







Grass Growth		Grass Quality		
(kg DM/ha/day)			GrassCheck	On-farm
Dairy farm 7d average	* 81.6		plots	
Beef farm 7d average*	66.7	DM (%)	19.4	16.6
GrassCheck plots <sup>#</sup>		ME (MJ/kg DM)	11.9	11.4
Previous 3 weeks Forecast 7 days	66.0 72.4	<b>CP</b> (% DM)	17.1	18.7
14 days	69.6	<b>WSC</b> (% DM)	16.7	12.6

\*On-farm grass growth data supplied by AgriNet #GrassCheck plots receive 270 kgN/ha/year





## MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Strong growth has again been evident this week. The recent rainfall looks set to enhance growth this week particularly where soil moisture had been low.
- Grass ME has recovered slightly as most swards move past the point of flowering. However, the wet weather and low sunshine hours have caused dry matter contents to fall which may depress intake.
- Continue to ensure stemy grass is removed either by pre-mowing or posttopping to encourage leafy swards for the remainder of the season.
- Good responses to slurry and fertiliser application are expected in the current conditions.
- For the latest grass and weather info visit agrisearch.org/GrassCheck



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## Week Beginning 26 June 2017