





Grass Summary for Week Ending 7th July 2023

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)
Micheal & Alex McCarthy	29/06	504	158	3.18	77	57	1200	21	18.0	1.0
Andrew Killeen	29/06	697	206	3.38	73	56	1400	21	16.5	3.5
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	30/06	722	148	4.87	70	63	1300	21	13.0	7.0
Pa & Paula O Hanlon	03/07	550	173	3.18	54	48	1800	21	15.0	4.0
Joe Carroll	03/07	513	155	3.32	47	53	1300	24	16.0	2.0
Micheal & John Casey	30/06	670	163	4.12	71	66	1450	20	16.0	2.0
John Galvin	05/07	559	130	4.29	55	39	1300	20	9.0	4.0
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	01/07	615	175	3.52	70	60	1600	20	17.0	3.0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	30/06	625	168	3.71	63	67	1600	18	18.0	2.0
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	29/06	741	198	3.75	88	66	1530	21	17.5	0.5
Stephen McAuliffe	27/06	707	236	3.00	47	54	1500	20	18.0	2.0
William Daly	27/06	663	244	2.72	75	46	1375	35	17.0	3.0
William Dennehy	28/06	865	279	3.10	88	44	1500	21	14.0	3.0
Average		649	187	3.55	68	55	1450	22	15.8	3

Milk summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS /cow	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	01/07	22.83	4.14	3.5	1.80	152
Andrew Killeen	01/07	26.24	3.93	3.53	2.02	141
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	01/07	28.60	3.86	3.45	3.58	234
Pa O Hanlon						
Joe Carroll	02/07	19.06	4.53	3.62	1.60	109
Micheal & John Casey	30/06	24.19	4.51	3.64	2.03	70
John Galvin	30/06	27.58	4.21	3.36	2.15	82
Declan,Eileen&Kieran Murphy	01/07	24.04	4.05	3.34	1.83	56
Gerry & Niall Moloney	02/07	25.18	3.88	3.45	1.90	91
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	02/07	18.28	4.7	3.54	1.55	132
Stephen McAuliffe	01/07	21.55	4.13	3.53	1.70	187
William Daly	03/07	26.10	4.1	3.72	3.31	195
William Dennehy	30/06	22.81	4.19	3.54	1.82	46
Average		26.7	4.19	3.52	2.11	125

Demonstration farmer comment from Andrew Killeen:

Farm cover of 206Kgs/Lu. Burned off 2 ha for reseeding last week. The paddocks reseeded on 2nd June will be given post emergence spray this week. The weather conditions for the past week have been very changeable so 3kgs of meal will be maintained as area grazed daily is increasing due to lower DM. Fertiliser application on clover paddocks is 25kgs(half Bag) of 18-6-12 per rotation. Other paddocks are getting 15-18 units of protected urea. Planning to scan in- calf heifers this week.

Advisors comment from: Deirbhile Browne

Grass growth has recovered and is now greater than demand on farms so remove surpluses. The target grass cover is 160-180 kg DM/cow and target average farm cover is 600-700 kg DM/ha. Graze covers of 1300-1400 kg DM/ha to maintain grass quality. There are only 2 rotations left to fix grass quality to ensure there are clean swards to build covers for the autumn. Walk the farm every five days to monitor grass growth. Remove surplus grass and or correct paddocks over the next two rounds by making bales. Grazing at lower covers 1100-1200 kg DM/Ha will also help grass quality. It's an ideal time for lime to be spread on paddocks as ground conditions are very good so take advantage and get the lime spread.