

Table IV

.460 Rowland

bullet (grains)	powder	charge (grains)	velocity (fps)	group (inches)	comments
185 Sierra Match FMJ	AAC-7	16.5	1,408	1.5	
	Power-Pistol	13.0	1,465	1.6	
	Longshot	12.0	1,439	1.25	
		13.4	1,536	1.5	
185 grain Nosler JHP	AAC-7	16.5	1,360	1.5	
		18.4	1,541	1.6	fastest load tested; literally breathed fire out the compensator
185 Sierra JHP	AAC-7	16.5	1,321	1.25	
	LongShot	13.0	1,443	1.0	
		13.4	1,477	1.4	
	Power-Pistol	13.2	1,497	2.0	
	AAC-5	14.5	1,480	2.0	
	AAC-2	9.5	1,220	1.25	light, economy load
185 grain XTP	AAC-7	14.5	1,320	1.4	
		15.0	1,401	1.6	
200 Sierra	True Blue	12.1	1,373	1.2	most accurate 200-grainer
	Long Shot	13.2	1,415	1.1	
200 Gold Dot	Long Shot	13.0	1,350	2.0	expands but does not penetrate as deeply as XTP
	True Blue	12.1	1,364	2.1	
		12.5	1,410	2.25	
	AAC-5	12.0	1,230	2.5	
		13.4	1,422	1.9	
	AAC-7	16.4	1,330	2.25	
230 XTP		17.8	1,444	2.0	
	True Blue	10.1	1,199	1.5	
		10.5	1,288	1.4	
	Longshot	10.5	1,222	1.25	
	Power-Pistol	12.2	1,301	1.6	
	AAC-7	14.5	1,236	1.8	
230 Sierra JHP		15.6	1,315	1.6	
	AAC-5	12.5	1,329	2.0	fastest 230-grain load
	True Blue	10.2	1,213	1.0	
		10.4	1,270	1.4	
230 Hornady FP	Power-Pistol	11.9	1,272	1.5	
		12.0	1,311	1.6	
240 Sierra JHP	Power-Pistol	9.5	1,155	1.0	
	AAC-7	11.0	1,028	1.1	
	True Blue	8.8	980	1.25	
		9.2	1,161	1.4	
260 Speer JHP	True Blue	8.8	1,040	1.0	
		9.2	1,176	1.4	
230 Oregon Trail lead roundnose	AAC-7	12.2	1,100	3.0	
250 Leadhead SWC		12.0	1,065	2.0	

Notes: Be careful with AAC-7 loads. It seems the burn rate has changed, and there appears to be more than one generation currently in the supply line. On the other hand, the powder gives excellent results and is among the best choices for the .460 Rowland. The difference may be more in my perception or in normal lot to lot variation, simply another reason for prudence in handloading a high-pressure cartridge.

With 185-grain loads I was looking for good accuracy and a 1,500 fps load to equal the factory full-power loading. Both were found. The Sierra bullet gave the best accuracy results. The XTP bullet would be the toughest for penetration on game, expanding well and holding together. The Nosler gives a bit more penetration than the Sierra but by a small margin, and the Nosler is very accurate.

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