



Pioneer® brand Maize Silage hybrid performance information

Silage CRM 86

Grows well, yields very well and feeds even better.

A bulky plant with superior early growth, drought tolerance and strong all-round agronomics.

- Produces silage with high grain content that cows will thrive on.
- Plant to establish 100,00 to 115,000 plants per hectare.

Widely adapted from Ashburton to Dargaville.



Recommended growing regions



Recommended established plant populations (000's/ha)

Challenging yield environments	Medium yield environments	High yield environments
100	110	115

Plant traits

Drought tolerance	8
Stalk strength	6
Root strength	5
Early growth	8
Plant height	7
Staygreen	6

Silage quality traits

Whole plant digestibility	6
Starch and sugar	6

Hybrid disease ratings

Northern Leaf Blight	5
Common Rust	6

Maize Silage Performance Comparisons for P8666

Yield advantage to the first named hybrid

Pioneer hybrid	Comparison hybrid	Number of trials	Drymatter difference (%) ¹	Yield advantage (kgDM/ha)	Statistical significance
National					
P8666	P8240	124	-0.39	-81	NS
P8666	P8333	145	-1.49	739	★★★
P8666	P8711	154	2.25	127	NS
Waikato					
P8666	P8240	28	-0.72	-879	NS
P8666	P8333	25	-2.03	1,200	★★
P8666	P8711	36	2.80	-1,347	★★★
Lower North Island and Taranaki					
P8666	P8240	43	0.12	-328	NS
P8666	P8333	60	-1.47	737	★★
P8666	P8711	55	2.24	359	NS
South Island					
P8666	P8240	43	-0.49	725	★
P8666	P8333	57	-1.35	413	★
P8666	P8711	42	1.36	911	★

Yield significance key

NS	No significant yield difference	★★	Highly significant yield advantage
CA	Commercially acceptable	★★★	Very highly significant yield advantage
★	Significant yield advantage		

¹ Positive drymatter differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a higher average drymatter percentage at harvest. Such hybrids are usually shorter in maturity than the comparison hybrid. Negative drymatter differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a lower average drymatter content at harvest. Such hybrids are usually longer in maturity than the comparison hybrid. Positive yield advantages indicate that the bolded hybrid was higher yielding.

Source: Pioneer® brand products New Zealand Research Programme. Includes all data to the end of the 2025 harvest.



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