



Pioneer® brand Maize Grain hybrid performance information

Grain CRM 86

Widely adapted hybrid with strong agronomic properties.

A moderately tall plant superior early growth, drought tolerance and strong all-round agronomics.

- Good husk cover, very good drydown and delivers high grain yields for maturity.
- Plant to establish 85,000 to 105,000 plants per hectare.
- Widely adapted where a hybrid of this maturity is required.

Plant with **P8711**, particularly where Northern Leaf Blight is a consideration..

Recommended growing regions



Recommended established plant populations (000's/ha)

Challenging
yield
environments

85

Medium
yield
environments

95

High
yield
environments

105



Plant and agronomic traits

Drought tolerance	8
Stalk strength	6
Root strength	5
Early growth	8
Staygreen	6
Husk cover	6
Grain drydown	7

Grain quality traits

Grain appearance	7
Test weight	6

Hybrid disease ratings

Northern Leaf Blight	5
Common Rust	6

Maize Grain Performance Comparisons for P8666

Yield/test weight advantage to the first named hybrid

Pioneer hybrid	Comparison hybrid	Number of trials	Harvest moisture difference (%) ¹	Grain yield advantage(kgDM/ha)	Statistical significance	Test weight difference (kg/hl)
Lower North Island and South Island						
P8666	P8086	18	0.28	554	NS	1.10
P8666	P8240	41	0.03	-67	NS	-0.19
P8666	P8333	60	-0.40	401	★	-1.48
P8666	P8711	46	1.24	-1,396	★★★★	-0.37
P8666	P9091	16	0.61	-1,698	★★	0.78

Yield significance Key

NS No significant yield difference
CA Commercially acceptable
★ Significant yield advantage

★★ Highly significant yield advantage
 ★★★ Very highly significant yield advantage

¹ Positive harvest moisture differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a lower average moisture percentage at harvest than the comparison hybrid. Such hybrids are usually earlier in maturity or faster to drydown than the comparison hybrid. Negative moisture differences indicate that the bolded Pioneer hybrid had a higher average moisture percentage at harvest. Such hybrids are usually later in maturity or slower to drydown than the comparison hybrid. Positive yield and / or test weight differences indicate the bolded Pioneer hybrid had higher yield and / or grain test weight.

Source: Pioneer® brand products New Zealand Research Programme. Includes all data to the end of the 2026 harvest.



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