



Grass Summary for week ending September 10

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)
Michael & Alex McCarthy	05/09	892	313	2.85	61	47	2200	27	16.5	2.5
Andrew Killeen	10/09	944	328	2.88	91	52	1850	21	17.0	2.0
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	03/09	1006	315	3.19	74	49	2200	29	15.4	3.6
Pa O'Hanlon	30/08	797	280	2.85	60	46	1800	21	17.0	2.0
Joe Carroll	04/09	896	251	3.57	50	56	1800	24	17.0	2.0
Michael & John Casey	06/09	1009	363	2.78	48	44	1900	26	17.0	2.0
John Galvin	10/09	821	227	3.62	71	51	1700	22	15.0	4.0
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	11/09			3.37		54	2200	30	15.0	4.0
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	11/09	875	324	2.70	50	38	2100	30	15.0	3.0
Stephen McAuliffe	02/09	884	352	2.51	47	43	1820	30	18.0	1.0
William Dennehy	12/09	1360	430	3.16	73	54	2200	25	17.2	1.2
Average		948	318	3.04	63	49	1979	26	16.1	3

Milk Summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS /cow	SCC
Michael & Alex McCarthy	09/09	21.66	4.26	3.68	1.77	126
Andrew Killeen	11/09	22.02	4.78	3.73	1.87	163
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	11/09	21.91	4.26	3.75	1.81	146
Pa O'Hanlon	09/09	17.32	4.53	3.7	1.47	66
Joe Carroll	09/09	17.4	4.78	4.04	1.58	145
Michael & John Casey	09/09	18.96	4.78	3.9	1.70	51
John Galvin	09/09	21.32	3.8	3.47	1.60	100
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	10/09	19.98	4.31	3.59	1.63	89
Niall Moloney	11/09	20.56	4.18	3.52	1.63	93
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	11/09	18.3	4.84	3.87	1.59	95
Stephen McAuliffe	11/09	16.16	4.56	3.75	1.35	159
William Daly	10/09	20.84	4.37	3.82	1.76	124
William Dennehy	09/09	18.71	4.82	3.83	1.67	80
Average		19.8	4.48	3.74	1.65	111

Demonstration farmer update from John Casey: plenty of grass at the moment. Cows are on 2 kgs of meal. We scanned last week; 13% empty rate in the cows and 2 heifers were empty out of 25. We vaccinated for Salmonella. We have fed 730 kg of meal to the cows to date and are hoping to reduce this next year. We reseeded 10 acres at the end of July and grazed it on September 1 at a cover of 800 kg DM/ha.

Comment from Kevin Stagg: There is a lot of grass on some farms at present with farmers grazing heavy covers. However, the quality of the grass is still very good on these covers. When grazing heavy covers – allocate fresh grass every 12 hours and graze down tight now when weather conditions allow. Do not leave good grass behind in this round of grazing.