



## SCN – Do We Need To Worry More About Future Issues?

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*How to mess up your  
intensive soybean  
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## About me:

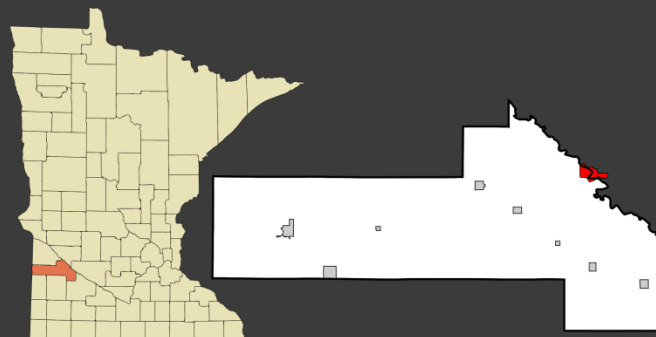
### Background –

- grew up on farm near Granite Falls; crops and livestock
- BS – Agronomy/Soils – SDSU
- MS – Agronomy/SCN – ISU

Worked in retail setting as agronomist; dept mgr  
Started MN Ag Services in 2009

Currently work in SW MN – row crops, beets, small grain, forages

Live rural Granite Falls with one wife and one son

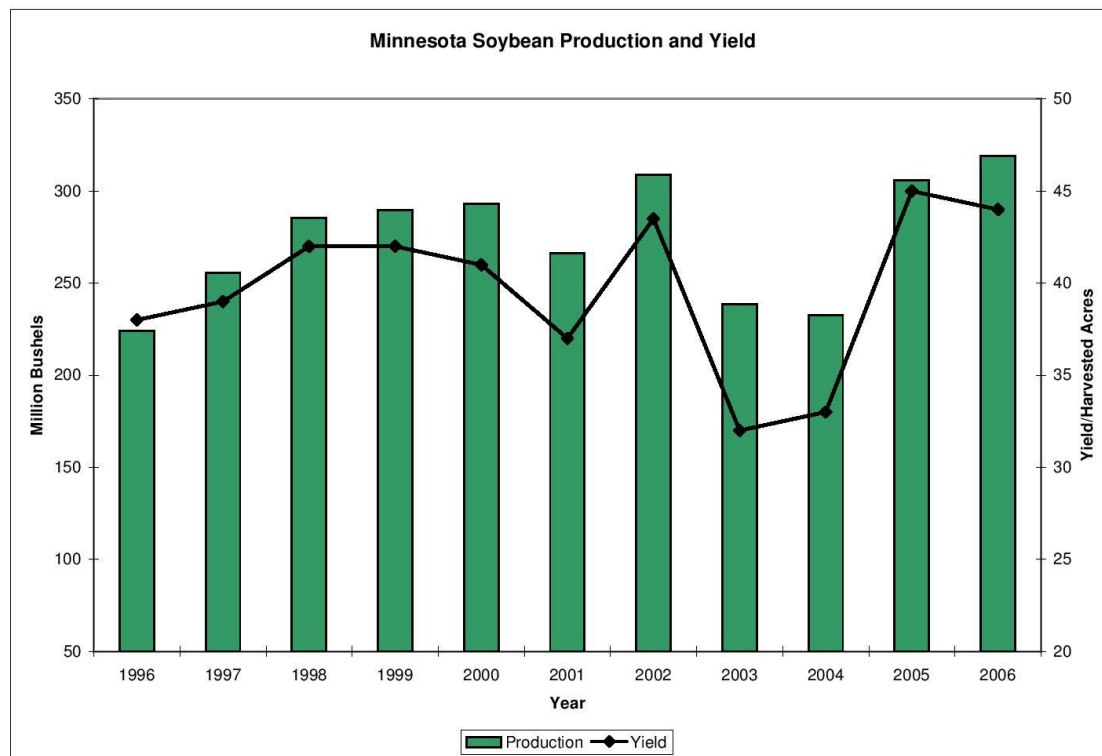




# Why talk about SCN

Soybean genetics have increased yield by .5 bu/ac per year.

Is that increase being expressed?



What was yield 30 years ago?  
What is yield now?

# Why Talk About SCN



## SCN losses

Up to 30% yield loss – much of it before any visual symptoms can be seen.

SCN damage is directly correlated to the number of SCN feeding on roots???????

SCN interactions with other diseases

Many growers are not thinking SCN

### Separated out by Zip Code regions

A map of Minnesota showing county boundaries and major cities. The word "Minnesota" is prominently displayed in the center. Major cities are marked with stars, and smaller cities are marked with dots. County numbers are placed within their respective boundaries.

**Counties and Numbers:**

- 567 (St. Louis)
- 566 (Becker)
- 565 (Moorhead)
- 564 (Duluth)
- 563 (St. Cloud)
- 562 (Granite Falls)
- 561 (Mankato)
- 556-558 (Virginia)
- 555 (Hibbing)
- 554 (Minneapolis)
- 553 (Willmar)
- 550-551 (St. Paul)
- 559 (Rochester)

**Cities:**

- Roseau
- Baudette
- Thief River Falls
- International Falls
- Bemidji
- Hibbing
- Grand Rapids
- Virginia
- Moorhead
- Detroit Lakes
- Duluth
- Fergus Falls
- Brainerd
- Alexandria
- Little Falls
- St. Cloud
- Willmar
- Granite Falls
- Redwood Falls
- Marshall
- Mankato
- Owatonna
- Rochester
- Albert Lea
- Worthington

**\*Eggs/100 cc soil**

Soybean Cyst Nematode Counts: SD: 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015								
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Year	State	Zip	Samples	SCN egg count				
				Zero	1 - 200	201 - 2,000	2,001 - 10,000	> 10,000
2015	SD	570	10	10	0	0	0	0
		572	44	23	7	11	2	1
		573	1	0	1	0	0	0
		574	2	1	0	1	0	0
2014	SD	570	25	16	6	3	0	0
		572	28	10	6	5	5	2
		573	0	0	0	0	0	0
		574	2	2	0	0	0	0
2013	SD	570	17	5	3	3	5	1
		572	40	17	11	11	0	1
		573	14	8	4	0	0	2
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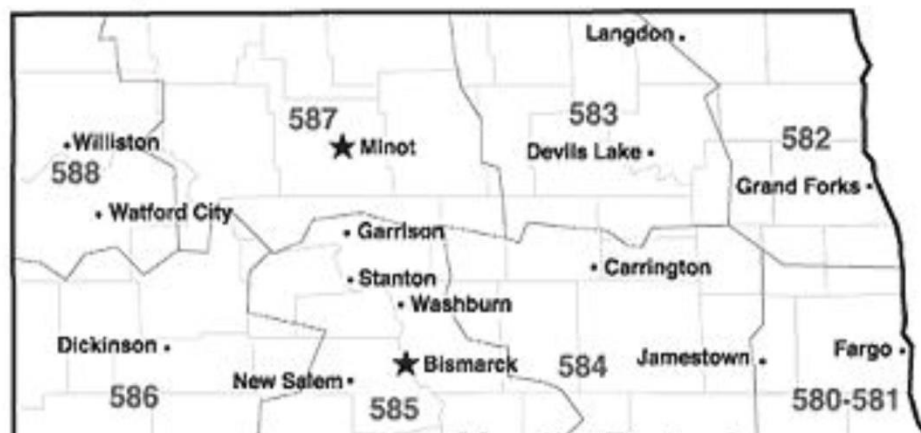
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		582	57	32	10	8	0	7
		583	14	9	4	1	0	0
		584	12	6	5	1	0	0
2014	ND	580	748	361	126	127	107	27
		581*	544	365	95	31	34	19
		582	33	20	3	5	5	0
		584	14	10	3	1	0	0
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		581*	217	118	49	16	20	14
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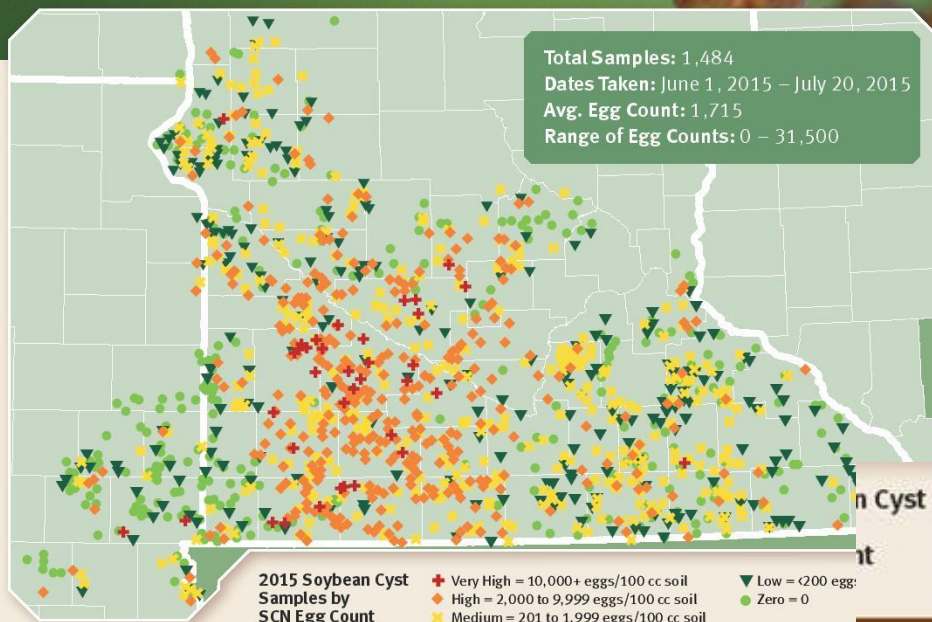
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\*Zip Code 581 may represent SCN samples throughout ND in the ND SCN Survey Project.



# SCN Soybean Cyst Nematode

LOCAL RESULTS FOR 2015



## Why Talk About SCN

### SCN Management Practices include:

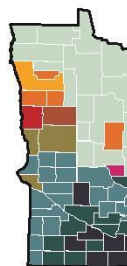
1. Plant varieties with SCN resistance sources including Peking or PI88788
2. Crop rotation with non-host crops (corn, wheat, alfalfa)
3. Seed treatments when planting soybeans

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#### When Discovered



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SCN Biology

SCN Projects

SCN and other Stressors

SCN management, not control

Something to panic over



# SCN Biology

1<sup>st</sup> introduced into North Carolina in 1954

Life stages consist of four developmental stages (J1-J4)

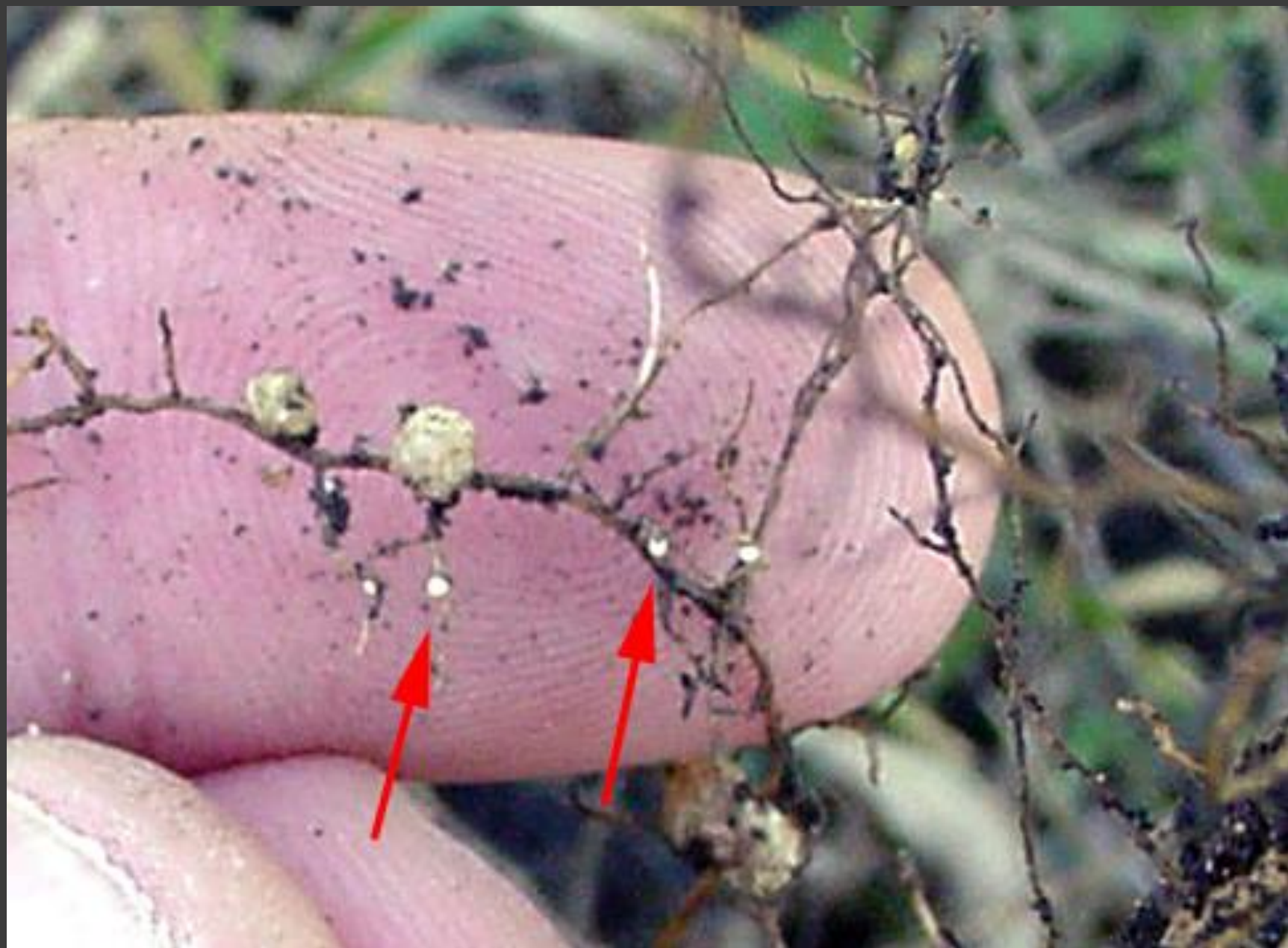
Second (J2) stage that penetrates roots

Molt 3 times before becoming adult, either male or female

Female penetrates root and infects; males only around for one reason

SCN egg fate:

- ☐ Hatch next year
- ☐ Stay dormant until stimulus from susceptible root.
- ☐ Stay dormant for extended period of time









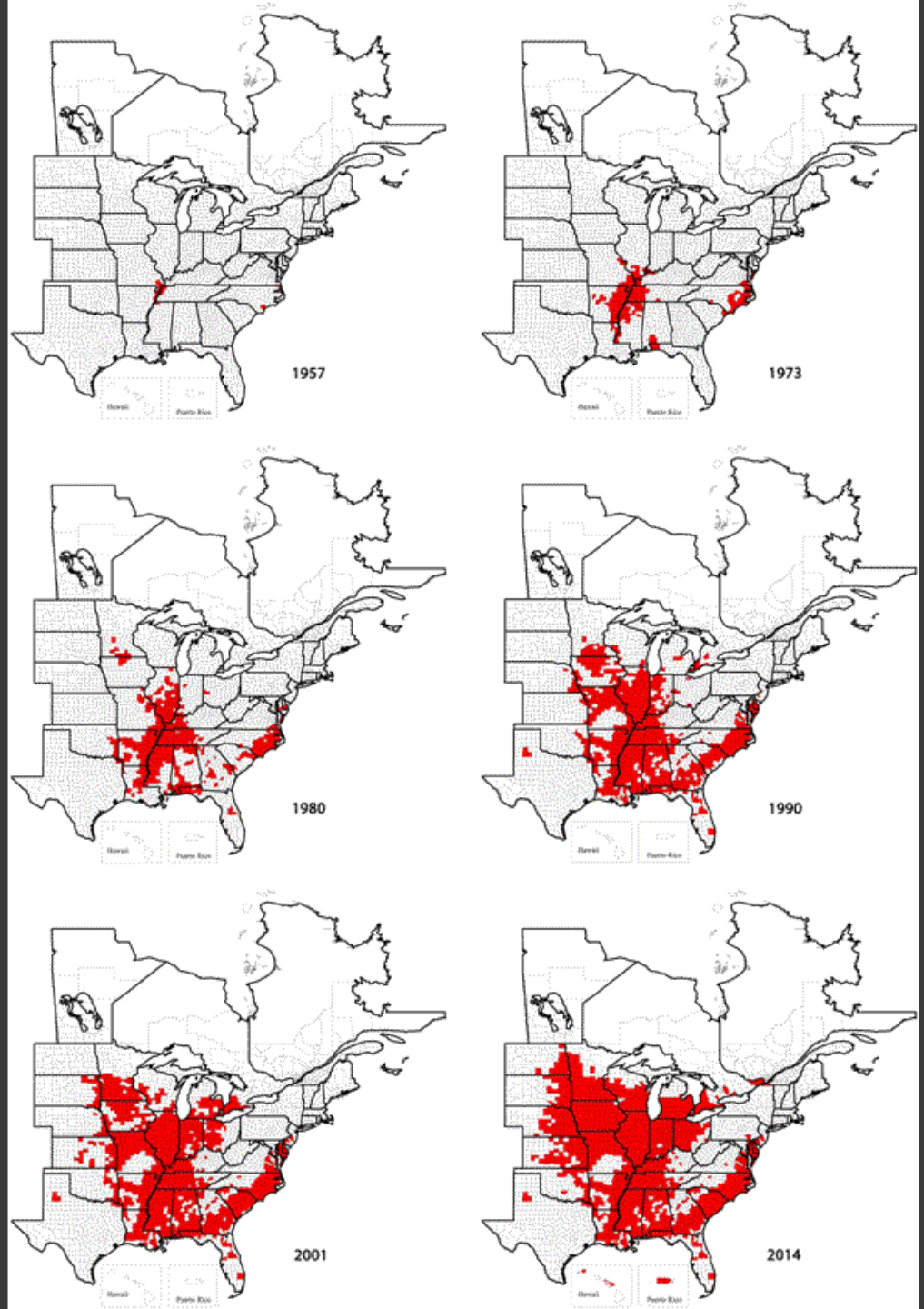


# SCN Biology

Known to survive better in  
lighter ground

Associations with IDC,  
SDS, BSR, others

3-4 generations per year



# Some sampling projects

## The what:

- 2011 SB, 2012 Corn, 2013 Corn, 2014 SB, 2015 Corn, 2016 part alfalfa\part wheat
- field with know SCN infestation sampled in 2011 as composite, then in thirds in 2011
- 40 acres broke into four sample locations in 2012
- Each sample point geo-referenced

## The why:

- High SCN count in 2011
- Needed a better indication of spatial distribution in field.
- Wanted to see what rotation would do to counts



# Some sampling projects

2011 composite – 20600  
2011 multiple - 19150,  
12000,  
11950

2012 – geo samples – 4750,  
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4000,  
2100

2013 Geo samples – 4450,  
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2014 Grid sample

2015 Geo sample – 1950  
2050  
4200  
2500



Aerial Map



26-116N-40W  
Yellow Medicine County  
Minnesota

map center: 44° 49' 35.83, 95° 38' 6.15

scale: 9880



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Field borders provided by Farm Service Agency as of 5/21/2008.

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This is not unexpected: one year rotation from SB can reduce SCN numbers and without a host to induce hatching, numbers stay consistent, but.....



How Many SCN per acre?

6 acre inch =  $616,744,998 \text{ cm}^3/100 = 6,167,450 \text{ 100cc units}$

$6,167,450 * 20,000 = 123,348,999,600$

# Some sampling projects

The what:

- Two fields with known SCN infestation
- One at a lower level, one at high level
- Grid sample and overlay yield data

The why:

- Wanted to create a talking point to get growers to look at SCN.
- The expectation is that lower yield areas will have higher SCN



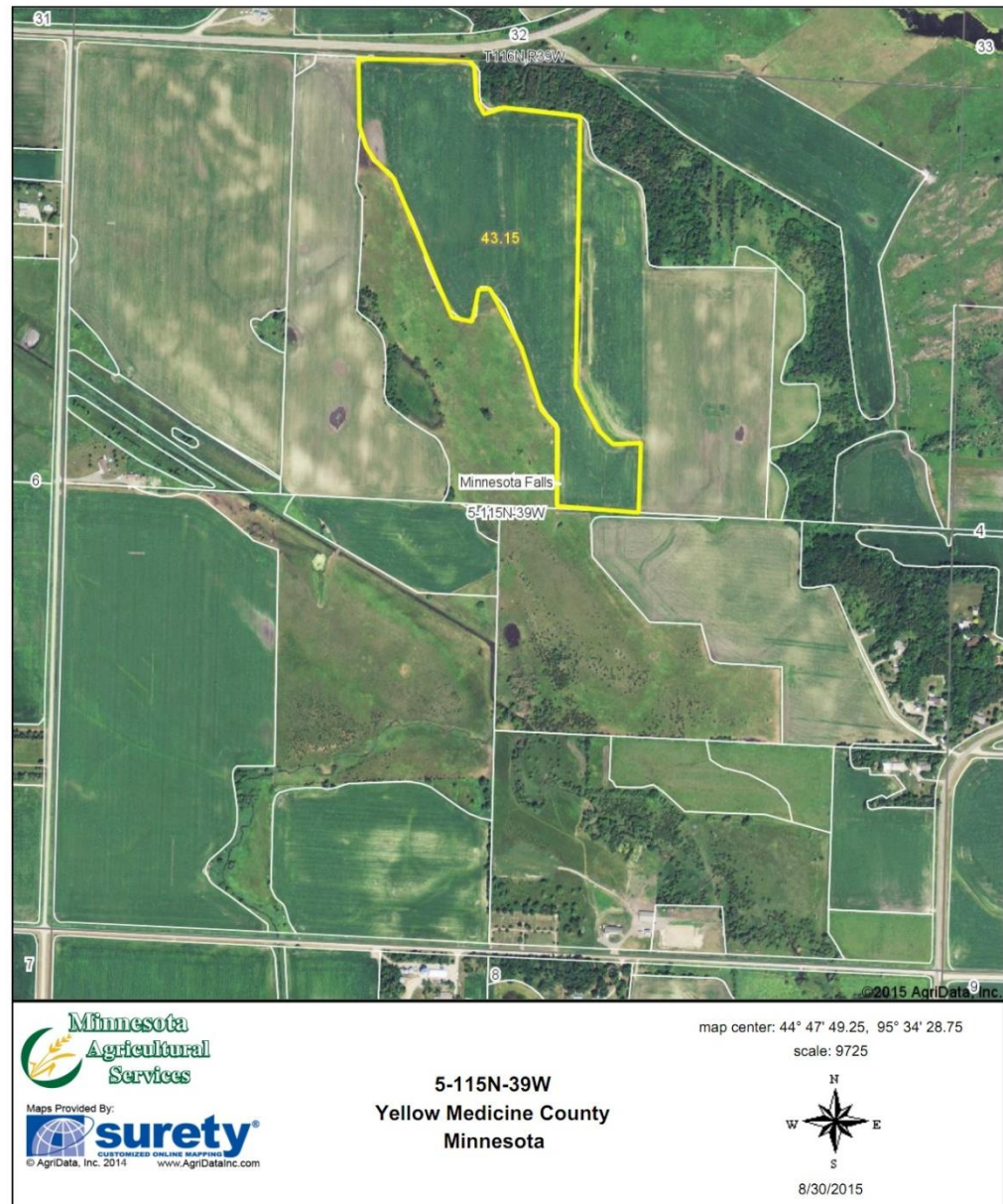
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Known lower level SCN

Lighter soil

History of SB production issues

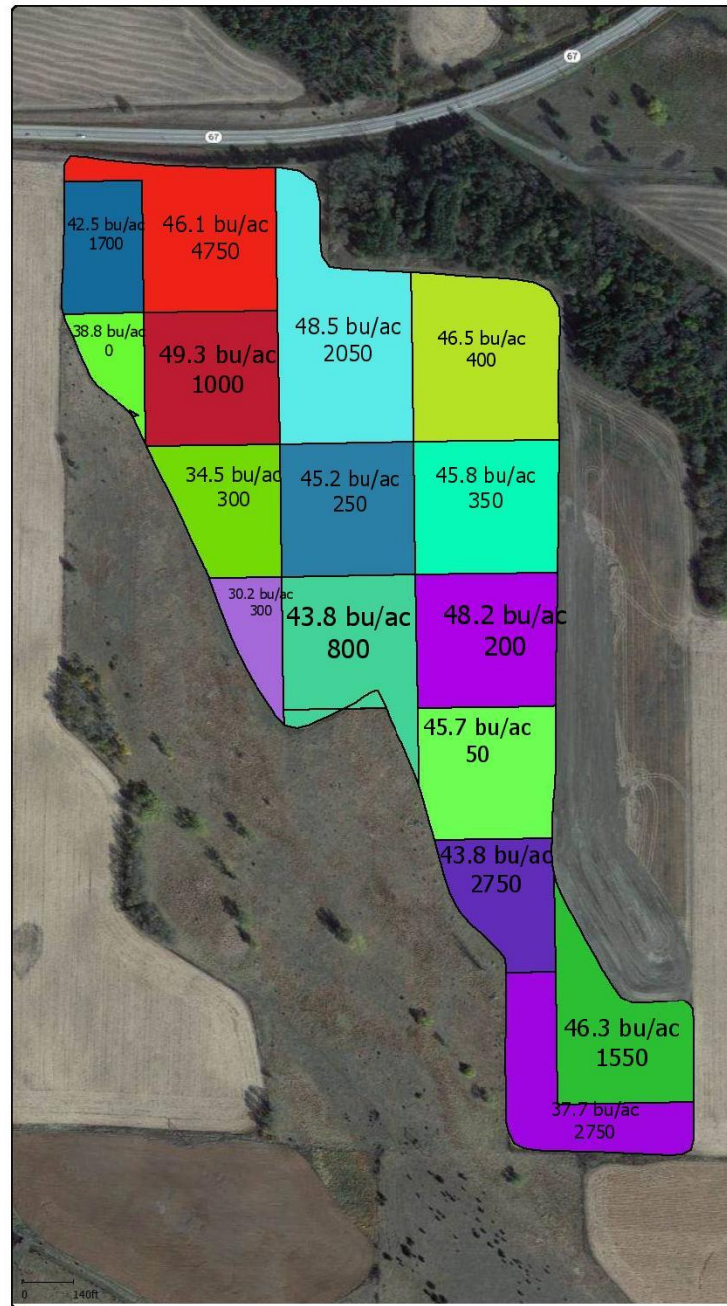
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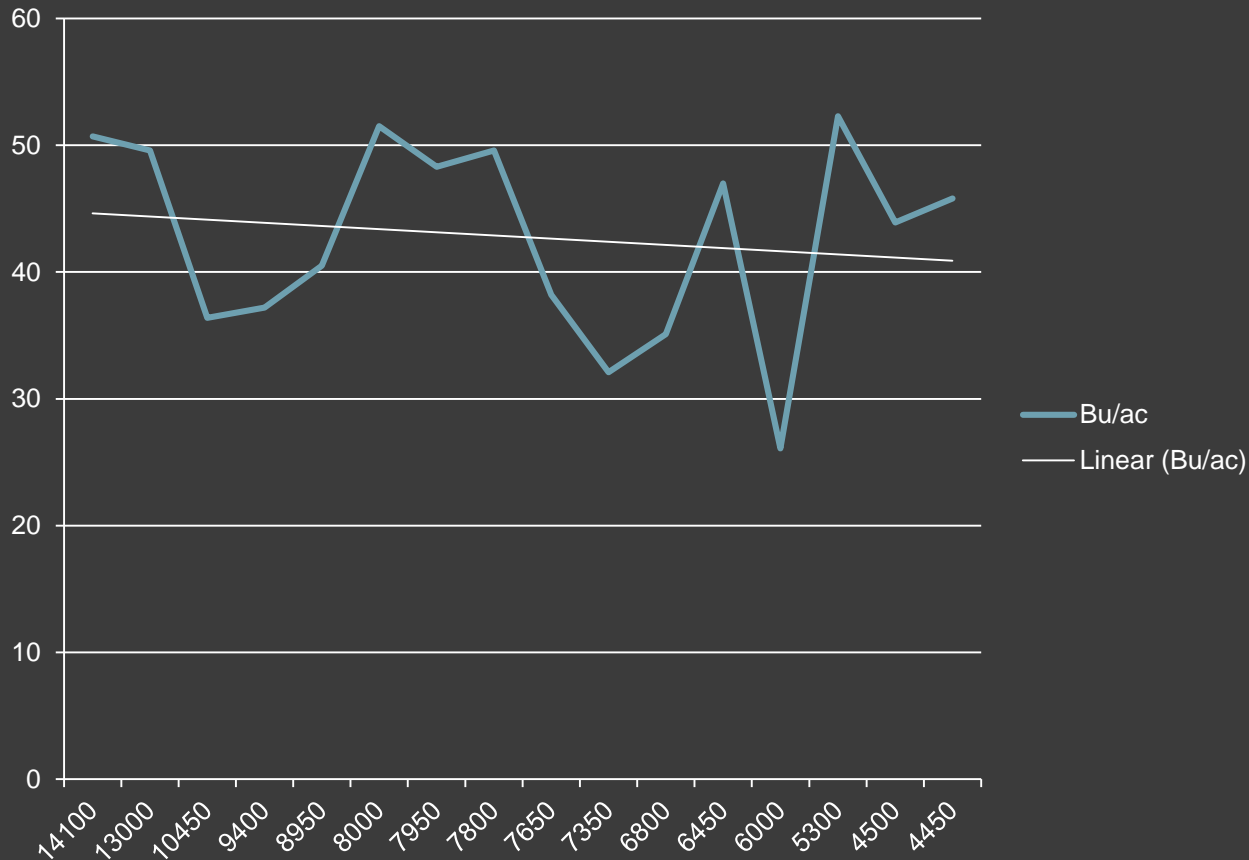
Grid data sorted by high SCN  
to low SCN



Bu/Ac	SCN
46.1	4750
43.8	2750
37.7	2750
48.5	2050
42.5	1700
46.3	1550
49.3	1000
43.8	800
46.5	400
45.8	350
34.5	300
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Known High level SCN

heavier soil

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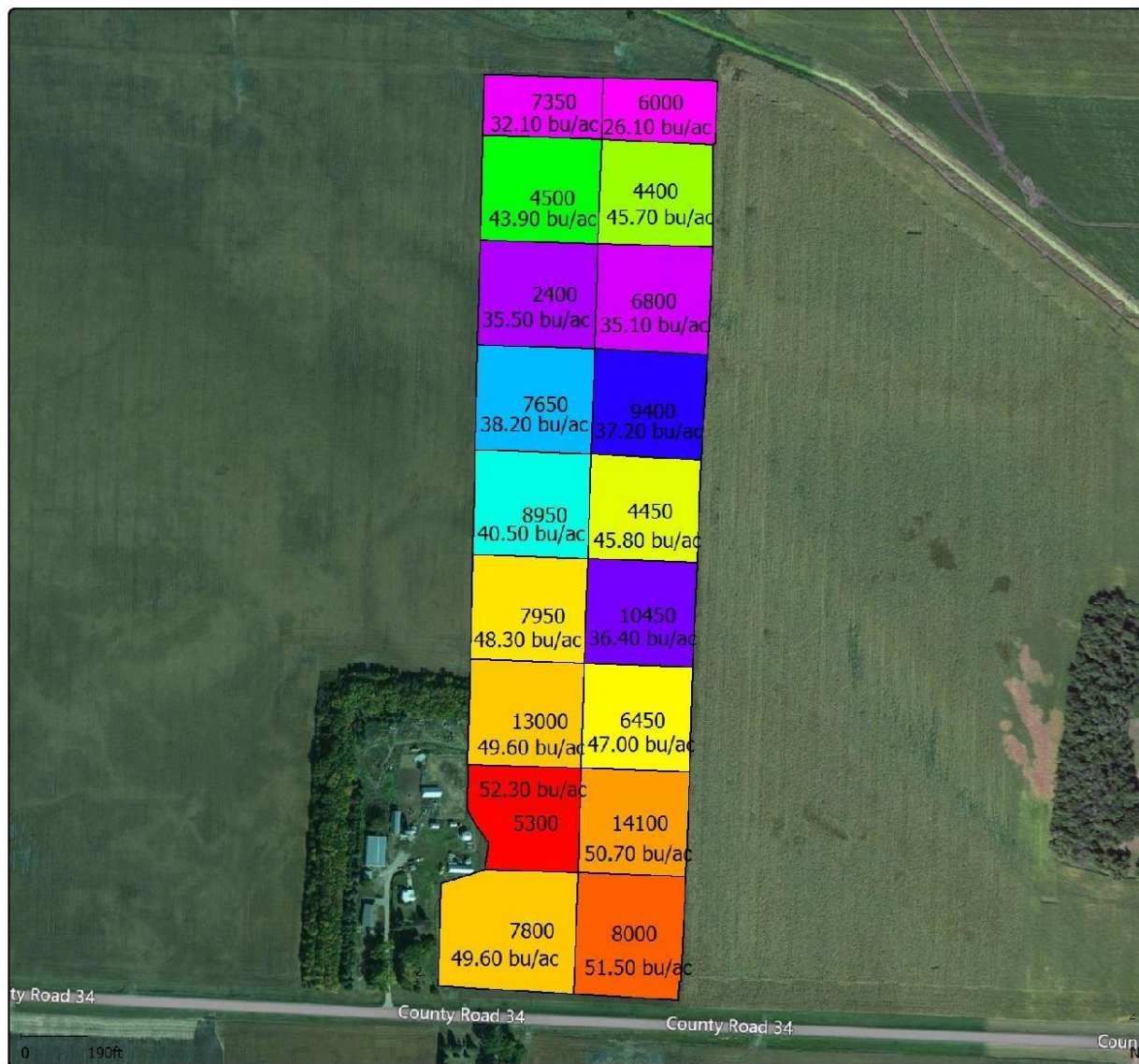


# Some sampling projects

SCN largest  
to smallest

Bu/ac	SCN
50.7	14100
49.6	13000
36.4	10450
37.2	9400
40.5	8950
51.5	8000
48.3	7950
49.6	7800
38.2	7650
32.1	7350
35.1	6800
47	6450
26.1	6000
52.3	5300
43.9	4500
45.8	4450
45.7	4400
35.5	2400

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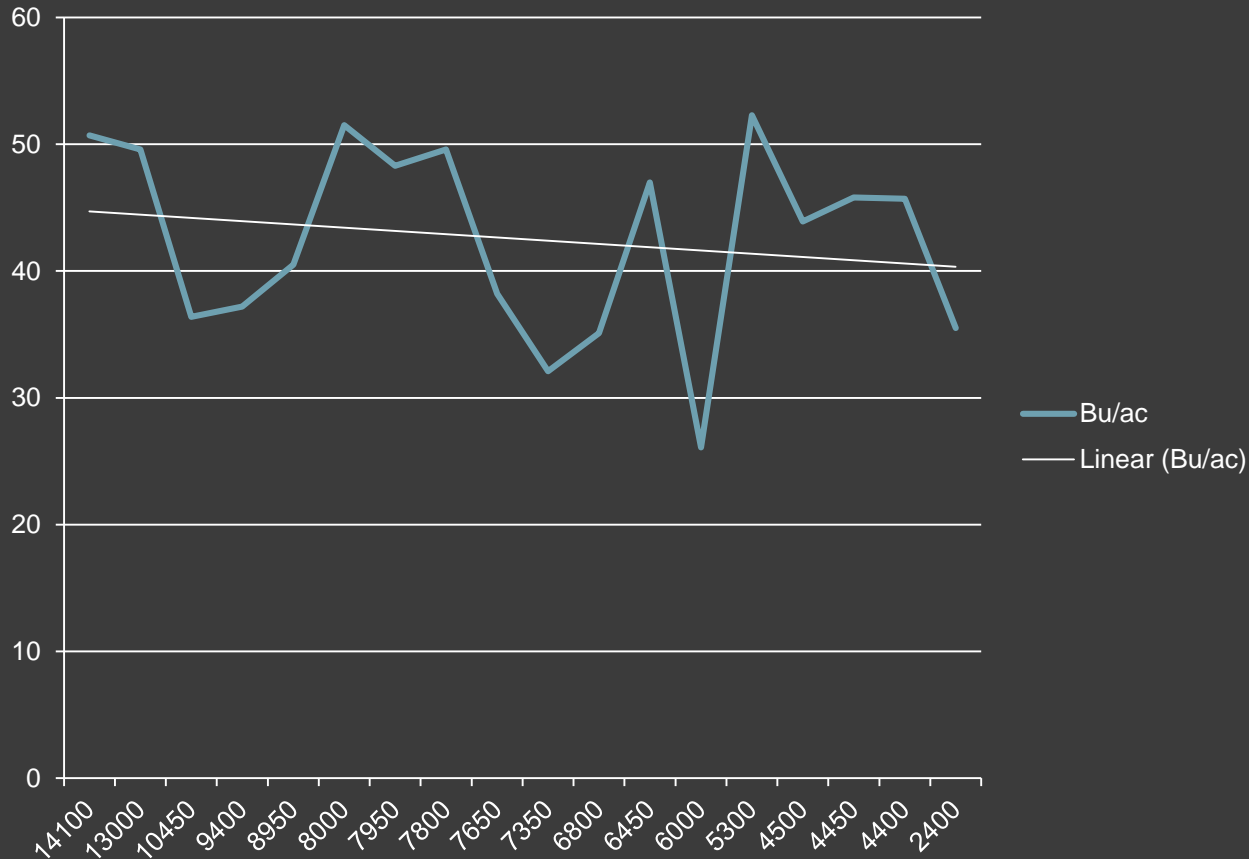
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# Some sampling projects



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Why?

- High producing = higher SCN
- Able to survive SCN environment

My talking point has changed:

What would yields have been if SCN not an influence?



# Some sampling projects

The what:

- Sample wind blown soil in ditches to see if SCN eggs can be found

The why:

- Wanted to create a talking point to get growers to look at SCN.
- Expectation was that SCN in ditches hard to find

# Some sampling projects

Found 3 areas where wind blown soil is deposited in ditches

Collected soil from each location to comprise one sample

Locations were in ditches that I pass by on regular basis

Adjacent fields had no known SCN sample previously taken.

# Some sampling projects

SCN from composite sample of three sites:

- Taken 2-20-15
- 1550 eggs/100cc

Why the higher numbers

SCN from each sample site:

- Taken 3-20-15
- Site 1 = 4750
- Site 2 = 7850
- Site 3 = 8900

A fairly conclusive indication of one method of dispersal

# Some sampling projects

Next project:

- Grid sample high IDC area, test for SCN, pH, salts, carbonates
- Use soil data to determine Fe product rate, measure yield and look at SCN

Sample						
ID	pH	CCE% D1	Salt1	P-O ppm	SCN	
1	8	6	0.28	5	19950	←
2	7.9	3.6	0.47	21	10900	
3	8	7.8	0.37	6	16650	
4	7.9	3.8	0.41	2	11400	
5	8	6.2	0.39	4	16950	
6	7.9	5.7	0.34	5	4100	
7	8.1	13.4	0.35	4	5500	→
8	7.8	2.6	0.41	16	6200	
9	8	8.9	0.42	7	12550	
10	8	4.9	0.29	3	2500	
11	7.9	3	0.4	11	1450	
12	7.9	5.3	0.4	11	4750	



## Does SCN interact with other diseases?

SCN penetrates and creates openings for other disease pathogens to enter the plant – especially soil borne such as *Phythim*, *Rhizoctonia*, *Phytophthora*, *Fusarium* and *Macrophomina* (charcoal rot)

### SCN and SDS (*Fusarium*)

- It has been shown that SCN can hasten the development of SDS

SCN has shown to cause BSR of soybeans that are otherwise resistant to brown stem rot.

White Mold?

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# SCN Management

## Crop rotation

- ☐ Yr 1 – SCN resistant: PI88788
- ☐ Yr 2 – non host
- ☐ Yr 3 – SCN resistant different than Yr 1
- ☐ Yr 4 – Non host
- ☐ Yr 5 – SCN resistant different than yr 1 or 2, or susceptible
- ☐ Yr 6 – Non host

Peking resistance is good but will be short lived

Create the best possible growing conditions (best in my opinion)



# SCN Management

## Cover crops and weeds:

- ❑ Some cover crops are known hosts
  - Many of the legumes
- ❑ Many weeds are known hosts
  - Purple deadnettle
  - Henbit
  - Field pennycress
  - Sheppard's purse
  - Small flowered bittercress
  - Common chickweed

## The rest of the story

Other SCN talking points:

HG types

FI index

SCN Control Products

### HG Types

Number	Indicator	Result
1	Peking	+
2	PI 88788	+
3	PI 90763	-
4	PI 437654	-
5	PI 209332	+
6	PI 89772	-
7	PI 548316	-

Table 2: Percentage of SCN populations from Minnesota with Female Index more than 10 on the indicator soybean Lines

Soybean Line	1997-1998	2002	2007-2008
Peking	3.4	1.1	15.3
PI 88788	13.6	17	72.4
PI 90763	3.4	0	8.2
PI 437654	2.1	0	0
PI 209332	3.7	14.9	77.6
PI 89772		0	8.2
PI 548316		33.3	94.9

From Soybean Cyst Nematode Management Guide (UofM)

HG Type 1.2.5

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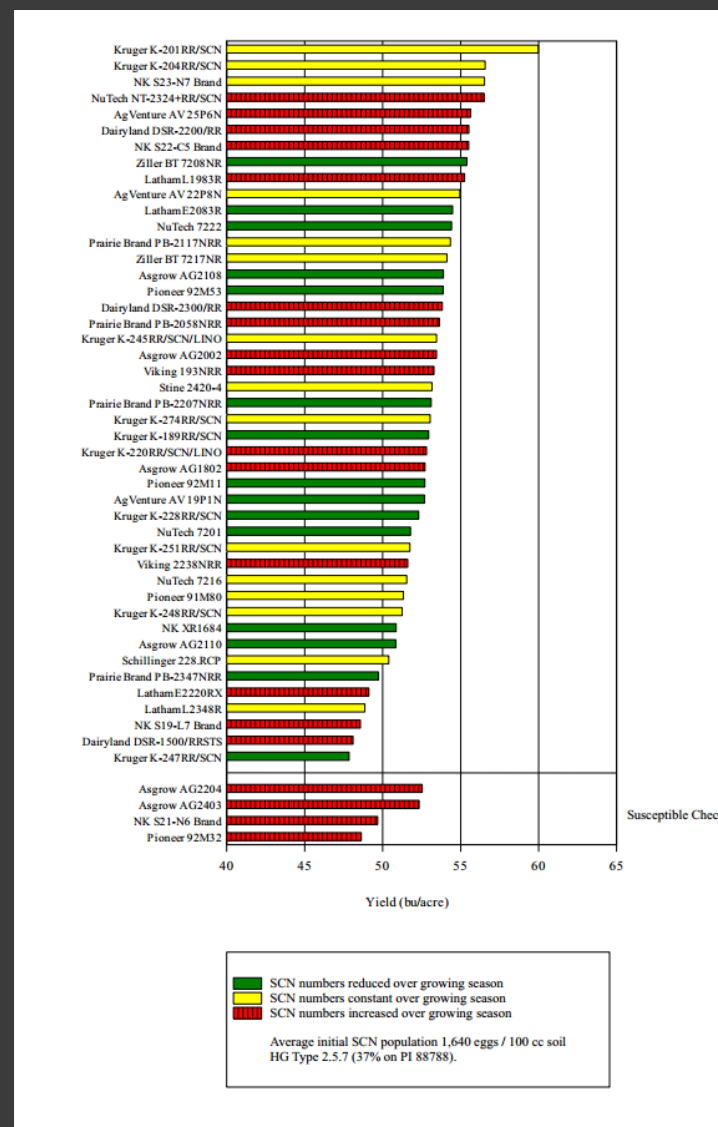
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## SCN Female Index

- Determined in lab assay
- Number of cysts on resistant/number of cysts on susceptible/100
- Lee 74
- FI < 10 considered resistant.



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**SCN Control Products**

***Soil Health***

***What should you do?***



Do you need to panic about SCN?

No!!! ~~Not Soybean Rust.~~

~~Goss' Wilt~~

Soybean Cyst  
Nematode











Thank You

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