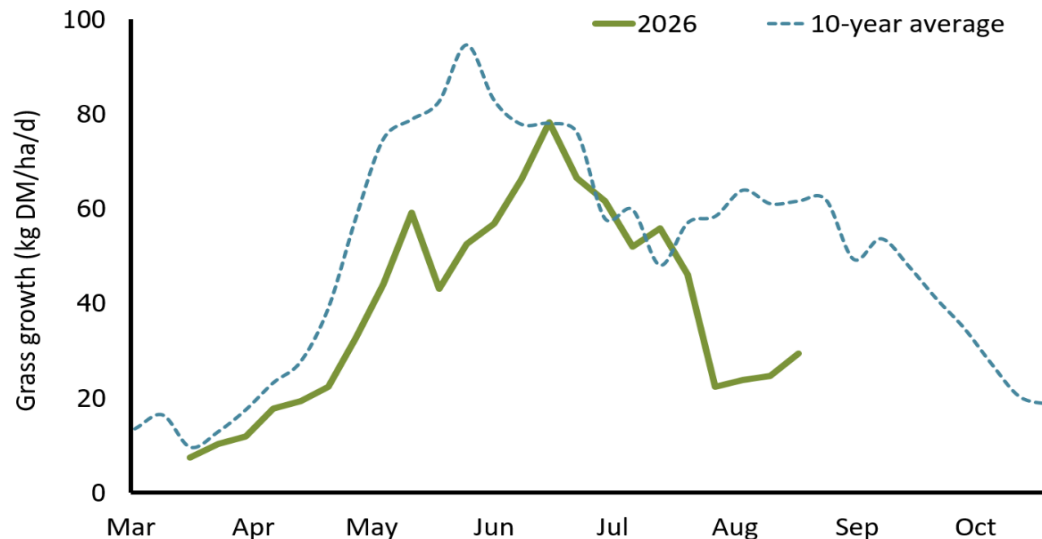


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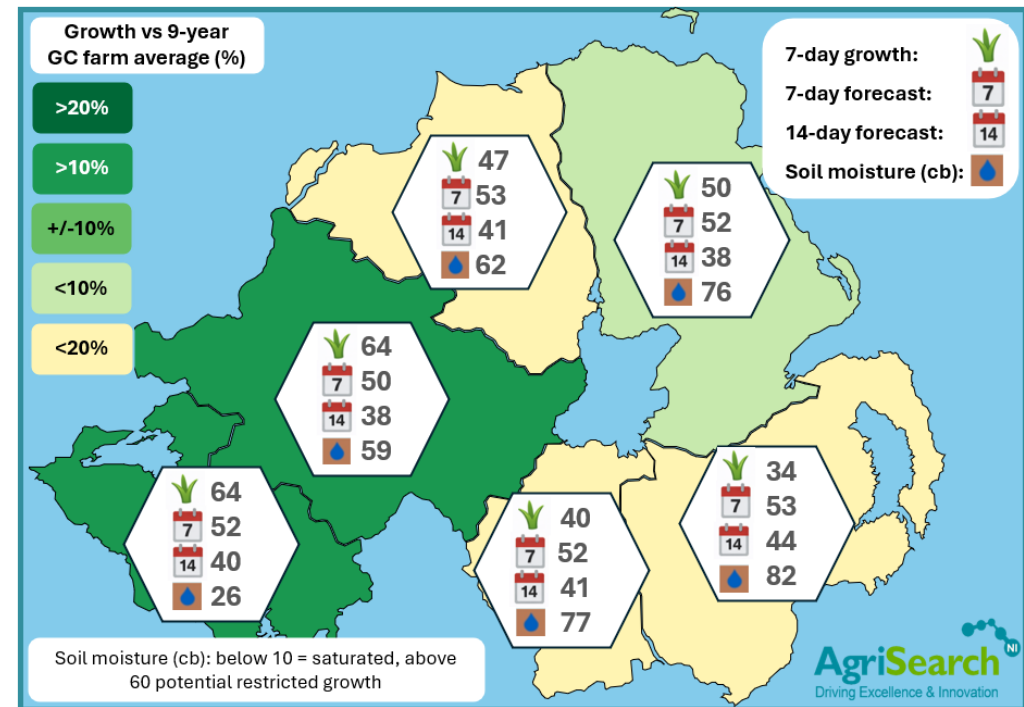
Plot growth at AFBI Hillsborough & CAFRE Greenmount



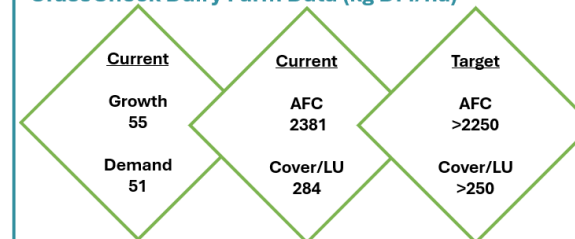
MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Grass growth has improved across the province in the last week, however there is still a large variation, with two County's exceeding the LT av. (61.4 kg DM/h/d).
- Soil moisture deficits are still potentially restricting growth in many areas.
- Many GC farms have rebuilt their AFC with the recent growth and are now on track to build covers for autumn grazing. Farms stocked at 2.5LU/ha should target an AFC of 2350kg DM/ha by 1st September, with rotation length increasing to 30 days
- Assess grazing infrastructure, especially to areas mainly cut for silage and address any changes required while conditions allow, to improve autumn grazing
- If grass is actively growing, nitrogen fertiliser can be applied to build grass covers for the autumn. Review your NMP and apply any remaining allowance of Nitrogen between now and the 14th of September, potentially in a split application.
- A firm and fine seedbed is key for autumn grass reseeds. Take time to carefully choose grass varieties, based on their intended use and the specific soil type.

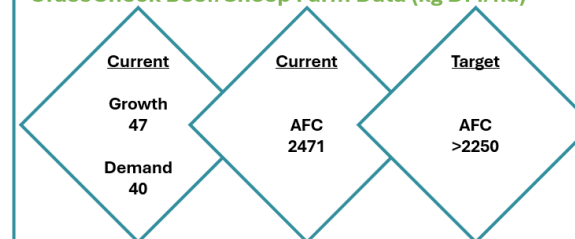
GrassCheck on farm grass growth (kg DM/ha)



GrassCheck Dairy Farm Data (kg DM/ha)



GrassCheck Beef/Sheep Farm Data (kg DM/ha)



GrassCheck on farm Grass Quality



Value of
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calculator

