2013 State Silage Corn Performance Test on the Texas High Plains

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Introduction

The significant dairy and beef industries in the Texas High Plains require large amounts of high quality and low cost grain and silage corn. Selection of a hybrid with high tonnage potential and acceptable quality is a key decision that a producer continually faces. We initiated the state silage corn performance test at the Texas A&M AgriLife North Plains Research Field at Etter in 2007, and at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station at Halfway in 2008 (Xu et al, 2007; 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012). Since then, we have conducted the tests at both locations annually. The interest among producers and the seed industry regarding this program's data remains strong. Almost all seed companies that offer corn hybrids in this region have participated in the tests, and the number of hybrids entered annually continues to grow at the Etter location while remaining the same at the Halfway location. For a fee, commercial seed companies have an opportunity to enter hybrids at either or both test sites. To our knowledge, this is the only public comparative field testing program available in the Texas High Plains. The goal is to provide producers with timely and unbiased performance information regarding yield, quality, and agronomic traits.

Entries of 2013 State Silage Corn Performance Test at Etter and Halfway:

A total of 40 hybrids from nine companies entered into the Etter test and 32 hybrids from seven companies were tested at the Halfway location. One commercial hybrid was dropped from both locations at the data analysis stage due to poor seed quality and less than desirable stands. In addition, 10 experimental hybrids developed by the Texas A&M AgriLife corn breeding program in Lubbock were included at both locations (Tables 1 and 3). Relative maturity is reported as per the seed companies and ranges from 107-123 days.

Experimental Designs:

The test was conducted under a center pivot field at the Texas A&M AgriLife North Plains Research Field at Etter and at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Station at Halfway. The tests used a randomized complete block design with three replications. Each plot consisted of four rows, 18 feet long with 2-foot alleys. Row-spacing was 30-inches at Etter and 40 inches at Halfway. The two center rows of each plot were harvested for yield.

Agronomic Practices at Etter:

The test was planted on April 26 and harvested on September 9, 2013. The previous crop was wheat, followed by summer fallow. Pre-plant fertilizers were applied at the rate of 108 (N)

Ibs/a and 78 (P) Ibs/a with a strip till rig on April 24. An additional 140 lbs. of nitrogen was applied through the pivot on June 20 through July 30. An herbicide mixture of Bicep Lite II Magnum at 1.25 qt/a, Balance Flex at 3 oz/a, Medal II at 8 pt/a, and Makaze at 1.5 pt/a was applied on April 12 and incorporated into the soil to control weeds before planting. On June 12, Option at 1.5 oz/a and Status at 8 oz/a were applied to control Johnson grass and other grassy weeds. Lorsban 15G was applied at 6.5 lbs/a through the planter units to control corn rootworm. At the three-leaf stage, seedlings were hand-thinned to a uniform target population of 32,912 plants/a. Strip till management was implemented without the listing of seedbeds. The test site had an adequate soil moisture profile level at planting. Monthly rainfall during the growing season was as follows: May – 0.17", June –1.19", July 2.28", and August 2.10". Total rainfall from planting to harvest (May to August) was 5.74". The field was irrigated regularly at the 100% ET level through a center-pivot irrigation system fitted with LESA nozzles at 60" spacing. A total of 26.75 inches of water was applied during the season.

Agronomic Practices at Halfway:

The test was planted on April 22 and harvested on August 27, 2013. The previous crop was cotton. Pre-plant fertilizers were applied on March 15 at the rate of 150 lbs. N/a and 50 lbs. P/a. Fertilizers were immediately incorporated into the soil by using an offset disc. Herbicides Bicep at 3 pts/a and Roundup at 32 oz/a were applied on April 25 and activated by watering the field with the pivot. At three-leaf stage, seedlings were hand-thinned to achieve a uniform target population of 30,618 plants/a. On June 11, the liquid fertilizers were side dressed at 100 lbs. N/a using a coulter rig. A total of 3.1 inches of water was applied between April 6 and April 20 prior to planting. From planting to harvest, a total of 21.34 inches of water was applied at regular intervals (3.6" from April 27 to May 27, 4.51" from June 1 to 30, 7.83" from July 1 to 31, and 5.4 on August 1 to 25). In-season rainfall totaled 9.60 inches (April – 0, May 0, June 4.33", July 3.67", August 1.6"). With the high temperature and wind, the amount of irrigation water did not meet the plant evapotranspiration demand at 100% level.

Data collected:

Data was recorded for stand, flowering dates, plant and ear height, and root and stalk lodging. Stand is reported as a percentage of the target plant population. There were few plants with root or stalk lodging in the field at harvest in either location. The two-center rows of each plot were harvested with a John Deere 5200 small-plot silage chopper equipped with a Hagie silage plot weighing system. A mechanical problem with the silage chopper delayed harvesting 5-10 days later than the target date (average milk line at 50%), especially at Halfway where irrigation was withheld in preparation for harvesting. Plants were cut 5 inches above the ground. Approximately 2 lbs of a chopped sub-sample were collected from each plot, weighed for the fresh weight, dried at 50°C, weighed for dry weight, and then analyzed for silage quality using NIR methods by the Dairy One Forage Lab (Ithaca, NY). The moisture content was calculated by using fresh and dry weight of the sub-samples. Yields were measured on a plot basis, converted to short tons per acre, and adjusted to a 65% moisture level.

Test Results:

The mean yield of all hybrids was 30.6 and 31.1 tons per acre at Etter and Halfway respectively (Tables 1 and 3). Due to dry and windy conditions and near-freezing temperatures

in late April and early May, plant heights at both Etter and Halfway were shorter than previous years.

Silage quality was analyzed with NIR and all analyzed quality traits were highly different among the entries (Tables 2 and 4). The NIR data for the third replication at Etter was questionable for unknown reasons, and therefore, forage quality results at Etter were based on only two replications. Users should consider different quality traits, but TDN and IVTN24 are commonly used to represent forage digestibility. The average TDN values were 78.9% at Etter and 79.8% at Halfway; the average IVTD24 values were 81.5% at Etter and 82.6% at Halfway (Tables 3 and 4). A high value of TDN and IVTD24 indicates a higher digestibility. Digestibility of corn silage is also highly correlated to the amount of grain produced and also the chemical composition of the stalk.

Hybrid selection is an important decision for silage corn producers. A good silage hybrid should have a strong adaptation to local environment, appropriate maturity, high tonnage and digestibility, and stable production performance across varying environments. This combination of qualities make the complex and challenging task of maximizing feedstuff potential for cattle more efficient and leads to higher producing cattle operations in the Texas high plains. All silage corn in the High Plains is virtually produced with irrigation water derived from the Ogallala Aquifer. More tonnage per acre and better forage quality is a good indicator of genetic improvement of crop water use efficiency and better genetics adapted to this environment.

These results are available at the State Crop Performance Test Program (<u>http://varietytesting.tamu.edu</u>) and the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Lubbock Center websites (http://lubbock.tamu.edu). These results will help producers, Extension specialists and consultants select commercial hybrids best suited in the Texas High Plains.

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				Stand	DTP	PHT	EHT	Moist	Yield	% of test	Yield
Hybrid	Company	RM	Trait	%	days	cm	cm	%	Tons/a	mean	rank
1555 PRO3	Armor	114	VT2PRO	95.0	78.0	256.0	105.0	52.2	28.70	93.8	39
1550 PRO2	Armor	115	VT3PRO	93.9	78.0	227.0	92.0	55.3	30.41	99.4	29
1880 PRO2	Armor	117	VT2PRO	95.3	78.0	260.0	91.0	53.8	31.76	103.8	16
BH 8732 VTTP	B-H Genetics	118	Genuity VT3P	102.5	77.0	275.0	104.0	54.5	33.41	109.2	5
BH 8830 VTTP	B-H Genetics	117	Genuity VT3P	90.9	78.0	261.0	95.0	51.1	31.59	103.2	18
BH 8895 VT2P	B-H Genetics	118	Genuity VT2P	97.3	77.0	264.0	97.0	53.0	30.55	99.8	28
BH 8900 VIP3111	B-H Genetics	118	Viptera 3111	96.9	77.0	284.0	96.0	53.3	28.32	92.5	42
BH 8977 RR/HX	B-H Genetics	117	RR/HX	103.0	78.0	274.0	104.0	55.8	31.18	101.9	22
BH 9029 VTTP	B-H Genetics	119	Genuity VT3P	101.0	76.0	262.0	88.0	53.1	28.89	94.4	37
X 12111 LF	B-H Genetics	116	N/A	97.5	81.0	302.0	112.0	53.1	31.60	103.3	17
XP 8890 RR	B-H Genetics	119	RR	96.2	79.0	270.0	105.0	55.2	27.18	88.8	45
67H49	Blue River	113	None	101.5	76.0	278.0	91.0	55.9	25.79	84.3	49
70R50	Blue River	114	None	91.7	77.0	269.0	108.0	53.7	32.48	106.1	12
73B33	Blue River	116	None	94.4	79.0	275.0	110.0	52.1	31.09	101.6	24
75B89	Blue River	116	None	103.1	79.0	261.0	99.0	50.6	31.35	102.5	20
75L99	Blue River	116	None	93.6	80.0	276.0	115.0	50.9	34.38	112.4	3
76H50	Blue River	117	None	93.3	78.0	255.0	95.0	55.2	29.63	96.8	35
D53VC13	CPS/DynaGro	113	VT2PRO	92.5	77.0	248.0	98.0	53.9	30.57	99.9	27
D55GT73	CPS/DynaGro	115	GT	100.8	77.0	271.0	93.0	51.3	29.40	96.1	36
D57VP75	CPS/DynaGro	117	VT3PRO	104.5	76.0	276.0	109.0	55.1	31.20	102.0	21
D 59HR50	CPS/DynaGro	119	RR HX	90.1	79.0	291.0	105.0	55.7	32.57	106.4	11
G7601	Golden Acres	117	VT3P	99.7	77.0	277.0	109.0	53.8	32.92	107.6	7
G8551	Golden Acres	118	VT3P	97.1	79.0	289.0	123.0	46.6	32.72	106.9	10
DKC 66-42	Monsanto	116	GENSS	101.5	76.0	264.0	103.0	53.5	31.80	103.9	15
DKC 66-87	Monsanto	116	GENVT2P	101.0	76.0	254.0	99.0	53.4	30.30	99.0	30

Table 1. Means of stand, days to pollen shed (DTP), plant height (PHT), ear height (EHT), stalk lodging (STL), root lodging (RTL), moisture at harvest, and forage yield adjusted to 65% moisture of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Etter, Texas in 2013.

				Stand	DTP	PHT	EHT	Moist	Yield	% of test	Yield
Hybrid	Company	RM	Trait	%	days	cm	cm	%	Tons/a	mean	Rank
DKC 67-88	Monsanto	117	GENVT3P	100.7	77.0	276.0	111.0	48.5	35.21	115.1	2
TMF 2H747	Mycogen	113	SSX	100.0	78.0	273.0	113.0	45.3	32.77	107.1	9
TMF 2H918	Mycogen	123	HXI RR	88.6	81.0	313.0	135.0	61.1	31.47	102.8	19
TMF 2L825	Mycogen	117	HXI RR	101.5	79.0	286.0	125.0	48.5	31.85	104.1	14
TMF 2L874	Mycogen	118	SSX	102.4	79.0	296.0	140.0	57.9	31.14	101.8	23
1358S	Triumph	113	SmartStacx	99.0	79.0	272.0	109.0	49.7	32.79	107.2	8
1725H	Triumph	117	HXI/RR	94.9	76.0	279.0	110.0	57.7	32.12	105.0	13
1801H	Triumph	118	HX1/RR	100.0	80.0	279.0	129.0	38.7	36.32	118.7	1
REV 17HR73	Terral Seed, Inc	107	HXI/LL/RR	99.5	76.0	259.0	96.0	46.7	28.44	92.9	40
REV 18BHR84	Terral Seed, Inc	108	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	99.0	76.0	240.0	81.0	49.0	28.40	92.8	41
REV 22BHR54	Terral Seed, Inc	112	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	89.9	76.0	246.0	87.0	54.0	26.95	88.1	46
REV 25BHR44	Terral Seed, Inc	115	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	97.6	79.0	271.0	97.0	48.1	30.61	100.0	26
REV 26BHR50	Terral Seed, Inc	116	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	102.5	78.0	274.0	93.0	51.9	29.82	97.4	33
REV 28HR20	Terral Seed, Inc	118	HXI/LL/RR	96.0	79.0	281.0	103.0	47.6	33.45	109.3	4
CUBA1 x BR-1	Texas A&M	116		97.6	79.0	298.0	133.0	57.1	29.79	97.4	34
DK7 x SS1	Texas A&M	118		92.2	79.0	284.0	119.0	55.0	26.53	86.7	47
PBC1 x NS1	Texas A&M	116		89.4	78.0	272.0	98.0	63.3	28.77	94.0	38
S1C2W64A1 x SS1	Texas A&M	115		86.9	79.0	271.0	115.0	54.1	30.13	98.5	31
S1C2W64A2 x SS1	Texas A&M	115		98.0	79.0	266.0	98.0	46.3	30.06	98.2	32
CUBA1TEO30 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		90.0	77.0	271.0	115.0	45.6	30.92	101.0	25
CUBA1TEO33 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		90.4	76.0	269.0	105.0	48.8	27.41	89.6	43
CUBA1TEO71 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		94.9	77.0	261.0	103.0	40.6	25.83	84.4	48
CUBA1TEO72 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		91.4	77.0	272.0	105.0	43.5	27.21	88.9	44
CUBA1TEO56 x NS2	Texas A&M	115		102.0	78.0	278.0	121.0	35.4	33.06	108.0	6
Test Mean				96.7	77.9	271.6	105.9	51.6	30.6	100.1	
CV%				7.1	1.5	4.1	11.6	7.2	8.16		
LSD 0.05				11.1	1.9	18.0	19.9	6.0	4.05		

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Hybrid	Company	CP	ADF	NDF	Lignin	NFC	Starch	TDN	IVTD24	NDFD24	MILK1	MILK2
1555 PRO3	Armor	8.3	18.3	32.7	2.4	54.1	45.8	79.0	82.5	45.0	3240.0	3610.5
1550 PRO2	Armor	8.7	18.5	33.4	3.0	53.1	43.5	79.0	82.0	46.0	3239.0	3591.0
1880 PRO2	Armor	8.5	20.0	35.6	3.0	51.6	41.9	78.0	80.5	45.0	3213.0	3551.5
BH 8732 VTTP	B-H Genetics	8.0	21.4	37.6	2.8	49.9	40.4	78.0	79.5	45.5	3267.0	3594.5
BH 8830 VTTP	B-H Genetics	8.4	19.5	34.4	2.6	52.6	43.2	78.0	80.5	43.5	3213.0	3563.0
BH 8895 VT2P	B-H Genetics	7.7	19.1	33.5	2.5	53.6	45.6	78.0	82.0	45.0	3159.0	3528.5
BH 8900 VIP3111	B-H Genetics	9.1	19.0	33.9	3.0	52.7	43.1	79.0	83.0	49.5	3248.0	3597.0
BH 8977 RR/HX	B-H Genetics	8.3	17.3	31.2	2.5	55.7	47.7	80.0	83.5	47.0	3271.0	3657.0
BH 9029 VTTP	B-H Genetics	8.2	21.2	37.5	2.7	49.4	40.8	78.0	80.0	47.0	3246.0	3576.5
X 12111 LF	B-H Genetics	8.7	22.3	39.1	3.1	47.4	37.1	77.0	79.5	48.0	3222.0	3522.5
XP 8890 RR	B-H Genetics	8.4	17.2	31.0	2.3	56.5	47.9	79.0	83.0	44.5	3217.0	3604.0
67H49	Blue River	8.7	18.9	33.4	3.0	53.4	43.6	79.0	81.5	44.5	3256.0	3608.5
70R50	Blue River	8.4	21.4	37.4	2.9	49.5	39.7	78.0	80.0	46.0	3239.0	3560.0
73B33	Blue River	8.6	19.2	33.5	2.9	52.7	43.9	80.0	82.0	47.0	3324.0	3657.5
75B89	Blue River	8.5	18.6	33.9	2.8	53.2	44.1	80.0	82.5	49.0	3317.0	3662.0
75L99	Blue River	8.3	21.7	38.6	2.5	48.0	38.6	79.0	80.5	49.5	3330.0	3638.5
76H50	Blue River	8.7	22.4	39.6	3.1	47.0	37.0	78.0	79.0	47.5	3273.0	3572.0
D53VC13	CPS/DynaGro	8.0	20.2	35.9	2.6	51.5	42.6	79.0	81.0	47.0	3251.0	3596.5
D55GT73	CPS/DynaGro	8.3	17.5	31.1	2.7	55.4	47.3	81.0	83.5	45.5	3309.0	3692.0
D57VP75	CPS/DynaGro	8.6	18.1	32.2	2.5	54.5	46.8	80.0	83.0	46.5	3269.0	3647.5
D 59HR50	CPS/DynaGro	8.7	20.6	36.4	2.8	50.4	40.3	78.0	80.5	46.0	3213.0	3539.5
G7601	Golden Acres	8.3	17.8	32.6	2.5	54.4	45.4	80.0	82.5	47.0	3319.0	3686.5
G8551	Golden Acres	7.9	20.6	35.4	2.9	52.2	43.4	77.0	80.5	44.5	3138.0	3489.5
DKC 66-42	Monsanto	7.6	22.0	39.7	2.7	48.0	39.1	76.0	78.5	45.5	3133.0	3449.5
DKC 66-87	Monsanto	8.3	17.1	31.2	2.7	55.9	47.0	80.0	83.0	46.0	3245.0	3625.5

Table 2. Forage quality of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Etter, Texas in 2013[§].

Hybrid	Company	CP	ADF	NDF	Lignin	NFC	Starch	TDN	IVTD24	NDFD24	MILK1	MILK2
DKC 67-88	Monsanto	8.1	21.6	37.4	2.8	49.6	40.7	78.0	80.0	46.0	3211.0	3540.5
TMF 2H747	Mycogen	8.1	19.2	34.3	2.3	52.7	44.2	79.0	82.0	47.5	3264.0	3621.5
TMF 2H918	Mycogen	8.5	22.2	38.3	2.8	48.4	38.5	78.0	79.5	46.5	3297.0	3609.0
TMF 2L825	Mycogen	7.2	22.6	40.3	2.7	46.7	38.7	76.0	78.5	46.5	3120.0	3433.5
TMF 2L874	Mycogen	8.0	26.5	45.1	3.5	42.2	33.0	75.0	75.5	46.0	3129.0	3396.0
1358S	Triumph	7.7	18.7	33.4	2.7	54.0	46.2	79.0	82.0	46.0	3193.0	3567.0
1725H	Triumph	8.5	18.4	32.6	2.6	54.3	46.3	79.0	82.5	46.5	3201.0	3576.5
1801H	Triumph	7.8	19.9	34.7	2.6	52.8	44.2	78.0	80.5	43.5	3165.0	3523.5
REV 17HR73	Terral Seed, Inc	8.1	16.3	29.4	2.5	57.6	48.9	82.0	84.5	47.0	3336.0	3695.0
REV 18BHR84	Terral Seed, Inc	8.4	15.3	27.8	2.3	59.0	50.7	82.0	85.0	45.5	3331.0	3742.0
REV 22BHR54	Terral Seed, Inc	8.2	18.5	33.1	3.1	54.5	44.6	80.0	83.0	48.5	3319.0	3658.5
REV 25BHR44	Terral Seed, Inc	8.6	16.3	28.8	2.4	58.5	49.7	80.0	84.0	44.5	3217.0	3619.5
REV 26BHR50	Terral Seed, Inc	8.4	17.6	30.7	2.8	55.9	46.9	81.0	83.5	46.5	3344.0	3694.5
REV 28HR20	Terral Seed, Inc	8.8	18.8	32.8	3.0	54.1	45.3	80.0	83.0	48.0	3295.0	3661.0
CUBA1 x BR-1	Texas A&M	9.5	20.7	36.5	2.9	49.6	39.2	79.0	81.0	48.0	3311.0	3628.0
DK7 x SS1	Texas A&M	8.7	22.3	38.3	3.0	48.0	39.0	77.0	79.0	46.0	3195.0	3511.0
PBC1 x NS1	Texas A&M	9.0	23.0	40.5	2.7	46.0	34.9	77.0	79.0	48.5	3234.0	3516.5
S1C2W64A1 x SS1	Texas A&M	9.3	19.4	33.1	3.0	53.2	42.8	80.0	82.5	47.0	3284.0	3631.0
S1C2W64A2 x SS1	Texas A&M	8.8	20.3	35.3	3.0	51.2	41.1	79.0	81.5	48.5	3313.0	3646.5
CUBA1TEO30 x NS1	Texas A&M	8.2	19.2	34.2	2.9	52.8	44.4	80.0	82.5	49.5	3300.0	3659.5
CUBA1TEO33 x NS1	Texas A&M	8.1	18.6	33.6	2.3	53.7	44.5	80.0	82.5	48.5	3314.0	3674.0
CUBA1TEO71 x NS1	Texas A&M	7.7	17.5	32.5	2.2	55.4	46.8	80.0	83.0	46.5	3302.0	3680.5
CUBA1TEO72 x NS1	Texas A&M	7.7	20.0	36.1	2.4	51.8	42.9	79.0	81.0	47.5	3267.0	3614.5
CUBA1TEO56 x NS2	Texas A&M	8.5	18.7	33.4	2.5	53.8	44.4	81.0	82.5	47.5	3346.0	3704.0
Test Mean		8.3	19.6	34.7	2.7	52.2	43.1	78.9	81.5	46.6	3253.9	3600.5
CV%		3.7	9.3	8.7	9.6	5.8	7.5	1.5	2.0	3.0	1.5	1.6
LSD 0.05		0.6	3.7	6.1	0.5	6.1	6.5	2.4	3.2	2.8	100.4	113.2

Table 2. Forage quality of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Etter, Texas in 2013 (continued).

⁸: Forage nutritional values based on NIR analysis. CP = Crude protein, the total protein in the sample including true protein and nonprotein nitrogen. ADF = Acid detergent fiber, a measure of cellulose and lignin. ADF is negatively correlated with overall digestibility. NDF = Neutral detergent fiber, a measure of hemicellulose, cellulose and lignin representing the fibrous bulk of the forage. NDF is negatively correlated with intake. Lignin = undigestible plant component and has a negative impact on cellulose digestibility. NFC = Percentage of non-fibrous carbohydrates; estimates the amount of rapidly digestible carbohydrates in a forage. Starch is primarily in the grain and later maturing hybrids have lower starch since all hybrids were harvested at the same time. IVTD24 = *In vitro* true digestibility (IVTD) after 24 hours of incubation in rumen fluid. It measures digestibility and can be used to estimate energy. A higher value of IVTD 24 hr presents a better forage quality. NDFD24 = Percentage of NDF that is digestible by *in vitro* incubation. TDN = Total digestible nutrients. It represents the sum of the digestible protein, digestible nitrogen-free extract, digestible crude fiber and 2.25x the digestible fat. MILK 1 = Estimated lbs. of milk produced per ton of dry matter. MILK 2 = Estimated lbs. of milk produced per ton of processed dry matter.

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				Stand	DTP	PHT	EHT	Moist	Yield	test	Yield
Hybrid	Company	RM	Trait	%	days	cm	cm	%	Tons/a	mean	rank
1555 PRO3	Armor	114	VT3PRO	92.5	73.7	211.0	90.0	54.5	32.4	104.2	9
1550 PRO2	Armor	115	VT2PRO	98.8	73.0	216.0	89.0	51.1	30.6	98.5	26
1880 PRO2	Armor	117	VT2PRO	97.4	74.7	236.0	98.0	55.5	32.3	103.8	10
BH 8732 VTTP	B-H Genetics	118	Genuity VT3P	106.5	74.3	258.0	118.0	57.1	34.6	111.3	1
BH 8830 VTTP	B-H Genetics	117	Genuity VT3P	94.3	74.7	249.0	105.0	53.8	31.4	101.0	20
BH 8895 VT2P	B-H Genetics	118	Genuity VT2P	96.7	76.3	264.0	106.0	58.5	29.9	96.2	31
BH 8900 VIP3111	B-H Genetics	118	Viptera 3111	101.6	75.3	250.0	99.0	57.3	32.5	104.5	8
BH 9029 VTTP	B-H Genetics	119	Genuity VT3P	100.8	75.0	252.0	109.0	58.6	31.3	100.8	22
X 12111 LF	B-H Genetics	116	N/A	83.7	78.7	284.0	98.0	55.1	32.1	103.2	12
XP 8910 RR	B-H Genetics	119	RR	96.0	74.7	267.0	105.0	57.8	31.6	101.6	18
X11139 RR	B-H Genetics	119	RR	95.1	73.3	257.0	127.0	54.7	32.0	102.8	14
D53VC13	CPS/DynaGro	113	VT2PRO	84.3	73.3	231.0	95.0	52.6	31.2	100.2	25
D55GT73	CPS/DynaGro	115	GT	103.7	75.0	242.0	94.0	56.6	30.5	98.2	27
D57VP75	CPS/DynaGro	117	VT3PRO	96.7	74.3	238.0	109.0	56.9	32.1	103.2	13
D 59HR50	CPS/DynaGro	119	RR HX	82.3	76.7	271.0	108.0	57.2	32.0	102.8	15
DKC 67-88	Monsanto	117	GENVT3P	100.0	75.0	250.0	120.0	57.2	30.4	97.7	29
DKC 66-87	Monsanto	116	GENVT2P	103.3	73.3	243.0	85.0	54.1	29.7	95.4	34
DKC 66-42	Monsanto	116	GENSS	101.2	75.0	237.0	106.0	55.2	33.1	106.3	6
TMF 2H747	Mycogen	113	SSX	104.9	77.3	254.0	115.0	59.0	32.9	105.9	7
TMF 2H918	Mycogen	123	HXI RR	91.1	78.0	271.0	118.0	57.9	31.7	101.9	17
TMF 2L825	Mycogen	117	HXI RR	96.3	78.0	264.0	103.0	59.2	31.8	102.3	16
TMF 2L874	Mycogen	118	SSX	93.5	79.0	271.0	133.0	60.9	30.5	98.0	28
REV 17HR73	Terral Seed, Inc	107	HXI/LL/RR	105.3	73.0	241.0	94.0	49.4	31.3	100.6	23
REV 18BHR84	Terral Seed, Inc	108	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	99.6	72.7	225.0	82.0	50.0	28.0	90.1	42
REV 22BHR54	Terral Seed, Inc	112	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	99.2	73.0	232.0	97.0	50.6	32.2	103.6	11

Table 3. Means of stand, days to pollen shed (DTP), plant height (PHT), ear height (EHT), stalk lodging (STL), root lodging (RTL), moisture at harvest, and forage yield adjusted to 65% moisture of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Halfway, Texas in 2013.

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				Stand	DTP	PHT	EHT	Moist	Yield	test	Yield
Hybrid	Company	RM	Trait	%	days	cm	cm	%	Tons/a	mean	rank
REV 25BHR44	Terral Seed, Inc	115	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	102.8	74.0	250.0	97.0	56.2	30.0	96.6	30
REV 26BHR50	Terral Seed, Inc	116	YGCB/HXI/LL/RR	101.2	74.3	231.0	89.0	55.0	29.8	95.7	33
REV 28HR20	Terral Seed, Inc	118	HXI/LL/RR	99.6	77.7	240.0	89.0	54.5	31.4	101.0	21
1358S	Triumph	113	SmartStacx	101.6	78.7	244.0	111.0	59.5	29.5	94.9	39
1725H	Triumph	117	HXI/RR	98.4	73.7	246.0	103.0	59.6	29.9	96.0	32
1801H	Triumph	118	HX1/RR	101.6	78 7	255.0	112.0	59 5	31.6	101.6	19
CUBA1 x BR-1	Texas A&M	116		98.0	77.3	258.0	112.0	54.3	29.2	94.0	40
DK7 x SS1	Texas A&M	118		80.5	78.3	261.0	111.0	55.8	29.5	94.9	38
PBC1 x NS1	Texas A&M	116		83.0	75.0	247.0	98.0	58.3	31.2	100.4	24
S1C2W64A1 x SS1	Texas A&M	115		79.7	77.3	250.0	98.0	56.6	29.2	93.9	41
S1C2W64A2 x SS1	Texas A&M	115		87.8	76.0	245.0	97.0	52.1	33.1	106.4	5
CUBA1TEO30 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		100.6	74.7	233.0	101.0	51.7	33.5	107.8	3
CUBA1TEO33 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		81.3	73.3	245.0	93.0	49.7	29.6	95.1	35
CUBA1TEO71 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		89.4	74.0	220.0	82.0	47.0	26.4	84.9	43
CUBA1TEO72 x NS1	Texas A&M	115		93.1	73.7	245.0	91.0	45.6	29.5	94.9	37
CUBA1TEO56 x NS2	Texas A&M	115		90 7	74 3	248.0	103.0	48.2	33.2	106.6	4
Fill 1	Fill 1	116	RW/HX1/LL/RR2	100.7	76.7	241.0	99.0	48.9	33.7	108.4	2
Fill 2	Fill 2	116	HX1/LL/RR2	102.4	74 3	252.0	98.0	50.1	29.5	95.0	36
	1 2	110		102.1	7 110	202.0	2010	00.1	27.0	20.0	20
Test mean				95.7	75.3	247.1	102.2	54.7	31.1	100.1	
CV%				6.8	2.0	5.6	9.1	4.4	7.2		
LSD 0.05				10.7	2.5	22.3	15.0	3.9	3.7		

Hybrid	Company	RM	СР	ADF	NDF	Lignin	NFC	Starch	TDN	IVTD24	NDFD24	MILK1	MILK2
1555 PRO3	Armor	114	9.0	19.0	34.2	2.4	52.0	41.1	81.0	82.7	49.7	3430.0	3693.0
1550 PRO2	Armor	115	8.5	19.0	34.9	2.5	52.0	40.6	81.0	82.0	49.0	3413.0	3678.0
1880 PRO2	Armor	117	8.8	21.0	36.9	3.0	49.0	38.7	79.0	81.0	48.0	3354.0	3662.0
BH 8732 VTTP	B-H Genetics	118	8.6	20.0	36.5	2.7	50.0	38.6	80.0	82.0	50.3	3379.0	3651.0
BH 8830 VTTP	B-H Genetics	117	8.6	20.0	35.9	2.4	51.0	40.2	80.0	81.3	47.7	3411.0	3687.0
BH 8895 VT2P	B-H Genetics	118	9.3	20.0	35.9	2.6	50.0	38.3	79.0	83.0	53.0	3354.0	3662.0
BH 8900 VIP3111	B-H Genetics	118	8.3	22.0	38.5	2.8	48.0	37.9	78.0	80.7	50.3	3293.0	3600.0
BH 9029 VTTP	B-H Genetics	119	8.7	20.0	36.5	2.4	50.0	39.3	79.0	82.0	50.0	3338.0	3647.0
X 12111 LF	B-H Genetics	116	9.1	21.0	37.3	2.8	48.0	36.9	79.0	81.3	50.7	3350.0	3648.0
XP 8910 RR	B-H Genetics	119	8.7	23.0	40.1	3.0	46.0	35.4	77.0	81.0	52.3	3281.0	3568.0
X11139 RR	B-H Genetics	119	8.5	21.0	36.9	2.7	50.0	39.1	80.0	81.3	49.0	3397.0	3656.0
D53VC13	CPS/DynaGro	113	8.7	15.0	27.8	2.3	59.0	49.3	83.0	85.3	47.7	3436.0	3732.0
D55GT73	CPS/DynaGro	115	8.9	20.0	35.6	2.6	51.0	39.3	80.0	82.7	51.0	3396.0	3678.0
D57VP75	CPS/DynaGro	117	8.9	20.0	36.4	2.5	49.0	38.0	80.0	82.3	51.3	3389.0	3669.0
D 59HR50	CPS/DynaGro	119	8.4	19.0	35.6	2.7	51.0	41.0	79.0	83.3	52.0	3311.0	3608.0
DKC 67-88	Monsanto	117	9.0	20.0	35.2	2.6	51.0	39.8	80.0	82.3	50.3	3362.0	3670.0
DKC 66-87	Monsanto	116	8.9	21.0	37.1	2.7	49.0	38.2	79.0	81.7	50.3	3322.0	3623.0
DKC 66-42	Monsanto	116	8.6	19.0	33.6	2.5	53.0	42.3	81.0	82.7	48.0	3411.0	3704.0
TMF 2H747	Mycogen	113	8.5	19.0	35.3	2.8	51.0	41.8	80.0	82.7	51.3	3350.0	3664.0
TMF 2H918	Mycogen	123	8.5	22.0	39.5	2.8	47.0	35.8	78.0	80.7	51.0	3352.0	3642.0
TMF 2L825	Mycogen	117	8.0	23.0	40.8	2.7	46.0	35.4	78.0	79.0	48.7	3280.0	3567.0
TMF 2L874	Mycogen	118	8.8	22.0	38.8	2.8	47.0	35.4	78.0	82.0	53.3	3348.0	3629.0
REV 17HR73	Terral Seed, Inc	107	8.6	17.0	30.7	2.7	55.0	45.5	81.0	85.0	51.3	3359.0	3707.0
REV 18BHR84	Terral Seed, Inc	108	8.9	18.0	31.5	2.7	54.0	44.4	82.0	85.0	52.0	3438.0	3716.0
REV 22BHR54	Terral Seed, Inc	112	8.7	18.0	33.2	2.7	53.0	42.0	81.0	85.0	53.3	3404.0	3698.0

Table 4. Forage quality of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Halfway, Texas in 2013.

Hybrid	Company	RM	CP	ADF	NDF	Lignin	NFC	Starch	TDN	IVTD24	NDFD24	MILK1	MILK2
REV 25BHR44	Terral Seed, Inc	115	8.7	20.0	35.5	2.6	51.0	41.1	80.0	82.7	51.0	3315.0	3645.0
REV 26BHR50	Terral Seed, Inc	116	9.2	19.0	33.5	2.6	52.0	41.5	81.0	83.3	50.7	3422.0	3704.0
REV 28HR20	Terral Seed, Inc	118	9.2	21.0	36.5	2.9	49.0	38.4	79.0	82.7	52.7	3351.0	3640.0
1358S	Triumph	113	8.7	21.0	37.8	2.7	49.0	38.6	79.0	82.3	52.7	3340.0	3633.0
1725H	Triumph	117	8.6	19.0	34.6	2.4	52.0	41.8	81.0	83.3	52.0	3395.0	3687.0
1801H	Triumph	118	8.1	23.0	40.9	3.0	46.0	35.2	77.0	79.3	49.3	3259.0	3544.0
CUBA1 x BR-1	Texas A&M	116	9.2	24.0	41.8	2.9	44.0	31.8	77.0	80.3	53.7	3334.0	3591.0
DK7 x SS1	Texas A&M	118	8.8	21.0	36.0	2.8	50.0	39.1	79.0	81.7	48.7	3346.0	3663.0
PBC1 x NS1	Texas A&M	116	9.2	22.0	37.9	2.8	47.0	34.8	78.0	82.3	53.3	3342.0	3623.0
S1C2W64A1 x SS1	Texas A&M	115	9.2	22.0	38.4	2.8	47.0	35.4	78.0	82.7	54.7	3288.0	3575.0
S1C2W64A2 x SS1	Texas A&M	115	8.6	23.0	39.2	2.7	47.0	35.8	78.0	81.0	52.3	3304.0	3587.0
CUBA1TEO30 x NS1	Texas A&M	115	8.8	19.0	33.6	2.6	52.0	41.3	81.0	84.7	54.0	3394.0	3691.0
CUBA1TEO33 x NS1	Texas A&M	115	8.4	18.0	32.2	2.3	54.0	43.3	82.0	84.7	52.7	3434.0	3710.0
CUBA1TEO71 x NS1	Texas A&M	115	8.1	16.0	29.8	2.5	57.0	47.5	83.0	85.7	52.7	3439.0	3729.0
CUBA1TEO72 x NS1	Texas A&M	115	7.9	17.0	30.8	2.3	56.0	46.4	82.0	84.7	49.7	3458.0	3722.0
CUBA1TEO56 x NS2	Texas A&M	115	8.6	20.0	35.1	2.5	51.0	39.7	80.0	83.7	53.7	3397.0	3677.0
Fill 1	Fill 1	116	8.7	18.0	32.5	2.7	53.0	43.0	81.0	84.0	50.3	3407.0	3705.0
Fill 2	Fill 2	116	8.4	17.0	31.4	2.6	55.0	45.0	82.0	85.3	53.0	3408.0	3711.0
Test mean			8.7	20.0	35.6	2.7	50.6	39.9	79.8	82.6	51.1	3367.2	3658.0
CV%			4.0	11.7	10.7	8.1	7.5	10.3	2.3	2.2	3.8	1.8	1.7
LSD 0.05			0.6	3.8	6.2	0.4	6.1	6.7	3.0	3.0	3.2	98.3	97.8

Table 4. Forage quality of the State Silage Corn Performance Test at Halfway, Texas in 2013 (continued).