



Grass Summary for week ending October 1

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)
Micheal & Alex McCarthy	25/09	1255	450	2.79	74	45	2600	32	16.0	3
Andrew Killeen	22/09	895	311	2.88	67	52	1800	25	17.0	2
Dermot & Michael Kavanagh	26/09	1472	461	3.19	77	50	2700	34	15.6	3.4
Pa O'Hanlon	26/09	932	360	2.59	49	41	2300	21	17.0	2
Joe Carroll	21/09	853	259	3.29	73	53	1800	24	17.0	2
Michael & John Casey	27/09	1241	435	2.85	47	43	2200	30	16.0	3
John Galvin	25/09	811	237	3.42	66	48	2000	35	15.0	4
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	19/09	1168	423	2.76	62	44	2200	30	15.0	4
Gerry & Niall Moloney	20/09	998	304	3.28	72	49	1900	30	15.0	4
Stephen McAuliffe	25/09	1036	425	2.44	61	41	2500	40	17.0	2
William Daly	17/09	1160	468	2.48	46	45	2500	28	17.0	2
William Dennehy	24/09	1157	366	3.16	41	54	2200	35	17.2	1.8
Average		1082	375	2.91	61	47	2230	31	16.1	3

Milk Summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Litres /Cow	Fat%	Protein%	Kg MS /cow	SCC
Micheal & Alex McCarthy	28/09	21.14	4.6	3.79	1.83	136
Andrew Killeen	29/09	17.04	4.92	3.98	1.56	88
Dermot & Michael Kavanagh	29/09	21.25	4.48	3.9	1.83	188
Pa O'Hanlon	27/09	14.99	4.73	3.88	1.33	84
Joe Carroll	27/09	14.94	5.29	4.1	1.45	137
Michael & John Casey	27/09	17.58	5	4.08	1.64	60
John Galvin	27/09	19.11	4.08	3.52	1.50	79
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	28/09	18.62	4.56	3.94	1.63	92
Gerry & Niall Moloney	29/09	19.45	4.46	3.79	1.65	106
Sean and Diarmuid Fitzgerald	29/09	17.18	4.83	4.07	1.57	138
Stephen McAuliffe	28/09	15.15	4.81	4.03	1.38	231
William Daly	28/09	19.75	4.49	3.97	1.72	201
William Dennehy	27/09	14.58	5.08	4.12	1.38	108

Average		17.8	4.72	3.94	1.57	127
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Demonstration farmer update from Alex McCarthy: we have plenty of grass at the moment. Ground conditions are good. We have just finished applying the last of the potash today on both silage ground and grazing paddocks.

Comment from Pdraig Fogarty: it is important to continue grass measuring. Use of strip wires to allocate milking cows the correct amount of grass and minimise damage to paddocks in unfavourable ground conditions. Start closing paddocks from October 10th onwards. This could be 1-2 weeks earlier in wet areas. Graze down to a residual of 4 – 4.5 cm in the autumn to stimulate growth throughout the winter and avoid the carryover of dead material over the winter and into the spring.