



Grass Summary for week ending August 20

Farm	Cover Date	Farm Cover (kg DM/ha)	Cover/LU (kg DM/LU)	Stocking Rate (LU/ha)	Growth/ha (kg DM /ha/day)	Demand/ha (kg DM /ha/day)	Rotation Length Now(days)	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)
Michael & Alex McCarthy	16/08	832	276	3.01	83	51	22	17.0	1.5
Andrew Killeen	16/08	768	267	2.88	81	52	21	16.0	2.0
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	08/08	770	212	3.64	102	47	24	12.0	6.0
Pa O'Hanlon	16/08	783	245	3.19	60	51	21	16.0	2.0
Joe Carroll	14/08	611	171	3.57	47	56	24	16.0	2.0
Michael & John Casey	16/08	735	236	3.11	57	43	26	14.0	4.0
John Galvin	15/08	639	166	3.85	59	54	22	14.0	4.0
declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	11/08	742	210	3.54	85	57	19	14.0	4.0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	12/08	606	162	3.74	80	56	20	15.0	3.0
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	14/08	805	298	2.70	67	41	21	17.5	0.5
Stephen McAuliffe	18/08	764	294	2.60	61	44	25	17.0	1.0
William Dennehy	14/08	787	249	3.16	79	50	21	15.5	2.6
Average		737	232	3.25	72	50	22	15.7	3

Comment from Nora O'Donovan: we are now into autumn grass management therefore our focus should be on building some grass now that can be grazed through October. Follow your target grass cover taking stocking rate and land type into account. If you are behind target and trying to build you need to take action immediately as growth rates tend to drop off quickly when we get into September. Take any surplus stock off the platform and avoid cutting paddocks for surplus bales. Equally you don't want to build too much grass too quickly so if there are paddocks to take out they should be removed immediately so they aren't slow to regrow into September.

Also important to get cows scanned so you have accurate calving dates for next spring.