

# TEAGASC / GII MONITOR FARMS

WEEK ENDIND 7th March 2016

Farmer	County	Litres / Cow	Fat %	Protein %	SCC	kg MS/Cow	Meal kg	Silage kg	Average Farm Cover	Cover /LU	Pre Grazing Yield	Demand/ Ha	Growth Rate/Ha
Brendan Phelan	Kilkenny	20.6	4.62	3.41	206	1.70	4	3	578		1300	24	2
Conor Beusang	Waterford	24.0	5.36	3.26	125	2.13	5	1	486		1000	21	3
* Darren Healy	Wicklow	24.8	4.55	3.02	90	1.93	3	4	761		1460	19	3
Donal O'Reilly	Cork	21.4	5.04	3.2	70	1.81	4	4	743		1250	18	4
Jamie Kealy	Carlow	24.4	4.96	3.28	94	2.07	4	4	442		1700	17	7
Martin Davin	Laois	23.3	4.86	3.26	100	1.95	4	5	1114		1800	34	2
Michael Doran	Wexford	18.0	4.85	3.44	118	1.53	3	3					
Patrick Dillon	Kilkenny	23.5	4.36	3.35	106	1.87	4.5	4	713		1200	12	4
Patrick O'Gorman	Tipperary	18.5	4.09	3.07	99	1.36	4.5	4	1043		1802	29	8
* Peter Mongey	Meath	23.4	4.16	3.07	113	1.74	4	7	1054		1900	20	8
* Shane O'Loughlin	Kildare	20.6	4.74	3.41	128	1.67	5	5	910		2050	20	3
* Winter milk													
<b>Average</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>4.69</b>	<b>3.25</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>784</b>		<b>1546</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Maximum</b>		25	5.36	3.44	206	2.1	5	7	1114		2050	34	8
<b>Minimum</b>		18	4.09	3.02	70	1.4	3	1	442		1000	12	2

## NOTES

Some of the drier farms have grazed over 30% at this stage. Jamie Kealy in Carlow has 60 % grazed. Martin Davin in Laois only 20% grazed (heavier land). Cows are indoors when weather is bad and this is having a big effect on milk yields. Growth rates are very poor with an average of 3 over the last four weeks. Calving has gone very well with over 80% calved at this stage across all the farms. Most farms have got over 40 units of Urea per acre. Two bags of 18-6-12 /ac will be spread for the second round as soon as weather allows.