

PastureBaseIreland: National Grassland Database

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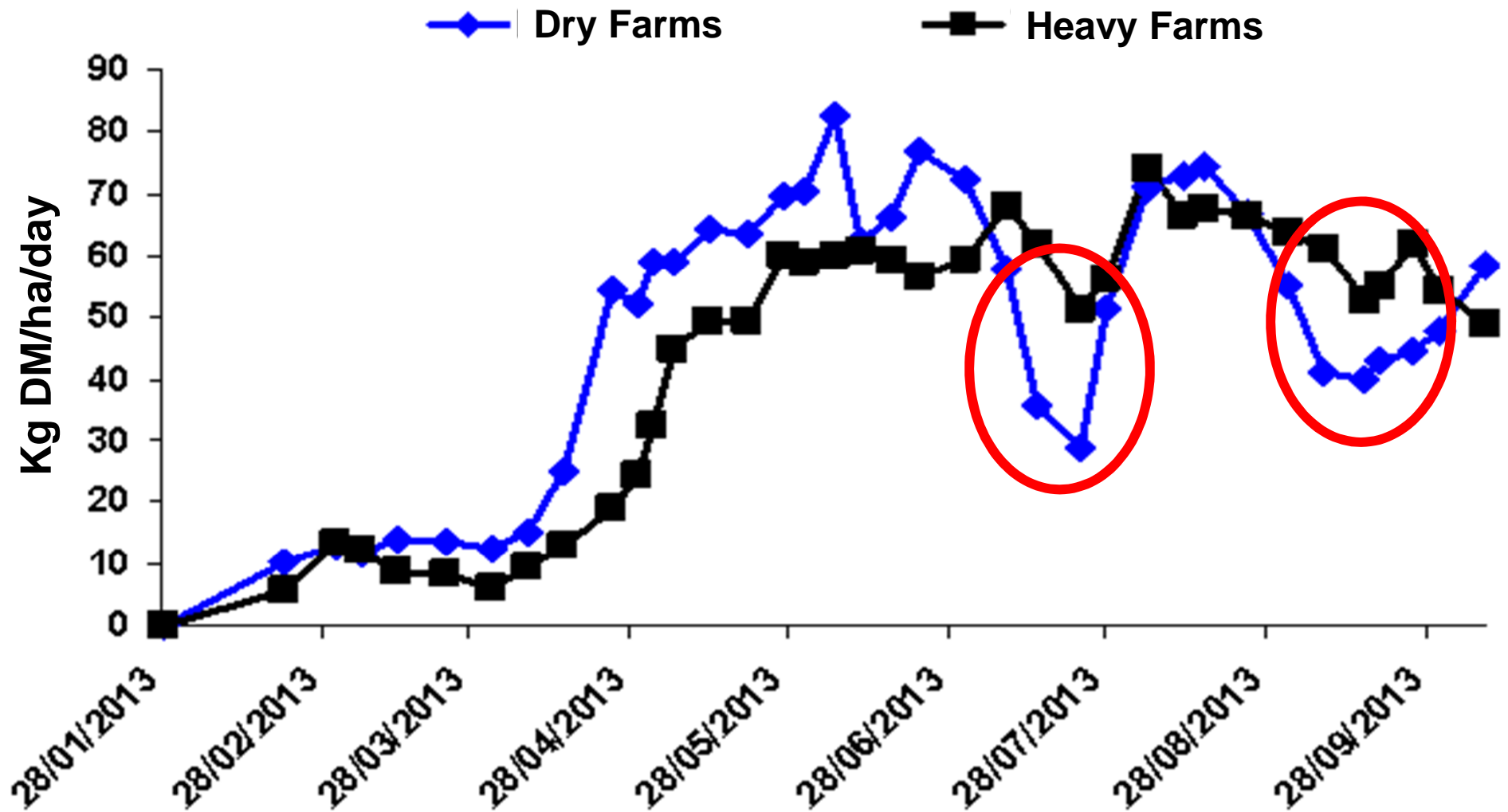
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- **Currently 520 farms on PastureBaselreland (2014)**
- **405 commercial farms and 15 research farms**
- **400 dairy farms**
- **108 beef farms**
- **12 sheep farms**

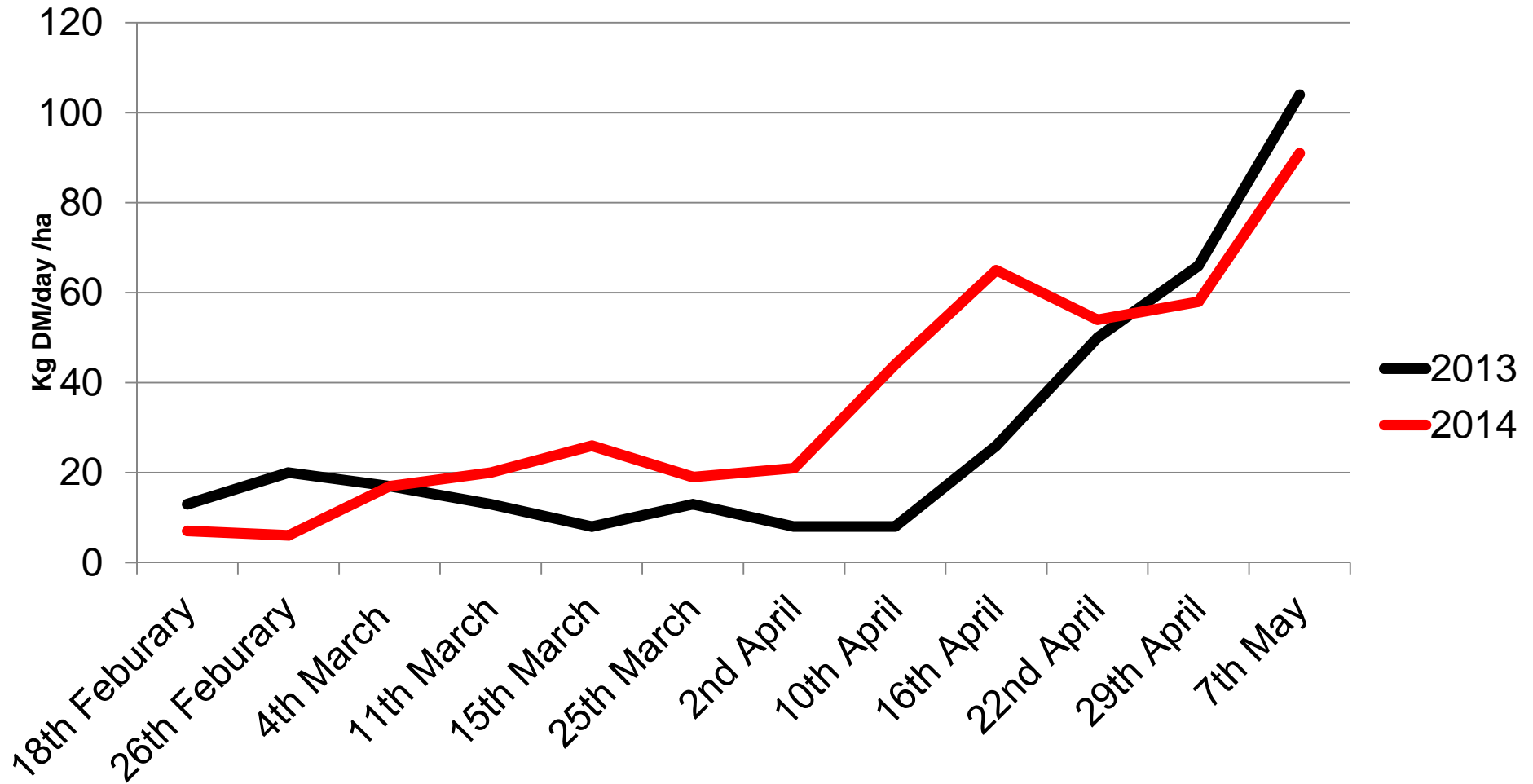
Farm Performance (t DM/ha) 2013

	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Range
Total Grass Production	12.5	18.0	7.3	10.7
Grass DM Production	10.3	16.8	6.2	10.6
Silage DM Production	1.9	5.0	0	5.0
Number of Grazings	6.2	9.14	4.57	4.58

Farm Growth Curves



Spring Growth 2013/2014



Farm Performance (t DM/ha) 2014 to date

	Total Grass Production	Grass DM Production	Silage DM Production	Number of Grazings
South	2.5	2.5	0	1.6
East	2.4	2.4	0	2.1
North West	2.1	2.1	0	1.8
National Average	2.3	2.3	0	1.8

Future Work

- Use data from PastureBaseIreland to develop the Pasture Profit Index
- Grass variety evaluation an on-going process
 - Further sowing in 2014
- Develop links with commercial software providers (currently in development)
- Continued improvement of the decision support tool