

Grass Summary for week ending September 1st

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	Rotation Length Now(days)	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)
Michael & Alex McCarthy	26/08	659	211	3.12	65	56	1500	22	18	1
Andrew Killeen	30/08	659	232	2.84	42	50	1550	26	17.5	2.5
Dermot & Michael Kavanagh	20/08	961	267	3.6	74	54	1650	27	15	4.4
Michael & John Casey	28/08	931	286	3.25	57	49	2000	30	16	2
John Galvin	29/08	600	140	4.29	67	60	1200	25	14	3.0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	29/08	821	249	3.3	50	56	1400	25	17	3.0
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	29/08	794	315	2.52	68	45	2500	21	17.5	0.5
Pa & Paula O'Hanlon	27/08	740	246	3.01	55	48	1600	24	16	3.0
William Dennehy	25/08	717	219	3.28	43	46	1300	21	13.6	3
Joe Carroll	28/08	845	255	3.32	60	46	1800	24	16	2
William Daly	29/08	742	317	2.34	21	44	1300	21	16	3
Average		664	212	3.19	52	49	1376	22	16	3

Farm Milk Data	Milk Date	Litres/ Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS/ Cow	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	30-Aug	20.2	4.39	3.76	1.70	148
Andrew Killeen	30-Aug	20	4.8	3.89	1.79	160
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	30-Aug	23.5	4.11	3.78	1.91	168
Pa & Paula O'Hanlon	30-Aug	19	4.45	3.74	1.60	115
Joe Carroll	30-Aug	19.5	4.94	4.12	1.82	165
Michael & John Casey	30-Aug	18.8	5.05	4.02	1.76	92
John Galvin	30-Aug	21.2	4.11	3.67	1.70	101
William Daly	30-Aug	20	4.38	4.04	1.73	141
Gerry & Niall Moloney	30-Aug	20	4.23	3.69	1.63	155
Sean & Diarmaid Fitzgerald	30-Aug	17.5	4.87	3.99	1.60	151
Stephen McAuliffe	30-Aug	17	4.58	3.88	1.48	
William Dennehy	30-Aug	17.8	4.55	3.86	1.54	56
Average		19.54	4.54	3.87	1.69	132

Farmer comment from John Galvin:

- Cover per cow is 146, zero grazing ground is in which will drop stocking rate from 4.2 to 2.5LU/Ha
- I will keep following with protected urea where needed
- I will use parlour washings and the rest of the slurry after the chemical fertiliser close date
- I had an 8% empty rate and have adequate fodder for winter
- I have 2.5 acres sprayed off this week for reseed and have 20tonnes of lime to spread

Advisor comment from Kevin Stagg:

- Fields that have been reseeded in the last weeks are germinating well. Remember the four key points:
 1. Top up with 15-20 units of nitrogen per acre 3-4 weeks after reseed
 2. Spray for seedling docks 5-6 weeks after reseed
 3. The first and second grazing should be done at low covers to ensure the sward thickens out
 4. Graze the reseeded field quickly – remove the stock then and graze again three weeks later

