



## Grass Summary for week ending March 10

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)	Pre Grazing Yield	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)	Silage Intake (kg DM /cow)
Michael & Alex McCarthy	07/03	647	265	2.44	15	17	1700	8.0	4	5
Andrew Killeen	27/02	1163	657	1.77	6	9	1300	5.0	6	6
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	07/03	849	340	2.50	15	17	1900	7.0	6	5
Pa O'Hanlon	28/02	909	365	2.49	10	30	1700	13.0	4	0
Joe Carroll	28/02	999	413	2.42	11	19	1400	8.5	3.5	5
Michael & John Casey	06/03	682	289	2.36	9	19	1850	9.0	5	3
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	03/03	738	309	2.39	19	19	1600	8.0	5	5
Gerry & Niall Moloney	08/03	763	281	2.72	15	16	2250	6.0	5	6
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	27/02	803	330	2.43	14	35	1984	13.0	3	1
William Daly	24/02	773	618	1.25	6	11	1700	12.0	5	0
William Dennehy	06/03	1062	496	2.14	11	21	2100	13.0	4.2	0
<b>Average</b>		<b>853</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1771</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>

**Milk summary: (milk yields are fluctuating from day to day impact on accuracy currently)**

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Milk solids (kg/day)	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	07/03	25.9	4.5	3.31	2.0	124
Andrew Killeen	07/03	28.0	4.71	3.54	1.7	166
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	06/03	30.5	4.01	3.35	1.7	64
Pa O'Hanlon	07/03	22.9	4.48	3.64	1.9	158
Joe Carroll	08/03	22.2	4.72	3.55	1.8	240
Michael & John Casey	08/03	18.5	4.81	3.59	1.6	75
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	07/03	33.0	4.63	3.48	2.7	68
Gerry & Niall Moloney	08/03	17.4	4.56	3.45	1.4	138
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	08/03	17.8	4.6	3.93	1.5	233
William Daly	06/03	27.7	4.38	3.6	2.1	112
William Dennehy	08/03	18.2	4.59	3.95	1.6	61
<b>Average</b>		<b>23.8</b>	<b>4.54</b>	<b>3.58</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>131</b>

**Demonstration farmer comment from Joe Carroll:** My SCC was high for a while which was due to mastitis. It is sorted out now and my most recent SCC result was 130. Grazing is going well at the moment. I have 40% of the area grazed and 88% of the cows calved in 5 weeks. My target for the second round is April 10 and I should be on target for this.

**Advisor comment from Robert Prendiville:** Do not let the average farm cover drop below 600 kg DM per hectare. A lot of farms have more than half of the first round grazed at this stage. Monitor grass growth and allocate an area each day. The start date on most farms for the second round is April 10. Also SCC is high on some farms at present. Get a milk recording done as soon as possible to identify high SCC cows. It is also worth noting that cows calved greater than 60 days will not be included in the mastitis control during the dry period/ calving. For the most accurate information on your Cellcheck report, get the first milk recording done ASAP.