

Breeding for Yield and Its Components in Some Bread Wheat Crosses (*Triticum Aestivum*)

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ABSTRACT

A half diallel cross among seven common wheat varieties and lines were evaluated in both F₁ and F₂ generations in Etay El-Baroud Agricultural Research station during the three successive seasons 2003/2004, 2004/2005 and 2005/2006 to study some breeding parameters. The experimental design of randomized complete blocks with three replications was used. Seven characters were studied, i.e. plant height (cm.), spike length (cm.), number of spikes per plant, number of kernels per spike, 1000 kernels weight (g), grain yield /plant (g) and total plant Weight.

Test of significance indicated that the mean squares of genotypes were highly significant for the plant height, number of spikes/plant, spike length, number of kernels/spike, 1000- kernels weight and grain yield/plant in F₁ and F₂ generations. The significance of the mean squares indicated the presence of true differences among these genotypes. Mean squares due to parents and crosses were highly significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations except number of spikes /plant in the F₂ generation.

Parents vs crosses mean squares as an indication to average heterosis overall crosses were found to be highly significant for all traits studied in F₁ and F₂ generations except number of spikes/plant, spike length, 1000 kernel weight and grain yield /plant in the F₂ generation.

The analysis of variance of general combining ability (GCA) and specific combining ability (SCA) values mean squares were found to be highly significant for all studied traits in the F₁ and F₂ generations, Also GCA/SCA variances were found to be greater than unity for all studied traits except number of spikes /plant in the F₁ hybrid, indicating that additive and additive x additive types of gene action were of greater importance in the inheritance of all characters studied.

The additive variances (D) were significant for all traits, except number of spikes/plant and 1000 grains weight in the F₂ and grain yield /plant in the F₁ and F₂ generations. These results indicated that the additive gene effects played a major role in the inheritance for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations. Dominance components of variation (H₁) were highly significant and greater than D also, for all traits in both generations. The component of variation due to the dominance effects associated with gene distribution (H₂) was highly significant and greater than D for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations. All H₂ values were

smaller than H₁ values for all traits indicating unequal allele frequency. The overall dominance effects of heterozygous loci (h²) were significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations except for plant height in F₁ and F₂, and number of spikes /plant, 1000 kernel weight and grain yield /plant in the F₂ generation. The covariance of additive and dominance (F) was not significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations except plant height in the F₂, number of spikes/plant in the F₁ and number of kernels /spike in the F₁ and F₂ generation. The relative size of (D) and (H₁) estimated as (H₁/D)^{1/2} can be used as a weight measure of the average degree of dominance at each locus, showed the presence of over dominance for all traits in both generations.

Low heritability values in narrow sense were detected for all traits in both generations except spike length and 1000 kernel weight in the F₁ and F₂ generations which gave high value

INTRODUCTION

Wheat is one of the most important cereal crops in Egypt, either as a staple food grain for human or as a major source of straw fodder for animal feeding. (In season 2005, the total cultivated area of wheat was about 3.1 million faddan, with an average yield of about 18.2 ardab /feddan. Increasing wheat production per unit area could be possible rather than increasing the area devoted for wheat production due to limitations of arable land and irrigation water. The main goal of the Egyptian National Wheat Program is to develop high yielding. This can be achieved through genetic studies of heterosis, combining ability and genetic components for wheat genotypes to select proper lines from good crosses.

Breeders of self pollinated crops are confronted by two major problems: the first, is identifying the best parental combinations that will result in the highest percentage of desirable progeny, and the second being effective in selecting in early generations. Creating genetic variability and identifying the most promising parental combinations is a difficult task due to the large amount of available germplasm. This is particularly true when attempting to improve quantitatively inherited traits such as grain yield where many genes are involved and a large environmental influence is present.

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Exploitation of heterosis is considered to be one of the outstanding achievements of plant breeding. In a self-pollinated crop like wheat the scope for utilization of heterosis depends mainly upon the direction and magnitude of heterosis. The heterosis over better parent may be useful in identifying true heterotic hybrid combinations but these hybrids can be of immense practical value if they show the best cultivars of the area (Prasad et al., 1998).

Combining ability analysis is the most widely used biometrical tool for giving an indication of the relative magnitude of genetic variance. These also provide a guideline for selection of elite parents and desirable cross combinations to be used in formulation of a systematic breeding program for rapid improvement.

The objectives of the present study are to establish: (i) The potentiality of heterosis expression for plant height, spike length, number of spikes/plant, number of grains/spike, 1000-grain weight, total plant weight and grain yield/plant (ii) Estimate the magnitude of both general and specific combining ability. (iii) Gene action and the importance which should be given to this materials in a breeding program by evaluating seven wheat varieties according to their general combining ability effects and determine which crosses can be selected for improving wheat genotypes.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

This investigation was carried out at Etay El-Baroud Agric. Res. station, during the three successive seasons, 2003/2004, 2004/2005 and 2005/2006. Seven common wheat varieties and lines (*Triticum aestivum* L. em Thell) representing a wide divergent were selected for this study. The names, pedigree and code number of these varieties/and lines are presented in table (1).

In 2003/2004 season, grains for each of the parental varieties were sown at various dates in order to overcome the difference in time of flowering during this season. All possible cross combinations without reciprocals were made among the seven genotypes, giving the twenty one crosses.

In 2004/2005 season, the obtained hybrid grains from each of the twenty one crosses were sown in 18th November in randomized complete block design with three replication. In 2005/2006 season, parents and F₂ diallel crosses were sown in 24th November in randomized complete block design with three replications. In both seasons of evaluation, i.e., 2004/05 for F₁ and 2005/2006 for F₂ generation, each plot consisted of two rows of F₁ and six rows of F₂. Each row was two meters long and 30 cm apart and plant within row was 20 cm apart. Ray method of planting was used in this concern. The other cultural practices of growing wheat were properly practiced as recommended. Data for the following traits recorded on 10 and 60 individual guarded plants, sown at random from each plot for F₁ and F₂, respectively. Plant height (cm) spike length (cm), no. of spikes/plant, number of kernels/spike, total plant weight (g), grain yield/plant (g) and 1000-kernel weight (gm) were studied.

Table 1. The name and pedigree of the studied parental bread wheat varieties and lines.

No.	Name	Pedigree	Origin
P ₁	Line 1	Primia/PFau/Milan	CIMMYT
P ₂	Gemmieza 1	Ald"s"/Huac//cmh 74A. 630/Sx CGM4583-5GM-76M-0GM	Egypt
P ₃	Sakha 61	INia/RL 4220//7c/4r"s"CM5430-25-55-0-05.	Egypt
P ₄	Sakha 93	Sakha 92/TR810328 S8871-15-25-15-205	Egypt
P ₅	Line 2	P Fau/Milan	CIMMYT
P ₆	Line 3	BORL 95/LAJ 3302	CIMMYT
P ₇	Line 4	D630/Heinev///ERA/3Buc/4/LiRa/S/SPP/61 Giza144 // pin"s"/ bow"s"	CIMMYT

Heterosis (H); according to the formulas adopted by Bhatt (1971) as follow : Heterosis (%) over better parent

$$\text{value} = \frac{\bar{F}_1 - \bar{BP}}{\bar{BP}} \times 100$$

Differences between the parental lines and their F₁ hybrids were tested for significance using the LSD mean values of genotypes test at 0.05 and 0.01 level of probability.

Estimates of both general and specific combining ability were calculated according to Griffing (1956) as method 2, model 1 for F₁ and F₂ generations.

The diallel analysis as described by Hayman, (1954), and Mather and Jinks (1971) was performed for each generation. The analysis involves the computation of variance of the parental means (VoLo = VP), variance of the components of each array (Vr) and covariance of the parents with their offspring in each array (Wr). The estimated genetic components under this model are D (the component of variation due to additive effects), F (the covariance of dominance and additive effects in a single array), H₁ (the component of variation due to dominance effects), and H₂ (a dominance measure indicating a symmetry of positive and negative effects of genes). These components were used for computation the genetic parameters according to Mather and Jinks (1971).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Analysis of variance, means and heterosis:

Analysis of variance for the plant height, number of spikes/plant, spike length, number of kernels/spike, 1000- kernels weight, grain yield/plant and total plant weight are presented in Table (2). Test of significance indicated that the mean squares of genotypes were highly significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations. The significance of the mean squares indicated the presence of true differences among these genotypes. Mean squares due to parents and crosses were highly significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations except number of spikes and total plant weight /plant in the F₂ generation. These findings indicate that parental varieties and /or lines differed in their mean performance in all traits test . Similar results were previously drawn by Yadav *et al.*, (1998), Afiah *et al.*, (2000), Darwish (2003) , and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

The mean performance of the seven parental genotypes of wheat in the F₁ and F₂ generations are presented in Table (3) .The parental line (P₁) ranked the first for grain yield /plant and the second for spike length and 1000 grains weight . The parental cultivar Gemmeiza 9 (P₂) ranked the second for number of

spikes /plant and the third for grain yield /plant .The parental cultivar Sakha 61 (P₃) ranked the first for number of spikes /plant and 1000 grain weight and the second for plant height. The parental cultivar Sakha 93 (P₄) ranked the second for grain yield /plant and the third for plant height and number of kernels /spike, while the fourth for 1000 kernel weight . The parental line (P₅) ranked the first for spike length and number of kernels /spike. The parental line (P₆) ranked the third for spike length and number of spikes /plant .The parental line (P₇) ranked the first for plant height and the second for number of grains /spike and 1000 kernel weight .

The mean performance of the tested twenty one crosses in the F₁ and F₂ generations are presented in Table (3) . For plant height, the best two crosses were P₄ x P₇ and P₆ x P₇ in the F₁ and F₂ generations. The four crosses P₁ x P₂ , P₁ x P₃ , P₂ x P₃ , and P₂ x P₇ possessed the highest number of spikes /plant in the F₁ and F₂ generations, while the five crosses P₁ x P₅ , P₁ x P₇ , P₄ x P₅ , P₄ x P₇ , and P₅ x P₇ possessed the highest spike length .For number of grains /spike the best three crosses P₄ x P₇ , P₅ x P₆ and P₅ x P₇ were found in the F₁ and F₂ generations. The four crosses P₁ x P₂ , P₄ x P₇ , P₅ x P₆ and P₆ x P₇ possessed the highest 1000- grain weight values in the F₁ and F₂ generation . The two crosses P₁ x P₂ and P₂ x P₄ possessed the highest grain yield /plant values in the F₁ and F₂ generation . However one cross P₃ x P₇ gave the lowest values of grain yield /plant in the F₁ and F₂ generations.

Heterosis effects :

Parents vs crosses mean squares (Table 2) as an indication to average heterosis overall crosses were found to be highly significant for all traits studied in F₁ and F₂ generations except number of spikes/plant ,spike length ,1000 kernel weight and grain yield /plant in the F₂ generation .The F₁ heterosis values for the seven characters are given in Table 4) . The degree of expression of heterosis was different for among characters. Heterosis over better parent for plant height ranged from to 3.96% in (P₁ x P₂) cross to -13.17 % in cross (P₂x P₆) . Significant heterosis relative to better parents for this trait was obtained in six crosses out of the 21 crosses . These results agree with those reported by Darwish (1992), Ashoush (1996), Tawfelis (1997) , Hendawy (1999), Ashoush *et al.*, (2001) and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

With regard to number of spikes /plant , the better parent heterosis was mostly positive and significant or highly significant in the F₁ heterosis crosses . Relative to

Table 2. The observed mean squares from analysis for all studied traits characters in F₁ and F₂ generations.

Source of variation	d.F	Plant height (cm)		No. of spikes/plant		Spike length (cm)		No. of kernels/spike		1000-kernel weight (g)		Grain yield (g/m ²)		Total plant weight (g)	
		F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂
Rep.	2	1.69	7.56	0.43	0.14	0.42	0.05	0.63	12.62	2.46**	10.80	4.00	24.16	69.00	121.80
Genotypes (G)	27	69.41**	67.70**	20.50**	10.94**	4.36**	2.20**	180.11**	94.52**	63.6**	45.40**	215.50**	102.32**	635.40**	2024.7**
Parents (P)	6	61.30**	117.30**	9.89**	2.98	6.14**	2.16**	123.94**	99.16**	36.49**	16.40*	64.96**	51.8**	232.90**	201.18
Crosses	20	73.70**	37.80**	3.95**	13.61**	3.09**	2.14**	143.96**	94.87**	70.24**	56.30**	209.60**	121.82*	606.60**	2319.50**
vs. F1	1	30.40**	368.40**	416.5**	4.44	19.12**	0.71	1240.10**	59.72**	93.31**	1.02	1235.60**	15.30	3626.6**	2072.00**
CA	7	143.78**	129.2**	3.83**	12.60**	12.8**	6.71**	224.40**	150.60**	125.6**	87.70**	250.56**	202.79*	749.60**	1826.3**
A	27	48.16**	50.18**	25.33**	10.46**	1.95**	0.90**	167.40**	78.48**	95.88**	33.20**	205.46**	73.62**	602.70**	2081.5**
Error	54	3.07	4.74	1.12	4.08	0.234	0.39	3.28	8.99	2.57	6.83	5.56	17.30	43.4	107.45
GCA/SCA		2.99	2.58	0.15	1.21	6.56	7.46	1.34	1.92	1.31	2.64	1.22	2.76	1.24	0.88

* and ** significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

Table 3. The genotypes mean performance and inbreeding depression for all studied characters in F₁ and F₂ generations.

Genotypes	Plant height (cm)			No. of spikes/plant			Spike length (cm)			No. of kernels/spike			1000-kernel weight (g)			Grain yield/plant (g)			Total plant weight (g).		
	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID	F ₁	F ₂	ID
P ₁	113	110	-	16.33	17.7	-	14.4	13.43	-	50	58.0	-	49.6	48.5	-	59.0	58.5	-	206.7	193.3	-
P ₂	111	112	-	19.66	13.3	-	11.8	12.4	-	53.0	55.6	-	45.52	44.2	-	52.3	56.0	-	182.7	180.0	-
P ₃	108	110	-	19.67	12.0	-	11.3	11.50	-	55.3	54.0	-	50.4	49.5	-	47.3	48.3	-	186.7	181.6	-
P ₄	106	107.5	-	18.66	16.7	-	13.4	12.7	-	63.6	62.6	-	47.8	47.5	-	56.3	56.5	-	189.3	186.6	-
P ₅	119	126	-	18.66	15.3	-	15.2	14.5	-	70.6	69.6	-	41.38	454.6	-	46.3	49.0	-	200.6	200	-
P ₆	110	112	-	19.33	17.3	-	14.2	13.17	-	59.0	56.6	-	43.6	45.6	-	49.6	57.0	-	195.3	186.7	-
P ₇	108	108.5	-	18.66	16.3	-	13.46	13.76	-	62.3	65.3	-	49.9	49.96	-	50.0	49.7	-	201.7	200.0	-
P ₁ x P ₂	119	105	11.67	24.30	19.6**	19.34	15.0	12.53	16.47**	79.6	62.3	21.73**	51.53	49.0	4.91**	65.7	59.7	9.13*	247.0	226	8.5**
P ₁ x P ₃	117	107	8.54**	23.6	17.0**	27.96**	14.6	13.10	10.27**	69.3	61.9	10.69**	51.53	48.5	5.88	55.7	50.2	9.87*	203.7	175	14.09**
P ₁ x P ₄	117	113	3.42*	26.0	14.8**	43.08**	14.66	12.33	15.89**	66.6	60.5	9.16**	51.93	45.6	12.19**	68.0	47.7	29.85**	221.0	130	41.18**
P ₁ x P ₅	119	111	6.72**	24.00	15.4**	35.83**	15.66	14.0	10.60**	71.0	66.3	6.62*	47.47	45.0	5.20	65.0	50.3	22.61**	201.2	145	27.93**
P ₁ x P ₆	116	110	5.17**	23.00	15.2**	33.91**	15.03	13.76	8.45**	66.6	56.3	15.46**	51.62	44.5	13.79**	64.3	49.9	22.39**	215.0	168	21.86
P ₁ x P ₇	115	108	6.09**	23.00	13.8*	40.00**	15.83	14.93	5.68	72.6	64.0	11.85**	45.30	49.13	-8.45**	54.3	44.2	18.6**	225.0	177	21.33
P ₂ x P ₃	110	107	2.73	22.33	17.00**	23.87**	12.07	12.3	-1.91	70.0	63.6	9.14**	60.0	44.0	26.66**	65.3	54.3	16.84**	203.3	176	13.43*
P ₂ x P ₄	112	108	3.57**	22.33	18.4	17.06	14.0	12.0	14.28*	47.0	44.0	6.38	45.9	43.3	5.66	73.0	64.3	11.92*	200.0	188	6.0
P ₂ x P ₅	112	110	1.78	25.00	19.3	22.80**	14.86	13.50	9.15**	74.3	59.0	20.59**	50.0	44.2	11.60*	65.3	49.0	24.96**	320.0	180	43.75**
P ₂ x P ₆	97	112	-15.46**	23.00	17.8	21.61**	13.0	13.0	0.00	65.0	64.3	1.08	40.5	37.83	6.59	38.0	55.4	-45.79**	200.0	166	17.0**
P ₂ x P ₇	114	104	8.77**	23.3	18.3	21.46**	15.23	12.84	15.69**	70.3	57.3	18.49**	50.0	46.5	7.0	67.3	55.1	18.13	213.3	200	6.23
P ₃ x P ₄	108	106	1.85	22.00	16.3	25.91**	13.0	12.20	6.15	62.6	62.6	0.00*	44.33	43.50	1.87	63.6	62.4	1.89	200.0	193	3.5
P ₃ x P ₅	113	107	5.31**	23.00	16.8	26.95**	15.0	12.3	18.0**	70.0	59.3	15.28**	52.0	47.0	9.6**	60.0	49.86	16.90	200.0	203	-1.5
P ₃ x P ₆	113	109	3.54*	23.00	11.6	49.56**	13.83	12.67	8.39*	65.6	62.0	5.49	45.0	45.0	0.0	63.0	44.8	28.89**	210.0	105.6	49.71**
P ₃ x P ₇	109	102	6.42**	23.00	15.0	34.78**	14.17	14.10	0.49	70.0	64.0	8.57**	49.86	47.16	5.41	64.0	52.8	17.5	180.0	160	11.11
P ₄ x P ₅	114	110	3.51*	23.33	16.8	27.99**	15.02	14.3	4.79	72.3	59.6	17.56**	46.0	45.5	1.09	63.0	57.50	8.73	226.6	178	21.45**
P ₄ x P ₆	115	110	4.35**	21.00	14.8	29.52**	13.5	13.0	3.70	62.0	65.0	-4.84	43.00	42.76	0.56	57.67	59.7	-3.52	220.0	122.3	44.41*
P ₄ x P ₇	108	100	7.41**	22.66	12.86	43.24**	15.37	14.33	6.76*	81.3	70.3	13.53*	52.9	49.7	6.05	65.62	42.5	35.23**	195.0	156	20.0**
P ₅ x P ₆	114	105	7.89**	23.00	14.0	39.13**	15.03	14.0	6.85*	78.6	70.0	10.94**	52.0	52.0	0.00	51.0	45.00	11.76*	216.0	158	26.85**
P ₆ x P ₇	112	107	5.31**	22.33	13.40	40.0**	15.42	14.0	9.21**	74.3	68.6	7.67**	53.12	52.0	2.11	44.0	42.5	3.41	210.0	160	23.81**
S.D. 5%	2.86	3.55	-	3.05	3.29	-	0.79	1.019	-	2.957	4.896	-	2.61	4.26	-	3.85	6.79	-	10.75	16.93	-
S.D. 1%	3.81	4.73	-	4.06	4.38	-	1.05	1.356	-	3.933	6.51	-	3.48	5.67	-	5.12	9.03	-	14.3	22.51	-

** significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

Table 4. Percentages of heterosis over better-parent (BP) for all studied traits in F₁ generation.

	Plant height	No. of	Spike length	No. of kernels/spike	1000-kernel	Grain yield/plant (g)	Total plant weight
	(cm)	spikes/plant	(cm)		weight (g)		(g)
	F ₁	F ₁	F ₁	F ₁	F ₁	F ₁	F ₁
P ₁ x P ₂	5.31**	23.60**	4.17	50.19**	3.89	11.24**	19.50**
P ₁ x P ₃	3.54**	19.98**	1.39	25.32**	2.24	-5.04*	-1.45
P ₁ x P ₄	3.54**	39.33**	1.80	4.62*	4.70	15.25**	6.93**
P ₁ x P ₅	0.00	28.62**	3.03	0.57	-4.29	10.16**	-2.41
P ₁ x P ₆	2.65*	18.99**	4.37	12.88**	4.07**	8.98*	4.03
P ₁ x P ₇	1.77	23.26**	9.93*	16.53**	-9.22**	-7.91**	8.87**
P ₂ x P ₃	-0.95	13.52**	2.29	26.58**	19.85**	24.84**	8.92**
P ₂ x P ₄	0.59	13.58*	4.48	-26.10**	-3.97*	29.58**	5.63*
P ₂ x P ₅	-5.88**	27.16**	-2.24	5.24**	9.84**	24.84	59.52**
P ₂ x P ₆	-12.61**	16.99**	-9.72**	10.16	-11.03**	-27.38**	2.38
P ₂ x P ₇	2.70	18.51**	13.15**	12.84*	0.20	28.66**	5.78*
P ₃ x P ₄	0.00	11.84**	-2.80	-1.57**	-12.04**	12.97**	5.63*
P ₃ x P ₅	-5.4**	16.93**	-1.32	-0.58	3.17	26.76	-0.30
P ₃ x P ₆	2.73**	16.93**	-2.61	11.19**	-10.71**	27.02	7.51**
P ₃ x P ₇	0.92	16.93**	5.27	12.36*	-1.06	28.00**	-10.74**
P ₄ x P ₅	-4.20**	25.03**	-1.18	2.41	-3.89	11.83**	12.95**
P ₄ x P ₆	4.54**	8.64*	-4.93	-2.52*	-10.04	2.36	12.63**
P ₄ x P ₇	0.00	21.44**	14.19**	27.83**	6.01*	16.56**	-3.31
P ₅ x P ₆	-4.20**	18.97**	-1.12	11.33**	19.27**	2.68	7.64**
P ₅ x P ₇	-5.4**	19.67**	1.45	5.54	6.45**	-12.00**	4.13
P ₆ x P ₇	-2.73	10.35**	13.52**	10.11	16.67**	10.00**	-0.826

** significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

better parent ranged from 8.60% in cross ($P_4 \times P_6$) to 42.80% in cross ($P_1 \times P_2$).

For spike length, heterosis relative to better parent was greater for 4 crosses out of 21 positive heterosis to better parent value ranged from 1.34% for cross ($P_1 \times P_7$) to 13.58% for cross ($P_6 \times P_7$). These results agree with those found by Abd el Sabour et al., (1993), Hamada (1993), Ashoush (1996) and Ashoush et al., (2001).

Concerning number of kernels /spike, 14 crosses out of 21 exhibited significant positive heterosis in most cases and highly significant heterosis based on better parents. The heterosis values of these crosses over better parent ranged from 3.96 % for cross ($P_3 \times P_7$) to 36.52% for cross ($P_1 \times P_2$).

For 1000-kernel weight, six crosses exhibited positive and significant heterosis based on better parent. Heterosis ranged from 5.94% for cross ($P_4 \times P_7$) to 20.16% for cross ($P_1 \times P_7$).

For grain yield /plant, 12 crosses out of 21 exhibited positive in most cases and highly significant. The heterosis values over better parent for this trait ranged from 9.03% for cross ($P_1 \times P_6$) to 29.58% for cross ($P_2 \times P_4$). These results are in agreement with those reported by Ashoush (1996), El-Siedy et al., (1997), Ashoush et al., (2001), and El-Siedy et al., (2000).

Percentage of inbreeding depression in F_2 generation for characters studied (Table 3). Results of inbreeding, fifteen, nineteen, fourteen, sixteen, eight, twelve and fourteen crosses showed significantly or a result of inbreeding of plant height, no. of spikes/plant, spike length, no. of kernel/spikes 1000-kernel weight, grain yield/plant and total plant weight, respectively. If high heterosis is followed by inbreeding in F_2 performance, it indicates the presence of non-additive gene action. But, if is same in F_1 and F_2 , it mean presence of additive gene action. Similar, results were obtained by Singh *et al.* (1984) and Samar El-Shakess (2003).

Combining ability effects:

Table (2) shows the analysis of variance of general combining ability (GCA) and specific combining ability (SCA) values mean squares were found to be highly significant for all studied traits in the F_1 and F_2 generations, which would indicate the importance of both additive and non-additive genetic variance in determining the performance of all studied characters. Also GCA/SCA variances were found to be greater than unity for all studied traits except number of spikes /plant in the F_1 and total plant weight in F_2 hybrid, indicating that additive and additive x additive types of gene action were more important in the inheritance of all characters studied. The presence of both additive and non-additive

gene action would suggest that breeding procedures which are known to be effective in shifting gene frequency when both additive and non-additive genetic variances are involved would be successful in improving all traits under investigation. The obtained results are in harmony with those previously reached by Ashoush, (1996), Awaad, (2001), and Darwish *et al.*, (2006).

General combining ability effect (GCA)

Estimates of general combining ability effects for parents are presented in Table (5). High positive values would be of interest in all studied traits except plant height where negative values would be useful from the breeder point of view. Results indicated that the parental Line (P_1) showed highly significant positive general combining ability effects for spike length and grain yield /plant in the F_1 hybrid and 1000 kernel weight in the F_1 and F_2 generations. The cultivar Gemmeiza 9 (P_2) exhibited highly significant negative general combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 hybrid, and significant positive general combining ability effects for number of spikes /plant in the F_1 generation and grain yield /plant in the F_1 and total plant weight in F_2 generations proving to be good combiner for this trait. The cultivar Sakha 61 (P_3) exhibited highly significant negative general combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 and F_2 generations and significant positive general combining ability effects for number of spikes /plant in the F_1 hybrid. The cultivar Sakha 93 (P_4) showed highly significant negative general combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 hybrid. Also it exhibited highly positive general combining ability effects for grain yield /plant in the F_1 and F_2 generations. The parental line (P_5) showed highly significant positive general combining ability effects for total plant weight, spike length and number of kernels /spike in the F_1 and F_2 generations proving to be good combiner for developing number of kernels /spike. The parental line (P_6) showed highly significant negative general combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 hybrid proving to be good combiner for this trait. The parental line (P_7) showed highly significant negative general combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 and F_2 generations while it gave showed significant positive general combining ability effects for spike length number of kernels /spike and 1000 kernel weight in the F_1 and F_2 generations proving to be good combiner for these trait. It could be concluded that the mean performance of the parental lines could be considered as good indication of their general combining ability effects for most traits under investigation these results are in agreement with those reported by Ashoush *et al.*, (2001), Darwish *et al.*, (2006) and Salem Nagwa *et al.*, (2006).

Table 5. Estimates of general combining ability effects of parents for all studied traits in F₁ and F₂ generations.

Parents	g ⁱ	Plant height (cm)		No. of spikes/plant		Spike length (cm)		No. of kernels/spike		1000-kernel weight (g)		Grain yield/plant (g)		Total plant weight (g)	
		F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂
		P ₁	g _i	3.603**	0.829*	0.238	0.0268	0.59**	0.204	0.116	-0.675	1.914**	1.452	2.891**	0.362
P ₂	g _i	-1.286**	0.194	-0.725**	1.396**	-0.732**	-0.525**	-3.254**	-3.504**	-1.769**	-2.133	1.513**	3.776**	0.026	11.82**
P ₃	g _i	-1.175**	-1.054**	0.386*	-0.085	-1.017**	-0.666**	-2.032**	-1.371*	-0.019	-0.155*	0.065	-0.52	-8.714**	-1.513
P ₄	g _i	-1.138**	-0.528	-0.058	-0.136	-0.210*	-0.222	-1.365**	-0.719	-1.651**	-1.118*	4.217**	3.470**	-0.825	-5.439**
P ₅	g _i	3.122**	3.769**	0.0238	-0.315	0.794**	0.567**	4.487**	3.151**	0.269	0.349	-2.746	-2.070**	2.989*	3.820*
P ₆	g _i	-1.505**	0.305	0.127	-0.446	0.076	0.045	-1.33	0.225	-1.992**	-1.451**	-4.153*	-1.659*	0.323	-14.25**
P ₇	g _i	-1.619**	-3.510**	-0.0206	-0.682	0.579**	0.597**	3.376**	2.852**	5.784**	3.056**	-1.709**	-3.361**	-2.455*	3.487
S.D. (g _i)	5%	0.624	0.775	0.376	0.720	0.172	0.222	0.645	1.084	0.572	0.931	0.839	1.482	2.348	3.692
S.D. (g _i)	1%	0.829	1.031	0.500	0.957	0.229	0.295	0.858	1.442	0.761	1.238	1.117	1.9671	3.122	4.910
S.D. (g _i -g _j)	5%	0.953	1.184	0.576	1.100	0.263	0.340	0.986	1.100	0.874	1.422	1.283	2.263	3.587	5.642
S.D. (g _i -g _j)	1%	1.269	1.525	0.749	1.463	0.351	0.452	1.312	1.46	1.162	1.891	1.706	3.010	4.770	5.704

d ** significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

Specific combining ability effects (SCA):

Specific combining ability effects (SCA) for all crosses with respect to the studied traits are given in Table (6). Results indicated that only cross $P_6 \times P_7$ showed significant negative desirable specific combining ability effects for plant height in the F_1 and F_2 generations., while the two crosses ($P_2 \times P_6$ and $P_3 \times P_4$) in the F_1 generation and seven crosses ($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_5$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_3 \times P_5$, $P_3 \times P_7$, $P_4 \times P_7$, and $P_5 \times P_6$) in the F_2 generation exhibited significant negative effects for plant height . It is of interest to mention that the parental P_2 , P_3 , P_4 , P_6 and P_7 were found to be excellent combiners for this trait . Similar results were obtained by Mitkees (1981), Singh (1990) and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

Line1 x gemmiza 9 in the F_1 and F_2 generations and eleven crosses ($P_1 \times P_3$, $P_1 \times P_4$, $P_1 \times P_5$, $P_1 \times P_6$, $P_1 \times P_7$, $P_2 \times P_3$, $P_2 \times P_4$, $P_2 \times P_6$, $P_2 \times P_7$, $P_3 \times P_4$ and $P_3 \times P_7$) in the F_1 hybrid exhibited significant positive effects for number of spikes /plant . These results agree with those found by Ashoush , (1996) , Ashoush , *et al.* , (2001) Darwish *et al.*, (2006) and Salem Nagwa *et al.*, (2006).

Concerning spike length one cross $P_3 \times P_5$ exhibited significantly positive (Sij) effects in the F_1 and F_2 generations ; seven crosses($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_3$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_2 \times P_7$, $P_3 \times P_6$, and $P_6 \times P_7$) in the F_1 hybrid and four crosses ($P_1 \times P_7$, $P_3 \times P_7$, $P_4 \times P_5$, and $P_4 \times P_7$) in the F_2 generation. Theses results agree with those found by Abd El Sabour *et al.* , (1993) , El Seidy *et al.* , (2000) , Ashoush *et al.*, (2001) and Darwish *et al.* , (2006) .

With regard to number of kernels/spike six crosses ($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_2 \times P_3$, $P_2 \times P_6$, $P_4 \times P_6$, $P_4 \times P_7$ and $P_5 \times P_6$) in the F_1 and F_2 generations, and four crosses ($P_1 \times P_3$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_2 \times P_7$ and $P_3 \times P_4$) in the F_1 hybrid exhibited significantly positive (Sij) effects. Also, this crosses was previously found exhibited significant useful heterosis for this trait. Theses results agree with those found by Wagoire *et al.*, (1998) and Ashoush *et al.*, (2001).

For 1000- grains weight seven crosses ($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_7$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_3 \times P_5$, $P_4 \times P_7$, $P_5 \times P_6$ and $P_6 \times P_7$); three crosses ($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_7$ and $P_5 \times P_6$) exhibited significantly positive (Sij) effects in the F_1 and F_2 generations The parental P_1 and P_7 were found to be the best combiners for this trait, therefore the hybrids combinations $P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_7$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_4 \times P_7$ and $P_6 \times P_7$); could be practical importance in a breeding program for developing either hybrid wheat or pure lines since it surpassed the best performing parents for 1000-grain weight in the F_1 and F_2 generations. Similar results were obtained by Sing (1990) , Ashoush , (1996) , Ashoush *et al.*, (2001) , Darwish *et al.*, (2006) and Salem Nagwa *et al.*, (2006).

For grain yield/ plant, three crosses($P_2 \times P_4$, $P_3 \times P_7$, and $P_4 \times P_5$) exhibited significantly positive specific combining ability effects in the F_1 and F_2 generations . Also, eleven crosses ability effects in the F_1 hybrid ($P_1 \times P_2$, $P_1 \times P_4$, $P_1 \times P_5$, $P_1 \times P_6$, $P_2 \times P_3$, $P_2 \times P_5$, $P_2 \times P_7$, $P_3 \times P_5$, $P_3 \times P_6$, $P_4 \times P_7$ and $P_6 \times P_7$) and two crosses ($P_3 \times P_4$, and $P_4 \times P_6$) in the F_2 generation are considered to be promising hybrid for varieties improvement purpose at as they showed high significant positive values of specific combining ability effects in the F_1 and F_2 generations data involved three good general combiner parents. In such hybrids, it would be expected that diverse genes contributing to the better general combining ability effects of the parents are available in the hybrids and in the segregating generation, these are likely to give transgressive segregate. These results agree with those found by Hamada , (1993) , El siedy *et al.*, (2000) , Ashoush *et al.*, (2001) and Salem Nagwa *et al.*, (2006).

The results obtained here concerning general and specific combining ability effects would indicate that the excellent hybrid combinations were obtained from the three possible combinations between the parents of high and low general combining ability effects i.e high x high, high x low and low x low. It could be concluded that general combining ability effects were generally unrelated to the specific combined ability of their respective crosses. This conclusion was also drawn by Mitkees (1981) , Sing (1990) , Darwish , (2003) and Darwish *et al.* , (2006).

Genetic components and heritability:

Data presented in Table (7) revealed that the additive component (D) were significant for all traits, except number of spikes/plant and 1000 grains weight and total plant weight in the F_2 and grain yield /plant in the both F_1 and F_2 generations. These results indicated that the additive gene effects played a major role in the inheritance for all traits in F_1 and F_2 generations. A dominance component of variation (H1) was highly significant and greater than D also, for all traits in both generations.

The component of variation due to the dominance effects associated with gene distribution (H_2) was highly significant and greater than D for all traits in F_1 and F_2 generations. All H_2 values were smaller than H_1 values for all traits except for total plant weight in F_2 generation indicating unequal allele frequency in the parents. The overall dominance effects of heterozygous loci (h^2) were significant for all traits in F_1 and F_2 generations except for plant height in F_1 and F_2 , and number of spikes /plant, 1000 kernel weight and grain yield /plant in the F_2 generation These results are in agreement with those by Hamada (1993), Abdel-Sabour

Table 6. Estimates of specific combining ability of effects for studied crosses in F₁ and F₂ generations.

Crosses	Plant height (cm)		No. of spikes/plant		Spike length (cm)		No. of kernels/spike		1000-kernel weight (g)		Grain yield/plant (g)		Total plant weight (g)	
	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂
P ₁ x P ₂	3.57**	-14.22**	1.96**	1.825*	0.93*	-0.357	15.10**	5.12**	2.032**	2.72*	3.13*	3.641	32.22**	35.56**
P ₁ x P ₃	2.46**	-0.968	1.85**	0.739	0.81**	0.350	3.55**	2.26	1.283	0.216	-5.43	-1.628	-2.37	1.23
P ₁ x P ₄	2.76**	4.17**	1.63**	-1.443	0.07	-0.861*	0.21	0.147	-1.592	-1.688	2.75*	-8.153**	7.074*	-40.51*/*
P ₁ x P ₅	-0.17	-2.12*	3.67**	-0.644	0.07	0.012	-1.31	2.11	1.264	-3.75**	6.72**	0.053	-16.074*	-34.76**
P ₁ x P ₆	2.13*	0.39	1.78**	-0.796	0.16	0.306	0.18	-4.96**	-3.37	-2.453	7.46**	-0.744	-0.074	6.97
P ₁ x P ₇	0.90	2.488	1.11*	-1.847	-0.15	0.920**	1.42	0.036	5.546**	7.67**	-4.98**	-4.736*	12.70**	-2.10
P ₂ x P ₃	0.35	-1.01	1.48**	-0.389	-0.42	0.280	7.58**	6.795**	-1.06	-0.666	5.54**	-0.957	5.93	-8.12
P ₂ x P ₄	2.31*	-0.531	1.26*	1.096	-0.65*	-0.465	-16.1**	-13.52**	-0.328	-0.369	9.06**	5.104**	-5.29	8.08
P ₂ x P ₅	-1.62	-2.49*	0.963	2.18*	0.51*	0.246	5.39**	-2.34	3.285**	2.06	8.35**	-4.684*	10.89**	-9.51
P ₂ x P ₆	-12.65**	3.302**	3.74**	0.823	-0.638*	0.269	1.88**	5.86**	-4.485	-5.536**	-17.52**	1.267	-6.44	-4.76
P ₂ x P ₇	4.46**	-1.216	2.07**	1.54	1.09**	-0.450	2.51**	-3.80*	-0.767	-1.31	9.32**	2.705	9.67**	10.82*
P ₃ x P ₄	-2.13**	-0.949	1.15**	0.476	-0.07	-0.124	3.36**	3.01	-2.742	-2.147	1.17	7.50*/*	3.44	26.42**
P ₃ x P ₅	-0.73	-3.48**	-0.48	1.155	0.93**	3.780**	-0.16	-4.19**	3.536**	-0.147	9.46**	0.476	-0.37	27.16**
P ₃ x P ₆	3.90**	1.55	0.630	-3.85**	0.48*	0.076	1.32	1.39	-1.735	-0.347	8.87**	-9.35*	12.29**	-52.43**
P ₃ x P ₇	-0.32	-2.301*	1.296*	-0.311	0.312	0.957**	0.95	0.732	-2.64**	-2.688	7.43**	4.753*	-14.92**	-15.84**
P ₄ x P ₅	0.24	-1.772	-1.93**	1.206	0.19	0.743*	1.50	-4.52**	-0.832	-0.651	3.31**	4.117*	18.40**	5.75
P ₄ x P ₆	5.53**	2.03	-0.93	0.662	-0.66**	-0.35	1.99**	3.747*	-1.403	-1.618	-0.611	5.87*	14.41**	-31.84*
P ₄ x P ₇	-1.02	-3.94*	1.07	-2.394*	0.70**	0.746*	11.62**	6.47**	2.016**	0.842	4.94**	-9.589**	-7.81*	-15.25**
P ₅ x P ₆	0.27	-7.61**	0.778	-1.317	-0.13	0.126	7.806**	4.87*	5.51**	6.82**	-0.315	-3.254	1.59	-5.10
P ₅ x P ₇	-0.62	-1.958	0.444	-1.678	-0.20	-0.376	-1.23	6.877	0.899	1.643	-9.76**	0.984	3.39	-20.51
P ₆ x P ₇	-2.32*	-4.66**	-0.444	1.450	1.22*	-0.520	-1.083	0.136	7.728**	0.042	2.648	-2.945	-3.96	4.56

D. 5% sij	1.54	1.919	0.933	1.782	0.426	0.551	1.59	2.64	1.416	2.304	2.078	3.66	5.81	9.14
1% sij	2.05	2.55	1.21	2.372	0.567	0.733	2.212	3.51	1.88	3.06	2.764	4.88	7.73	12.15

D. 5% (sij-sij)	2.05	2.649	1.288	9.459	0.588	0.761	2.206	3.64	1.954	3.18	2.868	5.06	8.02	12.15
1% (sij-sij)	2.13	3.52	1.674	3.271	0.782	1.012	2.934	4.85	2.599	4.23	3.815	6.73	10.62	16.78

D. 5% (sij-sik)	2.69	3.351	1.629	.11	0.744	0.463	2.790	4.61	2.472	4.08	3.628	6.4	10.14	15.95
1% (sij-sik)	3.58	4.457	2.118	4.138	0.99	1.280	3.711	6.13	3.28	5.35	4.526	8.52	13.49	21.22

* = significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

Table 7. Estimates of genetic components of variation in a diallel wheat in F₁ and F₂ for studied crosses.

Character components	Plant height (cm)		No. of spikes/plant		Spike length (cm)		No. of kernels/spike		1000-kernel weight (g)		Grain yield/plant (g)		Total plant weight (g).	
	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂	F ₁	F ₂
	D	19.92**	37.55**	2.931**	0.00	1.96**	0.738**	39.48**	82.39**	11.308*	4.65	19.82	11.43	62.63**
H ₁	64.64**	62.55**	23.27**	13.58**	2.02**	0.923**	192.13*	150.3**	68.82**	53.71**	248.0**	94.5**	723.4**	277.5**
H ₂	54.84**	45.74**	20.25**	8.56**	1.786**	0.87**	182.05*	89.56**	46.63**	41.01**	226.19**	76.30**	619.00**	2282.5**
h ²	5.038	68.05	77.548**	0.361	3.530**	6.520**	16.26**	64.13**	16.9**	0.375	229.64**	0.740	673.6**	1301.94**
F	8.79	37.38**	5.540**	1.450	0.304	-0.233	16.25**	121.13**	8.21	-2.46	-4.18	-7.27	23.950	86.71
E	1.02	1.613	0.365	1.313**	8.16**	0.126	0.365	3.04	0.855	0.787	1.833	5.84*	15.02	35.98
(H ₁ /D) ^{1/2}	1.88	1.290	2.812	1.304	1.014	1.118	2.817	1.35	2.466	3.39	3.540	2.870	3.398	9.44
(H ₂ /4H ₁)	0.199	0.182	0.217	0.157	0.221	0.232	0.217	0.148	-0.169	0.191	0.227	0.202	0.213	0.206
[(4DH ₁) ^{1/2} + F]/[(4DH ₁) ^{1/2} - F]	1.149	1.572	1.480	-1.0	1.092	0.849	1.480	1.916	1.185	0.913	0.966	0.879	1.067	1.186
h ² /H ₂	0.091	1.487	3.824	4.21	1.979	7.45	3.829	0.716	0.362	-1.16	1.015	-7.523	1.088	0.570
h (n.s)	0.452	0.394	0.036	0.341	0.64	0.596	0.036	0.302	0.50	0.473	0.283	0.425	0.296	0.262
t ²	1.85	8.069	1.524	3.05	0.461	1.114	1.424	5.868	6.305	37.7	39.70	1.812	1.92	25.64

and ** significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability respectively.

et al (1993), Nostafa , (2002), Selem (2005) and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

The covariance of additive and dominance (F) was not significant for all traits in F₁ and F₂ generations except plant height in the F₂, number of spikes/plant in the F₁ and number of kernels /spike in the F₁ and F₂ generation, It could be generally concluded that an equality of the relative frequencies of dominant and recessive alleles in the parents for all traits. These findings were in line with those reached by Ashoush (1996).

The relative size of (D) and (H₁) estimated as (H₁/D)^{1/2} can be used as a weight measure of the average degree of dominance at each locus, showed the presence of over dominance for most traits in both generations. Similar results were obtained by Hamada (1993), Ashoush (1996) and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

The mean values of UV over all loci (H₂ / 4H₁) were slightly below the maximum value of 0.25, which arises when U = V = 0.5 over all loci, indicating that the positive and negative alleles were not equally distributed among the parents for all traits in both generations.

The ratio KD/KR = (4DH₁)^{1/2} + F/ (4DH₁)^{1/2} - F were more than unity for almost all traits in both generations, confirming presence of excess of dominant genes which govern these traits. The h²/H₂ values for all studied traits in both generations suggest that there were one or more pairs of genes affecting the inheritance of these traits. These results are in agreement with those reported by Ashoush (1996) and Darwish *et al.*, (2006) .

Heritability estimates in narrow sense for all traits are given in Table (7). Low heritability values in narrow sense were detected for all traits in both generations except spike length and 1000 kernel weight in the F₁ and F₂ generations which gave high value, indicating that most of the genetic variances are due to non-additive genetic effects. This finding supported the previous results regarding the genetic components where the H₁ estimates played greater role in Tables (7). Therefore, the bulk method program for most traits might be quite promising. Similar results reported by Sing *et al.* , (1984) , Ashoush , (1996) , Mostafa (2002) and Darwish *et al.* , (2006) .

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الملخص العربي

التربية للمحصول ومكوناته في بعض هجن قمح الخبز

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الصفات عدا صفة عدد السنابل في الجيل الأول. ومحصول النبات الكلي في الجيل الثاني. مما يدل على أهمية التأثير المضيف في هذه الصفات.

٣- كانت أفضل الأباء في القدرة العامة على التألف في الموسم الأول والثاني (P_2)، (P_4) محصول الحبوب للنبات (P_3)، (P_7) لصفات طول السنبل وعدد الحبوب في السنبل ووزن ألف حبة. أعطت ١٢ هجين في الجيل الأول والهجن ($P_2 \times P_3$)، ($P_3 \times P_4$)، ($P_3 \times P_7$)، ($P_4 \times P_7$) في الجيل الثاني قدرة خاصة موجبة ومعنوية لصفة محصول الحبوب للنبات.

كان التباين الراجع للإضافة معنويا لصفات طول النبات وطول السنبل وعدد الحبوب في السنبل في كلا الجيلين ولصفات عدد السنابل للنبات ووزن ألف حبة و محصول النبات الكلي في الجيل الأول. مما يوضح أن التأثير الراجع للإضافة هو السائد في هذه الصفات.

كان التباين الراجع للتأثير السيادة معنويا لكل الصفات في كلا الجيلين، كما كان التأثير الراجع للسيادة أكبر من تأثير الإضافة لكل الصفات في كلا الجيلين. وأيضا كان التأثير الراجع للسيادة الفارقة معنويا لكل الصفات في كلا الجيلين.

كانت العوامل المضيف ذات أهمية في وراثه معظم الصفات المدروسة ويرجع ذلك لأن القدرة على الإبتلاف كانت أكبر من القدرة الخاصة على الإبتلاف في معظم الصفات المدروسة. كما أوضحت الدراسة أن توزيع الجينات الموجبة والسالبة كانت غير منتظمة لكل الصفات في كلا الجيلين.

كما أظهرت النتائج أن قيم التوريث تراوحت من منخفضة إلى متوسطة في كلا الصفات في كلا الجيلين وكانت لصفة طول السنبل (٠.٦٤)، (٠.٦٠) في الجيل الأول والثاني على التوالي.

تم تقييم الهجن الناتجة من التهجين أحادي الجهة لسبعة أصناف وسلالات من قمح الخبز للجيل الأول والثاني، وذلك بمحطة البحوث الزراعية بإيتاي البارود، مركز البحوث الزراعية خلال ثلاث مواسم هي: ٢٠٠٣/٢٠٠٤، ٢٠٠٤/٢٠٠٥، ٢٠٠٥/٢٠٠٦، ٢٠٠٦/٢٠٠٥ في تصميم قطاعات كاملة العشوائية ذات ثلاث مكررات. هدف التربية لزيادة المحصول عن طريق تحسين مكونات المحصول وأخذت القراءات على صفات طول النبات - طول السنبل - عدد السنابل - عدد الحبوب في السنبل - وزن ألف حبة - محصول الحبوب للنبات - المحصول الكلي للنبات.

وكانت أهم النتائج المتحصل عليها كالتالي:

١- كان التباين الراجع إلى كل من التراكيب الوراثية والأباء والهجن وقوة الهجين معنوية لكل الصفات المدروسة ماعدا صفة عدد السنابل للأباء في الموسم الأول، و صفة محصول النبات الكلي في الموسم الثاني، وكذلك الأباء مقابل الهجن لصفات عدد السنابل للنبات وطول السنبل في الجيل الأول ووزن الألف حبة و محصول الحبوب للنبات في الجيل الثاني. كما أعطى الأب الأول (P_1) أفضل الأباء في صفة محصول الحبوب للنبات و محصول النبات الكلي في كلا الموسمين و صفة عدد السنابل للنبات في الموسم الثاني. كما أعطى الأب (P_3) أحسن الأباء لصفة عدد السنابل للنبات ووزن ألف حبة في الموسم الأول، والأب (P_3) أعطى أعلى القيم لصفة طول النبات وطول السنبل في كلا الموسمين. وكما أعطى (P_7) أفضل الأباء لصفة وزن ألف حبة في الموسم الثاني. كما كانت أحسن الهجن ($P_2 \times P_1$)، ($P_2 \times P_3$)، ($P_2 \times P_7$) في الجيل الأول والثاني.

٢- كان التباين الراجع للقدرة العامة والخاصة على التألف - نسبة لكل الصفات المدروسة في الجيل الأول والثاني. كما كانت نسبة القدرة العامة على القدرة الخاصة تزيد عن الوحدة في كل