

2014 Question 16 comments: Research has shown planting soybeans early or dates similar to corn planting increases yield. If you do not implement an early planting date, what are the factors or reasons why you choose not to?

- I plant beans before corn
- We plant as early as possible. There are only 2 of us farming 750 acres, so we have to plant as early as we can and are physically able based on weather, etc.
- Still planting corn- I plant as soon as I am done planting corn.
- Don't have time or enough equipment
- We farm in Platte Valley where soybeans seem to drowned or should I say they don't like wet & cool.
- Get corn planted first.
- I do
- I am working toward earlier planting!
- Timing (with other crops & livestock operations) and weather
- I have planted some beans right after corn. Some acres need to wait till I have rye chopped. Sometimes I have to wait for the planter co-owned with my brother.
- Corn planting first
- Still planting corn
- Try planting earlier every year if ground & extended weather looks good
- Some but planting corn first
- Time
- Corn gets planted first- soybeans later- yield is low anyway (corn yield 300 bu, soybean yield 50 bu)
- Try to plant beans early!
- Lack of labor to overlap corn planting
- Timing
- Only one planter- used for corn. Grow conventional beans therefore weed control
- Early is not always better. Proof of that was definitely this year. Our later planting was best.
- Choose to plant our corn first and then beans as soon as I get there. Frost does not hurt corn as much as beans.
- Time
- Because of livestock commitments
- Weather
- Cost of seed vs risk of frost, slow emergence
- Plant corn first because it benefits more from early planting.
- Frost and uneven germination causing poor stand.
- Frost, plant corn first

- We plant early already
- Grazing cattle on stalks until pasture is ready
- Need to plant corn first
- Lack of labor & equipment to plant both @ same time
- We start planting beans early. This year we were done planting on May 5th
- Plant corn first and also freezing
- ASAP
- Late freeze possibility, man power (one man operation)
- weather
- One planter & man power
- We plant soybeans right after corn (same planter) and as early as possible
- Not enough time with corn planting
- I do not start till corn is done
- Not enough manpower. Too expensive to have 2 planters
- Don't have time, still planting corn
- Temperatures moisture
- still plant milo / want it out before corn
- I plant corn first and get beans in a(s) quick as I can after that
- Lack of manpower- plant the corn & spray. Then plant soybeans
- Soil being to(o) cold
- Already do
- I plant asap after April 25 as weather permits
- We try to plant beans about same time as corn
- Cold weather risks
- Weather, corn takes cold better than beans. I can't plant both corn & beans at the same time
- Time
- May freeze off, don't have time to plant corn & beans then, don't feel they come up till it warms up more anyway
- N/A
- time
- Frost late planted beans do better on my farm
- Only have 1 planter and it's planting corn early.
- Don't have cows off corn stalks til mid April, then spray and have to wait to plant. Can't start planting til first week of May.
- Now plant April 25 instead of May 3 - 10
- Plot research decisions
- I do plant early
- Cool spring with frost. Get corn done before doing beans.
- Don't have the extra planter or manpower to be planting the same time as corn- so we plant as soon as corn is finished.

- I have it custom done. They get it done when it works for them.
- Planting corn instead. Don't think get a(s) good as stand.
- Crop rotation & cattle grazing
- We will always plant beans after we get the corn planted
- I plant soybeans as soon as corn is done
- Frost
- Planting corn
- Last of May or early June generally gives me the best beans.
- Soybeans planted too near spring frost-free date loose growing point to late frosts
- Can not plant corn & beans at same time
- I try to plant beans immediately after corn.
- Manpower, equipment, corn is still king. Earlier planted corn also yields more. If (I) had 2 planters, might try it.
- Time farm by myself
- Frost
- Plant too much corn to plant soybeans early
- We do
- Frost damage
- Cattle work
- May 4th of 2014 was the earliest I had ever planted soybeans. Frost or freeze is why I will not plant any earlier.
- We try to plant early- conditions allowing.
- Weather, late frosts
- plant corn first
- I hire my planting done, just a matter of getting him there
- I feel that you must get the corn in first
- Labor limitations
- Late freeze.
- Time
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- I plant early.
- Lack of help
- Labor & equipment
- We plant as early as possible, we have almost got the beans froze.
- (frost) this is not true to always plant beans early (2014 late frost)
- Frost- don't have large expensive equipment and don't have hired help. Always plant corn first then beans.
- want corn in first worry about freeze on soybeans
- problem with frost
- We plant them as early as we can.

- We plant early
- I do
- Common sense, late freeze beans die another stupid university idea. Just as some years back, don't irrigate too early let the beans nearly die first
- Sudden death syndrome hit this year
- Potential late frost, seed treatment costs.
- I'm planting & spraying corn!
- I don't have enough acres to justify another man and tractor & planter to plant both at same time.
- Timeliness/ weather
- Only one planting tool to plant
- Time get it all done
- I think beans can be planted to(o) early they're more of a warmer weather plant
- Weather, cow and calf duties put on pasture corn planting one planter
- Livestock priority \$9 per bushel vs \$2 per pound
- Time, labor
- Weather (Rain- cold)
- Manpower
- Do
- Colder- wetter soils
- I am planting earlier
- I have one planter so the beans get planted after corn.
- I have only one planter
- Plant corn first
- Don't have enough labor to plant early.
- To plant early
- I usually try to plant by May 10
- I'm a one man operation
- Field conditions weather
- Usually plant within a week or two after corn. Reasons- not actually ready, weather factors into planting dates field preparation
- Do not feel it would be advantageous
- Soil temp
- NA
- I plant as early as possible
- Time to get it done
- Changing planter units
- Soybeans freeze plant corn first
- Work load. Planting corn and soybeans @ the same time.
- I plant half the crop early and half normal date. The yield is minimal.

- weather
- Cold soil & chance of frost
- labor and machinery restrictions
- Size of equipment
- Planting corn
- I plant early.
- Plant corn first but not until around April 20
- Depends on weather - corn still needs to go in first - only so much can get done in a days time
- 1 planter
- Already do
- We plant soybean(s) as soon as we get done with corn.
- No till soil temps
- Frost & Time
- Did it last year, but with poor results do to cold ground
- Only one planter operator so manpower
- Need to finish planting corn first.
- Warm soil temperatures
- Not done with corn yet.
- Late freeze will kill the soybean plant.
- Depending on weather!
- no increase
- "Late Frost" Early planted beans die! Happened last year. Plant beans after May 1st!
- Soil temp & weather
- Cold & WET
- Don't know about that- several yrs ago because of wetness we planted some beans on dryland June 16 and they made 68 bu. Every year is different.
- Zodiac
- Don't have time
- Time.
- None
- We try to implement early planting dates but time does become as issue
- Weather/ residue
- I can only drive one tractor at a time.
- Can't plant corn and soybeans at the same time
- Too busy planting corn - planted some beans 1st one year - got a 5" rain & washed most of beans down the hill - replanted later
- didn't see much diff.
- weather and ground conditions and temp.
- Logistics - can't do both at once

- We farm in the Republican River Valley and concerns over frost in the valley which occurs later other areas
- time- to get corn planted & plant beans also
- I can only plant one crop at a time plant corn then beans
- Planting capacity (equipment, manpower to get done in time window) - corn has priority & logical due to soil temp preference
- Busy planting/spraying corn.
- No-till has cold soil need to wait for warm soil.
- Not enough help to get it done
- Weather/soil conditions
- Corn first and just 1 planter
- We plant earlier than we used to- Not sure it helps that much though-
- Planting corn
- Have a chance of frost if you plant early
- I find that later planting cost less and no yield drag.
- 2014 was first year to plant early we now have two planters
- Do
- Cold weather late freeze
- Do not have the help to do both so finish corn as fast as possible then beans
- I plant early already
- Soil type plus plant as soon as I can corn soy mix 75/25
- We choose to plant soybeans when the ground is warmer.
- We plant soybeans when the ground is warmer.
- Time
- Planting corn- one planter
- Already do
- Just me, one tractor, one planter, must get corn in first.
- Planting corn
- Early planting hasn't proven advantageous to our operation.
- Planting corn
- Don't have manpower at present to plant corn & beans at same time.
- Tradition of planting corn first
- Because it is a false management decision never has worked for me large acre farmers are deceptive
- No time
- I have one planter and I plant corn first.
- Planting corn first
- The yield is about the same
- I do unless weather interferes
- We implement early planting.

- I plant them as early as I can.
- Early frost, corn needs to be planted first, then beans
- Time crunch do corn first start beans soon as I can after corn
- We try to plant early.
- Planting corn first
- Plant early
- Time & manpower. Also, my earliest planted beans are not always my best.
- None
- Too busy planting corn
- only have 1 planter and plant as early as possible.
- Availability of farmers to plant for US. (custom farming)
- My crops are planted when my custom hired planter gets to it
- Weeds Diseases
- Time & labor avail.
- I'm a firm believer in early planting beans most of my beans are planted no later than May 15
- Not big enough operation to afford extra help and equipment
- Usually I do plant early but have seen seedling disease of various kinds
- Frost, emergence out of cold soil --- no gain
- Not enough time or man power. Uneven emergence.
- Frost & plant stands
- I have had late planted beans yield with early planted soybeans.
- 1 planter, corn gets planted first
- I'm not certain that the increase in bean yields will offset the possible loss in corn yields
- time restrictions
- We plant beans early
- frost
- Corn gets planted 1st
- I plant SB early
- frost
- I planted early and lost half my stand to freeze eastern Nebraska is not the same as western Nebraska
- I plant soybeans when done planting corn. May need to look into a change
- Ground temp is too low and can do only one thing at a time.
- Time
- Do not want to replant
- Try to plant as early as my custom planter can come
- Replanting because of late frost- no yield increases from checking on our farms
- I do plant early, April 20 or later
- I plant early
- Early frost

- Pests, unable to equipment wise to plant at same time
- My last planted soybeans always yield the most. You can't plant soybeans when its cold.
- Try to plant corn first
- I have it custom planted
- Planting corn
- My yields are better from late May or early June planting
- Time availability
- Soil temp.
- Frost
- Weather
- Have not found this to be the case yet- additional seed expense - cold too heavy residue no till uneven emergence - no yield advantage when weighed
- Do plant early
- Time restraints- planting corn first
- Finish corn first
- Need to get corn planted 1st and not going to buy a second planter to plant beans @ same time.
- I do
- I hire a custom operator and sometimes he is a few days late.
- We plant early
- Early planter
- Freeze dates
- Frost! Cold damp weather
- Short of timely help
- Corn planted first, cool soils, frost risk more so with beans
- Don't have manpower & time
- Don't like to replant. Want to make sure they are safe from frost.
- Still planting corn
- Early planting I find best if possible
- Weather
- Crop insurance gives a beginning date to begin planting
- Manpower & use the same planter to do both.
- Time
- My best yields are 3.7 maturity beans planted in mid- late May
- Weather conditions prevent early planting some years. Like to finish corn planting before switching to soybeans.
- Early planting this year was a disaster frozen beans do not yield much
- Many years our later planted soybeans out yield early planted soybeans (Dryland)
- I do but only one planter so corn first SB next all early
- Limited help- only one person
- Fear of late frost.

- Corn- for yield Beans- could freeze
- I always hope to but due to weather delays and extra help it is hard to do it all by myself.
- 2014 no till planted soybeans. Same day as corn resulted in replanting and poor yield in the early planting. Every year is different.
- We plant as early as possible
- High reflectivity of lighter sand based soils leads to colder soil temps
- I do plant early.
- Labor
- Frost and I've had it
- I do
- Seems we always catch that one frost in middle May
- Wait for corn planting to be done then do beans April 1st is too early to plant beans
- Type of soil replant- replant due to hail
- Corn comes first/ only one planter
- Use early planting
- Only use one planter
- Frost and equipment being used for corn planting
- Planting corn
- Time
- Time, ground temp.
- Corn- first so it is dry in fall one planter- one operator- can't do both at same time.
- Start as soon as I get done with corn
- I like to plant corn anytime after the 10 of April and start on soybeans around the 25 of April to 1st of May
- Irrigation timing. Busy with corn planting, SDS is much worse
- I don't agree with that research May 5 to May 15 is the best for me
- because I am planting corn first then beans
- busy planting corn freeze scare
- I've planted early but our yields were better on our later planting. I think it was on account of the bad rains.
- Soil temp. & weather
- Freezing temps
- We are not done planting corn
- Time constraints
- Worry of frost
- Afraid of cold weather. Late freeze
- I plant as soon as I'm done planting corn
- Soil too wet and cold
- Not enough yield benefit to justify additional labor & equipment
- Weather

- Weather, soil conditions
- Freeze, plant late on ground cattle are running on in spring
- Availability of machinery & labor
- We do plant early
- On organic ground due to weed issues
- Workload with corn planting
- Planting corn
- Get corn planted first
- Early frost damage.
- Plant corn first
- We plant as early as we can.
- Hard to break habit of finishing corn before planting soybeans
- I plant early
- Planted 5 May
- One planter, we put corn in first
- I do plant early but this year I received hail and replanted in mid June and got the same yield
- We have done it for 2 years and never seen any advantage
- On recommendation of farm manager
- Labor & machinery costs
- We plant early as corn
- freeze
- early frost, early season heavy rains.
- Weather and time
- It varies depending on weather
- Time, help, available help
- Frost, not sure I agree with the research