



## Grass Summary for week September 2 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	27/08	650	221	2.94	53	44	1400	21	27	17.0	2.0	0.0
Andrew Killeen	26/08	704	254	2.77	53	51	1600	24	24	17.5	1.5	0.0
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	28/08	1026	338	3.04	84	50	2200	24	29	15.5	3.4	0.0
Pa O'Hanlon	20/08	672	252	2.67	64	43	2000	21	22	16.0	3.0	0.0
Joe Carroll	24/08	631	192	3.29	60	39	1300	24	25	13.0	6.0	0.0
Michael & John Casey	01/09	996	306	3.26	52	43	2000	30	31	14.0	5.0	0.0
John Galvin	01/09	498	141	3.53	43	32	1200	30	13	9.0	3.0	7.0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	28/08	530	159	3.34	44	27	1200	30	22	8.0	5.0	*5.0
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	22/08	523	208	2.51	62	33	1440	30	24	12.0	5.0	2.0
Stephen McAuliffe	24/08	719	277	2.60	37	45	1550	26	28	17.5	1.3	0.0
William Daly	01/09	542	206	2.63	28	21	1050	21		7.0	7.0	5.0
William Dennehy	01/09	923	271	3.40	61	55	2200	21	20	16.0	3.0	0.0
<b>Average</b>		<b>705</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1595</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>4</b>	

\*red clover being zero grazed

**Milk summary:**

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS /cow	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	31/08	21.7	4.26	3.72	1.73	156
Andrew Killeen	30/08	20.5	4.56	3.77	1.71	153
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	29/08	24.8	4.29	3.68	1.98	180
Pa O'Hanlon	30/08	20.5	4.22	3.7	1.62	82
Joe Carroll	29/08	19.5	4.68	3.98	1.69	150
Michael & John Casey	29/08	19.6	4.59	3.94	1.67	125
John Galvin	31/08	22.5	3.83	3.53	1.66	148
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	31/08	24	4.02	3.57	1.82	139
Gerry & Niall Moloney	30/08	23	4.05	3.58	1.75	243
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	30/08	19	4.86	3.88	1.66	216
Stephen McAuliffe	31/08	17.5	4.41	3.87	1.45	136
William Daly	31/08	25.5	4.02	3.81	2.00	196
William Dennehy	31/08	17.2	4.61	3.84	1.45	141
<b>Average</b>		<b>21.2</b>	<b>4.34</b>	<b>3.76</b>	<b>1.71</b>	<b>159</b>

**Demonstration farmer comment from John Casey:** I am OK for grass at the moment. The heavy covers are growing well. I will move the in-calf heifers to an out block to further reduce demand on the milking block. We hope to keep heifers away from the milking block for the month of September at least. Cows are getting 5 kg DM of concentrate with grazed grass. I will look at dropping the meal if we get enough of rain next weekend. I am also very conscious of grazing out the paddocks well now. This will ensure that we will have high quality grass for the last two rotations. We are also scanning cows this weekend and vaccinating for Salmonella.

**Advisor farmer comment from Ger Courtney:** When rain comes keep grass demand down to build cover on farms below target grass cover. A 30-day rotation length is recommended so as a guide calculate area grazed in last 24 hours. Ideally 1/30th of area should be grazed per day with balance of diet supplemented. Introducing some silage will have a big effect on grass demand. Some successfully reduce grass demand by holding back two rows of cows at evening milking for silage feeding. Apply Nitrogen at 23 units per acre where no nitrogen gone out in past three weeks and where there is good roadway access to utilise the grass later.