

2013 Long-Term Summary of Kentucky Forage Variety Trials

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Introduction

Forage crops occupy approximately 7 million acres in Kentucky. Forages provide a majority of the nutrition for beef, dairy, horse, goat, sheep, and wildlife in the state. In addition, forage crops play an environmentally friendly role in soil conservation, water quality, and air quality. There are over 60 forage species adapted to the climate and soil conditions of Kentucky. Only 10 to 12 of these species occupy the majority of the acreage, but within these species there is a tremendous variation in varieties.

This publication was developed to provide a user-friendly guide to choosing the best variety for producers based on a summary of forage yield and grazing tolerance trials conducted in Kentucky over the past 10 to 12 years. Detailed variety reports and forage management publications are available from your local county agent or at the University of Kentucky forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage by clicking on the "Forage Variety Trial" link.

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Table 1. Summary of Kentucky white clover yield trials 1998-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Type	Proprietor	Lexington								Princeton		Quicksand		Eden Shale	Mean ³ (#trials)	
			02 ^{1,2} 3yr ⁴	03 3yr	04 3-yr	06 2-yr	07 2-yr	08 3yr	09 2yr	10 3yr	11 3yr	03 3yr	05 3-yr	98 3yr	03 2yr		03 2yr
Advantage	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.		125												106	116(2)
Alice	Intermediate	Barenbrug USA											86				-
Avoca	Dutch	DLF International Seeds				59							82				71(2)
Barblanca	Intermediate	Barenbrug USA		92													-
CA ladino	Ladino	Public	100		124						103			100	98		105(5)
Colt	Intermediate	Seed Research of OR		90		57							114				87(3)
Common	Dutch	Public	100					53			98		78				82(4)
Companion	Ladino	Oregro Seeds							87	94	92						91(3)
Crescendo	Ladino	Cal/West Seeds	105			140							109				118(3)
Crusader II	Intermediate	Allied Seed, L.L.C.								90	50						70(2)
Excel	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.			100												-
Durana	Intermediate	Pennington		94		94	88	82	85	97	93	87	83		101	95	91(11)
GWC-AS10	Ladino	Ampac Seed									102						-
Insight	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.				128											-
Ivory	Intermediate	Cebeco	96														-
Ivory II	Intermediate	DLF International Seeds					86			101	127						105(3)
Jumbo	Ladino	Ampac Seed	93														-
Jumbo II	Ladino	Ampac Seed									121						-
Kopu II	Intermediate	Ampac Seed	97			97	95	95	103	96	80						95(7)
KY Select	Intermediate	Saddle Butte Ag. Inc									98						-
Ocoee	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.								89	74						82(2)
Patriot	Intermediate	Pennington		103		87	104	113	95	117	117	104	100		98	99	103(11)
Pinnacle	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.				120							111				116(2)
Rampart	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.					80	89	97	83							87(4)
Regal	Ladino	Public	99	96	92		125	100	116	118	129	107	100	100	104		107(12)
RegalGraze	Ladino	Cal/West Seeds				127	140	102	103								118(4)
Resolute	Intermediate	FFR/Southern States				63											-
Seminole	Ladino	Saddle Butte Ag. Inc			108	70	79										86(3)
Super Haifa	Intermediate	Allied Seed, L.L.C.			77												-
Tillman II	Ladino	Caudill Seed	103														-
WBDX	Dutch	Saddle Butte Ag. Inc									72						-
Will	Ladino	Allied Seed, L.L.C.	107			162	150	132	107	119	137		136				131(8)

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2002 was harvested three years, so the final report would be "2004 Red and White Clover Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ Number of years of data

Species in This Report

Red clover (*Trifolium pratense* L.) is a high-quality, short-lived, perennial legume that is used in mixed or pure stands for pasture, hay, silage, green chop, soil improvement, and wildlife habitat. This species is adapted to a wide range of climatic and soil conditions and therefore is versatile as a forage crop. Stands of improved varieties are generally productive for two to three years, with the highest yields occurring in the year following establishment. Red clover is used primarily as a renovation legume for grass pastures. It is a dominant forage legume in Kentucky because it is relatively easy to establish and has high forage quality and high yield.

White clover (*Trifolium repens* L.) is a low-growing, perennial pasture legume with white flowers. It differs from red clover in that the stems (stolons) grow along the surface of the soil and can form adventitious roots that may lead to the development of new plants. White clover is classified into ladino, Dutch, and intermediate types. The intermediate types combine the higher yield of ladino with the grazing tolerance of the Dutch types.

Alfalfa (*Medicago sativa*) has historically been the highest yielding, highest quality forage legume grown in Kentucky. It forms the basis of Kentucky's cash hay enterprise and is an important component in dairy, horse, beef, and sheep diets and wildlife habitat. Choosing a good alfalfa variety is a key step in establishing a stand of alfalfa. The choice of variety can impact yield, stand persistence, insect and disease resistance, and grazing tolerance.

Orchardgrass (*Dactylus glomerata*) is a high-quality, productive, cool-season grass that is well adapted to Kentucky conditions. This grass is used for pasture, hay, green chop, and silage, but it requires better management than tall fescue for higher yields, quality, and long stand life. It produces an open, bunch-type sod, making it very compatible with alfalfa or red clover as a pasture and hay crop or as habitat for wildlife.

Tall fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*) is a productive, well-adapted, persistent, soil-conserving, cool-season grass that is

grown on approximately 5.5 million acres in Kentucky. This grass, used for both hay and pasture, is the forage base for most of Kentucky's livestock enterprises, particularly beef cattle. The predominant variety, KY31, was developed in Kentucky for long-term persistence but contains a fungal endophyte that produces alkaloids detrimental to livestock production and reproductive health. Endophyte-free tall fescue varieties produce no detrimental alkaloids, but UK research shows that they are less persistent than KY31. New novel endophyte tall fescue varieties contain safe endophytes, which enhance stand persistence but cause no detrimental animal symptoms.

Annual ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum*) and **perennial ryegrass** (*Lolium perenne*) are high-quality, productive, cool-season grasses used in Kentucky. Both have exceptionally high seedling vigor and are highly palatable to livestock. Annual ryegrasses are increasing in use across Kentucky as more winter-hardy varieties are released and promoted. Annual ryegrass is productive for four to six months and is used primarily for late fall and early to late spring pasture. Perennial ryegrass can be used as a short-lived hay or pasture plant and has growth characteristics similar to tall fescue. It is less persistent than other cool-season grass species. There are both diploid (two sets of chromosomes) and tetraploid (four sets of chromosomes) varieties of perennial ryegrass. Tetraploids have larger tillers and seedheads and wider leaves. Tetraploid types tend to be taller and less dense than diploid types, even in early stages of regrowth. Diploid types produce more tillers, have better stand persistence, and are more tolerant to heavy grazing.

Timothy (*Phleum pratense*) is the fourth most widely sown cool-season perennial grass used in Kentucky for forage after tall fescue, orchardgrass, and Kentucky bluegrass. Timothy is primarily harvested as hay, particularly for horses. In Kentucky, timothy behaves like a short-lived perennial, with stands lasting two to four years.

Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*) is a high-quality, highly palatable, long-lived pasture plant with limited use for hay. It tolerates close, frequent grazing better than most grasses. It has low yields and

low summer production and becomes dormant and brown during hot, dry summers. Kentucky bluegrass is best suited for pastures where a dense sod is more important than high-forage production (e.g., horse pastures).

Festuloliums are hybrids between various fescues and ryegrasses with higher quality than tall fescue and improved stand survival over perennial ryegrass. Their use in Kentucky is limited because they do not survive as long as tall fescue.

Sudangrass (*Sorghum bicolor* ssp. *drummondii*) is a rapidly growing annual grass in the sorghum family. It is medium yielding and well suited for grazing or hay because of its smaller stem size. Sudangrass regrows quickly after harvest and can be grazed several times during summer and early fall.

Sorghum-sudangrass hybrids are more vigorous and slightly higher yielding than sudangrass. A larger stem size makes these hybrids less useful for hay; therefore, they are commonly used for baleage and grazing.

Teff, also referred to as Summer Lovegrass (*Eragrostis tef*), is a warm-season annual grass native to Ethiopia and has been used as a grain crop for thousands of years. Recently, there has been considerable interest in teff as a forage crop. It is high quality, palatable, and fine stemmed and therefore makes excellent hay.

Important Selection Considerations

Local adaptation and seasonal yield.

Choose a variety/species that is adapted to your region of Kentucky, as indicated by good performance across years and locations in replicated yield trials. Also, look for varieties that are productive in the desired season of use. For management recommendations, check with your county Extension agent or see the forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

The following comprehensive bulletins may be especially useful:

- Grain and Forage Crop Guide for Kentucky (AGR-18)
- Establishing Forage Crops (AGR-64)
- Rotational Grazing (ID-143)
- Forage Identification and Use Guide (AGR-175)
- Lime and Fertilizer Recommendations (AGR-1)

Seed quality. Buy premium-quality seed that is high in germination and purity and free from weed seed. Buy certified seed or proprietary seed of an improved variety. An improved variety is one that has performed well in independent trials. Other information on the label will include the test date (which must be within the past nine months), the level of germination, and the amount of other crop and weed seed. Order seed well in advance of planting time to assure that it will be available when needed.

Description of the Tests

Yield trials. Plots were seeded at the recommended seeding rate per acre and were planted into a prepared seedbed with a disk drill. Plots were 5 feet by 15 feet in a randomized complete block design with four replications. Grass plots were fertilized with 60 pounds of actual N per acre in March, after the first cutting, and again in late summer for a total of 180 pounds per acre per season. Other fertilizers (lime, P, and K) were applied as needed according to the University of Kentucky soil test recommendations. The tests were harvested using a sickle-type forage plot harvester to simulate a spring cut hay/summer grazing/fall stockpile management system. Fresh weight samples were taken at each harvest to calculate percent dry matter production. Management practices for establishment, fertility, weed control, and harvest timing were in accordance with University of Kentucky recommendations.

Grazing trials. Plots were 5 feet by 15 feet in a randomized complete block design, with each variety replicated six times. Plots were seeded at the recommended seeding rate per acre and were planted into a prepared seedbed using a disk drill. Grazing was continuous from April to October.

Plots were grazed down to below 4 inches quickly and were maintained at 2 to 4 inches (sometimes less) for the remainder of the grazing season. Supplemental hay was fed during periods of slowest growth. Visual ratings of percent stand were made in the fall several weeks after the cattle were removed to check stand survival after the grazing

season and in the spring prior to grazing to check on winter survival and spring growth. Because trials were seeded in rows, persistence ratings were based on density within a row and not total ground cover. Grass plots were fertilized with 60 pounds of actual N per acre in the spring and 30 to 40 pounds of actual N in early November after cattle or horses were removed from the pasture. Other fertilizers (lime, P, and K) were applied as needed according to the University of Kentucky soil test recommendations. Management practices for establishment, fertility, and weed control were in accordance with University of Kentucky recommendations.

Results and Discussion

These tables summarize long-term yield and stand persistence data of commercial varieties that have been entered in the University of Kentucky trials. The data are listed as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties entered in each specific trial. In other words, the mean for each trial is 100 percent; varieties with percentages over 100 yielded better than average, and varieties with percentages less than 100 yielded lower than average. For the grazing trials, varieties with percentages over 100 persisted better than average, and varieties with percentages less than 100 persisted less than average. Also in the grazing trials, the alfalfa varieties were compared to Alfagraze, and the fescue varieties were compared to KY31+ instead of the mean of all the commercial varieties. In the horse grazing trials, the fescue varieties were compared to KY31- instead of the mean of all the commercial varieties. Direct, statistical comparisons of varieties cannot be made using the summary tables, but these comparisons do help to identify varieties for further consideration. Varieties that have performed better than average over many years and at several locations have very stable performance; others may have performed very well in wet years or on particular soil types. These details may influence variety choice, and the information can be found in the yearly reports. To determine to which yearly report to refer, see the footnote in each table.

Summary

Selecting a good forage variety is an important first step in establishing a productive stand of forage. Proper management, beginning with seedbed preparation and continuing throughout the life of the stand, is necessary for even the highest-yielding variety to produce to its genetic potential. For more detailed information on yield and grazing tolerance within species, go to individual 2013 reports on the forage Web site. See below for specific reports. The forage Web site contains all reports from 2001 through 2013.

Yield and Grazing Tolerance Reports

Reports can be found at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage/ForageVarietyTrials2.htm.

- 2013 Alfalfa Report (PR-660)
- 2013 Red and White Clover Report (PR-661)
- 2013 Orchardgrass Report (PR-662)
- 2013 Tall Fescue and Bromegrass Report (PR-663)
- 2013 Timothy and Kentucky Bluegrass Report (PR-664)
- 2013 Annual and Perennial Ryegrass and Festulolium Report (PR-665)
- 2013 Alfalfa Grazing Tolerance Report (PR-666)
- 2013 Red and White Clover Grazing Tolerance Report (PR-667)
- 2013 Cool-Season Grass Grazing Tolerance Report (PR-668)
- 2013 Cool-Season Grass Horse Grazing Report (PR-669)
- 2013 Summer Annual Grass Report (PR-670)

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Table 4. Summary of Kentucky tall fescue yield trials 1999-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor	Lexington						Princeton						Quicksand				Mean ³ (#trials) 98(2)		
		99 ^{1,2} 2-yr ⁴	01 3-yr	03 2-yr	05 3-yr	07 3-yr	09 3-yr	11 2-yr	98 2-yr	00 2-yr	02 3-yr	04 3-yr	06 3-yr	08 3-yr	10 3-yr	99 2-yr	01 2-yr		03 2-yr	05 4-yr
		107				99	100						96	94		89				
Atlas	ProSeeds Marketing																			
Atlas Select	ProSeeds Marketing																			
Aprilia	ProSeeds Marketing																			
BarElite	Barenbrug USA					99				100										
Bariane	Barenbrug USA			87	99														95	
Barolex	Barenbrug USA				90														94(3)	
BarOptima PLUS E34	Barenbrug USA				122	101				111									108(4)	
BAR 9 TIMPO	Barenbrug USA	96													97				97(2)	
Bronson	Ampac Seed				88	100	105	103							101				100(6)	
Bull	Improved Forages			98	102				102	104								97	101(5)	
Cajun II	Smith Seed Services							97							101				99(2)	
Carmine	DLF International		99													97			98(2)	
Cowgirl	Rose-AgriSeeds												102	100					100(2)	
DLF-B	DLF International	96								103									105(2)	
DuraMax GOLD	DLF International							98					107						103(2)	
Enhance	Allied Seed																		102(2)	
Estancia/ArkShield	Mountain View Seeds			102															105(3)	
Festival	Pickseed West		107													107			105(3)	
Fuego	Advanta Seeds	99																	100(2)	
Goliath	Ampac Seed							100											100(2)	
Hoedown	DLF International		104													106			105(2)	
HyMark	Fraser Seeds							92								102			97(2)	
Jesup EF	Pennington Seed						99	106											103(3)	
Jesup MaxQ	Pennington Seed				98	104	110	107		94							100	102	101(9)	
Johnstone	ProSeeds Marketing	95	108													95			99(3)	
KENHY	KY Agric Exp Sta.										89								100(2)	
Kentucky 32	Oregro Seeds							97											97(3)	
Kokanee	Ampac Seed		89						86										88(2)	
KY31+5	KY Agric Exp Sta.	102	118	112	108	105	102	96	122	108	104	104	104	93	112	107	124	98	110	
Maximize	Turf-Seed	96	95													105	93		107(17)	
Martin2/647	DLF International																		97(4)	
Nanryo	Jap. Grassland ForageSeed/ USDA-ARS, El Reno, OK					99		105											100(2)	
Noria	ProSeeds Marketing					100													100(2)	
RAD-ERF50	Radix Research, Inc.													113					100(2)	
Resolute	Ampac Seed		90														65		78(2)	
Savory	DLF International																		100(2)	
Seine	Advanta Seeds	99										96							98(2)	
Select	FFR/Sou. St.	106	106	94	99	102	98	92	105	105	97	105	102	105	99	107	112	102	102(18)	
Stockman	Seed Research of OR			108								101	98					105	103(4)	
Texoma MaxQ II	Pennington Seed				95														100(2)	
TF0203G	Seed Research of OR					90													100(2)	
TF33	Barenbrug USA								70										100(2)	
Tower/647	DLF International							102											100(2)	
Tuscany	Forage Genetics		112																100(2)	
Tuscany II	Seed Research of OR												98						100(2)	
Vulcan	International Seeds								97										100(2)	
5CAN	Brett Young						86												100(2)	

1 Year trial I was established.
 2 Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1999 was harvested two years, so the final report would be "2001 Tall Fescue Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.
 3 Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.
 4 Number of years of data.
 5 KY31+ contains the toxic endophyte. Jesup MaxQ, Texoma MaxQ II, DuraMax GOLD, Martin2/647, Tower/647 and Estancia/Arkshield contain a non-toxic endophyte. BarOptima PLUS E34 contains a beneficial endophyte. The other fescue varieties in this table do not contain an endophyte.

Table 5. Summary of Kentucky orchardgrass yield trials 1999-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor	Lexington										Princeton							Quicksand					Mean ³ (#trials)											
		1999 ^{1,2}		2001		2003		2006		2007		2009		2011		1998		2000		2002		2004			2006		2008		2010		2012		2013		
		2-yr ⁴	3-yr ⁴	2-yr	3-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	2-yr	3-yr	2-yr	3-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr		3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr	3-yr	4-yr			
Abertop	Pennington																																		
Albert	Univ. of Wis.																																		105(2)
Amba	DLF International Seeds																																		88(2)
Ambassador	DLF International Seeds																																		
Ambrosia	American Grass Seed Prod.																																		
Athos	DLF International Seeds																																		
Benchmark	FFR/Sou. St.																																		
Benchmark Plus	FFR/Sou. St.																																		
Boone	Public																																		
Bronc	Grassland West																																		
Bounty	Allied Seed																																		
Century	Seed Research of Oregon																																		
Checkmate	Seed Research of Oregon																																		
Christoss	Proseeds Marketing																																		
Command	Seed Research of Oregon																																		
Crown	Donley Seed																																		
Crown Royale	Donley Seed																																		
Crown Royale Plus	Donley Seed																																		
Eastwood	Ampac Seed																																		
Elsie	Rose-AgriSeed																																		
Endurance	DLF International Seeds																																		
Extend	Allied Seed																																		
Hallmark	James VanLeeuwen																																		
Harvester	Columbia Seeds																																		
Haymaster	FFR/Sou. St.																																		
Haymate	FFR/Sou. St.																																		
Icon	Seed Research of Oregon																																		
Intensiv	Barenbrug																																		
Lazuly	Proseeds Marketing																																		
LG-31	DLF International Seeds																																		
Mammoth	DLF International Seeds																																		
Megabite	Turf-Seed																																		
Niva	DLF International Seeds																																		
Paiute	DLF International Seeds																																		
Persist	Smith Seed																																		
Potomac	Public																																		
Prairie	Turner Seed																																		
Prodigy	Caudill Seed																																		
Profit	Ampac Seed																																		
RAD-LCF 25	Radix Research																																		
Renegade	Grassland West																																		
Shawnee	Rose-AgriSeed																																		
Shiloh	Proseeds Marketing																																		
Shiloh II	Proseeds Marketing																																		
Spanish Pink	DLF International Seeds																																		
Spanish Red	DLF International Seeds																																		
Takana	Smith Seed																																		

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Table 5. (continued)

Variety	Proprietor	Lexington										Princeton										Quicksand																					
		1999 ^{1,2}		2001		2003		2006		2007		2009		2011		1998		2000		2002		2004		2006		2008		2010		1999		2001		2003		2005		2010		Mean ³			
		2-yr ⁴	88	2-yr ⁴	110	3-yr	110	4-yr	102	91	81	82	84	84	95	2-yr	84	2-yr	95	2-yr	102	102	102	3-yr	109	3-yr	98	86	92	94	92	105	106	104	91	81	106(5)	90(13)	95(5)	103(6)			
Tekena II	Smith Seed																																										
Tekapo	Ampac Seed																																										
Tucker	Oregro Seeds																																										
Udder	Improved Forages																																										
Vailliant	Proseeds Marketing																																										
Vision	Cropmark Seeds																																										

1 Year trial was established.
 2 Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1999 was harvested two years, so the final report would be “2001 Orchardgrass Report” archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.
 3 Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.
 4 Number of years of data.

Table 6. Summary of Kentucky timothy yield trials 2000-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	Lexington														Princeton						Mean ³			
		00 ^{1,2}		01		02		06		07		08		09		11		99		01			04		Mean ³
		2yr ⁴	100	3yr	101	4yr	97	3yr	107	3yr	111	3yr	105	3yr	106	3yr	112	2yr	108	2yr	124		2yr	98	
Alma	Newfield Seeds Co./Caudill Seed Co.																								
Auroro	General Feed and Grain																	98						99(2)	
Barfleo	Barenbrug USA																							93(2)	
Barpenta	Barenbrug USA												74											77(2)	
Clair	Ky Agric. Exp. Station																							109(9)	
Classic	Cebeco International Seeds																							92(3)	
Climax	Canada Agr. Res. Station																							98(5)	
Colt	FFR Cooperative																							101(5)	
Common	Public																							–	
Derby	FFR Cooperative																							113(5)	
Dolina	DLF-Trifolium																							96(2)	
Express	Seed Research of Oregon																							95(4)	
Hokuei	Snow Brand Seed																							–	
Hokusei	Snow Brand Seed																							98(2)	
Joliette	Newfield Seeds Co./Caudill Seed Co.																							89(3)	
Jonaton	Newfield Seeds Co./Caudill Seed Co.																							–	
Outlaw	Grassland West Company																							107	
Richmond	Pickseed Canada Inc.																							102(2)	
Summit	Allied Seed, L.L.C.																							–	
Talon	Seed Research of Oregon																							108(4)	
Treasure	Seed Research of Oregon																							106(4)	
Tundra	DLF-Trifolium																							–	
Tuukka	Ampac Seed Company																							93(4)	

1 Year trial was established.
 2 Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2000 was harvested two years, so the final report would be “2002 Timothy Report” archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.
 3 Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.
 4 Number of years of data.

Table 7. Summary of Kentucky bluegrass yield trials 1996-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	Lexington										Mean ³ (#trials)	
		96 ^{1,2}	03	04	06	07	08	09	10	11			
		3yr ⁴	2yr	3yr	4yr	3yr	3yr	3yr	3yr	2yr			
Adam 1	Radix Research			98									
Barberby	Barenbrug USA					94			101	91	94	95(4)	
BigBlue	Rose-AgriSeed								82				
Common	Public				71	66	68					68(3)	
Ginger	ProSeeds Marketing		89		118	119	114	118	118	112	114	112(7)	
Kenblue	Public	90		102	133					96	92	103(5)	
Lato	Turf Seed Inc.	110				122						116(2)	
RAD-5	Radix Research				103								
RAD-339	Radix Research				101								
RAD-643	Radix Research				94								
RAD-731zx	Radix Research				87								
RAD-762	Radix Research				94								
RAD-1039	Radix Research							118					
Slezanka	DLF International Seeds		111										

1 Year trial was established.
 2 Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2004 was harvested three years, so the final report would be "2007 Timothy and Kentucky Bluegrass Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage. The 96 and 03 Lexington results are in the appropriate Tall Fescue Reports.
 3 Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.
 4 Number of years of data.

Table 8. Summary of Kentucky annual ryegrass yield trials 2000-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Type	Proprietor	Lexington ¹										Princeton			Mean ⁴ (# trials)																				
			03 ^{2,3}	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	10	11	11	12	12		00	02	04	00	03															
Abundant	tetraploid	Ampac Seed				26																														
Acrobat	-	Proseeds Marketing					244																													
AE110	Westerwold tetraploid	Pickseed USA, Inc.													107													101(2)								
Andy	Westerwold tetraploid	DLF International								95																										
Angus I	Westerwold tetraploid	DLF International																			80															
Attain	Westerwold tetraploid	Smith Seed Services																																		
Aurelia	Italian tetraploid	Forage Genetics									113																									
Avance	Westerwold diploid	DLF International																																		
Baretra	Italian tetraploid	Barenbrug USA										136																								
Barmultra II	Italian	Barenbrug USA										99										117														
Big Boss	Westerwold tetraploid	Smith Seed Services																																		
Big Daddy	Westerwold tetraploid	FFR/Sou. St.										88	102	87																						
Brangus	Italian diploid	KB SeedSolutions										96																								
Bruiser	Westerwold diploid	Ampac Seed											111	104	102																					
Common	-	Public																																		
DH-3	Italian tetraploid	Allied Seed																																		
Diamond T	Italian tetraploid	Oregro Seeds											18																							
Domino	Italian tetraploid	DLF International																																		

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Table 8. (continued)

Variety	Type	Proprietor	Lexington ¹										Princeton			Bowling Green	Mean ⁴ (# trials)					
			0323	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	10	11	11	12	00			02	04	00	03	
Ed	Westerworld diploid	Smith Seed Services							98													–
Fantastic	Westerworld diploid	Ampac Seed				105	98								90			97				95(3)
Feast II	Italian tetraploid	Ampac Seed					59	112	111				86		100	81						96(7)
Flying A	Westerworld diploid	Oregro Seeds				85	100															–
Fox	Italian diploid	DLF International							110													–
Fria	Westerworld diploid	Allied Seed							97				93			96						95(3)
GR-AS10	Italian	Ampac Seed							115													–
Graze-N-Gro	Westerworld diploid	Seed Research of OR	105			78													94			93(3)
Gulf	Westerworld diploid	Public				78	44	86	79				81		77			86		57		75(10)
Hercules	Westerworld tetraploid	Barenbrug USA													103	110						107(2)
HS-1	Italian diploid	KB SeedSolutions							73													–
Jackson	Westerworld diploid	The Wax Co.							101	100	100		105	113	98	98			87			199(13)
Jumbo	Westerworld tetraploid	Barenbrug USA	103																			104
KB Royal	Italian diploid	KB SeedSolutions							84													–
LHT-102	Intermediate	Ampac Seed														108						–
Marshall	Westerworld diploid	The Wax Co.	92	120	100	221	116	169	99	102	104	104	106	107	107	113	102	97	114	106		110(16)
Maximo	Intermediate tetraploid	Pickseed USA, Inc.											107									–
Monarque	Italian tetraploid	Seed Research of OR																	117			–
MX 108	Westerworld tetraploid	Pickseed USA, Inc.											111		122							117(2)
Nelson	Westerworld tetraploid	The Wax Co.									89				95		105					96(3)
Passerel Plus	Westerworld diploid	Pennington Seed											100						100			–
Primecut	Westerworld brand	Oregro Seeds											100									–
Rio	Westerworld diploid	–																	100	97		100(3)
Spark	tetraploid	DLF International																				–
Stockaid	diploid	–				181																–
Striker	Westerworld tetraploid	Seed Research of OR					104															–
TAMTBO	Italian tetraploid	Tex. Ag Exp Sta.					80		103				115									100(4)
Tam 90	Italian diploid	Tex. Ag Exp Sta.					82													85		84(2)
TetraPro	Italian tetraploid	Tex. Ag Exp Sta.					67															–
Tetrelite II	Intermediate	DLF International																		122		–
TillageRootMax	Westerworld diploid	Cover Crop Solutions											87			96						92(2)
TillageMax-Bristol	Westerworld diploid	Cover Crop Solutions											96			98						97(2)
TillageMax-INDY	Westerworld diploid	Cover Crop Solutions											95			97						96(2)
T-Rex	Westerworld tetraploid	SaddleButte				25																–
Verdure	Westerworld tetraploid	Smith Seed Services							87													–
Winterhawk	Westerworld diploid	Oregro Seeds							106				123			99						109(3)
Winter Star	Italian tetraploid	Ampac Seed																		96		–
Zorro	Italian tetraploid	DLF International												135	130						118	128(3)

¹ In annual ryegrass, low yielding varieties usually result from winterkill. Note: Due to severe winterkill, yield results from the 2006 planting were not included in the overall mean.

² Year trial was established.

³ Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2003 was harvested one year, so the final report would be “2004 Annual and Perennial Ryegrass Report” archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

⁴ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

Table 9. Summary of Kentucky perennial ryegrass yield trials 1999-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Type	Proprietor	Lexington								Princeton			Bowling Green			Mean ^{3,4} (#trials)		
			99:2 2yr ⁵	01 2yr	03 2yr	04 3yr	05 3yr	06 2yr	07 3yr	08 3yr	09 3yr	10 2yr	11 2yr	00 2yr	02 3yr	00 2yr		03 2yr	
Aires	diploid	Ampac Seed	95																94(2)
Amazon	tetraploid	AgriBioTech	108		99														104(3)
Anaconda	tetraploid	Caudill Seed	113												95	103			104(3)
Aubisque	tetraploid	Seed Research of OR		144														99	122(2)
Bandit	tetraploid	Grassland West													106	114			110(2)
Bastion C-2	tetraploid	Seed Research of OR			91														
Bestfor	tetraploid	Improved Forages													113	107	120		113(3)
Best for Plus	hybrid tetraploid	Improved Forages		116	108	118												136	120(4)
BG-34	diploid	Barenbrug USA				83	85				86								85(3)
Bison	hybrid tetraploid	International Seeds																	140
Boost	tetraploid	Allied Seed								130	125	120	143	113					126(5)
Boxer	tetraploid	AgriBioTech	121												106				114(2)
Calibra	tetraploid	DLF International									96	109	81	96		112			99(5)
CAS MP64	diploid	Cascade International	97																
Citadel	tetraploid	Ag Canada	101												94	113	103		103(4)
Derby	-	Public														74			
Eurostar	tetraploid	Seed Research of OR								112									
Feeder	diploid	Seed Research of OR								76									
Granddaddy	tetraploid	Smith Seed	118						101	109		76	92	86		111			99(7)
Green Gold	tetraploid	Grasslands Oregon						96											
Herbal	-	ProSeeds Marketing									77								
Impressario	tetraploid	DLF International										107							
Kentaur	tetraploid	DLF International												114					
Lactal	tetraploid	Brett Young										102							
Lasso	diploid	DLF International	98																
Linn	diploid	Public	87	98	102				98	85	84	101	92	86	87	88	77		91(13)
Manhattan	diploid	-														85			
Mara	diploid	Barenbrug USA															85		
Matrix	diploid	Cropmark seeds																64	
Maverick Gold	hybrid tetraploid	Ampac Seed	97													71			84(2)
Orantas	diploid	DLF International										82							
Ortet	tetraploid	Oregro Seeds									114								
Polly II	tetraploid	FFR/Sou. St.	104												110		125		113(3)
Polly Plus	hybrid tetraploid	Allied Seed		64														60	62(2)

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Table 9. (continued)

Variety	Type	Proprietor	Lexington												Princeton			Bowling Green			Mean ^{3,4} (#trials)
			99 ^{1,2} 2yr ⁵	01 2yr	03 2yr	04 3yr	05 3yr	06 2yr	07 3yr	08 3yr	09 3yr	10 2yr	11 2yr	00 2yr	02 3yr	00 2yr	03 2yr				
Power	tetraploid	Ampac Seed							110	103	102	100	104								
Polim	tetraploid	DLF International										106									
Quartermaster	tetraploid	Radix Research				122															
Quartet	tetraploid	Ampac Seed	97			56	46									113					
RAD-CPS212	hybrid tetraploid	Radix Research				134															
RAD-M1125	hybrid tetraploid	Mountain View Seeds					120														
Sampson	diploid	International Seeds	87																		
Sierra	diploid	Lewis Seed Co.				89															
Tonga	tetraploid	Kings AgriSeeds				96															
Yatsyn	diploid	Barenbrug USA	80									103					89				

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1999 was harvested two years, so the final report would be "2001 Annual and Perennial Ryegrass Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ In perennial ryegrass, low yielding varieties usually result from wintertill or summer mortality.

⁵ Number of years of data.

Table 10. Summary of Kentucky festulolium yield trials 1999-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).¹

Variety	Type ²	Proprietor	Lexington												Quicksand			Means		
			1999 ^{3,4} 2yr ⁶	2001 3yr	2003 2yr	2005 3yr	2007 3yr	2008 3yr	2009 3yr	2010 3yr	2011 2yr	2010 2yr	2011 2yr	2000 2yr	2001 2yr	2003 2yr	Means (#trials)			
Agula	MF x IR	Allied Seed																		
Barfest	MF x PR	Barenbrug USA									94									
Bonus	MF x IR	Allied Seed									93	57					75(2)			
Duo	MF x PR	Ampac Seed	104			84		103	99		104						98(6)			
Felina	(TF x IR) x TF	DLF International		101							132	106					119(2)			
Fojtan	(TF x IR) x TF	DLF International									112	96					104(2)			
Gain	MF x IR	Allied Seed									103	88					96(2)			
Hykor	(TF x IR) x TF	DLF International				98					133	122			98		118(3)			
Lofa	(TF x Int) x Int	DLF International									105	114					115(2)			
Perseus	MF x IR	DLF International									132	123					128(2)			
Perun	MF x IR	DLF International									127	113					120(2)			
Spring Green	MF x PR	Turf-Seed		88		105	100	114	101	109				97			103(8)			
Sweet Tart	MF x IR	ProSeeds Marketing						88									80(3)			
Vorage	-	Improved Forages											99				-			

¹ The festuloliums were in fescue trials from 1999-2005.

² MF = meadow fescue, TF = tall fescue, IR = Italian ryegrass, PR = perennial ryegrass, Int = intermediate ryegrass.

³ Year trial was established.

⁴ Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties. To find actual yields, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1999 was harvested two years, so the final report would be "2001 Tall Fescue Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

⁵ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁶ Number of years of data.

Table 11. Summary of Kentucky sudangrass yield trials 2008-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	Lexington						Mean ³ (#trials)
		2008 ^{1,2}	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
		All trials are 1 year yields						
AS9301 BMR	Alta Seeds/Ramer Seed					118		–
Enorma BMR	Cal/West Seeds			99	94	92	91	94(4)
Hayking BMR	Central Farm Supply	111	112	91	97	97	96	101(6)
Monarch V	Public	104	96	102	97	93	98	98(6)
Piper	Public	90	91	97	94	104	105	97(6)
ProMax BMR	Ampac Seed	95	101	110	115	96	103	103(6)
SS130 BMR	Cal/West Seeds			101	103		107	104(3)

¹ Establishment year.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific tables in this report to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

Table 12. Summary of Kentucky sorghum-sudangrass yield trials 2008-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	Lexington						Mean ³ (#trials)
		2008 ^{1,2}	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
		All trials are 1 year yields						
AS6402 BMR	Alta Seeds/Ramer Seed					91		–
AS6503 BMR6	Alta Seeds/Ramer Seed						96	–
FSG 208 BMR	Farm Science Genetics			75				–
FSG 214 BMR6	Farm Science Genetics						99	–
Greengrazer V	Farm Science Genetics			166			122	144(2)
GW300 BMR	Gayland Ward Seed				88	78	88	85(3)
HyGain	Turner Seed	104	105	118				109(3)
MS 202 BMR	Farm Science Genetics			106				–
NutraPlus BMR	Cisco	106	97	94	103	106	109	103(6)
Special Effort	Cisco	109	110	93	94	115	120	107(6)
SS211	Southern States				104	93	114	104(3)
SS220 BMR	Southern States		107	84		112		101(3)
Surpass BMR-6	Turner Seed	81	80	64				75(3)
Super Sugar	Gayland Ward Seed				102	117	107	109(3)
Sweet-For-Ever	Gayland Ward Seed				110	107	81	99(3)
Sweet-For-Ever BMR	Gayland Ward Seed					78	70	74(2)
SweetSix BMR	Gayland Ward Seed						93	–
Vita-Cane	Gayland Ward Seed					121		–

¹ Establishment year.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific tables in this report to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

Table 13. Summary of Kentucky teff yield trials 2008-2013 (yield shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Princeton		Lexington						Mean ³ (#trials)
	2008 ^{1,2}	2009	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
	All trials are 1 year yields								
Corvallis	94	112	81	101	91	101	96	100	97(8)
Dessie	102	87	99	92	96	94	95	97	95(8)
Excaliber	109	111	109	104	125	108	106	103	109(8)
Highveld	111	115	100	121	106	101	109	103	108(8)
HorseCandi	91	84	99	105	89	108	94	97	96(8)
Moxie								94	–
Pharaoh	95	101	105	85	106	106	97	101	100(8)
Rooiberg	102	107	112	109	113	108	115	102	109(8)
Summer Delight		90		91	96	88	93	100	93(6)
Tiffany	102	106	102	93	82	93	102	98	97(8)
VA T1 Brown		89		99	87	91	94	98	93(6)
Velvet		94		100	97	98	95	103	98(6)
Witkope	94	100	93	101	115	103	101	104	101(8)

¹ Establishment year.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific tables in this report to determine statistical differences in forage yield between varieties.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

Table 14. Summary of 2002-2013 Kentucky white clover grazing tolerance trials in Lexington (stand persistence shown as a percent of the mean of the commercial varieties in the test).

Variety	Type	Proprietor	2002 ^{1,2}	2004	2006 ³	2006	2008 ⁴	2008	2009	2010	2011	Mean ⁵ (#trials)
			2yr ⁶	4yr	2yr	2yr	3yr	4yr	4yr	3yr	2yr	
Alice	Intermediate	Barenbrug USA		59	98							79(2)
Barblanca	Intermediate	Barenbrug USA		118	91	151						120(3)
Colt	Intermediate	Seed Research of OR		114	134	122						123(3)
Crescendo	Ladino	Cal/West	84			72						78(2)
Durana	Intermediate	Pennington		83	105	103		115	102	123	105	105(7)
GWC-AS10	–	Ampac Seed								98		–
Insight	Ladino	Allied Seed				77						–
Ivory	Intermediate	DLF International	132	142								137(2)
Ivory II	Intermediate	DLF International					102					–
Kopu II	Intermediate	Ampac Seed			77	122	96		93	98	98	97(6)
KY Select	Intermediate	KY Agr Ex. Sta./Saddle Butte						105		91		96(2)
Patriot	Intermediate	Pennington		110	137	122		100	111	116	106	115(7)
Pinnacle	Ladino	Allied Seed									89	–
Rampart	–	Oregro Seeds						90				–
Regal	Ladino	Public	92		57	54		93		105		80(5)
Regal Graze	Ladino	Cal/West			84	87	105	90	87	74	96	89(7)
Resolute	Intermediate	FFR/Southern States			101	106					102	103(3)
Seminole	Ladino	Saddle Butte Ag. Inc.		75		97	91					88(3)
Tillman II	Ladino	Caudill Seed	92									–
WBDX	Dutch	Saddle Butte Ag. Inc.								84		–
Will	Ladino	Allied Seed			117	87	107	105	108	112	104	106(7)

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific test. For example, the trial planted in 2002 was grazed for two years so the final persistence report would be “2004 Red and White Clover Grazing Tolerance Report” archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ This trial was replanted in the spring of 2006 due to poor establishment in the fall of 2005.

⁴ This trial was replanted in the spring of 2008 due to poor establishment in the fall of 2007.

⁵ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁶ Number of years of data.

Table 15. Summary of Kentucky alfalfa grazing trials 1994–2013 (stand persistence shown as a percent of the grazing tolerant Alfagraze).

Variety	Proprietor	Variety Characteristics ¹											Lexington												Mean ⁵ (#trials)				
		Disease Resistance ²						APH	3yr ⁶	1996 3yr	1997 4yr	1998 3yr	2000 2yr	2000 3yr	2001 3yr	2004 4yr	2005 4yr	2006 3yr	2008 4yr	2009 4yr	2010 3yr								
		FD	Bw	Fw	An	PRR	HR																						
ABT 205	W-L Research	2	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR	84													89(2)						
ABT 350	W-L Research	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	69		46																	
ABT 405	W-L Research	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR	129	71	46												83(5)					
Alfagraze	Americas Alfalfa	2	MR	R	MR	R	–	R	R	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100(13)					
Amerigrize 401+Z	Americas Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR	120	53	56	26	85	125									78(6)					
Ameristand 403T	Americas Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR												141	144	50	140	119(4)				
Ameristand 403TPlus	Americas Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Ameristand 407TQ	Americas Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR												136					93(2)			
Apollo	Americas Alfalfa	4	R	R	R	R	–	R	R	48	75	33	47	17	31	25	36	27	25	17	33	35	12		35(12)				
Arc (certified)	Public	4	LR	MR	HR	–	–	–	–	38																			
Archer III	Americas Alfalfa	5	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Baralfa 54	Barenbrug USA	–	R	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	78													33						
Cut-n-Graze	Americas Alfalfa	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR		68																		
FK 421	Donley Seed Co.	4	HR	H	H	H	H	H	H						100														
Feast	Garst Seeds	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR	146			87	92												108(3)			
Fortress	Syngenta	3	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	40	71																56(2)		
Gold Plus	PGI Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR			81																	
Grazeking	FFR/Southern States	5	MR	HR	HR	R	S	HR	R	91	41				50												61(3)		
Haygrazer	Great Plains Research	4	HR	HR	R	R	MR	HR	R	75	39		38														51(3)		
Integrity	PGI Alfalfa	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR								172												
Legacy	Green Seed	4	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	32									0										
LegenDairy5.0	Croplan Genetics	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Magnagraz	Dairyland Seed Co.	3	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	HR	HR	56																			
Pasture Plus	MBS	3	HR	HR	R	R	HR	MR	MR	60																			
PGI 424	Producers Choice	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
PGI 459	Producers Choice	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Pioneer 98	Pioneer	3	HR	R	HR	R	–	R	R	56																			
ProGro	MBS Inc.	4	HR	HR	R	R	MR	MR	MR	81																			
Quantum	ABI Alfalfa	2	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	R	R	71																			
Rebel	Target Seed	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Rugged	Target Seed	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Rushmore	Syngenta	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	32																			
Saranac AR (cert.)	Public	4	MR	R	HR	LR	–	R	R	77					100														
Spredor 3	Syngenta	1	HR	HR	R	MR	S	MR	S	71	123	75					68											89(2)	
Spredor 4	Syngenta	2	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	R																			96(4)	
Stampede	Allied Seed	3	HR	R	R	R	R	HR	R	73											25								
TS 4007	Producers Choice	4	HR	R	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
TS 4010/A4535	Producers Choice	4	HR	R	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Triple Trust 450	ABI/America's Alfalfa	5	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR																				
Wintergreen	ABI Alfalfa	3	HR	HR	HR	HR	R	HR	R	95																			
WL 326GZ	W-L Research	4	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	HR	118																			
115 Brand	Monsanto	3	HR	HR	R	R	R	HR	R				56	85															
5373	Pioneer	4	HR	HR	HR	HRT	MR	LR	LR	21																			
5432	Pioneer	4	HR	HR	–	MR	–	MR	–						51														

¹ Variety characteristics: FD = fall dormancy, Bw = bacterial wilt, Fw = fusarium wilt, An = anthracnose, PRR = phytophthora root rot, APH = aphanomyces root rot. Information provided by seed companies.

² Disease resistance: S = susceptible, LR = low resistance, MR = moderate resistance, R = resistance, HR = high resistance.

³ Year trial was established.

⁴ Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific test. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1996 was grazed for three years so final persistence report would be "1999 Alfalfa Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

⁵ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁶ Number of years of data.

Table 16. Summary of 1996-2013 Kentucky tall fescue grazing tolerance trials (stand persistence shown as a percent of the stand rating of KY 31+).

Variety	Proprietor	Lexington												Princeton		Mean ³ (#trials)			
		1996 ^{1,2} 3yr ⁴	1997 4yr	1998 3yr	1999 4yr	2000 4yr	2001 4yr	2002 4yr	2003 4yr	2004 4yr	2005 4yr	2006 4yr	2007 4yr	2008 4yr	2009 4yr		2010 3yr	2002 4yr	
Advance MaxQ	Pennington Seed																		
Barlane	Barenbrug USA											89							60(4)
Barcel	Barenbrug USA	92																	
BarElite	Barenbrug USA																		
Barolex	Barenbrug USA																		
BarOptima PLUS E34	Barenbrug USA																		88(3)
BAR9TMPO	Barenbrug USA																		98(3)
Bronson	Ampac Seed				75														
Cajun II	Smith Seed Services															98			79(3)
Cattle Club	Green Seed																		
Carmine	DLF-Jenks		37	98	70	93	91	90											78(2)
Cowgirl	Rose Agri-Seed												99						
Dovey	Barenbrug USA	92																	
Festival	Pickseed West								100	101									
Festorina	Advanta Seeds	98	86				57										89		97(3)
Fuego	Advanta Seeds			27															80(3)
Goliath	Ampac Seed																		
Hoedown	DLF-Jenks					88													
HyMark	Fraser Seeds													95					
Jesup EF	Pennington Seed																		
Jesup MaxQ	Pennington Seed		63	91															
Johnstone	Pennington Seed																		
Johnstone	Proseeds		65	107					92										
KY31+5	KY Agri. Exp Sta.	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100(16)
KY31-5	KY Agri. Exp Sta.	94	90	102	84				98	103	98	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	97(15)
Kenhy	Public			116															
Kokanee	Ampac Seed							43											
Martin II	International Seeds																		
Maximize	Rose Agri-Seed																		
Nanryo	Japanese Grassland For. Seed/ USDA-ARS,ElReno,OK														100				
Orygun	-																		
Resolute	Ampac Seed								23										
Select	FFR/Sou. St.																		
Southern Cross	-		25																
Stargrazer	FFR/Sou. St.	90																	
Stockman	Seed Res. of OR																		79(4)
TF33	Barenbrug USA																		
Tuscany II	Seed Res. of OR			34															
Verdant	Am.Grass Seed																		
Vulcan	International Seeds																		

1 Year trial was established.
2 Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1997 was grazed four years so the final report would be "2001 Cool-Season Grass Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.
3 Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.
4 Number of years of data.
5 KY 31- is the variety KY31 from which the toxic endophyte has been removed. KY31+ contains the toxic endophyte. Jesup MaxQ and Advance MaxQ contain a non-toxic endophyte. BarOptima PLUS E34 contains a beneficial endophyte. The other fescue varieties in this table do not contain an endophyte.

Table 17. Summary of 1996-2013 Kentucky orchardgrass grazing tolerance trials (stand persistence shown as a percent of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor	Lexington												Princeton		Mean ³ (#trials)	
		1996 ^{1,2} 3yr ⁴	1997 4yr	1998 3yr	1999 4yr	2000 4yr	2001 4yr	2002 4yr	2003 4yr	2004 4yr	2005 4yr	2007 4yr	2009 4yr	2010 3yr	2012 4yr		
Abertop	Pennington Seed							38									
Albert	Univ. of Wisconsin						115										
Amba	DLF-Jenks						71										
Ambrosia	Pennington Seed		90														
Athos	DLF-Jenks						93										
Benchmark	FFR/Sou. States	100	105	115	94	118	123	114							133		113(8)
Benchmark Plus	FFR/Sou. States							120							133		124(6)
Boone	Public			131		102											117(2)
Cheyenne	Western Prod. Inc.			94													
Command	Seed Research of OR								81								
Crown	Donley Seed		86	96													91(2)
Crown Royale	Donley Seed						100										
Crown Royale Plus	Donley Seed							124							83		104(2)
Hallmark	James VanLeeuwen	107		104	103		115			113					83		104(6)
Harvestar	Columbia Seeds																85(2)
Haymate	FFR/Sou. States	93	71	102	96	53	115	100	118	118					83		92(9)
Intensiv	Barenbrug USA								51								
Mammoth	DLF-Jenks						115										
Megabite	Turf Seed						77										
Niva	DLF-Jenks							76									
Persist	Smith Seed																
Pizza	Advanta Seeds			63													
Potomac	Public	98						116									
Prairie	Turner Seed					127	121								117		113(4)
Profile	Scott Seed	98						116							83		110(3)
Proft	Ampac Seed																107(2)
Progress	Scott Seed	111															98(2)
Tekapo	Ampac Seed	93	166	92	104		55	74	118						100		96(12)
Takana	Smith Seed		81				99										90(2)
Seco	FFR/Sou. States																
WP300	Western Prod. Inc.			94													

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 1997 was grazed four years so the final report would be "2001 Cool-Season Grass Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ Number of years of data.

Stand thinning may have been greater for preferred varieties due to closer grazing. See individual trial tables for preference ratings.

Table 18. Summary of 2000-2013 Kentucky perennial ryegrass and festulolium (FL) grazing tolerance trials in Lexington (stand persistence shown as a percent of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor	2000 ^{1,2}	2001	2003	2005	2007	2008	2010	Mean ³ (#trials)
		4yr ⁴	3yr	4yr	3yr	4yr	4yr	3yr	
AGRLP103	AgResearch USA	128		86					107(2)
Aries	Ampac Seed		139						–
Barfest (FL)	Barenbrug USA							101	–
BG 34	Barenbrug USA				176 ⁵	145 ⁵		111	144(3)
Boost	Allied Seed						101	91	96(2)
Citadel	Donley Seed	107							–
Duo (FL)	Ampac Seed	116					95	82	98(3)
Granddaddy	Smith Seed Services		121			70		98	96(3)
Lasso	DLF-Jenks		130						–
Linn	Public	112	129	63			95	107	101(5)
Maverick	Ampac Seed		36						–
Polly II	FFR/Southern States	36	68						52(2)
Power	Ampac Seed					134		101	118(2)
Quartet	Ampac Seed		77		63	50			60(3)
Remington	Barenbrug USA			151 ⁵					–
Spring Green (FL)	Rose Agri-Seed	101					109	109	106(3)
Tonga	Ampac Seed				61				–

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2000 was grazed four years so the final report would be "2004 Cool-Season Grass Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ Number of years of data

⁵ Grazing tolerance values for these entries may have been elevated due to the low survival of the other commercial varieties in the trials for these years.

Table 19. Summary of 1999-2013 Kentucky tall fescue horse grazing tolerance trials in Lexington (stand persistence shown as a percent of the stand rating of KY 31-).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	1999 ^{1,2}	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Mean ³ (#trials)
		3-yr ⁴	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	3-yr	
BarOptima PLUS E34	Barenbrug								107			101	104(2)
Bronson	Ampac Seed	80											–
Cattle Club	Green Seed	95											–
Cowgirl	Rose Agri-Seed									105			–
Festorina	Advanta Seed	102											–
Jesup MaxQ	Pennington Seed			98			78			104	97	100	95(5)
Johnstone	ProSeeds		88										–
KY31+ ⁵	KY Agri. Exp.Sta.		105				102	109	120	107	101	100	106(7)
KY31- ⁵	KY Agri. Exp.Sta.	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100(11)
Nanryo	Japanese Grassland For. Seed/ USDA-ARS, El Reno, OK								72				–
Seine	Seed Research of OR					135							–
Select	FFR/Southern States	82		109	94	99	73	104	76	108	98	99	94(10)
Stargrazer	FFR/Southern States	70											–
Stockman	Seed Research of OR					125							–

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2001 was grazed four years so the final report would be "2005 Cool-Season Grass Horse Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ Number of years of data.

⁵ KY 31- is the variety KY31 from which the toxic endophyte has been removed. KY31+ contains the toxic endophyte. Jesup MaxQ contains a non-toxic endophyte. BarOptima PLUS E34 contains a beneficial endophyte. The other fescue varieties in this table do not contain an endophyte.

Table 20. Summary of 1999-2013 Kentucky orchardgrass horse grazing tolerance trials in Lexington (stand persistence shown as a percentage of the mean of the commercial varieties in the trial).

Variety	Proprietor/KY Distributor	1999 ^{1,2}	2000	2001	2002	2005	2006	2009	2010	Mean ³ (#trials)
		3-yr ⁴	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	4-yr	3-yr	
Albert	Univ. of Wisconsin			95						–
Ambrosia	Amer.Grass Seed Prod.						61			–
Benchmark	FFR/Southern States	104			85					95(2)
Benchmark Plus	FFR/Southern States				111	157	139	111	103	124(5)
Crown Royale	Grassland Oregon			95						–
Crown Royale Plus	Grassland Oregon				97					–
Haymate	FFR/Southern States	96	85		97					93(3)
Persist	Smith Seed					114		103	102	106(3)
Potomac	Public				117					–
Prairie	Turner Seed			100						–
Profit	Ampac Seed							93		–
Tekapo	Ampac Seed	101	115		93	30		92	95	88(6)

¹ Year trial was established.

² Use this summary table as a guide in making variety decisions, but refer to specific yearly reports to determine statistical differences in stand persistence between varieties. To find actual persistence ratings, look in the yearly report for the final year of each specific trial. For example, the Lexington trial planted in 2005 was grazed four years so the final report would be "2009 Cool-Season Grass Horse Grazing Tolerance Report" archived in the KY Forage Web site at www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage.

³ Mean only presented when respective variety was included in two or more trials.

⁴ Number of years of data.



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