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Nitrogen Management in Wheat – Timing, Method and Rate

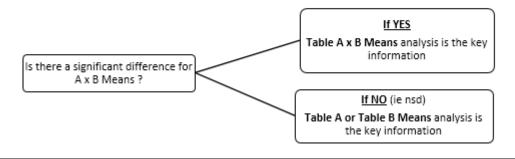
Trial ID: DK1701 Location: Billa Billa Trial Year: 2017

Investigator: Denielle Kilby

Objective:	To evaluate t	he impact of urea timing, method an	d rate in wheat		
Planting Date:	5/05/2017				
Planting Equipment:		Small Plot Tyne Planter			
Row Spacing:		32cm			
Planting Depth:		5cm			
Target Plant Population:		90 Plants /m ²			
Nitrogen Source:		Urea only			
Application Code:	Α	В	С		
Application Date:	22/12/2016	8/03/2017	6/05/2017 (Planting)		
Methods and Rates:	Sprea	Spread, no incorporation: 50, 100 and 200 kg N/ha			
	Spread with	h incorporation by narrow point tyne	: 100 kg N/ha		
		Banded: 100 kg N/ha			
	Split application: 50 kg N/ha spre	ad, no incorporation followed by 50 l	kg N/ha spread at GS30 (3/07/2017)		
Harvest Date:	14/11/2017				
Trial Reliability:		Moderate			
Keywords:		Nitrogen, wheat, timing, method, ra	te		

NB: Trial designed and analysed as a Factorial

	In Simple Terms
Table of A Means:	Mean of 'METHOD X RATE' performance with ALL 'TIMING' treatments
Table of B Means:	Mean of 'TIMING' performance with ALL 'METHOD X RATE' treatments
Table of A x B Means:	'METHOD X RATE' performance with EACH 'TIMING' treatment



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Crop N	Jame /ariety					heat Lancer	
Assess Assess Assess Crop S Plant-l	ement Date Ement Type Ement Unit Etage Majority Evaluation Interval Action Codes			18/05/2017 EMERGENCE /m ² 12 13 DP1 T1	3/07/2017 NDVI RATIO 32 59 DP1	7/08/2017 NDVI RATIO 61 94 DP1	4/11/2017 YIELD t/ha 183 DP1 TY2
cv Trt	Treatment	Nitrogen	Appln.				24.9
No.	05 4 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	Rate	Code				
	OF A MEANS (Method x Rate			42	0.07	0.24	4.4.41
1	Untreated	-		43-	0.37-	0.34b	1.14b
2	Spread	50kg/ha		43-	0.43-	0.42a	1.45a
3	Spread S Incompanded	100kg/ha		40-	0.42-	0.43a	1.45a
5	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha		40- 39-	0.43-	0.45a	1.65a 1.38ab
6	Banded	100kg/ha 200kg/ha		39- 46-	0.38-	0.41a 0.45a	1.38ab 1.55a
7	Spread Spread				0.44-		
	Split application OF B MEANS (Timing)	100kg/ha		41-	0.39-	0.41a	1.44a
1	December		Α	43-	0.42a	0.43a	1.48a
2	March		B	43-	0.42a 0.44a	0.43a 0.45a	1.48a 1.60a
3	Planting		С	40-	0.44a 0.37b	0.45a 0.37b	1.00a 1.22b
	OF A x B MEANS (Method x R	ata v Timinal	C	40-	0.570	0.570	1.220
1	Untreated	ate x mining)	Α	49-	0.37-	0.34-	1.14-
1a	Untreated		В	43-	0.38-	0.34-	1.14-
1b	Untreated	<u> </u>	С	38-	0.37-	0.34-	1.13-
2	Spread	50kg/ha	A	47-	0.45-	0.46-	1.59-
2a	Spread	50kg/ha	В	44-	0.48-	0.45-	1.75-
2b	Spread	50kg/ha	С	38-	0.35-	0.33-	1.02-
3	Spread	100kg/ha	A	42-	0.46-	0.47-	1.55-
3a	Spread	100kg/ha	В	36-	0.40-	0.43-	1.56-
3b	Spread	100kg/ha	С	41-	0.41-	0.40-	1.23-
4	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	A	41-	0.45-	0.47-	1.76-
4a	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	В	47-	0.48-	0.51-	1.81-
4b	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	С	33-	0.37-	0.37-	1.39-
5	Banded	100kg/ha	A	36-	0.40-	0.43-	1.47-
5a	Banded	100kg/ha	В	41-	0.41-	0.43-	1.56-
5b	Banded	100kg/ha	С	38-	0.34-	0.36-	1.10-
6	Spread	200kg/ha	A	47-	0.43-	0.46-	1.63-
6a	Spread	200kg/ha	В	44-	0.52-	0.52-	1.83-
6b	Spread	200kg/ha	C	47-	0.36-	0.37-	1.18-
7	Split application	100kg/ha	Α	38-	0.35-	0.38-	1.25-
7a	Split application	100kg/ha	В	40-	0.43-	0.45-	1.57-
7b	Split application	100kg/ha	С	45-	0.41-	0.39-	1.51-

Means followed by same letter do not significantly differ (P=.05, LSD)

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Crop I	Name				Who	eat	
•	/ariety				LRPB L		
	sment Date			5/11/2017	5/11/2017	5/11/2017	5/11/2017
	sment Type			PROTEIN	TEST WEIGHT	SCREENING	N RECOVERY
	sment Unit			%	kg/hL	%	kg N/ha
	Action Codes			ER4	ER1		
Trt		Nitrogen	Appln.				
No.	Treatment	Rate	Code				
TABLE	OF A MEANS (Method x Ra	te)					
1	Untreated	-		11.6d	76.4-	2.2-	22.8b
2	Spread	50kg/ha		12.1c	76.8-	1.7-	30.6a
3	Spread	100kg/ha		12.6ab	76.7-	1.8-	31.9a
4	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha		12.0c	76.8-	1.9-	34.8a
5	Banded	100kg/ha		12.9a	76.8-	1.9-	31.0a
6	Spread	200kg/ha		12.8a	76.6-	1.9-	34.7a
7	Split application	100kg/ha		12.4bc	76.6-	2.0-	30.9a
TABLE	OF B MEANS (Timing)						•
1	December		Α	12.6a	76.6-	1.9-	32.7a
2	March		В	12.3b	76.8-	1.8-	34.5a
3	Planting		С	12.1b	76.5-	2.1-	25.7b
TABLE	OF A x B MEANS (Method x	Rate x Timing)					
1	Untreated	-	Α	11.8-	76.7-	2.2-	23.5-
1a	Untreated	-	В	11.3-	76.4-	2.5-	22.5-
1b	Untreated		С	11.6-	76.1-	2.0-	22.4-
2	Spread	50kg/ha	Α	12.5-	76.8-	1.6-	34.6-
2a	Spread	50kg/ha	В	11.9-	77.0-	1.4-	36.4-
2b	Spread	50kg/ha	С	11.8-	76.6-	2.2-	20.7-
3	Spread	100kg/ha	Α	12.9-	76.8-	2.0-	34.9-
3a	Spread	100kg/ha	В	12.7-	76.8-	1.5-	34.7-
3b	Spread	100kg/ha	С	12.2-	76.4-	2.0-	26.3-
4	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	Α	12.6-	76.8-	1.6-	38.8-
4a	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	В	12.1-	76.8-	1.7-	38.3-
4b	Spread & Incorporated	100kg/ha	С	11.4-	76.9-	2.5-	27.4-
5	Banded	100kg/ha	Α	12.9-	76.7-	1.9-	33.0-
5a	Banded	100kg/ha	В	12.7-	77.0-	1.9-	34.6-
5b	Banded	100kg/ha	С	13.1-	76.6-	1.9-	25.3-
6	Spread	200kg/ha	Α	12.8-	76.2-	2.1-	36.6-
6a	Spread	200kg/ha	В	12.9-	77.1-	1.8-	41.4-
6b	Spread	200kg/ha	С	12.7-	76.5-	2.0-	26.1-
7	Split application	100kg/ha	Α	12.7-	76.4-	2.1-	27.6-
7a	Split application	100kg/ha	В	12.3-	76.9-	2.1-	33.6-
7b	Split application	100kg/ha	С	12.1-	76.7-	2.0-	31.6-

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Conclusions:

This trial was conducted to evaluate the impact of nitrogen application timing and method on wheat production.

Incorporation of nitrogen during the fallow can impact on available soil moisture levels at establishment. In this trial there was no significant difference in soil moisture between treatments when measured with an EM38 shortly prior to planting (or at GS32).

Rainfall was recorded at the trial site using a tipping bucket gauge installed on March 14, 2017. A total of 154mm was recorded up till planting with the largest falls of 41mm (14/15 March) and 94mm (31 March). From planting until the end of the September a total of only 72mm were recorded with the major fall of 28mm on July 7.

There was no interaction between application timing and rate/method in this trial. Under challenging growing conditions, treatments responded in a similar manner at each of the application timings.

A clear timing effect was evident. Application of N in either December or March improved both NDVI ratios (~crop biomass) and yield compared to the same treatments applied at planting. Protein was increased significantly only by the December timing.

With the exception of the banded application, all rates and methods increased yield compared to the untreated. The yield benefit ranged from ~0.3-0.5t/ha with no indication of an N rate response. The lack of rate response was not surprising given the low rainfall received and the site yield average of ~1.4t/ha. All treatments increased protein compared to the untreated with an N rate response evident. Increases in protein level of ~0.5-1.3% were recorded. Nitrogen recovery (yield x protein) showed no difference between N rates or methods with recoveries of an extra ~8-12 kg N/ha compared to the untreated.

There was no benefit from split application. This was not surprising due to the lack of rate response and low in-crop rainfall.

Despite the moisture limited season and low yields, there was no impact from any N rate or method on test weight or screenings compared to the untreated.

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	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 18/05/2017 EMERGENCE /m ² 12 13 DP1 T1							
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)		
Total	83	9409.286340						
R	3	420.320250	140.106750	1.122	0.3473			
Α	6	477.770046	79.628341	0.638	0.6995	9		
В	2	122.295733	61.147866	0.490	0.6152	6		
AB	AB 12 897.912433 74.826036 0.599 0.8341 16							
ERROR	60	7490.987878	124.849798					

	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 3/07/2017 NDVI RATIO 32 59 DP1							
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)		
Total	83	0.632981						
R	3	0.053354	0.017785	2.792	0.0480			
Α	6	0.050071	0.008345	1.310	0.2666	0.07		
В	2	0.069261	0.034631	5.437	0.0068	0.04		
AB	AB 12 0.078120 0.006510 1.022 0.4410 0.11							
ERROR	60	0.382176	0.006370					

	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 7/08/2017 NDVI RATIO 61 94 DP1								
Source	Source DF Sum of Squares Mean Square F Prob.(F) LSD (.05)								
Total	83	0.613127							
R	3	0.026551	0.008850	1.690	0.1787				
Α	6	0.099180	0.016530	3.157	0.0093	0.06			
В	2	0.106698	0.053349	10.187	0.0002	0.04			
AB	AB 12 0.066492 0.005541 1.058 0.4107 0.10								
ERROR	60	0.314207	0.005237						

	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer								
	4/11/2017								
			/ha 183 DP1	TY2					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)			
Total	83	15.363243							
R	თ	2.350305	0.783435	6.070	0.0011				
Α	6	1.801564	0.300261	2.327	0.0437	0.29			
В	2	2.110594	1.055297	8.177	0.0007	0.19			
AB	AB 12 1.357387 0.113116 0.876 0.5745 0.51								
ERROR	60	7.743394	0.129057						

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	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 5/11/2017 PROTEIN % 184 DP1 ER4							
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)		
Total	83	35.577500						
R	3	0.982262	0.327421	1.696	0.1774			
Α	6	16.145000	2.690833	13.942	0.0001	0.4		
В	2	3.185000	1.592500	8.251	0.0007	0.2		
AB	AB 12 3.685000 0.307083 1.591 0.1187 0.6							
ERROR	60	11.580238	0.193004					

	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV								
	Wheat - LRPB Lancer								
			5/11/2017						
		TEST WEIGHT	kg/hL 184	DP1	ER1				
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)			
Total	83	25.426667							
R	3	2.282857	0.760952	2.603	0.0602				
Α	6	1.673333	0.278889	0.954	0.4641	0.4			
В	2	1.451667	0.725833	2.483	0.0921	0.3			
AB 12 2.476667 0.206389 0.706 0.7396 0.8									
ERROR	60	17.542143	0.292369						

	FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 5/11/2017 SCREENING % 184 DP1							
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)		
Total	83	28.192857						
R	თ	1.461429	0.487143	1.451	0.2370			
Α	6	1.862857	0.310476	0.925	0.4838	0.5		
В	2	0.812143	0.406071	1.210	0.3055	0.3		
AB	AB 12 3.912857 0.326071 0.971 0.4858 0.8							
ERROR	60	20.143571	0.335726					

FACTORIAL/POOLED ERROR AOV Wheat - LRPB Lancer 5/11/2017 N RECOVERY kg/ha 184 DP1									
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F	Prob.(F)	LSD (.05)			
Total	83	7391.677020							
R	3	976.707172	325.569057	5.785	0.0015				
Α	6	1164.625228	194.104205	3.449	0.0054	6.1			
В	2	1214.698875	607.349438	10.793	0.0001	4.0			
AB	AB 12 659.185776 54.932148 0.976 0.4814 10.6								
ERROR	60	3376.459968	56.274333						

Nitrogen Management in Wheat - Timing

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Assessment Type

N RECOVERY = nitrogen recovery in grain KG n/HA

Crop Stage Majority

12 = 2 leaves unfolded

32 = Node 2 at least 2 cm above node 1

61 = Beginning of flowering: first anthers visible

Plant-Evaluation Interval

13 DP1 = 1 TRZAS 5/05/2017

59 DP1 = 1 TRZAS 5/05/2017

94 DP1 = 1 TRZAS 5/05/2017

183 DP1 = 1 TRZAS 5/05/2017

ARM Action Codes

ER4 = Excluded replicate 4

ER1 = Excluded replicate 1

T1 = [C4]*0.789

TY2 = 0.5555555*[C11]*(100-[C14])/87.5

DP1 = Days after Planting

Application Description				
	Α	В	С	D
Application Date:	22/12/2016	8/03/2017	6/05/2017	3/07/2017
Application Start Time:	10:00 AM			
Application Stop Time:	12:00 PM			
Application Timing:	DECEMBER	MARCH	PLANTING	GS30
Air Temperature, Unit:	35 C			
% Relative Humidity:	40			
Wind Velocity, Unit:	15 km/h			
Wind Direction:	NE			
Dew Presence (Y/N):	No			
% Cloud Cover:	10			
Next Moisture Occurred On:	22/12/2016	14/3/2017	13/6/2017	7/7/2017