



# Pioneer® brand Maize Silage hybrid performance information

## Silage CRM 96

### Security with performance.

Offers yield stability for silage and grain.

- Moderate in plant height with an erect leaf habit, strong standability and drought tolerance.
- Agronomically balanced with strong Northern Leaf Blight resistance while producing excellent silage quality.
- Waikato research trials show **P9650** was 1.0% wetter at harvest than **P9400** but delivered 800 kgDM/ha more yield.

A useful mid maturity option, between **P92575** and **P9978**, which is widely adapted to North Island growing regions.

### Recommended growing regions



### Recommended established plant populations (000's/ha)

Challenging yield environments	Medium yield environments	High yield environments
<b>95</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>120</b>



### Plant traits

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

### Silage quality traits

Whole plant digestibility	9
Starch and sugar	9

### Hybrid disease ratings

Northern Leaf Blight	7
Common Rust	7

## Maize Silage Performance Comparisons for P9650

Yield advantage to the first named hybrid

Pioneer hybrid	Comparison hybrid	Number of trials	Drymatter difference (%) <sup>1</sup>	Yield advantage (kgDM/ha)	Statistical significance
<b>National</b>					
<b>P9650</b>	P92575	68	0.75	-126	NS
<b>P9650</b>	P9400	72	-0.47	505	★
<b>P9650</b>	P9911	65	2.42	-1,153	★★★★
<b>P9650</b>	P9978	79	1.68	-964	★★★★
<b>Waikato</b>					
<b>P9650</b>	P92575	33	0.66	-318	NS
<b>P9650</b>	P9400	31	-0.98	806	★
<b>P9650</b>	P9911	31	1.48	-207	NS
<b>P9650</b>	P9978	36	1.19	-709	★
<b>Lower North Island &amp; Taranaki</b>					
<b>P9650</b>	P92575	26	0.60	-317	NS
<b>P9650</b>	P9400	34	-0.21	461	NS
<b>P9650</b>	P9911	29	3.42	-2,249	★★★★
<b>P9650</b>	P9978	34	2.39	-1,454	★★★★

### Yield significance key

<b>NS</b>	No significant yield difference	★★	Highly significant yield advantage
<b>CA</b>	Commercially acceptable	★★★	Very highly significant yield advantage
★	Significant yield advantage		

<sup>1</sup> 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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