

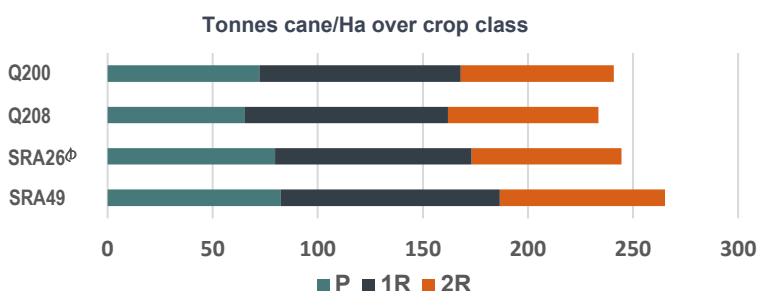
# SRA49

(Q248 x QN95-939)

NORTHERN COASTAL AND TABLELAND variety summary factsheet – more information for this variety will be found in the 2026/27 regional Variety Guide when published.

## VARIETY ATTRIBUTES

SRA49 has shown an 8% sugar yield increase over commercial standards in SRA field trials. The yield advantage is consistent across crop classes and trial locations, performing best in well-drained alluvial soils in the Northern coastal regions.



VARIETY	RELATIVE TO Q208 <sup>ϕ</sup>	
	CCS	TSH
Q200	0.4	0.8
SRA26 <sup>ϕ</sup>	0.5	1.0
SRA49	0.2	1.1

Productivity data presented is from 10 x Plant, 7 x 1R and 7 x 2R harvest results from Northern FATs planted in 2020, 2023 and 2024.

VARIETY	DISEASE RATINGS						APPEARANCE AT HARVEST		
	Smut	Pachymetra	Leaf scald	Orange rust	Brown rust	Yellow spot	Arrow	Lodging	Suckering
Q200	I	I	R	R	R	I-R	Moderate	Average	Light
Q208	I-R	I	R	R	R	R	Mod-heavy	Average	Light-mod
SRA26 <sup>ϕ</sup>	R	R	R	R	P*	R	V. sparse	Av-good	Light
SRA49	I-R	R	R	P*	P*	P*	V. sparse	Average	Light-mod

■ RESISTANT (R) ■ RESISTANT-INTERMEDIATE (I-R) ■ INTERMEDIATE (I) ■ INTERMEDIATE-SUSCEPTIBLE (I-S) ■ SUSCEPTIBLE (S) \* PROVISIONAL RATING (P)

## AGRONOMIC FEATURES

SRA49 is a good germinator, comparable to established varieties such as Q253<sup>(1)</sup>. It exhibits a semi-prostrate early growth habit during early development, often persisting through to fill-in stage, similar to SRA26<sup>(1)</sup>. Maturity testing conducted over three consecutive seasons, indicates that SRA49 has good CCS potential, especially during the mid-to-late harvest period.

SRA49 produces a moderate to high stalk population with average stalk diameter, and shows moderate to heavy trashing. It has a clean, dark-green canopy, with pointed/spiky leaves, which provide moderate canopy closure.

The variety typically forms a compact stool, which can stand nicely; however in heavier crops it can be prone to lodging, resulting in average harvester presentation. Suckering is generally low, supported by its favourable stalk population and canopy characteristics. Arrowing has also been very sparse in this variety. Overall, SRA49 performed well across the entire cycle, and has shown improved performance ratings into FAT ratoon crops.



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