

Grass Summary for week ending November 3rd

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)	Silage Intake (kg DM /cow)	Zero grazed Grass
Alex McCarthy	26/10	649	242	2.68	23	21	1400	30	8	3	8	0
Dermot & Michael Kavanagh	20/10	573	159	3.6	30	29	1200	30	8	4	8	0
Michael & John Casey	16/10	839	285	2.94	38	35	2500	30	12	3	3	0.0
John Galvin	30/10	497	112	4.43	14	35	1200	35	8	2	8	0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	25/10	576	179	3.21	10	16	1350	30	5	4	10	0.0
William Dennehy	24/10	584	193	3.02	11	41	2000	30	13.6	3	3	0.0
Joe Carroll	23/10	744	226	3.29	30	49	1250	24	15	3	0	0
Average		637	199	3	22	32	1557	30	10	3.1	6	0

Farm Milk Data	Milk Date	Litres/ Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS/ Cow	SCC	Ration	Housed
Michael & Alex McCarthy	31-Oct	14.6	4.81	3.94	1.32	137	3	By Night
Andrew Killeen	31-Oct	13	5.65	4.2	1.32	217	4	Full Time
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	01-Nov	14.5	5.05	4.01	1.35	240	3	By Night
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	31-Oct	13.5	5.13	4.1	1.28	98	3.5	By Night
Joe Carroll	31-Oct	12	5.89	4.38	1.27	199	3	Full Time
Michael & John Casey	02-Nov	9.5	6.03	4.23	1.00	200	4	By Night
John Galvin	31-Oct	11.5	5.41	3.86	1.10	114	4	By Night
William Daly	31-Oct	11.9	5.1	4.1	1.13	135	3	By Night
Gerry & Niall Moloney	31-Oct	12.7	5.36	3.84	1.20	184	4	Full Time
Sean & Diarmaid Fitzgerald	31-Oct	10.3	6.05	4.25	1.09	234	3	Full Time
Stephen McAuliffe	31-Oct	11.5	5.14	4.11	1.10		3.5	By Night
William Dennehy	31-Oct	9.2	5.61	4.19	0.93	139	3	Full Time
Pa & Paula O'Hanlon	02-Nov	11	5.25	4.05	1.05	84	4	Full Time
Average		11.94	5.42	4.10	1.16	165.08	3.46	

Farmer comment from Michael Kavanagh:

- Cows have three days left at grass, they get three hours at grass, silage and 3kgs of meal
- Heifers will be housed in a week and weanlings in about 10 days' time
- We have done a culture and sensitivity test on milk and as a result will use dry cow across the herd
- Scanning gave a 10% empty rate we will sell these, all cows will be dosed for fluke at dry off
- Silage stocks are good and samples from cuts have come back with the lowest sample reading 72DMD
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Adviser Comment from Claire Mc Auliffe:

- Grazing has remained very challenging on farms with weather, if possible get a few hours of grass in the cows diet
- Take a culture and sensitivity test of high SCC cows or mastitis cases to see what is causing issues
- Make a plan based on test results with your vet for drying off, watch younger cows yield
- Arrange to take soil samples of farm this winter if required, soil samples are valid for four years
- Review nitrates for your farm and plan stock numbers ahead for next year