



## Grass Summary for week ending March 18 2022

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)	Grass Intake/Cow (kg DM/cow)	Meal Intake (kg/cow)	Silage Intake (kg DM /cow)
MI. & Alex McCarthy	07/03	920	343	2.68	9	27	10.0	4.5	4.0
Andrew Killeen	28/02	1049		0.00	5		0.0	4.0	14.0
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	11/03	783	322	2.43	10	15	6.0	6.0	6.0
Pa O'Hanlon	26/02	903	349	2.59	5	41	16.0	2.0	0.0
Joe Carroll	23/02	1042	317	3.29	5	30	9.0	3.0	6
MI & John Casey	14/03	844	355	2.38	6	24	12.0	4.0	2.0
John Galvin	05/03	946	286	3.31	6	24	9.0	4.0	5.0
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	28/02	705	375	1.88	13	24	13.0	5.0	0.0
Gerry & Niall Moloney	15/03	834	318	2.62	10	34	15.0	3.0	0.0
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	07/03	1008	2800	0.36	21	6	15.0	3.0	0.0
William Daly	27/02	1051	608	1.73	5	17	9.0	4.0	5
William Dennehy	10/03	1094	399	2.74	8	30	10.0	4.8	4.0
<b>Average</b>		<b>932</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>2.17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>

Milk summary:

Farm	Milk Date	Fat%	Protein%
MI. & Alex McCarthy	14/03	4.42	3.31
Andrew Killeen	13/03	4.76	3.27
Dermot & Micheal Kavanagh	14/03	4.1	3.32
Pa O'Hanlon	12/03	4.55	3.46
Joe Carroll	12/03	5.23	3.43
MI. & John Casey	14/03	5.04	3.31
John Galvin	13/03	4.08	3.02
Declan, Eileen & Kieran Murphy	13/03	4.39	3.4
Gerry & Niall Moloney	14/03	4.26	3.45
Sean and Diarmaid Fitzgerald	13/03	4.36	3.76
Stephen McAuliffe	14/03	4.35	3.29
William Daly	12/03	4.8	3.3
William Dennehy	13/03	5.05	3.55
<b>Average</b>		<b>4.57</b>	<b>3.37</b>

**Demonstration farmer comment from Diarmaid Fitzgerald:** 60% of the ground is grazed. I am using sexed semen on my cows this year. I am using the female selector to identify suitable cows. Only ones that had no trouble at calving, no mastitis or SCC issues and will be calved 50 days + will be selected. I know that I won't be able to give sexed to all my cows. I am spreading fertilizer for the second round today. I am spreading 40 units of protected urea so the ground will have got 60 units by April first. It will then get a bag and a half of 18:6:12 in mid to late April. Over the next 10 days I will be spreading 3000 gallons on my silage ground and will top up with a bag and a half of protected urea + S.

**Advisor comment from John Paul Lenihan:** ground conditions are improving which will increase soil temperatures driving grass growth. Ensure that fertilizer starts to go out from now on. Target 40 units of protected urea where no fertilizer has gone previously.