

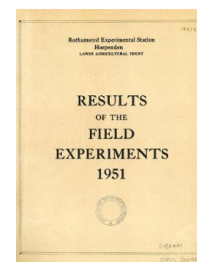
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## POTATOES

Methods of Planting and fertilizer application - Great Harpenden, 1951.

System of replication: 3 randomized blocks of 9 plots each.

Area of each plot: 0.028 acre. Area harvested: 0.021 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:-

Compound fertilizer (7% N, 7%  $P_2O_5$ , 10.5%  $K_2O$ ); None;  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
15 cwt per acre.

Methods of planting: A - Draw ridges, broadcast fertilizer over  
ridges, plant by hand, split back ridges (standard method);  
D - Broadcast fertilizer on the flat, draw ridges, plant deep  
in ridges with dropper; S - As D but plant shallow.

Basal manuring: None

Cultivations, etc.: Ploughed: Sept 25 and again Jan 3. Ridged,  
fertilizer applied, potatoes planted: May 17. Earthed up ridges:  
July 23. Sprayed with copper fungicide, 5 lb per acre: Aug 16 and  
again Sept 11. Sprayed with 20% sulphuric acid to kill off haulm:  
Oct 10. Lifted: Oct 17. Variety: Majestic. Previous crop:  
Linsced.

Standard errors per plot:

Total clean tubers: 0.768 tons per acre or 12.2% (16 d.f.)

Plant number: 0.562 thousands per acre or 5.0% (16 d.f.)

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Summary of Results

Compound Fertilizer cwt per acre	Method of planting			Mean
	A	D	S	
Total Clean Tubers: tons per acre				
0	3.44	(±0.443) 4.73	6.03	(±0.256) 4.73
7½	4.67	7.73	7.54	6.65
15	6.59	7.21	8.72	7.51
Mean (±0.256)	4.90	6.56	7.43	6.30

Plant Number: thousands per acre				
0	10.1	(±0.32) 11.3	12.2	(±0.19) 11.2
7½	9.6	12.2	12.1	11.3
15	10.2	11.7	11.8	11.2
Mean (±0.19)	9.9	11.7	12.0	11.2

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D - Broadcast fertilizer on the flat, draw ridges, plant deep in ridges with dropper.

S - As D but plant shallow.