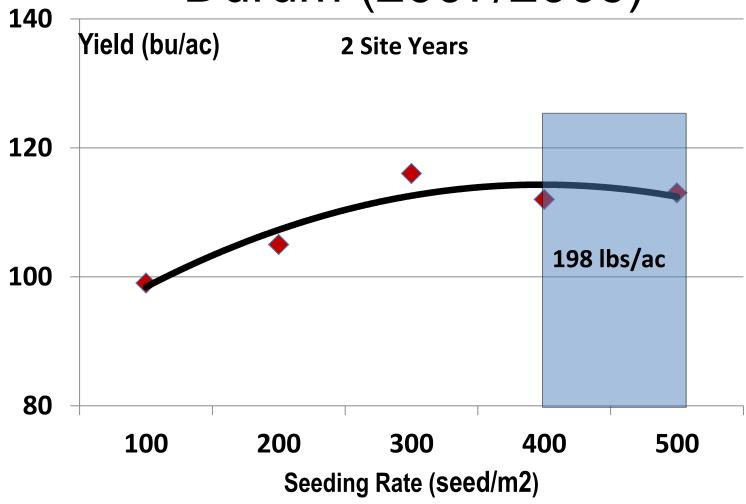
Possible **Positive** Effects

- Increased yield
- Decreased maturity (< tillering)
- Decreased weed competition

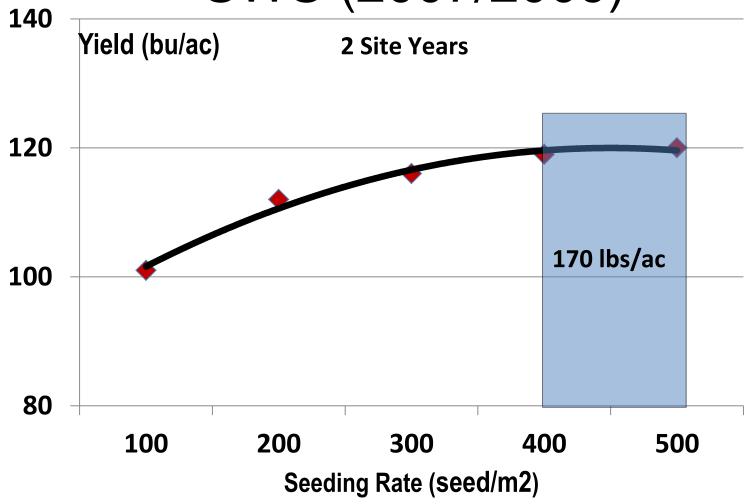
Possible **Negative** Effects

- Decreased yield
- Increased seed costs and planting time
- Increased disease pressure
- Lodging issues

Lethbridge Seeding Rate vs Yielder Durum (2007/2009)



Lethbridge Seeding Rate vs Yielder SWS (2007/2009)



Seeding Rate – Durum & SWS/CDC=

Seeding Rate (plants/m²)	Strongfield Seeding Rate Ib./acre	Sadash Seeding Rate Ib./acre
100	57	45
200	114	90
300	172	135
400	229	179
500	287	224

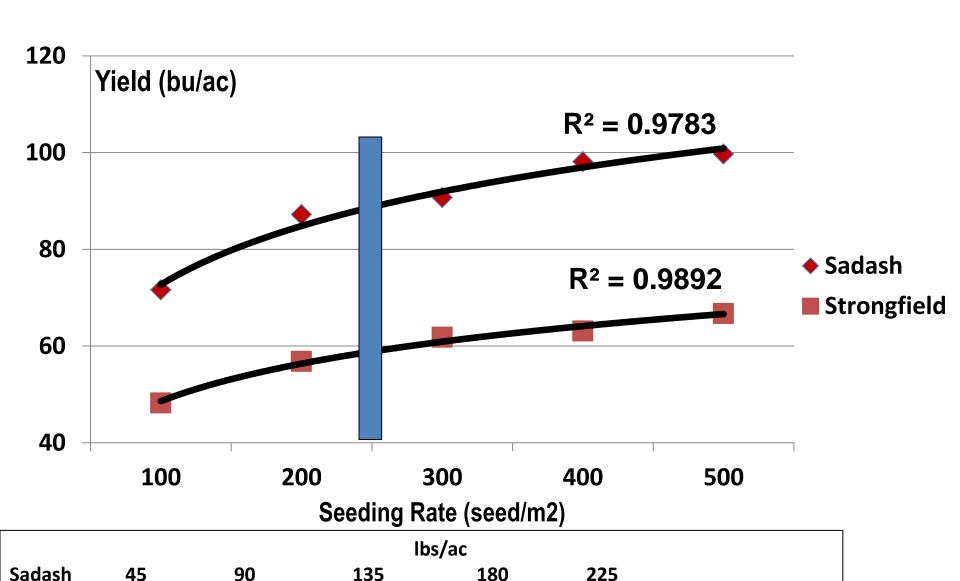
Seeding Rate - 2012 CDG-

Treatment	Yield	Protein	Test Weight	TKW	Maturity	Plant	Lodging
	(bu/ac)	(%)	(gm/hl)	(gm)	(days)	Height (cm)	(1-9)
Variety							
Strongfield	59.3	16.8	75.3	37.5	100	90	4.2
Sadash	89.5	12.5	76.3	33.7	100	85	2.4
LSD (0.05)	5.8	0.7	0.8	NS	NS	4.0	0.7
CV (%)	5.6	3.9	0.8	16.7	0.9	4.4	27.4
Seeding Rate)						
100 seed/m ²	59.9	15.5	75.0	33.0	103	81	1.1
200 seed/m ²	72.0	14.6	75.8	37.5	100	87	2.0
300 seed/m ²	76.3	14.4	76.0	36.2	100	90	3.5
400 seed/m ²	80.6	14.4	76.2	36.1	99	90	4.4
500 seed/m ²	83.2	14.3	76.0	35.4	99	91	5.5
LSD (0.05)	4.3	0.6	0.6	NS	1	4.0	0.9
Variety x See	ding Rate	e Interacti	ion				
LSD (0.05)	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS	S

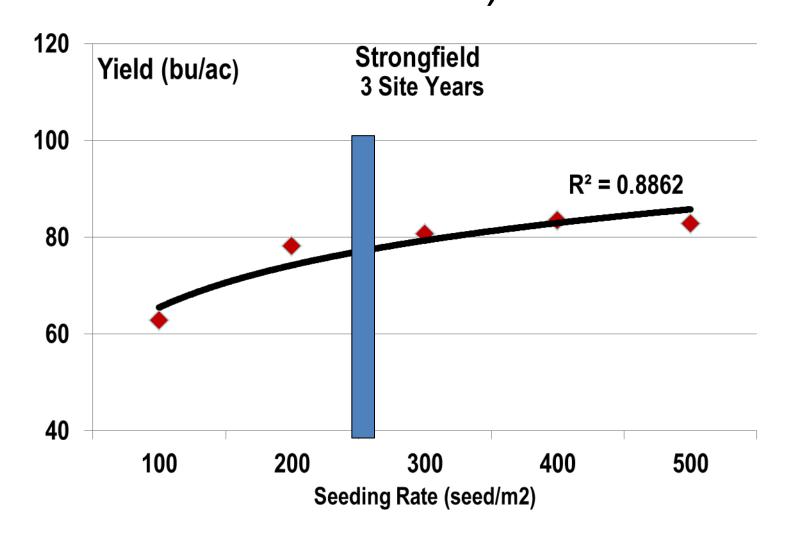
Seeding Rate vs Yield 2012

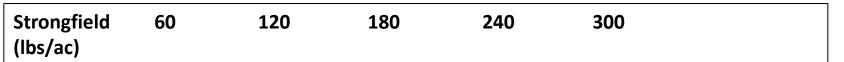
Strongfield



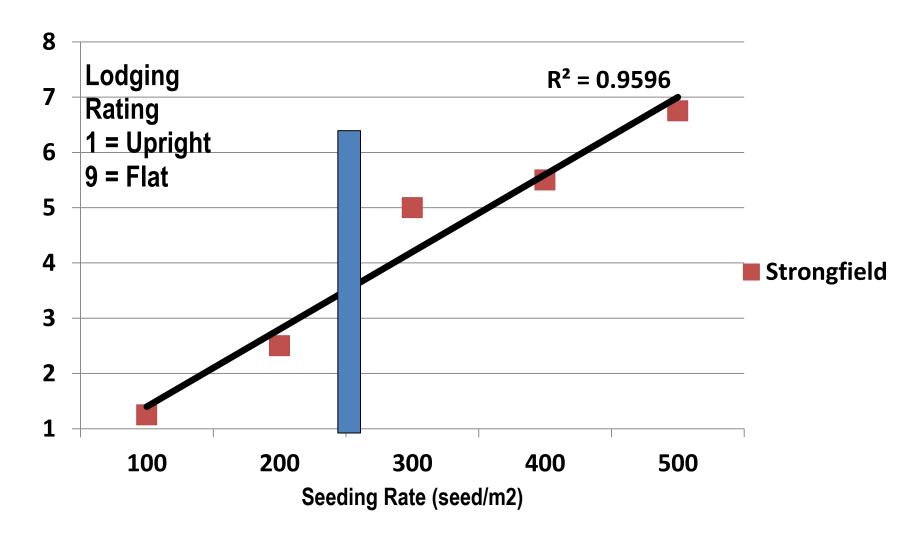


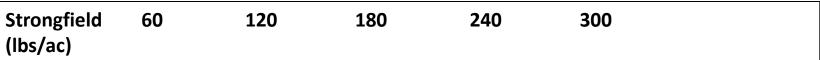
Seeding Rate vs Yield – Durum (2010-2012)



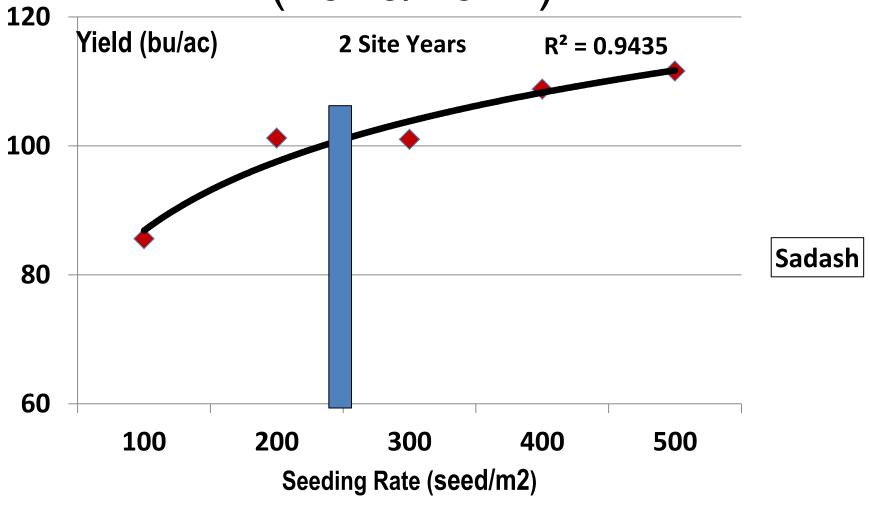


Seeding Rate vs Lodging - Durum





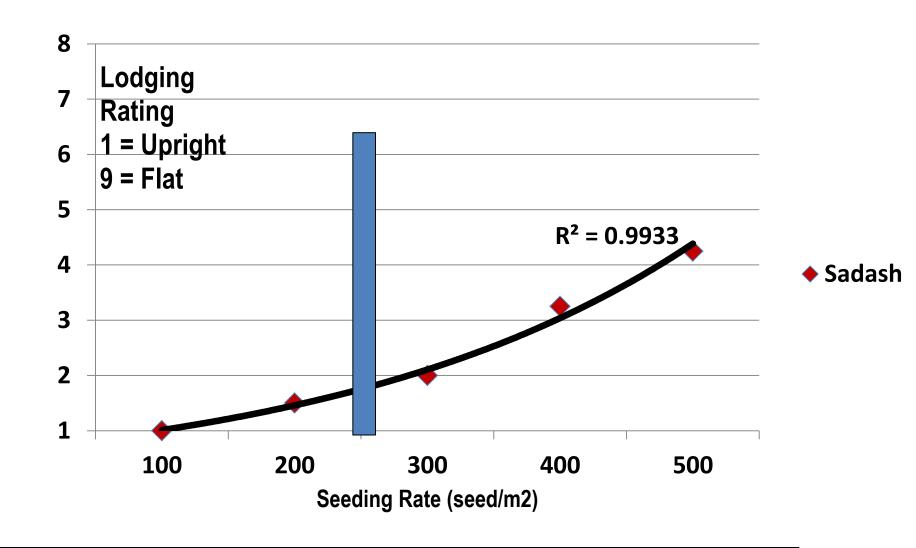
Seeding Rate vs Yield – Soft W// (2010/2012)



Sadash (lbs/ac) 45 90 135 180 225

Seeding Rate vs Lodging - SWS





Sadash (lbs/ac) 45

Durum & SWS Seed Rate Summary



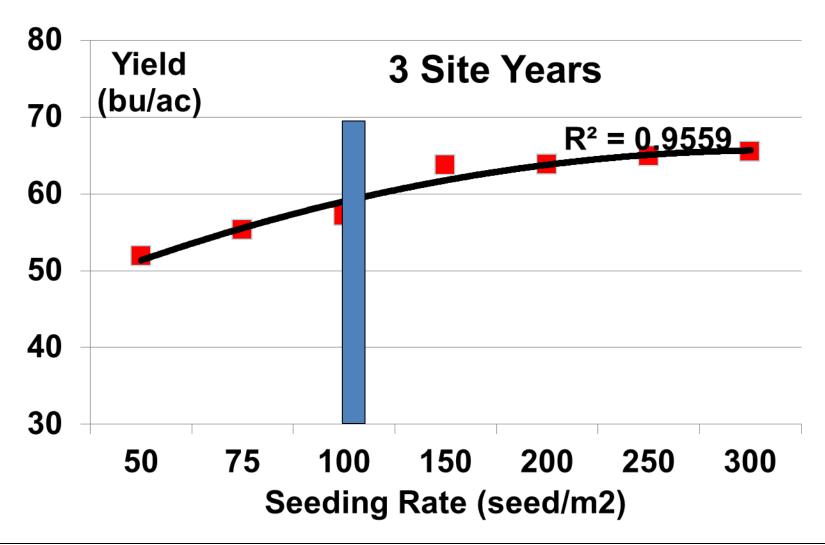
- Grain yield of both durum and soft white wheat increased as seeding rates increased.
- Increases in seeding rate beyond present recommendations did not affect protein, test weight, TKW, plant height or maturity but did increase lodging (all data not presented).
- For Durum modest yield increases to higher seeding rates do not warrant the much higher degree of lodging. Maintain present target populations.
- For SWS higher seeding rates may be warranted without affecting harvest management. SWS will be evaluated further in 2013.

Seeding Rate - Canola Constant

Seeding Rate (plants/m²)	45H21 Seeding Rate	5440 Seeding Rate		
	lb./acre	lb./acre		
50	3.0	2.5		
75	4.5	3.7		
100	5.9	4.9		
150	9.0	7.5		
200	12.0	10.0		
250	14.9	12.4		
300	17.9	14.9		

Seeding Rate vs Yield – Canola (2011/2012)





Rate (lbs/ac) 2.5 3.7	5.0	7.5	10	12.5	15.0		
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