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The 1972 sweet corn trial at The Ohio State University Horticultural Farm, 1000 West Lane Avenue, Columbus, consisted of twenty-eight cultivars in four replications and thirty-one cultivars in non-replicated, single plots. One of the non-replicated cultivar plots was destroyed by racoons resulting in no data for that plot.

Corn was seeded on May 22, 1972, in 36" rows with hills spaced at 18 inches. Single row plots of 21 hills were 31.5' long. Blocks and tiers of plots were separated by a distance of six feet. Guard rows were planted to the east and west sides of rows running north and south with 3 guard hills across the north and south ends of the entire planting. All plots were planted by hand jabber with 4 kernels per hill. Plants were thinned to 2 plants per hill at the 2 to 3 leaf stage.

Prior to planting, 12-12-12 fertilizer was applied broadcast and disked in at the rate of 500 pounds per acre. No additional fertilizer was applied. during the season. Ramrod was applied, immediately after planting, at the recommended rate. No insecticides and fungicides were applied after planting. However, most of the lots of seed planted had been treated with a fungicide and/or an insecticide.

Weather Data

	Average Temperature (^O F.)	Total Rainfall (Inches)		
May	60.8	2.56		
June	63.6	3.98		
July	71.9	2.60		
August	70.1	7.96		

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Seed Sources

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A-1	Agway, Inc., Buffalo, N.Y. 14240
A-2	Asgrow Seed Co., Orange, Conn. 06477
B-2	W. Atlee Burpee Co., Philadelphia, Pa. 19132
F-2	Ferry-Morse Seed Co., Mountain View, Calif. 94042
H-1	Joseph Harris Co., Rochester, New York 14624
K-1	Dr. E. Kerr, Ministry of Agr. and Food, Simcoe, Ontario, Canada
L-1	Letherman's Inc., Canton, Ohio 44702
N-1	Northrup, King & Co., Minneapolis, Minn. 55413
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N-2	Niagara, FMC Corp Modesto, Calif. 95618
R-1	Robson Quality Seeds, Inc., Hall, N. Y. 14463
R-2	Rogers Brothers Co., Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401
S-l	Stokes Seed Inc., Buffalo, N. Y. 14205

Results and Discussion

The first harvest was made on July 27 and the last harvest on August 23. Of the twenty-eight cultivars in the replicated trials, the cultivars harvested at the earliest dates were Seneca 60-11 and Earliking. Bravo and Northern Belle L.were harvested on the same day with essentially the same total number of marketable ears harvested (Table 1).

The highest yielding plots, based on dozens of marketable ears harvested per acre, were Gold Crown and Seneca Chief followed closely by Gold Cup. Silver Sensation and Silver Queen, white kerneled cultivars, produced the same yield of marketable ears per acre. The cultivars, Bravo and Merit produced the highest percentage of marketable ears. Gold Crown and Merit had the longest husked ears. Gold Crown produced the highest unhusked tonnage per acre.

In terms of defects, worm injury was of greater incidence than was smut in this particular trial.

The non-replicated plot results are listed in Table 2 according to days to first harvest and total dozens of ears harvested per acre. The first listing includes the named cultivars and the second listing the "experimental" or "numbered" lines.

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Variety, Source and ^a Lot Number	Days to First Harvest	Marke Dozens of Ears	table Yie Wt. (Tons)	ld/A Percent	Average Wt. of Ears Un- husked (lbs)	Average Length of Ears Husked (In.)	Average Diameter of Ears Husked (In.)	Ear Smut	Ear Worm <u>%</u>
Seneca 60-11 R-1 1740	66	1172	3.14	70.1	.45	7.0	1.4	0.5	4.5
Earliking H-1 108	69	1354	4.26	60.7	•52	7.0	1.6	5.4	6.9
Spring Gold H-1 137	71	1450	4.54	75.2	•51	6.7	1.6	ó.8	10.5
Sprite H-1 142	71	1364	4.54	73.0	•56	6.8	1.7	5.3	13.6
Silver Sweet, B-2 5252	71	1344	3.38	74.3	.42	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.0
Bravo A-2 83501-F40	74	1498	4.97	92.8	•55	6.9	1.7	0.0	4.7
Northern Belle L H-1 1312	74	1460	5.14	73.1	•58	7.4	1.6	0.4	0.7
Jubilee R-2 18013	77	1767	6.23	79.8	.60	7.8	1.6	1.3	5.5
Bonanza F-2 9114	79	1536	5.30	79.6	•57	8.3	1.5	0.0	2.5
Gold Winner H-1 119	79	1364	4.83	78.9	•57	7.7	1.5	0.4	2.4
NK-199 N-1 37177-10608	79	1316	5.03	76.0	•63	7.6	1.7	0.0	3.1
Gold Cup H-1 118	80	2093	6.28	85.0	.50	7.5	1.5	0.0	5.6
Gusto A-2 83513-F40	80	1617	5.89	89.1	•64	7•5	1.6	0.4	6.4
Gold Crown H-1 117	81	2257	9•39	87.5	•69	9.0	1.6	0.0	14.1
Seneca Chief R-1 1382	81	2218	7.04	83.0	•52	7.1	1.5	3.3	10.3
Merit A-2 13505-F40	81	1700	7.25	90.2	.71	9.7	1.9	0.0	0.9
Stylepak F-2 9249	81	1429	6.42	80.3	•74	8.2	1.8	0.0	13.1
Tastyvee R-1 1230	81	855	2.72	74.9	.42	7.2	1.5	1.3	7.8
Longchief 65 N-2 3-72	82	1623	6.62	82.6	.68	Data	lost	0.0	0.4
Victory Golden A-2 83019-F40	84	1846	7.42	84.5	.67	7.7	1.6	0.4	0.7
Midway A-2 83541-F40	84	1488	5.49	67.1	•61	8.0	1.6	0.0	12.3
Sweet Sue H-1 143	84	1383	4.62	88.0	•56	8.1	1.6	0.4	0.7
Golden Shipper N-2 71-4930	86	1949	7.32	81.9	.62	8.9	1.5	0.0	8.5
Seneca Scout R-1 1732	86	1641	6.06	86.0	•62	7.7	1.5	0.0	2.6
Honeycross B-2 6263	86	1602	5.91	83.6	•58	7.5	1.7	0.0	16.0
Silver Sensation L-1 1707H	91	1865	7.63	83.8	.68	Data	Lost	0.3	2.3
Silver Queen R-2 18083	91	1855	7.00	76.9	.62	7.5	1.6	1.2	5.1
Golden Queen R-2 18503	91	1617	6.61	81.5	•72	8.2	1.6	0.8	14.9
LSD at 5% Level		383	1.59						

^a Cultivars ranked according to days to first harvest and dozens of marketable ears per acre.

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Variety, Source and a	Days to First	Marketable Yield/A Dozens Wt.			Average Wt. of Ears Un- husked	Average Length of Ears Husked	Average Diameter of Ears Husked	Ear Smut	Ear Worm
Lot Number	Harvest	of Ears	(Tons)	Percent	<u>(lbs)</u>	<u>(In.)</u>	<u>(In.)</u>	1/2	<u></u>
Sunchief A-1 V297 Trail Blazer F-2 90100 Sugar Daddy F-2 90816 Seneca Star R-1 1071 Barbecue S-1 128 Valley Market F-2 90100 Pacer A-2 83551-F40 Dominator R-2 98001 Burbank B-2 6214 Illinois Extra Sweet B-2 5233 Goldie N-1 36888-10102 Goldenrod N-2 43221-4951 Aristocrat N-2 43216-6904	74 74 74 77 79 80 81 81 84 81 84 85	1229 807 691 1533 1690 1421 1191 492 1306 1575 1498	5.13 4.44 2.16 2.71 1.52 5.20 5.20 5.20 5.20 0.96 4.81 6.63 4.95	80.5 83.2 56.6 55.4 49.3 84.6 86.6 63.0 79.2 48.6 82.9 81.6 84.6	.69 .60 .44 .65 .36 .56 .57 .61 .65 .32 .61 .70 .55	8.3 8.2 8.0 8.2 7.6 8.9 8.0 8.6 8.5 8.4 8.3 Data 8.3	1.8 1.5 1.5 1.7 2.3 1.4 1.5 1.6 1.7 1.4 1.4 1.4 1.4	0.0 0.0 2.5 3.8 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0	22.2 46.3 0.0 7.5 12.2 12.3 7.1 0.0 24.5 3.7 0.0 2.1 9.6
Golden Monarch N-1 36895-N12	91	1114	3.82	96.5	•57	7.6	1.7	0.0	28.1
Experimentals									
VH701 K-1 NCX2005 N-2 71-H 70-2428 R-2 18131 NCX242 N-2 71-H VH702 K-1 XP358 A-2 F71362-F40 70-2163 R-2 18108 E667 N-1 37423-667 70-2416 R-2 18113 E1502 F-2 H71 E-5555 F-2 90702-13227 E668 N-1 36825-10202 XP299 A-2 13511-F40 Seneca XP170 R-1 1812 NCX245 N-2 71-H	74 77 79 79 79 84 84 84 84 86 88 88 88 91 91 91	$1152 \\ 461 \\ 1460 \\ 1091 \\ 538 \\ 1498 \\ 1268 \\ 1229 \\ 1114 \\ 999 \\ 1421 \\ 1210 \\ 1536 \\ 1268 \\ 1152 \\ 115$	3.91 1.47 5.09 4.72 2.00 5.20 4.30 5.82 3.77 3.36 4.56 4.72 5.69 4.12 4.46	85.4 42.1 71.7 51.8 93.0 85.8 89.7 83.9 91.8 83.9 91.8 88.7 91.8 88.7	.56 .53 .58 .72 .62 .57 .56 .56 .53 .61 .54 .64	7.6 7.1 8.2 8.8 8.6 7.7 7.7 Data 7.9 7.7 9.1 8.9 9.0 8.0 8.0	1.6 1.5 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.7 1.5 1.7 1.5 1.7	2.6 2.7 0.0 3.5 2.3 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	5.1 10.8 15.6 22.5 4.5 2.0 2.4 38.7 35.6 11.5 95.6 7.9

TABLE 2 - Non-Replicated Observation Plots: Yield and Other Characteristics of Sweet Corn Cultivars

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