



Grass Summary for week July 22 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)	Grass Allocation / LU (kg DM/LU)	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)
MI. & Alex McCarthy	11/07	676	228	2.96	90	53	1600	21	18.0	17.5	1
Andrew Killeen	16/07	506	183	2.77	66	44	1400	21	16.0	14.5	4
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	20/07	808	226	3.57	74	57	1600	17	16.0	14.5	4
Pa O'Hanlon	19/07	600	225	2.67	53	43	1400	21	16.0	13.5	5
Joe Carroll	08/07	528	159	3.32	64	43	1300	24	13.0	13.5	5
Michael & John Casey	15/07	685	195	3.51	62	53	1350	21	15.2	16.5	2
John Galvin	18/07	705	175	4.03	95	69	1550	20	17.0	16.5	2
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	16/07	580	172	3.38	56	61	1450	20	18.0	16.0	2.5
Gerry & Niall Moloney	19/07	645	167	3.86	50	62	1350	21	16.0	15.5	3
Stephen McAuliffe	11/07	664	255	2.60	63	42	1200	21	16.0	16.0	2.5
William Dennehy	16/07	723	205	3.52	69	57	1500	21	16.2	16.0	2.6
Average		647	199	3.29	67	53	1427	21	16.1	15.5	3

Milk summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Milk solids (kg)	SCC
MI. & Alex McCarthy	19/07	23.5	3.82	3.62	1.75	95
Andrew Killeen	18/07	24.38	4.11	3.69	1.90	108
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	18/07	27.7	3.76	3.58	2.03	158
Pa O'Hanlon	19/07	25	3.82	3.57	1.85	117
Joe Carroll	18/07	21.49	4.28	3.84	1.74	163
Michael & John Casey	18/07	22.5	4.51	3.95	1.90	90
John Galvin	17/07	22.5	3.72	3.44	1.61	108
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	18/07	26.11	3.99	3.48	1.95	115
Gerry & Niall Moloney	18/07	24.8	3.8	3.54	1.82	116
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	19/07	20	4.44	3.76	1.64	306
Stephen McAuliffe	18/07	20	4.12	3.65	1.55	120
William Dennehy	17/07	20.2	4.4	3.61	1.62	142
Average		24.0	4.06	3.65	1.78	140

Demonstration farmer comment from Micheal Kavanagh: we are happy with current performance. Grass cover per cow is good and the cows are milking well at the moment. We spread 75 tonnes of lime spread so far this year and there is another 25 tonnes to go out. I will correct K where necessary and will use MOP. We have 90% of our silage in at the moment. I am already starting to build which is a bit early.

Advisor comment from Claire McAuliffe: Current grass supply is good on farm but cooler temperatures are expected with a predicted growth rate of about 57Kg DM so it's important to keep walking the farm to see grass supply ahead. It is an ideal time for lime to be spread on paddocks as ground conditions are very good so take advantage and get lime spread. It is a busy time on farms and given it is farm safety week it is important to always ask yourself "am I sure it's safe?" before completing any job. Try to take a break from the farm if possible or an evening off from milking. Teagasc research shows that there is no difference in milk yield, solids or body condition score for cows milked 13 times a week from mid-July.