



Grass Summary for week September 16 2022

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)	Rotation Length Back (days)	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)	Silage Intake (kg DM /cow)
Michael & Alex McCarthy	09/09	703	248	2.84	50	45	1500	26	30	16.0	3	0
Andrew Killeen	09/09	639	231	2.77	53	51	1450	24	36	17.5	1.5	0
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	12/09	1117	367	3.04	77	50	2000	30	27	15.6	3.4	0
Pa O'Hanlon	14/09	713	286	2.49	48	40	1800	21	31	15.0	4	0
Joe Carroll	14/09	691	210	3.29	58	36	1500	24	30	11.0	6	2
Michael & John Casey	12/09	952	342	2.78	53	42	2100	30	36	16.0	3	0
John Galvin	05/09	525	149	3.53	45	35	1100	30	23	11.0	2	6*
Declan Eileen & Kieran Murphy	08/09	906	315	2.88	62	49	1600	20	51	15.5	3.5	0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	14/09	609	182	3.34	41	20	1000	30	26	9.0	5	5
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	14/09	690	275	2.51	63	33	1428	30	22	12.0	5	2
Stephen McAuliffe	12/09	711	276	2.58	44	41	1250	30	26	16.0	3	0
William Daly	08/09	663	252	2.63	46	21	1200	21	82	7.0	7	5
William Dennehy	10/09	1020	300	3.40	82	55	1800	21	26	15.5	3.6	0
Average		765	264	2.93	56	40	1518	26	34	13.8	4	

* zero grazed grass

Milk summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS /cow	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	12/09	21.1	4.46	3.8	1.74	137
Andrew Killeen	13/09	19.6	5.04	3.91	1.75	187
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	13/09	24.3	4.15	3.86	1.95	193
Pa O'Hanlon	11/09	20	4.48	3.76	1.65	70
Joe Carroll	13/09	18.9	4.59	4.06	1.63	187
Michael & John Casey	13/09	18.9	4.81	4.02	1.67	113
John Galvin	12/09	20	4.18	3.62	1.56	131
Declan Eileen & Kieran Murphy	13/09	23	4.42	3.77	1.88	171
Gerry & Niall Moloney	11/09	19.5	4.29	3.76	1.57	180
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	12/09	17.4	4.97	3.89	1.54	197
Stephen McAuliffe	12/09	17	4.8	3.84	1.47	178
William Daly	12/09	24	4.59	3.88	2.03	185
William Dennehy	12/09	17.2	4.7	3.97	1.49	154
Average		20.1	4.22	3.86	1.69	160

Demonstration farmer comment from Kieran Murphy, Effin, Co. Limerick: grass growth improved since the rain. We were tight during the drought but zero grazing helped hold the grass cover. We had to zero grass by night for a fortnight during the drought. We can still zero graze to hold cover. The red clover silage is performing very well. The paddocks that no chemical N this year have performed very well.

Advisor comment Nora O'Donovan: The aim of Autumn grass management is to keep grass in the diet for as long as possible in the autumn and set the farm up for grazing next spring. Remember grass grows grass so there is an opportunity there now to build grass in the next few weeks if you are behind target. Might be a good idea to offload some poor performing or empty cows if you are behind target. Avoid having heavy covers that you may struggle to clean out.