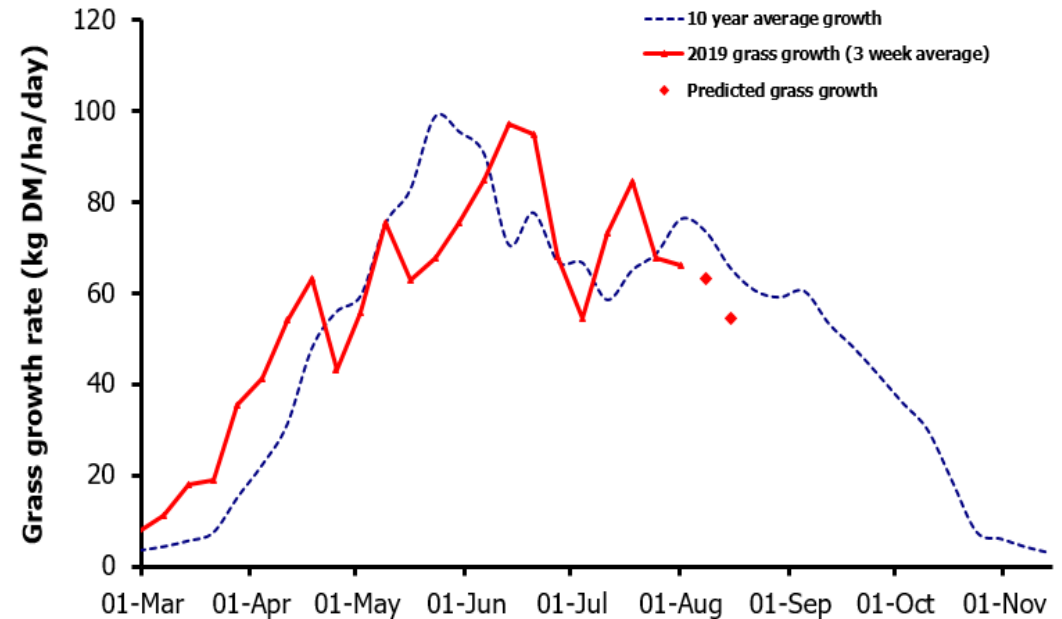
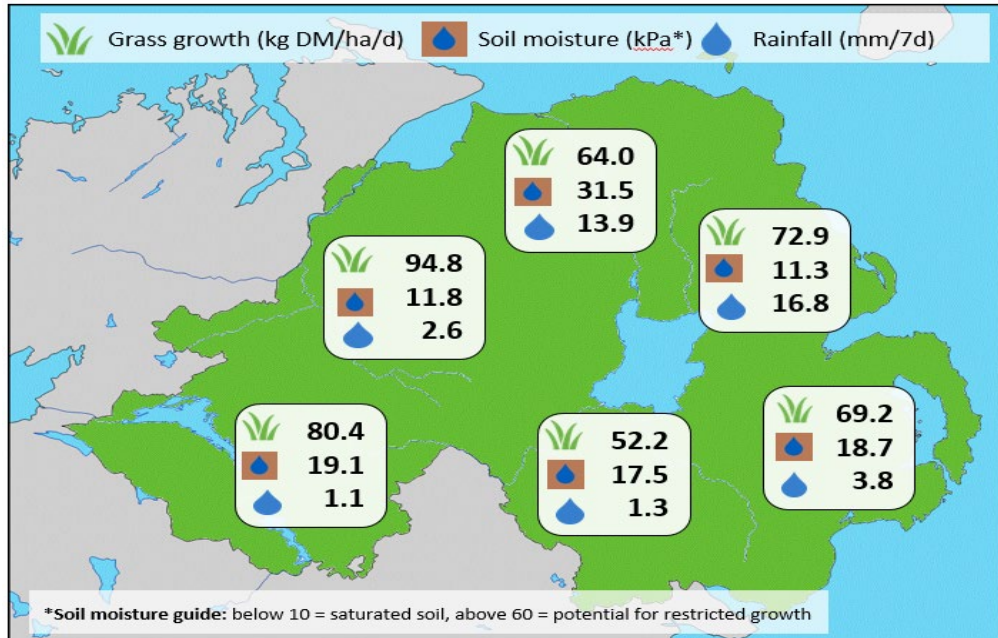


Week Beginning 29 July 2019



Weekly Grass Growth (kg DM/ha/day)		
GrassCheck plots		65.9
Dairy farms*		82.4
Beef & sheep farms*		70.9
Forecast	7 day	63.2
	14 day	54.4

	Grass Quality	
	Plots	On-farm
DM (%)	13.1	15.1
ME (MJ/kg DM)	10.7	10.8
CP (% DM)	19.2	20.7
WSC (% DM)	9.0	8.2

MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Current and predicted grass growth rates are sitting around 10 kg DM/ha/day below the long-term average at present, with recent and forecast high cloud cover contributing to these lower growth rates.
- However, with the recent good growth average farm covers remain high providing some buffer for the expected drop in growth rates or opportunities to remove paddocks for silage.
- With grazing conditions remaining good across most of N.I. focus on achieving target residuals of 1600 – 1800kg DM/ha to boost grass quality over the next month.

*On-farm grass growth data supplied by AgriNet

GrassCheck plots receive 270 kgN/ha/year

