

Teagasc Heavy Soils Programme Update 12th October 2016

Grass Summary

Farmer	Grass Date	Cover	Cover/LU	Pre Graze	Post Graze	Demand	Growth Rate	Rotate Now
Kiskeam	09/10/2016	496	211	2500	50	33	13	22
Stradone	09/10/2016	819	376	2300	50	33	31	45
Macroom	08/10/2016	737	341	1300	200	30	39	35
Castleisland	06/10/2016	971	374	2500	25	35	32	35
Doonbeg	04/10/2016	989	405	2700	50	32	23	21
Rossmore	04/10/2016	863	314	2300	50	39	61	30
Average		821	330	2281	66	36	37	32

Milk Summary

Farmer	Milk Date	Ltr/Cow	Fat %	Prot %	kgMS/Cow	SR	kgMS/Ha	Meal Kg	Silage Kg
Kiskeam	10/10/2016	12.1	4.89	4.04	1.1	2.4	2.6	3.2	0
Stradone	11/10/2016	12.9	4.28	3.98	1.1	2.2	2.2	2.0	0
Macroom	11/10/2016	15.1	4.52	3.96	1.3	2.2	3.0	3.0	2
Castleisland	11/10/2016	24.4	4.33	3.54	2.0	2.6	5.1	3.0	2
Doonbeg	11/10/2016	12.0	5.03	4.06	1.1	2.4	2.6	2.0	3
Rossmore	06/10/2016	14.2	4.7	3.78	1.2	2.8	3.9	3.5	0
Average		14.6	4.66	3.9	1.3	2.5	3.1	2.6	1

Farmer Comment

Kiskeam

Good grazing conditions, low on grass, 14 grazings left so cows will be housed at night to keep animal out longer. 40 tonnes of lime spread yesterday on 20 acres.

Stradone

Ground conditions good, grazing wetter paddocks, getting good graze out with minimal damage.

Macroom

Ground condition good, wouldn't take much rain to change that. Out full time.

Doonbeg

Ground conditions difficult but ground has soaked a good bit, cows out full time with access to round bale silage at milkings.

Rossmore

Ground conditions good, cows out full time, grazing out well.

Castleisland

Cow housed fulltime until last Thursday, out by day up to Sunday, out fulltime since. Ground tender, surplus grass cut this week for silage.

Crossmolina

Beef farm. Ground conditions were very poor, all animals housed last week, out on-off grazing this week.

Swans Cross

Grazing conditions have improved but grass supply tight so over half cows housed at night to stretch out grass supply.

