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Corn hybrids are evaluated annually at 12 locations in the regular corn variety testing program of the Auburn University Agricultural Experiment Station. Preliminary tests are conducted at 6 of the 12 locations. Entries in the regular tests have been tested one or more years and have performed well in the preliminary tests. Entries in preliminary tests are experimental and released hybrids that are new to the Alabama variety tests. If a hybrid is outstanding in the preliminary tests it is entered into the regular testing program the following year.

Rainfall distribution was poor in northern and central Alabama during the 1978 growing season. In these two regions yields were low except at Belle Mina. In southern Alabama all locations except Monroeville had average test yields over 100 bushels per acre. At Headland a total of 4½ inches of irrigation water was applied in three applications during the month of June to supplement rainfall. Generally, yield reduction was due to the lack of adequate moisture during the period of highest need for moisture by the corn hybrids.

Locations of the tests, cultural practices, and average plant populations are shown in table 1. All hybrids at a location were treated the same. The experimental design was a randomized complete or split block design with four replications. Row width was 36 to 42 inches depending on location. At Camp Hill, one-row plots 40 feet long were used. At all other locations, two-row plots were used with row length varying from 18 to 30 feet depending on location. The target plant population for all tests was 22,000 plants per

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acre. The seeding rate was 25,300 seeds per acre based on plot size at each location. At Crossville a higher seeding rate was used for both the regular and preliminary tests. The target plant population for the irrigated test at Camden was 26,000 plants per acre, with a seeding rate of 29,700 seeds per acre. It was apparent that each location had different amounts of plant survival.

Grain yields were adjusted to 15.5 percent moisture and converted to bushels (56 pounds) per acre. Stalks broken or leaning more than 45 degrees were considered lodged. Ear rot, earworm damage, size of grain, and luster of grain were used in rating grain quality. Height of ears was measured from the base of the ear to ground level. Husks were rated according to tightness and extension beyond the tip of the ear. Mid-silk data measured the number of days from planting until one half of the plants in the plot were showing silks.

Data from the 1975, 1976, and 1978 tests at Marion Junction are given separately and should be used to assist in comparing hybrids grown under conditions of high incidence of virus infection. Yields from the irrigated variety test at Camden were good. The 1978 yields and the 2- and 3-year averages from this test are included in the report.

Regional averages for 3, 2, and 1 years in northern Alabama are presented in tables 2, 3, and 4 respectively. Table 5 shows yields by location, and regional average yields for 1 to 5 years in northern Alabama. Similar data are given for central Alabama in tables 6-9, and for southern Alabama in tables 10-13. The performance of corn hybrids grown and irrigated at Camden for 3, 2, and 1 years is shown in tables 14, 15, and 16 respectively. In 1978, this test was sprinkler irrigated on June 30, July 5, 10, and 19. Approximately 2 inches of irrigation water was applied over this period of

time. Performances of corn hybrids at Marion Junction for 3, 2, and 1 years are given in tables 17, 18, and 19 respectively. Results of the preliminary tests are given in tables 21-23.

The corn variety tests are examined each year for viral and other disease symptoms by Dr. R. T. Gudauskas, Department of Botany and Microbiology. When disease symptoms indicate that damage may occur, disease ratings are compiled and published in this report. An introduction and discussion of procedure and results are given, and virus infection data from the variety test at Marion Junction are given in table 20.

When comparing hybrids, small differences in yield may not be large enough to be considered real differences. To aid in determining real differences between hybrids a statistical procedure, analysis of variance, was performed on the data from each location. The L.S.D. (least significant difference) is given for yields at each location in 1978.

Since performance of hybrids may vary from year to year and location to location, long term averages from several locations are more reliable than 1-year averages when evaluating a hybrid from an area. Three-year results are considered sufficient to give a good indication of the relative performance of hybrids.

A composite rating system was used to determine the list of acceptable hybrids. The 3-year regional average grain yield of a hybrid was used as a base point. Then the composite score was obtained by subtracting weighted values for lodging, quality, and ear height from this yield. The value subtracted for each characteristic was proportional to the numerical values shown for the characteristics in tables 2, 6, and 10.

All acceptable hybrids are not equal in performance. Some are outstanding in one or more characteristics. Others may not be outstanding in any one characteristic, but possess a satisfactory combination of characters. All information should be carefully considered when selecting a hybrid.

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Table 1. Location and Cultural Practices for 1978 Corn Hybrid Tests^{1/}

<u>Location</u>		<u>Planting date</u>	<u>Nitrogen rate</u>	<u>Row width</u>	<u>Average plant population^{2/}</u>
				lb.N/A	In. Thou.
<u>Northern Alabama</u>					
Tennessee Valley Substation (Belle Mina)					
Regular test		4/10	170	42	21
Preliminary test		4/10	170	42	22
Sand Mountain Substation (Crossville)					
Regular test		4/17	160	36	29
Preliminary test		4/17	160	36	28
Upper Coastal Plain Substation (Winfield)					
Regular test		4/18	160	40	21
Preliminary test		4/19	160	40	21
<u>Central Alabama</u>					
Agronomy Farm (E. V. Smith Research Center)					
Regular test		4/26	120	40	22
Preliminary test		4/26	120	40	20
Lower Coastal Plain Substation (Camden)					
Irrigated test		4/24	120	36	25
Unirrigated test		4/25	120	36	23
Piedmont Substation (Camp Hill)					
Prattville Experiment Field (Prattville)					
Black Belt Substation (Marion Junction)					
<u>Southern Alabama</u>					
Brewton Experiment Field (Brewton)		3/20	120	36	24
Monroeville Experiment Field (Monroeville)		3/21	120	36	16
Wiregrass Substation (Headland)					
Regular test		3/29	130	36	19
Preliminary test		3/29	130	36	16
Gulf Coast Substation (Fairhope)					
Regular test		3/23	200	38	21
Preliminary test		3/23	200	38	20

^{1/}Lime, P₂O₅, and K₂O were applied according to soil test recommendations.

Chemical and/or mechanical weed control practices were employed as needed.

^{2/}See introduction for discussion of plant populations.

Table 2. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Three Years in Northern Alabama, 1976-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
Pioneer-----	3369A	99	23.2	2.4	0.9	3.7	83.2	2.6
Pioneer-----	3147	94	17.0	2.7	0.9	3.9	83.2	2.9
Funk's-----	G-4507	91	14.2	2.8	0.8	3.9	83.5	2.7
Funk's-----	G-4611	91	16.5	2.2	0.9	3.8	83.3	2.3
Coker-----	22	90	21.2	2.7	0.9	3.9	82.1	2.4
Coker-----	18	89	21.3	2.6	0.9	3.7	81.0	2.4
Coker-----	16	86	16.8	2.5	0.9	3.5	82.4	3.0
McCurdy-----	67-14	84	26.5	2.2	0.8	3.8	79.1	2.5
McNair-----	X-300	83	18.9	2.7	0.8	3.6	79.3	2.2
DeKalb-----	XL394	82	16.0	2.6	0.8	4.4	82.4	2.2
Funk's-----	G-4810	82	21.5	2.6	0.9	4.0	79.1	2.4
Coker-----	56	81	19.4	2.6	0.9	4.0	82.2	2.3
Pioneer-----	511A	80	33.7	2.5	0.9	4.0	78.8	2.1
DeKalb-----	XL80	80	25.9	2.4	0.8	3.6	79.9	2.0
McNair-----	S-338	77	20.3	2.8	0.8	3.8	79.8	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4864	76	15.0	2.8	0.8	4.1	82.9	1.8
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	75	33.7	2.7	0.9	4.0	79.8	2.1

1/Belle Mina, Crossville, and Winfield.

2/Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

3/1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 3. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years in Northern Alabama, 1977-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
Pioneer-----	3369A	79	29.9	2.7	0.8	3.6	84.3	2.7
Pioneer-----	3147	77	16.3	2.8	0.8	3.7	82.5	3.0
Ring Around--	1502	76	15.4	2.5	0.8	3.6	82.8	2.2
Trojan-----	TXS 114	75	19.4	2.9	0.8	3.7	83.4	2.7
McCurdy-----	72-44A	73	28.8	2.6	0.9	3.9	82.7	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4507	71	17.6	3.1	0.8	3.8	84.7	2.7
Coker-----	22	69	26.5	2.9	0.8	3.7	83.8	2.5
Coker-----	18	69	28.9	2.9	0.8	3.6	84.6	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4611	69	19.3	2.5	0.8	3.7	82.3	2.5
Coker-----	16	68	21.6	2.7	0.8	3.6	83.6	3.0
Paymaster---	UC 9792	67	30.0	2.4	0.7	3.7	82.8	2.3
McCurdy-----	67-14	65	30.4	2.5	0.7	3.6	80.7	2.5
McNair-----	X-300	62	22.6	3.1	0.8	3.5	80.5	2.4
DeKalb-----	XL80	61	30.0	2.7	0.7	3.6	80.9	2.2
Coker-----	56	61	23.3	2.6	0.8	3.8	82.0	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4810	60	25.2	2.8	0.8	3.9	80.1	2.3
Funk's-----	G-4776	58	30.1	3.2	0.8	3.9	82.2	2.5
Pioneer-----	511A	58	41.1	2.8	0.8	3.8	77.9	2.2
DeKalb-----	XL394	57	18.4	2.8	0.6	4.2	84.8	2.3
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	55	40.9	3.1	0.8	3.7	80.7	2.4
McNair-----	S-338	55	25.3	3.0	0.7	3.8	79.7	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4864	51	17.3	3.1	0.6	4.0	83.8	2.1
Ring Around--	2602W	48	20.0	2.6	0.6	4.0	77.5	2.4

^{1/}Belle Mina, Crossville, and Winfield.

^{2/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 4. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested in Northern Alabama, 1978^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Trojan-----	TXS 115A	93	10.7	2.8	0.8	4.0	86.9	2.3	78
Ring Around---	2501	92	10.9	2.3	0.8	3.6	82.1	2.2	77
Paymaster-----	UC 8951	91	13.3	2.2	0.8	4.0	82.8	2.3	78
P-A-G-----	SX 17A	91	30.1	2.7	0.8	3.8	84.5	3.1	80
Ring Around---	1501	91	7.1	2.5	0.8	3.9	86.6	2.8	77
Pioneer-----	3369A	90	20.5	2.6	0.9	3.8	84.7	2.7	77
Ring Around---	1502	90	8.5	2.6	0.8	3.8	82.2	2.0	77
Security-----	SS-112	89	9.3	2.5	0.8	3.9	82.9	2.8	78
Trojan-----	TXS 114	87	6.3	2.7	0.8	3.9	84.0	2.6	77
McCurdy-----	MSX 84aa	87	12.5	2.7	0.8	3.9	83.4	2.4	78
Pioneer-----	3147	87	7.5	2.6	0.8	3.7	81.4	3.1	81
Northrup, King-PX	79	85	10.5	2.4	0.8	3.9	87.6	3.5	63
Coker-----	18	84	17.8	2.6	0.8	3.9	85.1	2.5	81
Wilstar-----	6663	83	17.0	2.8	0.8	4.0	85.1	2.8	77
McCurdy-----	72-44A	82	28.7	2.8	0.8	4.3	82.6	2.3	79
Funk's-----	G-4507	82	9.2	2.9	0.7	4.0	85.1	2.7	80
Ring Around---	2502	81	10.6	2.7	0.8	3.2	85.0	2.3	79
Coker-----	22	80	18.0	2.7	0.8	3.9	80.7	2.3	79
McCurdy-----	67-14	80	30.9	2.4	0.7	3.9	80.0	2.8	81
Funk's-----	G-4611	79	14.9	2.4	0.8	3.9	81.5	2.5	78
McCurdy-----	75-200	78	23.1	2.4	0.7	4.2	82.2	2.5	81
Coker-----	16	77	20.5	2.6	0.8	3.9	83.7	3.3	62
Northrup, King-PX	95	74	18.7	2.8	0.7	4.2	83.3	2.8	81
Northrup, King-PX	723	74	19.6	2.8	0.7	4.1	82.2	2.8	67
McNair-----	X-170	73	11.2	2.5	0.8	3.7	83.1	2.9	76
DeKalb-----	XL394	71	19.7	2.6	0.6	4.4	85.0	2.5	83
McNair-----	X-300	71	14.3	2.8	0.7	3.7	80.3	2.4	80
Funk's-----	G-4810	70	14.5	2.7	0.8	4.1	78.9	2.3	65
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	70	20.8	2.6	0.7	3.9	85.1	2.2	79
Coker-----	56	70	15.4	2.7	0.8	4.0	81.7	2.8	82
Funk's-----	G-4776	69	21.4	3.0	0.8	4.2	81.9	2.6	80
DeKalb-----	XL72b	68	6.4	2.8	0.7	3.5	81.8	2.9	79
DeKalb-----	vi 80	68	34.3	2.6	0.7	3.8	80.6	2.1	81

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Table 4. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids in Northern Alabama, 1978^{1/}
 (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	66	27.1	3.1	0.8	3.9	78.8	2.3	82
Golden Harvest-H-2740A		66	28.3	2.7	0.6	4.2	84.2	2.3	79
Pioneer-----	511A	65	32.4	2.8	0.8	4.0	78.0	2.2	82
Funk's-----	G-4864	60	9.9	2.6	0.6	4.2	82.7	1.9	83
Ring Around---	2602W	59	12.2	2.1	0.6	4.2	76.7	2.1	82
Asgrow-----	RX114	58	8.6	2.5	0.7	3.7	78.4	2.1	81

^{1/}Belle Mina, Crossville, and Winfield.

^{2/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 5. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Northern Alabama^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Belle Mina	Crossville	Winfield	Regional average yield per acre				
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1-yr. 1978	2-yr. 1977-78	3-yr. 1976-78	4-yr. 1975-78	5-yr. 1974-78
Pioneer-----3369A	141	72	57	90	79	99	109	114	
Pioneer-----3147	124	83	54	87	77	94	107	113	
McCurdy-----67-14	152	55	32	80	65	84	98	103	
Coker-----16	123	66	43	77	68	86	97	100	
McNair-----X-300	115	62	35	71	62	83	92	98	
DeKalb-----XL80	119	54	32	68	61	80	89	97	
Coker-----56	106	68	35	70	61	81	93	96	
Pioneer-----511A	103	63	28	65	58	80	92	96	
Funk's-----G-4864	116	36	29	60	51	76	91	96	
Funk's-----G-795W-1	95	64	38	66	55	75	90	95	
McNair-----S-338	106	61	34	67	55	77	87	94	
Funk's-----G-4810	108	60	43	70	60	82	94		
Funk's-----G-4507	124	63	58	82	71	91			
Funk's-----G-4611	116	64	55	79	69	91			
Coker-----22	118	73	50	80	69	90			
Coker-----18	123	87	44	84	69	89			
DeKalb-----XL394	133	56	24	71	57	82			
Ring Around---1502	126	83	60	90	76				
Trojan-----TXS 114	143	67	52	87	75				
McCurdy-----72-44A	122	83	40	82	73				
Paymaster----UC 9792	98	69	43	70	67				
Funk's-----G-4776	111	55	41	69	58				
Ring Around---2602W	102	50	26	59	48				
Trojan-----TXS 115A	150	79	50	93					
Ring Around---2501	138	71	67	92					
Ring-Around---1501	149	69	54	91					
Paymaster----UC 8951	143	75	56	91					
P-A-G-----SX 17A	155	78	40	91					
Security-----SS-112	147	62	59	89					
McCurdy-----MSX 84aa	135	68	59	87					
Northrup, King-PX 795	149	53	54	85					
USDA-----6663	122	75	51	83					

Table 5. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Northern Alabama^{1/}
 (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Belle	Crossville	Winfield	Regional average yield per acre				
		Mina Bu.			1-yr. 1978	2-yr. 1977-78	3-yr. 1976-78	4-yr. 1975-78	5-yr. 1974-78
McCurdy-----75-200		121	77	34	78				
Northrup, King-PX 95		134	57	32	74				
Northrup, King-PX 723		120	66	35	74				
McNair-----X-170		107	64	48	73				
DeKalb-----XL72b		103	61	41	68				
Golden Harvest-H-2740A		131	43	23	66				
Asgrow-----RX114		99	43	32	58				
Test average:		124	65	43					
L.S.D. (.05):		25	13	14					
C.V. (%):		17.5	16.6	27.0					

^{1/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

Table 6. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Three Years in Central Alabama, 1976-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.		
Pioneer-----	3147	48	19.3	3.2	0.7	3.7	78.8	2.6
Pioneer-----	3369A	44	20.2	2.9	0.7	3.4	80.6	2.5
McNair-----	508	43	16.5	2.6	0.8	4.3	74.9	2.1
Pioneer-----	3368A	43	21.1	2.9	0.7	3.5	79.9	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4507	42	20.3	3.5	0.6	3.6	78.8	2.9
Coker-----	56	42	23.1	2.7	0.7	3.8	76.6	2.3
Pioneer-----	3145	41	17.1	2.9	0.7	3.8	75.1	1.8
Coker-----	18	41	24.5	3.3	0.7	3.6	78.3	2.2
Coker-----	77	40	24.3	2.8	0.6	4.3	78.0	2.1
DeKalb-----	XL394	40	24.0	2.6	0.6	4.1	77.7	1.7
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	40	30.2	3.2	0.7	3.7	75.2	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4611	40	20.0	3.2	0.6	3.6	79.5	2.2
Pioneer-----	511A	40	31.1	2.9	0.7	3.8	76.3	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4810	40	21.4	3.1	0.6	3.7	75.2	2.3
Coker-----	16	39	25.3	3.2	0.6	3.3	77.2	2.6
Coker-----	54	38	25.7	2.5	0.7	3.9	75.6	1.8
Pioneer-----	3009	38	28.7	2.7	0.6	3.9	72.6	1.8
McNair-----	X-300	37	24.4	3.2	0.6	3.4	77.1	2.3
McCurdy-----	67-14	37	21.8	2.6	0.5	3.5	76.8	2.0
Funk's-----	G-5945	37	24.6	2.5	0.6	4.2	79.6	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4949A	37	24.0	2.8	0.6	4.2	75.9	2.3
Coker-----	22	36	24.3	3.2	0.6	3.5	76.8	2.2
DeKalb-----	XL80	36	20.0	3.1	0.6	3.4	77.4	2.3
DeKalb-----	XL395	36	18.2	2.6	0.6	4.2	78.4	2.0
Funk's-----	G-4864	33	15.5	2.8	0.5	3.9	75.6	1.9
McNair-----	S-338	30	24.1	3.4	0.5	3.5	73.1	2.4

^{1/}Camden, Camp Hill, Prattville, and E. V. Smith Research Center (1977 data is from Prattville only).

Table 7. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years in Central Alabama, 1977-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
Pioneer-----	3147	39	8.6	3.8	0.7	3.8	76.1	2.9
Trojan-----	TXS 114	36	6.0	3.4	0.7	3.8	74.4	2.3
Ring Around----	2502	35	13.1	3.6	0.6	3.3	73.6	3.0
Pioneer-----	3368A	34	13.8	3.4	0.7	3.7	76.3	2.8
Pioneer-----	3145	32	15.2	3.5	0.6	4.1	71.5	1.8
McNair-----	508	32	11.6	2.9	0.7	4.3	71.1	2.3
Pioneer-----	3369A	32	12.0	3.3	0.6	3.8	77.9	2.8
Coker-----	56	32	15.1	3.1	0.6	4.0	73.4	2.7
Ring Around----	1502	31	11.0	3.3	0.6	3.6	76.0	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4507	31	7.0	3.8	0.5	3.9	74.9	3.3
Coker-----	18	31	18.8	3.8	0.6	3.9	73.0	2.4
Wilstar-----	6663	30	8.9	3.7	0.7	3.9	73.4	3.2
Pioneer-----	511A	30	26.6	3.4	0.6	4.0	73.5	2.1
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	30	22.6	3.6	0.6	3.7	70.9	2.0
Coker-----	16	29	15.2	3.6	0.6	3.7	73.4	2.7
DeKalb-----	XL394	29	16.0	3.1	0.5	4.4	73.2	1.7
Funk's-----	G-4949A	28	13.0	3.2	0.6	4.4	72.2	2.6
Funk's-----	G-4810	28	11.7	3.6	0.5	4.0	70.0	2.5
DeKalb-----	XL395	28	14.9	3.0	0.5	4.3	76.1	2.2
Coker-----	77	28	16.2	3.2	0.5	4.5	74.1	2.4
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	27	13.9	3.3	0.5	3.8	72.5	1.8
Funk's-----	G-4776	27	12.6	3.6	0.6	4.1	71.0	2.4
McNair-----	X-300	27	18.7	3.7	0.5	3.6	74.0	2.6
Funk's-----	G-5945	26	21.1	2.9	0.5	4.4	75.0	2.1
Coker-----	22	26	18.9	3.6	0.5	3.8	72.6	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4611	26	10.1	3.5	0.5	3.9	75.6	2.4
McCurdy-----	67-14	26	16.5	3.0	0.4	3.8	71.9	2.1
Coker-----	54	26	16.4	2.9	0.6	3.9	71.4	2.0
Pioneer-----	3009	25	20.2	3.3	0.5	4.1	67.8	1.9
Asgrow-----	RX114	25	16.8	3.5	0.5	3.8	68.3	2.2

Table 7. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years in Central Alabama, 1977-78^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{3/}
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating
DeKalb-----	XL80	22	15.6	3.7	0.5	3.8	72.1	2.6
McNair-----	S-338	19	15.8	4.0	0.5	3.7	65.5	2.6
Funk's-----	G-4864	17	8.5	3.4	0.4	4.2	67.9	2.1

^{1/}Camden, Camp Hill, Prattville, and E. V. Smith Research Center (1977 data is from Prattville only).

^{2/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 8. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested in Central Alabama, 1978¹/

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ² / Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ³ / Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ³ / Rating	Mid-silk Days
Funk's-----	G-4507	49	7.0	2.7	0.7	3.9	85.5	2.7	69
Trojan-----	TXS 114	48	6.0	2.4	0.8	3.8	81.0	2.3	67
Ring Around-----	1502	47	11.0	1.9	0.7	3.6	84.1	2.2	67
Pioneer-----	3147	44	8.6	2.9	0.7	3.8	82.2	2.9	73
Ring Around-----	2502	43	13.1	2.4	0.6	3.3	83.8	2.8	66
Wilstar-----	6663	42	8.9	2.4	0.8	3.9	84.9	3.0	67
Coker-----	18	41	18.8	2.5	0.7	3.9	84.2	2.5	69
Pioneer-----	3368A	41	13.8	2.3	0.7	3.7	83.6	2.6	68
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	39	13.9	2.2	0.6	3.8	81.9	2.3	70
Security-----	SS-112	39	4.8	2.8	0.7	3.8	85.4	3.0	68
Coker-----	16	39	15.2	2.6	0.7	3.7	83.6	3.1	67
Pioneer-----	3145	39	15.2	2.6	0.6	4.1	80.1	2.0	72
Northrup, King-----	PX 675	38	7.1	2.5	0.6	3.8	85.2	2.9	68
Pioneer-----	3369A	38	12.0	2.4	0.6	3.8	85.0	2.6	68
Coker-----	22	38	18.9	2.4	0.6	3.8	84.4	2.8	68
Ring Around-----	3602	37	19.0	2.3	0.6	4.1	85.1	1.8	72
McNair-----	X-300	36	18.7	2.7	0.6	3.6	80.5	2.5	68
Asgrow-----	RX140A	35	11.6	2.1	0.6	4.1	76.0	1.9	74
Funk's-----	G-4810	35	11.7	2.4	0.5	4.0	80.0	2.4	70
McCurdy-----	67-14	34	16.5	1.8	0.5	3.8	80.5	1.9	72
Pioneer-----	511A	34	26.6	2.3	0.6	4.0	76.6	1.9	75
Coker-----	56	34	15.1	2.3	0.6	4.0	76.1	2.4	74
Funk's-----	G-4776	34	12.6	2.5	0.6	4.1	76.1	2.8	71
Funk's-----	G-4611	33	10.1	2.3	0.5	3.9	84.6	2.5	70
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	31	22.6	2.7	0.6	3.7	75.8	2.1	74
Golden Harvest-----	H-2775	31	18.9	2.7	0.6	3.6	79.3	1.9	70
DeKalb-----	XL394	30	16.0	1.9	0.4	4.4	79.9	1.8	71
Asgrow-----	RX114	30	16.8	2.4	0.5	3.8	81.6	2.1	72
Northrup, King-----	PX 95	29	24.9	2.3	0.5	4.2	82.2	2.0	69
DeKalb-----	XL80	29	15.6	2.4	0.4	3.8	79.5	1.9	69
Ring Around-----	2601	28	14.0	2.1	0.4	4.0	80.9	2.1	71

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Table 8. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested in Central Alabama, 1978^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
McNair-----	S-338	28	15.8	3.0	0.6	3.7	75.6	2.8	72
Coker-----	54	26	16.4	2.1	0.5	3.9	72.0	1.7	74
Pioneer-----	3009	26	20.2	2.5	0.5	4.1	72.8	1.9	71
Funk's-----	G-4949A	26	13.0	2.2	0.5	4.4	76.8	2.1	70
McNair-----	508	25	11.6	2.5	0.5	4.3	67.5	2.2	79
Funk's-----	G-5945	24	21.1	2.1	0.4	4.4	78.4	2.1	78
Coker-----	77	23	16.2	1.9	0.4	4.5	76.8	2.4	78
Funk's-----	G-4864	21	8.5	2.3	0.4	4.2	81.4	2.1	77
DeKalb-----	XL395	20	14.9	2.2	0.4	4.3	76.5	2.1	79

^{1/}Camden, Camp Hill, Prattville, and E. V. Smith Research Center.

^{2/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 9. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Central Alabama^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Camden Bu.	Camp Hill Bu.	Prattville Bu.	E. V. Smith Research Center Bu.	Regional average yield per acre				
						1-yr. 1978	2-yr. 1977-78	3-yr. 1976-77	4-yr. 1975-78	5-yr. 1974-78
Pioneer-----3147		36	51	54	33	44	39	48	61	67
Coker-----77		9	24	35	24	23	28	40	59	63
Pioneer-----3369A		12	50	64	26	38	32	44	58	62
Funk's-----G-795W-1		19	28	42	35	31	30	40	54	62
Pioneer-----511A		22	33	47	34	34	30	40	53	60
McNair-----508		25	23	22	31	25	32	43	56	59
Coker-----56		28	39	36	32	34	32	42	53	58
Pioneer-----3009		14	34	31	27	26	25	38	52	57
McCurdy-----67-14		28	45	36	28	34	26	37	52	56
Funk's-----G-5945		15	24	29	28	24	26	37	52	56
McNair-----X-300		19	38	47	40	36	27	37	53	55
Funk's-----G-4949A		15	30	37	22	26	28	37	49	54
Funk's-----G-4864		8	32	25	18	21	17	33	48	53
McNair-----S-338		18	37	35	22	28	19	30	46	51
DeKalb-----XL394		24	36	32	29	30	29	40	55	
Funk's-----G-4810		32	39	43	27	35	28	40	54	
Coker-----16		32	46	51	26	39	29	39	52	
Coker-----54		25	25	30	26	26	26	38	50	
DeKalb-----XL80		17	30	43	25	29	22	36	50	
Pioneer-----3368A		21	43	59	39	41	34	43		
Funk's-----G-4507		60	45	67	24	49	31	42		
Pioneer-----3145		17	44	57	38	39	32	41		
Coker-----18		39	41	50	35	41	31	41		
Funk's-----G-4611		23	37	50	22	33	26	40		
DeKalb-----XL395		6	23	25	26	20	28	36		
Coker-----22		18	48	56	28	38	26	36		
Trojan-----TXS 114		50	46	57	40	48	36			
Ring Around---2502		42	41	54	36	43	35			
Ring Around---1502		39	46	66	40	47	31			
Wilstar-----6663		37	38	65	29	42	30			
Paymaster----UC 9792		34	34	52	37	39	27			

Table 9. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Central Alabama^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Camden	Camp Hill	Prattville	E. V. Smith Research Center	Regional average yield per acre				
						1-yr.	2-yr.	3-yr.	4-yr.	5-yr.
								1976-	1975-	1974-
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	77	78	78
Funk's-----G-4776		29	38	38	29	34	27			
Asgrow-----RX114		32	25	44	20	30	25			
Security-----SS-112		16	48	69	23	39				
Northrup, King-PX 675		27	43	58	25	38				
Ring Around---3602		26	43	48	31	37				
Asgrow-----RX140A		43	31	33	34	35				
Golden Harvest-H-2775		19	32	42	31	31				
Northrup, King-PX 95		7	35	41	32	29				
Ring Around---2601		21	33	38	21	28				
Test Average:		25	37	45	29					
L.S.D. (.05):		17	13	8	11					
C.V. (%):		58.4	28.7	14.6	31.0					

^{1/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

Table 10. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Three Years in Southern Alabama, 1976-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}		Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears		Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
		Bu.	Pct.				Ft.			
Pioneer-----	3368A	108		12.8	2.5	1.0	3.6		80.7	2.7
Ring Around-----	1502	107		9.5	2.3	1.0	3.0		83.0	2.4
Coker-----	22	106		16.7	2.5	0.9	3.1		82.4	2.5
Pioneer-----	3369A	105		13.3	2.4	0.9	2.9		82.8	3.0
Funk's-----	G-4507	105		18.3	2.7	0.9	3.1		83.3	3.0
Pioneer-----	3147	104		17.3	2.5	0.9	3.2		82.7	2.8
McCurdy-----	67-14	104		18.2	1.8	0.9	2.9		80.3	2.7
Coker-----	16	102		12.3	2.2	1.0	2.7		82.2	3.0
DeKalb-----	XL80	101		18.9	2.0	0.9	2.7		80.6	2.4
Coker-----	77	101		19.9	2.2	1.0	3.8		81.0	2.5
Coker-----	18	101		20.9	2.4	0.9	3.1		83.5	2.6
Funk's-----	G-4611	100		17.8	2.1	0.9	3.0		82.8	2.4
Funk's-----	G-4810	99		13.9	2.1	0.9	3.2		81.1	2.8
DeKalb-----	XL394	99		17.0	2.1	1.0	3.5		82.6	2.4
Pioneer-----	3145	99		11.0	2.1	1.0	3.2		79.5	2.0
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	98		26.4	2.0	1.0	3.3		80.8	2.2
Pioneer-----	511A	98		24.4	1.8	1.0	3.4		80.6	2.3
McNair-----	X-300	97		18.0	2.2	0.9	2.8		80.7	2.4
McNair-----	S-338	96		23.3	2.3	0.9	3.0		80.8	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4949A	95		19.7	2.1	0.9	3.5		80.0	2.7
McNair-----	508	94		14.5	2.2	1.1	3.7		81.9	2.1
Funk's-----	G-4864	94		13.0	1.9	0.9	3.3		82.8	1.9
Pioneer-----	3030	93		18.3	2.0	1.0	3.4		77.3	1.8
P-A-G-----	751	88		24.8	2.1	1.0	3.6		80.3	2.0
Funk's-----	G-5945	88		21.9	2.3	0.9	3.5		81.6	2.3
Pioneer-----	3009	88		26.5	2.1	0.9	3.4		77.2	2.1
Coker-----	54	85		22.5	1.9	1.0	3.4		80.2	2.0

^{1/}Brewton, Fairhope, Headland, and Monroeville. (The test at Headland was irrigated in 1978).

^{2/}Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 11. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years in Southern Alabama, 1977-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
Pioneer-----	3368A	93	17.6	2.3	0.9	2.7	83.0	2.7
Trojan-----	TXS 114	92	18.6	2.6	1.0	2.6	81.4	2.5
Ring Around-----	1502	91	11.5	2.5	0.9	2.8	82.7	2.3
Ring Around-----	2502	91	19.4	2.6	0.9	2.5	82.3	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4507	90	23.5	3.0	0.9	2.9	82.7	2.9
Ring Around-----	1501	90	13.5	3.2	0.9	2.8	82.2	3.0
Coker-----	16	89	16.2	2.3	1.0	2.5	82.0	2.8
Pioneer-----	3369A	89	18.0	2.5	0.9	2.7	82.1	2.9
Coker-----	22	89	20.5	2.8	0.9	2.9	81.7	2.5
McCurdy-----	67-14	88	20.1	2.0	0.9	2.6	79.9	2.7
Pioneer-----	3147	87	16.5	2.8	0.9	2.9	81.7	2.8
Pioneer-----	3145	86	13.7	2.3	0.9	2.9	78.9	2.1
Funk's-----	G-4810	85	17.7	2.4	0.9	3.0	80.3	2.7
Funk's-----	G-4611	85	22.2	2.3	0.9	2.8	82.2	2.5
Pioneer-----	511A	84	26.6	2.1	0.9	3.1	80.2	2.3
DeKalb-----	XL80	84	21.8	2.2	0.9	2.5	80.2	2.6
Coker-----	77	84	19.8	2.5	0.9	3.4	80.2	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4776	83	24.3	2.4	0.9	3.0	81.9	2.8
DeKalb-----	XL395A	83	13.9	2.3	0.9	3.1	79.6	2.3
Coker-----	18	82	26.1	2.8	0.9	2.8	83.0	2.6
Funk's-----	G-4949A	82	17.5	2.3	0.9	3.2	78.9	2.8
McNair-----	X-300	81	23.9	2.3	0.9	2.5	80.0	2.4
DeKalb-----	XL394	81	15.3	2.3	0.9	3.2	81.7	2.6
McNair-----	S-338	80	24.7	2.5	0.8	2.7	79.9	2.5
Funk's-----	G-4864	80	14.8	2.1	0.8	3.0	81.6	2.1
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	79	28.1	2.3	0.9	2.9	79.9	2.2
Pioneer-----	3030	77	17.5	2.2	0.9	3.1	75.9	2.0
McNair-----	508	75	15.6	2.4	1.0	3.3	81.2	2.1

Table 11. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years in Southern Alabama, 1977-78^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}		Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears		Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
		Bu.	Pct.				Ft.			
Pioneer-----	3009	74		27.1	2.3	0.8	3.1	76.5		2.4
DeKalb-----	XL395	72		17.0	2.3	0.8	3.2	81.2		2.4
P-A-G-----	751	72		24.7	2.3	0.9	3.2	79.7		2.0
Funk's-----	G-5945	72		19.2	2.5	0.8	3.1	80.6		2.3
Coker-----	54	69		21.6	2.0	0.9	2.9	79.3		2.1

^{1/}Brewton, Fairhope, Headland, and Monroeville. (The test at Headland was irrigated in 1978)

^{2/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 12. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested in Southern Alabama, 1978^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Coker-----	22	130	6.9	2.2	1.0	3.2	84.5	2.4	74
Pioneer-----	3369A	128	6.6	1.9	1.0	2.9	83.7	3.0	72
McCurdy-----	MSX 84aa	128	9.4	2.1	1.0	3.2	83.9	2.5	72
Coker-----	77	128	18.1	1.8	1.2	3.8	83.3	2.8	80
Pioneer-----	3368A	127	5.3	1.6	1.0	2.9	84.2	2.6	74
Funk's-----	G-4507	123	11.8	2.0	1.0	3.1	85.1	2.9	72
Security-----	SS-112	122	6.5	2.1	1.0	3.2	84.5	2.8	72
Golden Harvest---	H-2500	122	6.6	2.3	1.0	3.1	84.2	2.7	72
Ring Around-----	2502	120	5.6	2.1	1.0	2.8	84.1	2.5	73
Funk's-----	G-4949A	120	16.6	1.5	1.0	3.7	81.9	2.8	77
Pioneer-----	3147	120	6.9	2.1	1.0	3.3	83.8	3.1	77
Ring Around-----	1502	120	3.4	2.0	1.0	3.0	84.3	2.4	72
Funk's-----	G-4810	120	10.5	1.7	1.0	3.1	81.9	3.1	74
Ring Around-----	1501	120	8.4	2.4	1.0	3.1	84.3	3.0	73
Coker-----	16	119	5.2	1.8	1.0	2.4	83.6	2.9	70
Funk's-----	G-4776	118	12.0	1.6	1.0	3.4	83.9	2.9	76
McCurdy-----	67-14	118	12.7	1.4	1.0	2.8	80.7	2.8	76
Coker-----	18	117	10.4	1.8	1.0	3.1	85.0	2.4	75
Pioneer-----	511A	117	18.2	1.7	1.1	3.4	81.9	2.4	77
Trojan-----	TXS 114	117	11.6	1.9	1.0	2.8	83.4	2.6	72
Northrup, King---	PX 79	116	5.1	2.1	1.0	3.2	84.7	2.9	75
McNair-----	S-338	116	13.2	1.9	1.0	2.9	82.0	2.8	76
DeKalb-----	XL395A	115	14.5	1.6	1.0	3.3	81.5	2.4	79
Pioneer-----	3145	114	7.4	1.7	1.0	3.3	80.4	2.2	74
Trojan-----	TXS 115A	114	7.5	2.1	1.0	3.1	84.5	2.8	72
Funk's-----	G-4611	114	4.9	1.6	0.9	2.9	83.7	2.6	74
DeKalb-----	XL80	114	12.0	1.3	1.0	2.5	81.0	2.5	73
McNair-----	X-300	113	9.7	1.7	1.1	2.6	81.7	2.3	74
DeKalb-----	XL394	112	18.5	1.9	1.1	3.6	83.2	2.8	77

Table 12. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested in Southern Alabama, 1978^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Pioneer-----	3030	112	12.5	1.6	1.1	3.4	78.6	2.0	79
Golden Harvest----	H-2666	111	7.2	1.8	1.0	2.6	83.1	2.5	72
Funk's-----	G-4864	110	9.4	1.5	1.0	3.2	83.1	1.9	77
McNair-----	508	108	17.4	1.7	1.3	3.7	83.4	2.2	81
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	107	26.7	1.9	1.1	3.4	81.2	2.1	76
Pioneer-----	3009	104	24.9	1.5	1.0	3.3	77.8	2.6	76
DeKalb-----	XL395	104	9.7	1.6	1.0	3.5	83.5	2.8	79
P-A-G-----	751	103	21.3	1.7	1.2	3.5	81.3	2.1	82
McNair-----	X-170	100	4.5	1.8	1.0	2.4	83.9	3.3	70
Funk's-----	G-5945	100	18.5	2.1	1.0	3.4	82.4	2.5	78
Coker-----	54	94	18.1	1.4	1.1	3.1	81.3	2.3	77

^{1/}Brewton, Fairhope, Headland, and Monroeville. (The test at Headland was irrigated in 1978).

^{2/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 13. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Southern Alabama^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Regional average yield per acre									
		Fairhope	Brewton	Monroeville	Head- land ^{2/}	1-yr.		2-yr.		3-yr.	
						1978	1977-78	Bu.	Bu.	1976- 78	1975- 78
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.
Pioneer-----3147		151	132	73	125	120	87	104	107	106	
Coker-----77		149	161	67	134	128	84	101	106	103	
Pioneer-----3369A		172	140	71	129	128	89	105	105	103	
McCurdy-----67-14		139	139	70	123	118	88	104	105	102	
Funk's-----G-795W-1		110	141	61	118	107	79	98	102	101	
Pioneer-----511A		134	141	63	131	117	84	98	99	98	
McNair-----S-338		148	142	66	107	116	80	96	99	98	
McNair-----X-300		142	140	68	103	113	81	97	100	96	
Funk's-----G-4864		136	129	65	108	110	80	94	96	96	
Funk's-----G-4949A		132	145	68	136	120	82	95	96	95	
McNair-----508		125	147	45	116	108	75	94	96	94	
Pioneer-----3030		135	138	57	119	112	77	93	94	93	
Funk's-----G-5945		104	125	52	118	100	72	88	94	92	
Pioneer-----3009		112	128	67	108	104	74	88	92	90	
P-A-G-----751		123	137	46	108	103	72	88	91	89	
Coker-----54		99	124	55	98	94	69	85	90	88	
Coker-----16		152	133	74	115	119	89	102	102		
DeKalb-----XL80		137	135	73	110	114	84	101	102		
Funk's-----G-4810		144	145	71	120	120	85	99	102		
Pioneer-----3145		136	126	70	125	114	86	99	100		
DeKalb-----XL394		120	137	68	125	112	81	99	100		
Pioneer-----3368A		157	145	78	128	127	93	108			
Ring Around---1502		154	146	74	105	120	91	107			
Coker-----22		164	162	69	124	130	89	106			
Funk's-----G-4507		138	154	92	108	123	90	105			
Coker-----18		169	137	66	98	117	82	101			
Funk's-----G-4611		145	124	77	109	114	85	100			
Trojan-----TXS 114		156	137	71	104	117	92				
Ring Around---2502		147	140	80	114	120	91				
Ring Around---1501		133	149	82	114	120	90				

Table 13. 1978 Yield of Corn Hybrids by Location and Regional Averages for 1-5 Years in Southern Alabama^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Fairhope	Brewton	Monroeville	Head- land ^{2/}	Regional average yield per acre				
						1-yr.	2-yr.	3-yr.	4-yr.	5-yr.
								1976-	1975-	1974-
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	78	78	78
Funk's-----G-4776		151	147	56	119	118	83			
DeKalb-----XL395A		149	143	58	111	115	83			
DeKalb-----XL395		123	134	52	106	104	72			
McCurdy-----MSX 84aa		151	148	87	125	128				
Security-----SS-112		136	150	87	116	122				
Golden Harvest-H-2500		142	147	87	112	122				
Northrup,King-PX 79		143	140	70	112	116				
Trojan-----TXS 115A		125	147	83	99	114				
Golden Harvest-H-2666		136	128	63	115	111				
McNair-----X-170		128	128	51	93	100				
Test average:		139	140	68	115					
L.S.D. (.05):		16	9	11	14					
C.V.(%):		9.7	5.6	14.0	10.5					

^{1/} Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.^{2/} Test test at Headland was irrigated in 1978.

Table 14. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Under Irrigation Three Years at the Lower Coastal Plain Substation,
1976-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{3/}
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating
Pioneer-----	3147	112	14.8	1.7	1.0	3.8	73.6	2.0
McNair-----	508	110	16.9	1.3	1.2	4.1	70.7	2.1
Funk's-----	G-4949A	109	21.1	1.4	1.0	4.3	72.1	2.1
Pioneer-----	3368A	107	7.9	1.6	0.9	3.6	75.3	2.4
Coker-----	77	105	26.6	1.3	1.2	4.2	71.5	1.8
Pioneer-----	511A	103	30.8	1.6	1.0	3.8	71.7	1.8
Funk's-----	G-4507	103	14.5	2.2	0.9	3.5	75.5	2.3
McCurdy-----	67-14	103	25.1	1.4	0.9	3.3	72.1	1.9
DeKalb-----	XL394	103	26.4	1.3	1.0	4.1	72.3	2.0
Coker-----	22	101	27.9	1.6	0.9	3.5	75.3	1.9
DeKalb-----	XL395	100	16.9	1.3	1.0	4.0	73.4	2.0
Pioneer-----	3145	100	10.1	1.7	1.0	3.9	68.9	1.8
Funk's-----	G-5945	100	26.9	1.3	0.9	4.1	72.4	2.0
McNair-----	X-300	100	26.6	1.7	1.0	3.3	71.8	1.9
Coker-----	56	100	22.3	1.4	1.0	3.9	71.5	2.0
McNair-----	S-338	99	21.5	1.7	1.0	3.5	70.8	2.1
Pioneer-----	3369A	99	19.2	1.8	0.9	3.5	75.7	2.4
Funk's-----	G-4810	98	22.0	1.6	1.0	3.7	72.0	2.3
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	97	35.9	1.7	0.9	3.7	71.1	1.8
Coker-----	16	96	18.5	1.8	0.9	3.1	75.5	2.3
Coker-----	18	94	20.9	1.8	0.9	3.5	76.4	2.0
Coker-----	54	92	40.7	1.4	1.0	3.8	71.6	1.5
Pioneer-----	3009	92	20.6	1.8	1.0	3.7	65.1	1.8
Funk's-----	G-4864	92	34.6	1.4	0.9	3.8	71.9	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4611	89	21.0	1.8	0.9	3.5	74.5	2.0
DeKalb-----	XL80	87	35.6	1.8	0.9	3.1	72.0	1.4

^{1/}Planted in 30-inch rows in 1976 and 36-inch rows in 1977 and 1978.

^{2/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor

Table 15. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Under Irrigation Two Years at the Lower Coastal Plain Substation,
1977-78^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{3/}
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating
Ring Around-----	1502	113	13.5	2.0	0.9	3.5	74.9	2.5
Pioneer-----	3147	112	18.9	2.0	1.0	4.0	72.6	2.0
Coker-----	77	111	23.6	1.5	1.3	4.1	70.9	1.8
Pioneer-----	3368A	111	9.8	1.9	0.9	3.8	74.8	2.4
Pioneer-----	3369A	111	24.2	2.0	1.0	3.8	76.3	2.4
Ring Around-----	2502	110	15.8	1.5	1.0	3.2	75.5	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4949A	107	25.4	1.6	1.0	4.4	71.1	2.1
McNair-----	508	107	18.6	1.5	1.2	4.1	69.4	2.1
Pioneer-----	3145	106	10.9	1.9	1.0	4.1	68.8	1.8
Funk's-----	G-4810	106	26.7	1.9	1.0	3.9	71.9	2.3
Coker-----	16	106	20.7	1.9	1.0	3.3	76.4	2.3
Funk's-----	G-4507	106	17.5	2.8	0.9	3.6	75.4	2.3
Asgrow-----	RX114	103	28.5	1.5	0.9	3.9	76.3	1.8
Pioneer-----	511A	103	39.1	1.9	1.0	3.9	71.1	1.8
Coker-----	56	103	25.3	1.6	1.0	4.1	70.7	2.0
McCurdy-----	67-14	102	28.6	1.6	0.9	3.5	71.4	1.9
McNair-----	X-300	101	37.2	2.0	1.0	3.4	71.3	1.9
Coker-----	22	100	34.9	1.9	0.9	3.6	75.6	1.9
Wilstar-----	6663	100	16.7	2.8	0.9	3.7	76.5	2.3
McNair-----	S-338	99	20.4	2.0	1.0	3.7	69.2	2.1
DeKalb-----	XL394	99	31.8	1.4	1.0	4.1	71.5	2.0
Funk's-----	G-4776	97	25.5	1.8	0.9	4.1	74.3	1.9
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	97	44.1	2.0	1.0	3.8	70.5	1.8
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	96	37.8	1.6	0.9	3.7	71.8	2.0
Funk's-----	G-5945	96	32.4	1.5	0.9	4.1	71.6	2.0
Coker-----	18	96	26.7	1.9	0.9	3.6	76.4	2.0
DeKalb-----	XL395	94	19.0	1.5	0.9	3.9	72.6	2.0
Trojan-----	TXS 114	94	28.0	2.3	1.0	3.5	74.4	1.6
Funk's-----	G-4611	93	23.0	2.3	0.9	3.7	75.3	2.0
Pioneer-----	3009	92	24.9	2.1	1.0	4.0	64.4	1.8

Table 15. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Under Irrigation Two Years at the Lower Coastal Plain Substation,
1977-78^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalk Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
		Bu.				Ft.		
Coker-----	54	87	46.5	1.6	0.9	3.9	70.7	1.5
DeKalb-----	XL30	84	41.8	2.3	0.9	3.1	71.4	1.4
Funk's-----	G-4864	83	48.5	1.6	0.9	3.9	70.1	1.9

^{1/}Planted in 30-inch rows in 1976 and 36-inch rows in 1977 and 1978.

^{2/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 16. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Under Irrigation One Year at the Lower Coastal Plain Substation,
1978^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Pioneer-----	3369A	122	21.4	2.0	1.0	4.1	76.1	2.8	64
Northrup, King---	PX 95	112	30.2	1.8	0.9	4.8	70.8	3.0	64
Pioneer-----	3368A	111	12.8	2.0	0.9	3.9	74.0	3.3	65
Coker-----	16	111	30.8	2.0	0.9	3.5	76.1	3.3	65
Ring Around-----	1502	111	23.7	2.0	0.9	3.6	72.7	3.0	64
Wilstar-----	6663	110	22.7	2.5	0.8	4.1	78.0	3.0	65
Funk's-----	G-4507	110	25.4	2.3	0.9	3.9	78.0	2.8	65
Coker-----	56	108	36.6	1.8	1.0	4.4	69.4	3.0	69
DeKalb-----	XL80	107	20.4	2.0	1.0	3.4	71.3	1.8	65
Funk's-----	G-4810	107	31.2	2.0	1.0	4.3	70.2	3.3	65
Security-----	SS-112	107	7.3	2.0	0.9	4.2	76.8	2.5	65
Pioneer-----	511A	106	48.8	2.3	1.0	4.5	69.4	2.5	68
Funk's-----	G-4949A	106	37.8	2.0	0.9	4.8	69.5	3.0	68
Coker-----	22	106	46.2	2.0	0.9	3.9	76.1	2.8	65
Coker-----	77	105	40.3	1.8	1.2	4.6	69.2	2.5	69
Pioneer-----	3147	105	26.5	2.3	0.9	4.1	72.0	2.8	65
Northrup, King---	PX 675	105	13.3	2.0	0.9	4.0	76.7	3.0	65
Trojan-----	TXS 114	103	35.5	2.3	1.0	3.7	75.1	2.0	64
Ring Around-----	2502	103	26.2	1.8	1.0	3.2	74.4	2.8	64
DeKalb-----	XL394	103	38.4	1.5	1.0	4.5	70.0	3.0	69
McNair-----	508	101	28.6	1.8	1.1	4.3	67.9	3.3	73
Golden Harvest-----	H-2775	101	48.0	2.8	1.0	3.7	69.2	2.5	68
McNair-----	S-338	100	24.6	2.0	1.0	4.0	68.5	3.3	65
Asgrow-----	RX140A	100	45.4	2.0	0.9	4.1	68.6	2.0	67
Funk's-----	G-4776	100	39.1	2.0	0.9	4.2	73.5	2.3	67
Pioneer-----	3145	98	12.9	2.0	0.9	4.5	65.8	2.5	66
McCurdy-----	67-14	96	35.9	2.0	0.9	3.7	69.0	2.8	66
McNair-----	X-300	96	58.4	2.5	1.1	3.5	69.5	2.8	65
Ring Around-----	2601	95	43.9	1.8	0.9	3.7	70.3	2.3	68
DeKalb-----	XL395	95	27.5	1.8	0.8	4.5	71.2	3.0	71
Funk's-----	G-5945	93	43.6	1.8	0.9	4.6	69.1	3.0	73

Table 16. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Under Irrigation One Year at the Lower Coastal Plain Substation,
1978^{1/} (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{3/}	Mid-silk Days
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating	
Asgrow-----	RX114	91	37.6	2.0	0.9	4.1	80.6	2.5	65
Pioneer-----	3009	88	32.6	2.5	0.9	4.4	62.0	2.5	67
Funk's-----	G-4611	88	30.3	2.5	0.8	4.2	73.6	2.8	65
Coker-----	18	87	36.7	2.3	0.8	3.8	76.6	3.0	65
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	86	54.1	2.3	0.8	4.1	67.8	2.5	66
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	86	46.8	2.0	0.9	3.9	71.5	3.0	66
Ring Around-----	3602	79	32.5	2.3	0.9	4.3	67.0	2.5	65
Coker-----	54	78	46.1	2.0	0.8	4.3	68.2	2.0	68
Funk's-----	G-4864	76	76.4	2.3	0.8	4.2	69.6	2.8	67
Test average:		100							
L.S.D. (.05):		17							
C.V. (%):		14.6							

^{1/}Planted in 30-inch rows in 1976 and 36-inch rows in 1977 and 1978.

^{2/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 17. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Three Years at the Black Belt Substation, 1975, 1976, and 1978^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{3/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{3/} Rating
DeKalb-----XL394		77	12.2	2.3	0.9	3.8	82.3	1.8
Pioneer-----3145		72	7.4	2.6	0.9	3.8	78.2	2.2
Funk's-----G-4864		72	7.1	2.8	0.8	3.9	81.2	1.6
Funk's-----G-5945		69	16.4	2.4	0.9	4.1	81.1	2.3
Pioneer-----3009		68	14.8	2.9	0.9	4.0	76.9	1.9
McNair-----508		66	5.3	2.3	1.0	4.0	79.5	1.9
Pioneer-----511A		66	24.4	2.7	0.9	3.8	80.5	1.5
Coker-----56		66	4.5	2.3	0.9	3.7	81.0	2.2
Funk's-----G-795W-1		64	12.3	2.9	0.9	3.7	77.1	1.5
Funk's-----G-4949A		61	14.1	2.8	0.8	4.0	80.2	2.2
Pioneer-----3369A		59	26.1	2.6	0.8	3.3	79.0	2.9

1/ Due to severe drouth and insect damage, no data were collected at this location in 1977.

Averages are based on data obtained in 1975, 1976, and 1978.

2/Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

3/ 1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 18. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested Two Years at the Black Belt Substation, 1976 and 1978^{1/}

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{2/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{3/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{3/}
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating
Pioneer-----	3145	67	10.3	2.6	0.9	3.6	76.8	2.3
DeKalb-----	XL394	67	17.9	2.4	0.8	3.5	80.6	1.9
Funk's-----	G-4810	63	14.4	3.0	0.8	3.4	77.1	2.4
Funk's-----	G-4864	61	9.6	3.1	0.8	3.7	79.1	1.6
Funk's-----	G-4776	61	12.8	2.0	0.9	3.7	79.2	2.1
Pioneer-----	3009	60	19.0	2.9	0.8	3.5	73.3	1.8
McNair-----	508	58	6.6	2.4	0.9	3.8	76.7	2.1
Pioneer-----	511A	58	30.6	2.8	0.8	3.4	79.0	1.5
Funk's-----	G-5945	57	23.9	2.4	0.8	3.7	79.1	2.5
Coker-----	56	56	5.3	2.4	0.8	3.6	79.3	2.3
Funk's-----	G-4507	52	25.7	3.0	0.8	3.3	81.7	3.5
Pioneer-----	3368A	52	7.7	2.6	0.8	3.2	80.1	3.3
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	51	17.6	3.1	0.9	3.4	73.2	1.4
Coker-----	77	50	14.4	2.3	0.8	3.8	79.7	2.0
Funk's-----	G-4949A	50	17.9	2.6	0.7	3.7	78.9	2.3
McNair-----	X-300	49	17.5	3.1	0.8	3.2	78.2	2.6
Pioneer-----	3369A	49	29.4	2.5	0.8	3.3	77.0	3.3
DeKalb-----	XL395	48	14.0	2.1	0.6	3.6	80.0	2.5
Coker-----	18	47	7.3	2.8	0.8	3.4	80.8	3.0
Coker-----	16	46	20.1	2.7	0.8	3.2	78.5	3.5
Coker-----	54	46	42.6	2.4	0.8	3.4	78.8	2.1
Coker-----	22	43	21.3	2.9	0.7	3.2	79.8	2.3

^{1/} Due to severe drouth and insect damage, no data were collected at this location in 1977.

Averages are based on data obtained in 1976 and 1978.

^{2/} Yields adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{3/} 1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

Table 19. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year at the Black Belt Substation, 1978

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{2/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{2/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Pioneer-----	3147	77	13.1	1.8	0.9	3.7	79.1	3.8	71
Ring Around----	2502	72	6.5	1.8	0.9	3.2	80.3	3.3	65
Pioneer-----	511A	70	41.5	2.8	0.7	3.7	77.9	1.5	69
Pioneer-----	3145	68	12.2	2.8	0.8	3.7	75.3	2.5	69
Pioneer-----	3369A	67	39.8	2.3	0.8	3.6	79.7	3.3	63
Funk's-----	G-4776	67	17.0	1.8	0.9	3.9	78.6	2.0	68
Coker-----	56	65	5.7	2.5	0.8	3.8	78.3	2.5	72
DeKalb-----	XL394	65	24.4	2.0	0.7	3.7	79.3	1.5	71
Golden Harvest--	H-2775	63	24.3	2.5	0.8	3.4	75.9	2.0	69
McNair-----	508	63	8.9	2.5	0.9	3.9	75.9	2.5	75
Funk's-----	G-4864	61	13.4	3.3	0.7	3.6	76.9	2.0	71
Northrup, King--	PX 95	59	26.2	3.0	0.8	3.8	80.1	3.3	66
Ring Around----	3602	58	30.0	1.8	0.7	3.6	81.2	2.5	67
Funk's-----	G-4810	58	21.0	2.8	0.7	3.4	75.9	2.5	69
McNair-----	X-300	58	24.2	3.3	0.7	3.5	77.6	3.0	68
Asgrow-----	RX114	57	26.8	2.0	0.8	3.3	76.9	2.5	68
Wilstar-----	6663	55	40.9	2.5	0.6	3.5	82.4	3.8	66
Funk's-----	G-5945	55	34.2	2.5	0.7	3.5	78.3	2.8	72
Coker-----	18	55	5.9	2.3	0.8	3.7	79.1	3.3	68
Ring Around----	1502	55	10.7	2.5	0.8	3.3	80.7	2.8	66
Pioneer-----	3009	54	28.0	3.3	0.7	3.5	68.9	2.0	72
Ring Around----	2601	54	21.4	2.0	0.8	3.3	77.3	2.5	70
McCurdy-----	67-14	54	20.2	1.8	0.8	3.3	75.5	1.8	71
Asgrow-----	RX140A	54	33.5	2.8	0.7	3.2	77.8	2.0	72
Pioneer-----	3368A	54	10.1	2.5	0.8	3.6	79.9	3.5	68
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	52	22.6	3.5	0.9	3.4	75.3	1.5	71
McNair-----	S-338	50	26.6	2.8	0.8	3.1	75.7	3.0	68
Funk's-----	G-4507	50	37.6	2.8	0.7	3.4	80.7	3.8	65
Paymaster-----	UC 9792	50	16.1	2.5	0.7	3.3	78.0	2.5	68

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Table 19. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year at the Black Belt Substation, 1978 (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{2/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{2/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
Coker-----	16	50	31.3	2.0	0.7	3.5	79.2	3.8	66
DeKalb-----	XL395	49	18.7	2.0	0.6	3.5	78.8	2.5	72
Coker-----	77	49	16.9	2.0	0.7	3.8	77.9	2.8	73
Northrup, King---	PX 675	47	12.3	4.0	0.7	3.2	80.3	2.8	69
Coker-----	22	45	28.6	2.5	0.7	3.5	78.7	2.3	68
Funk's-----	G-4611	45	15.3	2.5	0.7	3.1	76.4	2.0	70
Security-----	SS-112	42	28.1	2.3	0.6	3.4	79.7	3.5	66
Funk's-----	G-4949A	41	26.9	2.8	0.6	3.6	76.5	2.3	72
Coker-----	54	41	60.5	2.5	0.7	3.2	77.8	2.5	69
Trojan-----	TXS 114	40	11.6	3.3	0.6	3.2	78.8	2.8	67
DeKalb-----	XL80	35	55.2	3.8	0.6	2.7	74.7	2.8	71
Test average:		55							
L.S.D. (.05):		13							
C.V. (%):		20.2							

^{1/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{2/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

VIRAL DISEASE REACTIONS OF SOME HYBRIDS IN 1978

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INTRODUCTION

Presently, the two most prevalent viral diseases of corn in Alabama are maize chlorotic dwarf (MCD) caused by the maize chlorotic dwarf virus (MCDV), and maize dwarf mosaic (MDM) caused by the maize dwarf mosaic virus (MDMV). Discovery of MDM in the State dates back to the early 1960's, while MCD has been recognized only since 1973. Both diseases probably occur throughout Alabama, however, they generally have been more prevalent and damaging in the northern two-thirds of the State.

Symptoms of the two diseases are similar in appearance and sometimes difficult to distinguish. Generally, affected plants are chlorotic or discolored and may be stunted. Leaves of MDM-diseased plants show an irregular, light and dark green mosaic or mottle; the initial symptom of MCD is a fine, chlorotic streaking over smallest veins.

The causal viruses are spread by feeding activities of insects. MCDV is transmitted by certain leafhoppers and MDMV is carried by some aphids. Both viruses have similar host ranges among a variety of wild and cultivated grasses. Johnsongrass is an important overseason or reservoir host for the viruses, and MCD and MDM incidence and damage usually are high in corn fields that are heavily infested with johnsongrass.

Use of resistant or tolerant corn hybrids presently is the most practical control for MCD and MDM. Commercial and experimental hybrids and inbred lines are evaluated yearly to identify resistant hybrids of promising

sources of resistance to the diseases. Results of evaluations of some commercial hybrids during 1978 are summarized in this report.

PROCEDURE

Viral disease ratings were made on entries in the corn variety test at the Black Belt Substation, Marion Junction. Plants showing symptoms of MCD and/or MDM were counted and data are reported as percent incidence of the diseases for each hybrid. Average disease severity for each hybrid was calculated from ratings of individual plants on a 1-9 scale, where 1 = no visible symptoms, 2 = upper two or three leaves chlorotic or discolored; no stunting, 3 = all leaves above ear chlorotic or discolored; no stunting, 4 = general chlorosis or discoloration above ear; some stunting, 5 = general chlorosis or discoloration above the ear; plants stunted and ear reduced in size, 6 = upper three-fourths of plant chlorotic or discolored; plants stunted and ear reduced in size, 7 = entire plant chlorotic or discolored and stunted; small ear, 8 = entire plant chlorotic or discolored, stunted; no ear produced, 9 = plant dead; no ear.

RESULTS

Evaluations for viral diseases in the variety test on the Black Belt Substation are given in table 20. Tests on the Piedmont, Tennessee Valley, Sand Mountain, and Upper Coastal Plain substations were also examined but disease incidence was insignificant.

With one exception, MCD and MDM were found in every hybrid in the Black Belt test. Average incidence of MCD within all hybrids was 55% as compared to 15% for MDM. Occurrence of both diseases in the same plant was frequently observed.

Hybrids showing relatively greater resistance or tolerance were apparent. Under conditions of higher or lower incidence of viral diseases many hybrids would be more or less susceptible but should retain their relative ranking. When selecting a hybrid, viral disease reactions should be taken into account for areas where the diseases occur, along with consideration of yield and other characteristics given elsewhere in this report.

Table 20. Incidence and severity of viral diseases in the regular corn variety test, Black Belt Substation, July 27, 1978

Hybrid	Incidence (%) ^{1/}		Severity rating ^{2/}
	MCD	MDM	
Asgrow RX 114	43	10	2.4
Asgrow RX 140A	45	6	2.4
Coker 16	41	15	2.1
Coker 18	82	45	3.3
Coker 22	41	8	2.6
Coker 54	73	17	3.4
Coker 56	77	33	3.3
Coker 77	56	27	2.8
DeKalb XL80	76	24	3.8
DeKalb XL394	54	4	2.6
DeKalb XL395	36	18	2.7
Funk's G-795W-1	32	7	1.9
Funk's G-4507	72	8	3.6
Funk's G-4611	63	12	3.3
Funk's G-4776	43	0	2.5
Funk's G-4810	52	16	4.1
Funk's G-4864	32	12	1.8
Funk's G-4949A	15	7	1.5
Funk's G-5945	70	13	2.8
Golden Harvest H-2775	58	7	2.6
McCurdy 67-14	35	11	2.5
McNair X-300	87	35	4.6
McNair S-338	61	12	3.0
McNair 508	28	4	2.1
Northrup, King PX 95	76	12	2.8
Northrup, King PX 675	56	4	3.3
Paymaster UC 9792	87	13	4.7
Pioneer 511A	27	33	2.5
Pioneer 3009	38	11	2.4
Pioneer 3145	61	6	2.6
Pioneer 3147	59	10	2.6
Pioneer 3368A	63	29	3.6
Pioneer 3369A	48	24	2.7
Ring Around 1502	47	11	3.8
Ring Around 2502	29	21	2.0
Ring Around 2601	57	12	3.2
Ring Around 3602	54	10	3.0
Security SS-112	73	27	4.5
Trojan TXS 114	96	32	5.7
Wilstar 6663	50	13	2.7

1/Percentage of plants showing symptoms of maize chlorotic dwarf (MCD) or maize dwarf mosaic (MDM).

2/1=9 scale; 1 = no visible symptoms, 9 = severe symptoms.

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Table 21. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year at Three Locations in Northern Alabama, 1978

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/}					Quality ^{2/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{2/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
		Belle Mina	Crossville	Win-field	Regional Average	Lodged stalks						
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ct.	Pct.		
Gutwein-----62		132	84	71	96	7.8	2.6	0.9	3.8	84.6	2.5	77
Wilstar-----7774		129	85	61	92	6.3	2.4	0.9	3.3	84.2	2.7	79
Golden Harvest--H-2606		122	71	68	87	5.9	2.6	0.8	3.5	83.3	2.6	77
Funk's-----G-4606		120	80	61	87	11.5	2.8	0.9	3.7	79.9	2.3	76
Coker-----19A		124	74	63	87	6.6	2.7	0.8	3.8	84.8	2.1	79
Pioneer-----3184		128	79	50	86	2.2	2.3	0.9	3.5	78.4	3.2	80
P-A-G-----SX 346		128	68	61	86	9.4	2.5	0.9	3.6	80.5	2.9	78
Trojan-----TXS 119		109	85	63	86	7.9	2.5	0.9	3.4	82.9	2.7	78
P-A-G-----SX 98		129	75	51	85	7.7	2.7	0.8	3.5	83.6	2.8	80
Pioneer-----3311		118	83	52	84	5.0	2.5	0.8	3.8	79.0	2.4	82
P-A-G-----SX 333		125	60	66	84	7.2	2.7	0.8	3.7	84.5	2.8	77
Gutwein-----72		113	76	59	83	6.4	2.6	0.9	3.7	81.6	2.7	79
Wilstar-----7676		106	85	56	82	17.0	2.6	0.9	3.7	78.4	2.7	78
Funk's-----G-4574		123	60	62	82	11.1	2.6	0.8	3.6	83.5	2.4	77
RBA-----122		119	81	43	81	14.4	2.4	0.9	4.0	80.9	2.3	80
Pioneer-----3369A ^{3/}		126	66	51	81	11.6	2.7	0.8	3.6	83.7	2.5	78
Wilstar-----5555		113	70	59	81	4.9	2.5	0.9	3.5	84.4	2.2	76
McCurdy-----76-92		113	69	57	80	7.2	2.8	0.8	3.7	82.7	2.7	80
Golden Harvest--H-2666		111	69	59	80	4.8	2.8	0.8	3.5	83.7	2.4	77
DeKalb-----XL78		121	65	53	80	11.2	2.4	0.9	3.6	80.8	2.8	76
Security-----S7-111		125	63	49	79	8.4	2.6	0.8	3.8	85.7	2.9	79
Gutwein-----74		113	63	60	79	9.7	2.7	0.8	3.6	81.9	2.2	79
Pioneer-----3147 ^{3/}		108	81	47	79	7.1	2.6	0.9	3.6	80.0	2.7	82
Trojan-----TXS 119A		103	72	57	78	4.8	2.8	0.8	3.5	83.9	2.8	77
Funk's-----G-4709		114	65	50	76	8.9	2.9	0.8	3.7	81.8	3.2	81
Ring Around----2601		114	57	51	74	14.9	2.5	0.7	3.7	77.9	2.5	82
Asgrow-----RX115A		104	61	57	74	8.2	2.6	0.8	3.6	81.2	2.1	78
Ring Around----3602		107	63	51	74	8.0	2.7	0.8	3.9	79.8	2.1	80
Golden Harvest--H-2775		104	68	43	72	11.4	2.8	0.8	3.7	78.1	2.3	80
RBA-----124		130	51	32	71	12.4	2.3	0.7	3.9	78.1	2.3	82
Coker-----18A		95	64	50	70	12.0	2.7	0.8	3.7	77.8	2.6	81

Table 21. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year at Three Locations in Northern Alabama, 1978 (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/}				Lodged stalks	Quality ^{2/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling Husk ^{2/}	Mid-silk
		Belle Mina	Cross-ville	Win-field	Regional Average						
		Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating
FFR-----	2325	95	67	45	69	12.4	2.8	0.8	3.9	79.5	2.0
RBA-----	111	94	60	50	68	5.8	2.7	0.7	3.5	81.3	2.3
Asgrow-----	RX112	90	66	42	66	6.3	2.8	0.8	3.7	82.3	2.2
Pioneer-----	3040	108	59	29	65	10.0	2.6	0.7	3.8	78.4	1.7
Ring Around----	2655	94	58	40	64	11.6	2.8	0.8	3.5	78.8	2.0
Northrup, King--	PX 718W	105	36	34	58	10.0	2.5	0.6	4.0	79.9	2.1
Asgrow-----	RX140A	92	46	27	55	4.6	3.0	0.7	3.8	79.4	1.8
DeKalb-----	XL390A	75	60	28	55	8.5	3.2	0.7	3.7	75.9	1.9
McNair-----	488	65	48	31	48	6.2	3.2	0.7	3.7	79.2	2.3

Test average: 111 67 51
 L.S.D. (.05): 24 10 13
 C.V. (%): 18.2 13.1 21.4

^{1/} Yields adjusted 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{2/} 1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

^{3/} Check hybrids.

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Table 22. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year in Central Alabama at the E. V. Smith Research Center, 1978

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/}	Lodged stalks	Quality ^{2/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling	Husk ^{2/}	Mid-silk
		Bu.	Pct.	Rating	No.	Ft.	Pct.	Rating	Days
P-A-G-----	SX 17A	58	3.2	1.5	0.7	3.3	84.3	5.0	73
Northrup, King---	PX 723	58	3.2	1.5	0.7	3.7	82.9	3.3	76
Wilstar-----	9990	54	3.1	1.8	0.7	3.2	79.1	2.3	71
McCurdy-----	76-92	53	2.7	1.0	0.6	3.5	81.4	3.8	69
FFR-----	2325	52	4.7	2.0	0.7	3.4	80.4	1.0	79
Paymaster-----	UC 12052	50	0.0	2.5	0.6	3.5	76.1	2.0	84
RBA-----	122	49	7.0	1.5	0.8	3.7	80.6	2.0	67
Funk's-----	G-4606	47	4.5	1.8	0.7	3.5	80.2	4.5	70
Gutwein-----	62	46	2.7	2.3	0.7	3.6	82.1	4.3	70
Ring Around-----	2501	46	8.7	2.0	0.7	3.3	82.3	2.8	68
Pioneer-----	3311	45	4.7	2.5	0.6	3.3	79.7	4.3	79
Trojan-----	TXS 119	45	6.6	2.5	0.7	3.0	79.1	5.0	69
Asgrow-----	RX115A	45	4.8	1.8	0.6	3.6	80.5	3.3	71
Ring Around-----	1501	44	3.3	2.0	0.6	3.4	80.9	3.5	70
Pioneer-----	3369A ^{3/}	43	20.5	2.0	0.6	3.4	79.9	3.5	68
Gutwein-----	72	43	1.2	2.3	0.6	3.4	81.2	3.5	73
Golden Harvest---	H-2666	43	4.6	2.5	0.7	3.0	81.4	3.0	69
DeKalb-----	XL78	42	12.1	1.8	0.7	3.4	82.6	4.5	69
RBA-----	124	42	3.2	1.5	0.5	3.3	80.7	2.0	82
Trojan-----	TXS 119A	42	4.0	2.3	0.5	3.3	80.6	4.5	73
McCurdy-----	MSX 84aa	41	3.8	1.3	0.6	3.6	80.2	2.8	77
McCurdy-----	75-200	40	1.6	1.5	0.6	3.7	78.7	1.5	77
Wilstar-----	5555	39	3.5	1.5	0.7	3.3	83.1	3.8	69
Northrup, King---	PX 718W	39	5.1	2.5	0.5	3.6	76.9	2.5	80
Security-----	S7-111	39	3.3	2.5	0.5	3.4	72.6	4.5	74
Asgrow-----	RX112	38	4.9	1.5	0.6	3.2	78.6	2.5	74
DeKalb-----	XL390A	38	5.4	3.3	0.5	3.7	80.8	1.8	82
Trojan-----	TXS 115A	38	2.9	2.8	0.6	3.4	79.9	4.5	71
Golden Harvest---	H-2606	36	4.5	2.0	0.6	3.3	79.9	3.8	74

Table 22. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested One Year in Central Alabama at the E.V. Smith Research Center, 1978

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/} Bu.	Lodged stalks Pct.	Quality ^{2/} Rating	Ears per stalk No.	Height of ears Ft.	Shelling Pct.	Husk ^{2/} Rating	Mid-silk Days
P-A-G-----	SX 333	36	2.6	3.0	0.7	3.6	79.8	4.8	72
Funk's-----	G-4574	36	1.6	2.5	0.5	3.5	82.4	4.3	75
Northrup, King---	PX 79	35	1.9	2.3	0.5	3.5	82.7	5.0	77
RBA-----	111	35	3.5	2.5	0.5	3.1	80.7	3.0	79
Pioneer-----	3147 ^{3/}	35	7.4	3.8	0.5	3.1	78.5	4.5	79
McNair-----	X-170	34	4.7	2.3	0.5	3.4	80.6	4.5	73
Pioneer-----	3184	32	3.0	2.3	0.5	3.1	79.3	4.5	79
Gutwein-----	74	32	2.3	2.3	0.5	3.2	77.5	4.3	76
Golden Harvest---	H-2660W	31	8.9	2.5	0.4	3.4	74.6	1.3	77
Funk's-----	G-4709	30	2.3	3.0	0.5	3.3	77.2	5.0	78
McNair-----	488	30	3.9	2.3	0.6	3.5	77.3	2.5	87

Test average: 42
 L.S.D. (.05): 10
 C.V. (%): 20.5

^{1/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{2/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

^{3/}Check hybrids.

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Table 23. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested at Two Locations in Southern Alabama, 1978

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/}			Lodged stalks		Ears per stalk	Height of ears	Shelling Husk ^{2/}	Mid-silk Rating
		Head-land Bu.	Fair-hope Bu.	Regional Average Bu.	Pct.	Quality Rating				
Paymaster-----UC 8951	123	170		147	5.0	2.4	1.1	3.3	84.1	2.9
Pioneer-----3311	126	161		144	2.8	2.3	1.1	3.2	83.7	3.3
Golden Harvest--II-2775	123	163		143	5.3	1.9	1.0	3.2	82.9	2.9
Coker-----18A	108	177		143	3.7	2.5	1.1	3.2	83.0	2.8
Pioneer-----3369A ^{3/}	118	167		143	3.2	2.3	1.1	3.0	86.9	3.3
Funk's-----G-4606	118	167		142	1.8	2.3	1.1	3.1	84.3	3.3
Gutwein-----74	121	160		141	5.1	2.4	1.1	3.0	85.6	3.4
Northrup, King--PX 95	128	151		140	14.1	2.8	1.1	3.6	84.3	3.3
Funk's-----G-4709	115	160		137	4.8	3.3	1.1	3.3	84.0	3.3
RBA-----122	104	166		135	3.3	2.3	1.1	3.1	83.1	3.0
Ring Around----2501	108	160		134	1.4	1.9	1.0	3.0	83.1	3.1
DeKalb-----XL380A	122	145		134	11.0	2.5	1.0	3.0	82.3	3.0
Coker-----19A	114	150		132	3.8	2.6	1.0	3.4	84.4	3.1
Security-----S7-111	123	142		132	4.8	2.9	1.0	3.2	85.8	3.4
P-A-G-----SX 98	124	140		132	1.0	2.1	1.0	3.1	84.7	3.4
Pioneer-----3184	109	155		132	3.3	2.3	1.1	3.0	81.3	3.3
Golden Harvest--II-2750	115	149		132	4.5	2.6	1.1	3.3	83.6	3.0
McCurdy-----76-92	117	147		132	5.2	2.1	1.0	3.0	84.4	3.1
P-A-G-----SX 17A	112	150		131	4.8	2.4	1.1	2.9	85.9	3.3
DeKalb-----XL78	103	158		131	3.5	2.0	1.0	3.2	85.1	3.5
Asgrow-----RX112	118	137		128	2.5	2.0	1.0	3.3	82.0	3.1
Funk's-----G-4574	107	147		127	4.4	2.3	1.0	3.1	84.1	2.8
Paymaster-----UC 12052	115	138		127	12.0	2.0	1.0	3.3	79.9	2.4
McCurdy-----76-101	115	134		125	2.7	2.1	1.1	3.4	83.7	3.4
Wilstar-----6663	108	137		123	2.6	2.4	1.0	3.1	83.5	3.0
Gutwein-----62	108	137		122	3.4	2.6	1.0	3.2	83.2	3.0
Asgrow-----RX114	111	133		122	4.3	2.1	1.0	3.2	80.7	2.9
Ring Around----2601	104	136		120	9.3	2.0	1.0	3.3	82.3	3.4
Pioneer-----3147 ^{3/}	108	131		119	3.7	2.8	1.2	3.3	84.0	3.1

Table 23. Characteristics of Corn Hybrids Tested at Two Locations in Southern Alabama, 1978 (Continued)

Brand name	Hybrid	Yield per acre ^{1/}				Lodged stalks	Quality ^{2/}	Ears per stalk	Height of ears		Shelling Husk ^{2/}	Mid-silk Days
		Head-land Bu.	Fair-hope Bu.	Regional Average Bu.	Pct.				No.	Ft.	Pct.	
Golden Harvest--H-2606	101	136		119	2.4	2.5	1.0	3.0	84.6	3.3	70	
Gutwein-----72	99	137		118	2.7	2.4	1.0	3.0	83.2	3.3	69	
Northrup, King--PX 675	98	136		117	2.4	2.5	1.0	3.2	80.9	3.5	69	
Trojan-----TXS 119A	104	128		116	2.4	3.0	1.0	3.4	84.6	3.4	69	
FFR-----2325	110	118		114	6.4	2.0	1.2	3.4	82.3	2.8	74	
Trojan-----TXS 119	95	128		112	2.0	2.6	1.0	2.9	84.1	3.3	68	
Asgrow-----RX140A	108	114		111	6.0	2.4	1.0	3.1	80.8	2.9	73	
Wilstar-----5555	93	125		109	1.6	2.6	1.0	3.2	83.5	3.4	68	
RBA-----111	94	115		105	3.6	2.5	1.0	3.0	83.0	3.1	70	
DeKalb-----XL390A	88	114		101	15.5	2.6	0.9	3.4	83.3	2.9	72	
McNair-----488	93	101		97	3.6	2.4	1.1	3.3	81.4	2.6	-	
Test average:	110	143										
L.S.D. (.05):	19	26										
C.V. (%):	15.0	15.6										

^{1/}Yield adjusted to 15.5% moisture and 56 lb. per bushel.

^{2/}1 = excellent; 2 = good; 3 = fair; 4 = poor; 5 = very poor.

^{3/}Check hybrids.

ACCEPTABLE HYBRIDS FOR 1979

All of the acceptable hybrids are not equal in performance. It is suggested that this report be carefully studied before choosing a hybrid. Hybrids are listed according to composite rating within maturity groups. Yellow and white hybrids are designated by (Y) and (W) respectively. All composite ratings are based on 1976-78 data.

NORTHERN ALABAMA

Brand name	Hybrid	
Early to Mid-Season		
Pioneer-----	3369A	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4611	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4507	(Y)
Coker-----	22	(Y)
Coker-----	18	(Y)
Coker-----	16	(Y)
McNair-----	X-300	(Y)
DeKalb-----	XL394	(Y)
McCurdy-----	67-14	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4810	(Y)
DeKalb-----	XL80	(Y)
McNair-----	S-338	(Y)
Full Season		
Pioneer-----	3147	(Y)
Coker-----	56	(Y)
*Funk's-----	G-4864	(Y)
Pioneer-----	511A	(W)
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	(W)

CENTRAL ALABAMA

Brand name	Hybrid	
Early to Mid-Season		
Pioneer-----	3369A	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3368A	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3145	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4507	(Y)
DeKalb-----	XL394	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4611	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4810	(Y)
Coker-----	18	(Y)
McCurdy-----	67-14	(Y)
Coker-----	16	(Y)
*McNair-----	X-300	(Y)
*McNair-----	S-338	(Y)
Full Season		
Pioneer-----	3147	(Y)
McNair-----	508	(Y)
Coker-----	56	(Y)
Coker-----	77	(Y)
Coker-----	54	(Y)
Pioneer-----	511A	(W)
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	(W)
Pioneer-----	3009	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-5945	(Y)
*Funk's-----	G-4949A	(Y)
*Funk's-----	G-4864	(Y)
*P-A-G-----	751**	(&)

SOUTHERN ALABAMA

Brand name	Hybrid	
Early to Mid-Season		
Ring Around-----	1502	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3368A	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3369A	(Y)
Coker-----	16	(Y)
Coker-----	22	(Y)
McCurdy-----	67-14	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4507	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3145	(Y)
DeKalb-----	XL80	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4810	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4611	(Y)
DeKalb-----	XL394	(Y)
Coker-----	18	(Y)
McNair-----	X-300	(Y)
McNair-----	S-338	(Y)
Full Season		
Pioneer-----	3147	(Y)
Coker-----	77	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-4864	(Y)
Pioneer-----	511A	(W)
McNair-----	508	(Y)
Funk's-----	G-795W-1	(W)
Funk's-----	G-4949A	(Y)
Pioneer-----	3030	(Y)
*Funk's-----	G-5945	(Y)
*Pioneer-----	3009	(Y)
*Coker-----	54	(Y)

*If present trends continue, this hybrid will be removed from the acceptable list next year in the region indicated.

**This hybrid was not tested in central Alabama in 1978.

NOTE: All acceptable hybrids have been tested 3 years in the regular variety tests. Hybrids that have outstanding performance for two years may be suitable for use on a trial basis. Two-year average of yield and other characteristics are given by region in tables 3, 7, and 11.

