



TEAGASC/KERRY MONITOR FARM UPDATE WEEK ENDING 22nd March 2024

Farmer	Location	Litres /Cow	Fat %	Prot %	kg MS /Cow	Meal kg	SCC	% Calved	% Grazed	Average Farm Cover	Pre grazing Yield	Growth Rate/Ha
Micheal & Alex McCarthy	Feenagh	26	4.3	3.3	2.04	4.0	110	90	75	672	2200	18
Andrew & Bernadette Killeen	Kilkee	24	4.56	3.23	1.93	7.0	79	80	0	929	2000	4
Dermot & Michael Kavanagh	Lispole	29.5	4.7	3.32	2.44	7.0	100	89	32	1155	1850	17
Patrick and Paula O'Hanlon	Tarbert	24.0	4.57	3.35	1.96	6.0	149	96	26	953	1500	5
Joe Carroll	Ballyheigue	21.0	5.26	3.45	1.88	5.0	177	89	12	1084	1550	12
John & Micheal Casey	Causeway	21.0	4.87	3.16	1.74	6.0	101	86	25	1172	1900	8
John Galvin	Ardfert	22.0	4.74	3.1	1.78	6.0	262	83	11	866	1500	13
Niall & Gerry Moloney	Crecora	25.0	4.49	3.15	1.97	6.0	114	92	50	802	1750	14
Kieran, Eileen & Declan Murphy	Killmallock	30.0	4.5	3.16	2.37	6.0	60	96	50			
Diarmuid and Sean Fitzgerald	Cratloe	20.0	4.54	3.69	1.70	6.0	205	78	73	810	2400	35
Stephen McAuliffe	Loghill	22.0	4.4	3.19	1.72	6.0	158	85	8	1304	2000	
William & Mary Dennehy	Currow	22.0	4.9	3.34	1.87	7.0	173	87	20	1300	1850	14
Average		23.9	4.65	3.29	1.95	6.0	141	88	32	1004	1864	14

Farmer Update: Diarmuid Fitzgerald

Diarmuid Has 73% of Farm Grazed, Aiming to start 2nd Rotation on 8th of April, First grazed Paddocks are at 850-700Kg's of DM/Ha so Diarmuid is slowing down the area grazed per day by feeding 6Kg's of Meal and 3 Kg's of Silage DM/Cow Aiming to Graze no more than 1.8 acres per day to allow these first grazed paddocks reach 1200Kg's DM/Ha at start of second rotation. Diarmuid has his Sexed semen Dairy straws ordered. Topping up with 23U/ac of Pro Urea this week.

Advisor Update: Denis Brassil

Ground conditions very varied across the region, Slurry storage and Fodder supplies are tight in many areas. Its important to do a fodder budget for the next few weeks and many farms are stretching Fodder supplies by use of a third feed of Soya Hulls/ Palm kernal/ Fodder stretcher. Ensure to Have fertiliser in the yard and pick off dry areas when weather conditions allow not all the farm with be suitable to spread the same day. For those using Sexed Semen it's important to order these straws in time.

