

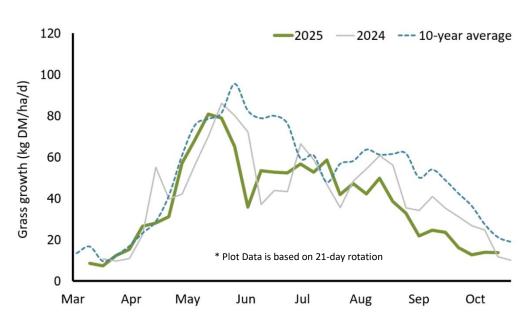






## Week beginning 13th October 2025

Grass Growth – AFBI Hillsborough and CAFRE Greenmount Plots





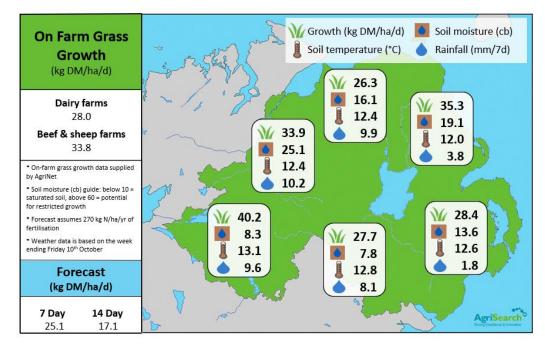
- Grass growth on farm remains slightly higher than LT. Avg despite plot growth being lower.
- The recent spell of settled weather has provided respite in grazing conditions, allowing target residuals to be achieved and heavy covers to be utilised
- Aim to have 60 –80% of the grazing platform closed by 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, depending on ground conditions and target an average closing farm cover of 2,100–2,150 KgDM/ha
- This is the final GrassCheck bulletin of 2025. Our thanks to all the GrassCheck farmers who diligently provide figures on a weekly basis and to everyone who contributes.

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Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
Dairy — maintenance plus (M+) (kg/cow/day)*	8.2	DM (%)	15.1
Growing animals — live weight gain (kg/head/day)**	0.99	ME (MJ/kg DM)	11.3
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, and 15 kg DMI. Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg milk		CP (% DM)	20.1
**Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, and 6.6 kg DMI. Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain		WSC (% DM)	10.4