

# **Soybean Seeding Rate Trial**

Trial ID: 2020-SP05 - R.M. of Brokenhead

**Objective:** Quantify the agronomic impacts of a seeding rate of different soybean seeding rates

**Summary:** There was no significant yield difference between seeding rates of 190,000, 160,000 and 130,000 seeds/ac. As a result, there was a decrease in profit equivalent to the increase in seed cost for the higher seeding rates.

#### **Trial Information**

Treatment	130k vs 160k vs 190k	
<b>Soil Texture</b>	Clay Loam	
<b>Previous Crop</b>	Wheat	
Tillage	<b>Tillage</b> Conventional	
Seeding Equipment	60 ft Disc Drill	
<b>Seeding Date</b>	May 19	
Variety	LS 0036RR	
Row Spacing	10"	
<b>Harvest Date</b>	September 27	

### **Precipitation (mm)**

	May	June	July	August
Normal	54	89.9	73.4	72.6
Rainfall	11.3	74.9	49.8	110.7

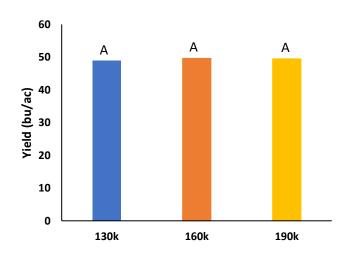
### Plant Stand (plants/ac)

	V1	R8
130k	148 000	137 000
160k	170 000	148 000
190k	177 000	163 000

## **NDVI Field Image August 19**



#### **Yield by Treatment**





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Overall Yield & Economics					
	Mean (bu/ac)	Cost +	Change in Profit/ac++		
130k	48.9	\$62/ac			
160k	49.6	\$76/ac	-\$14/ac		
190k	49.5	\$90/ac	-\$28/ac		
P-Value	0.1322				
CV	0.9%				
		Economic	130k → 160k No		
Significance	No		130k → 190k No $160k → 190k No$		

<sup>+</sup> Based on MB Agriculture 2020 Cost of Production Guidelines (\$66.50/unit)

<sup>++</sup> Change in profit is calculated as the difference in cost between seeding rate treatments. Because yields were not significantly different, there is no increased income to offset the increase in seed cost