

WHEAT AND BARLEY VARIETY AND DATE OF PLANTING
YIELD COMPARISONS AT THE SAFFORD AGRICULTURAL CENTER 1985

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Growers in the Safford Valley are predominately interested in wheat for feed rather than bread or pasta making. Twelve high yielding common wheats, six high yielding durums and six barleys were grown in randomized blocks of four replications with three planting dates, November 1, December 6 and January 11.

Initial fertilization at planting was NH_3 , 110 lbs N and 300 lbs 16-20-0 per acre. Additionally, Uran, 75 lbs N, was applied in irrigation water April 4. Each plot consisted of 6 rows, 1-foot apart and 12 feet long. The center four rows were harvested with a 'Hege' plot combine for grain yield.

With each planting date, the field was flooded for emergence. Although tillering profusely the final stand for the November date of planting was generally a little more 'skippy' than for the December and January dates. Also, the spring application of N probably was a bit too late to have any effect on yield for the November planting. Yields for all three crops, common wheat, durum and barley were significantly greater for the December planting than for the November planting and significantly greater for the November planting than for the January date.

Yield data for the barleys are presented for the three dates of planting in Table 1. In a like manner data, the common "feed" wheats and durum wheats are presented in Tables 2 and 3, respectively. Variety X date interactions were significant at the .01% level of probability for all three crops. Multiple range significance comparisons of the higher yielding entries are shown in the right column for comparing variety yields across planting dates. Three common wheat varieties in Table 2, AC79-97, Westbred 911, and Probrand 775 were within the top five ranking, for each date of planting.

An additional randomized block yield trial was planted December 6 to evaluate twelve quality bread wheats. These data are presented in Table 4.

Table 1. Barley variety yield evaluations at three dates of planting.

| Variety | Source | Test Weight lbs/bu | Grain Yield lbs/A ^{1/} | |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| NOVEMBER 1 ^{3/} | | | | |
| Westbred Gustoe | WPB | 52.5 | 6539 a ^{1/} | AB ^{2/} |
| Columbia | Germaines | 51.5 | 6057 ab | BC |
| Westbred Gus | WPB | 52.0 | 5401 bc | CD |
| Prato | Public | 50.5 | 4877 c | |
| Signal* | Public | 51.5 | 3642 d | |
| Westbred Barcott* | WPB | 50.0 | 2246 e | |
| *early varieties with excessive freeze damage | | | | |
| DECEMBER 6 ^{3/} | | | | |
| Columbia | Germaines | 50.0 | 7261 a | A |
| Westbred Gustoe | WPB | 52.0 | 7147 a | A |
| Westbred Gus | WPB | 51.0 | 7005 a | A |
| Prato | Public | 49.0 | 5790 b | CD |
| Westbred Barcott* | WPB | 50.5 | 4916 c | |
| Signal* | WPB | 51.5 | 4833 c | |
| *early varieties with some frost damage at flower | | | | |
| JANUARY 11 | | | | |
| Prato | Public | 48.5 | 5130 a | D |
| Signal | Public | 48.5 | 4755 a | |
| Westbred Gustoe | WPB | 51.0 | 3726 b | |
| Westbred Barcott | WPB | 48.5 | 3606 b | |
| Columbia | Germaines | 47.0 | 3531 b | |
| Westbred Gus | WPB | 50.0 | 3196 b | |

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^{2/} Variety yields across planting dates followed by the same letter are not significantly different at .05% probability level using Duncan's Multiple Range Test.

^{3/} Yields for the December date of planting were significantly greater than for the November date and yields for the November date were significantly greater than for the January planting date.

Table 2. Common 'Feed' wheat variety yield test evaluation at three dates of planting.

| Variety | Source | Test Weight lbs/bu | Grain Yield lbs/A | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| NOVEMBER 1 ^{3/} | | | | |
| AC79-97 | Public | 62.0 | 6300 a | ^{1/} AB ^{2/} |
| Zaragoza | Public | 61.5 | 6200 ab | AB |
| Glennson | Public | 63.0 | 6119 abc | ABC |
| Westbred 911 | WPB | 61.5 | 6067 abc | ABC |
| Probrand 775 | NK | 62.5 | 6050 abc | ABC |
| Anza | Public | 63.0 | 5821 abc | BC |
| Nacozari 76 | Public | 63.0 | 5602 bc | BC |
| Super-X | Public | 62.5 | 5531 c | C |
| AC79-162-1 | Public | 62.0 | 5530 c | C |
| Klassic | NK | 63.5 | 4701 d | |
| Yecora Rojo | Public | 63.0 | 4637 d | |
| OR 750753 | Public | 61.0 | 4627 d | |
| DECEMBER 6 ^{3/} | | | | |
| Probrand 775 | NK | 61.5 | 6632 a | A |
| Westbred 911 | WPB | 61.0 | 6329 ab | AB |
| AC79-97 | Public | 60.5 | 6319 ab | AB |
| Anza | Public | 62.0 | 6112 abc | ABC |
| Nacozari 76 | Public | 61.0 | 5985 bc | ABC |
| Zaragoza | Public | 58.0 | 5945 bc | ABC |
| Super-X | Public | 61.0 | 5822 bcd | BC |
| Yecora Rojo | Public | 63.0 | 5771 bcd | BC |
| Glennson | Public | 61.5 | 5752 bcd | BC |
| Klassic | NK | 63.0 | 5676 cd | BC |
| AC79-162-1 | Public | 59.5 | 5279 d | |
| OR 750753 | Public | 58.5 | 4534 e | |
| JANUARY 11 | | | | |
| AC79-97 | Public | 60.5 | 5417 a | C |
| Probrand 775 | NK | 59.5 | 5310 ab | |
| Glennson | Public | 61.0 | 5094 ab | |
| Westbred 911 | WPB | 60.0 | 5019 ab | |
| Yecora Rojo | Public | 61.5 | 4863 abc | |
| Anza | Public | 60.5 | 4800 bcd | |
| Nacozari 76 | Public | 60.0 | 4715 bcde | |
| Klassic | NK | 60.5 | 4357 cdef | |
| Super-X | Public | 57.0 | 4274 cdef | |
| Zaragoza | Public | 57.0 | 4234 def | |
| OR 750753 | Public | 59.0 | 4184 ef | |
| AC79-162-1 | Public | 59.0 | 3786 f | |

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^{3/} Yields for the December date of planting were significantly greater than for the November date and yields for the November date were significantly greater than for the January planting date.

Table 3. Durum variety yield evaluation at the three dates of planting.

| Variety | Source | Test Weight lbs/bu | Grain Yield lbs/A | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| <u>NOVEMBER 1</u> ^{3/} | | | | |
| Waha"S" | Public | 63.0 | 6528 a ^{1/} | BCD ^{2/} |
| Bittern"S" | Public | 64.5 | 6514 a | BCD |
| Aldura | NK | 63.0 | 6384 a | CD |
| Yavaros 79 | Public | 64.0 | 6151 ab | CD |
| G 5003 | Germaines | 63.0 | 5791 bc | |
| Westbred 1000 D | WPB | 58.5 | 5393 c | |
| <u>DECEMBER 6</u> ^{3/} | | | | |
| Aldura | NK | 63.0 | 7648 a | A |
| Waha"S" | Public | 63.0 | 7024 b | B |
| Bittern"S" | Public | 64.0 | 6863 bc | BC |
| Westbred 1000 D | WPB | 59.0 | 6662 bcd | BCD |
| G 5003 | Germaines | 62.0 | 6504 cd | BCD |
| Yavaros 79 | Public | 63.5 | 6329 d | D |
| <u>JANUARY 11</u> | | | | |
| Aldura | NK | 62.0 | 5289 a | |
| Waha"S" | Public | 61.5 | 4685 b | |
| Yavaros 79 | Public | 60.5 | 4539 bc | |
| Bittern"S" | Public | 62.5 | 4364 bc | |
| Westbred 1000 D | WPB | 56.0 | 4288 bc | |
| G 5003 | Germaines | 60.5 | 4146 c | |

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Table 4. Bread wheat quality variety and experimental yield evaluation planted December 6.

| Variety | Source | Test Weight lbs/bu | Grain Yield ^{1/} lbs/A |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| IS 83501 | IPRI | 63.0 | 7197 a |
| P 983-83 | WPB | 60.0 | 6247 b |
| P 983-63 | WPB | 62.0 | 6220 bc |
| P 983-69 | WPB | 62.5 | 6164 bc |
| IS 8322 | IPRI | 61.5 | 6134 bc |
| Probred | NK | 62.0 | 5980 bcd |
| AI-26 | Public | 60.5 | 5781 bcd |
| Cajeme | Public | 62.5 | 5672 bcd |
| Oslo | H&H | 61.0 | 5581 bcd |
| AC79-162-1 | Public | 60.0 | 5567 cd |
| IS 8314 | IPRI | 60.0 | 5566 cd |
| Yecora Rojo | Public | 60.0 | 5317 d |

^{1/} Variety yields followed by the same letter are not significantly different at the .05% level of probability using Duncan's Multiple Range Test (CV=6.8%).