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Pea Seeding Rate Trial

Trial ID: 2022-PSR02 – R.M. of Grey

Objective: Quantify the agronomic and economic impacts of different field pea seeding rates.

Summary: There was no significant yield difference between seeding rates of 65, 89, and 105 seeds/m². As a result, there was a decrease in profit equivalent to the increase in seed cost for the higher seeding rates.

Trial Information

Treatment †	65 vs 89 vs 105 seeds/m ²
Soil Texture	Clay
Previous Crop	Canola
Tillage	Zero Till
Seeding Equipment	42 ft Disc Drill
Seeding Date	May 27
Variety	AAC Chrome
Germination	75%
Row Spacing	7.5"
Harvest Date	September 9

† Equivalent to 2.3 vs 3.2 vs 3.8 bu/ac seeding rates

Precipitation (mm)

	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Total
Rainfall	144.2	62.8	147.5	86.4	440.9
Normal	58.5	92	77.8	67.6	295.9
% Normal	246%	68%	190%	128%	149%

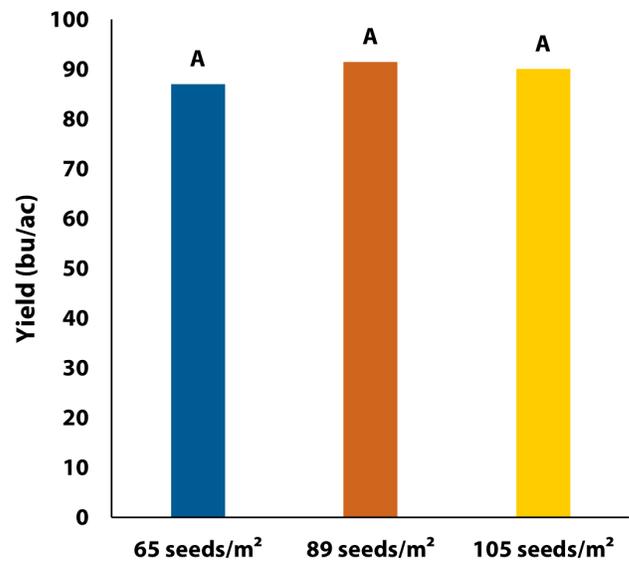
Plant Stand (plants/ac)

Seed/m ²	V2	R4
65	192,000	177,000
89	246,000	219,000
105	266,000	242,000

NDVI Field Image July 25



Yield by Treatment



Overall Yield & Economics

	Mean (bu/ac)	Cost †	Change in Profit/ac ††
65 seeds/m²	87	\$67/ac	
89 seeds/m²	91.5	\$93/ac	-\$26/ac
105 seeds/m²	90	\$110/ac	-\$44/ac
P-Value	0.2542	Economic	65 seeds/m ² to 89 seeds/m ² → No
CV	4.6%		65 seeds/m ² to 105 seeds/m ² → No
Significance	No		89 seeds/m ² to 105 seeds/m ² → No

† Based on Manitoba Agriculture's 2022 Cost of Production Guidelines (\$29/bu); does not include application cost.

†† Yields were not significantly different, therefore profit/ac decreased by the cost/ac of increasing seeding rate.