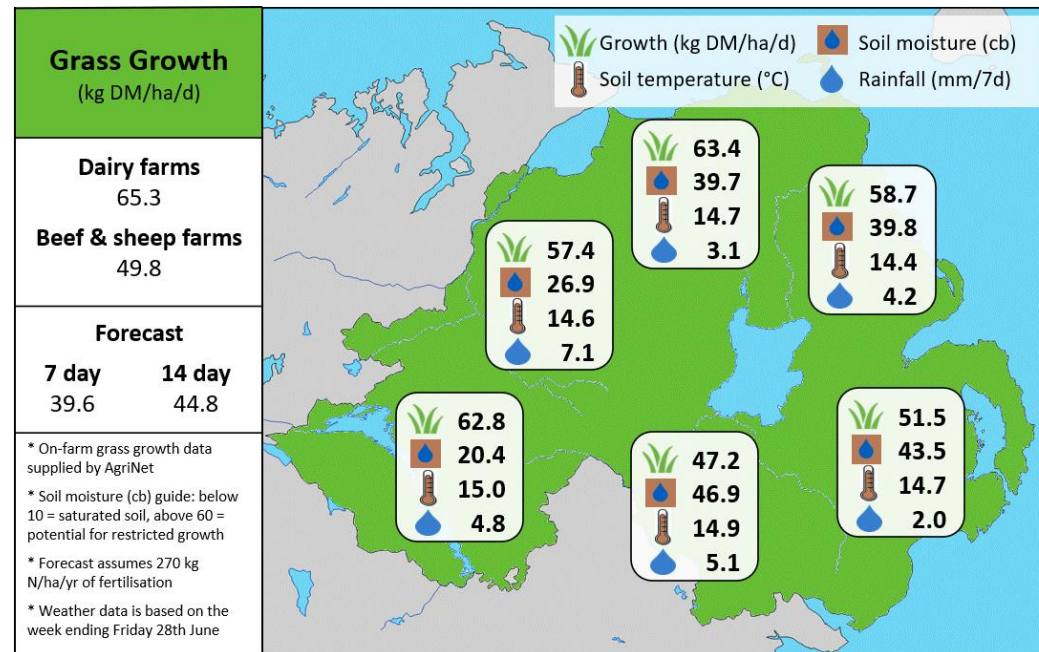
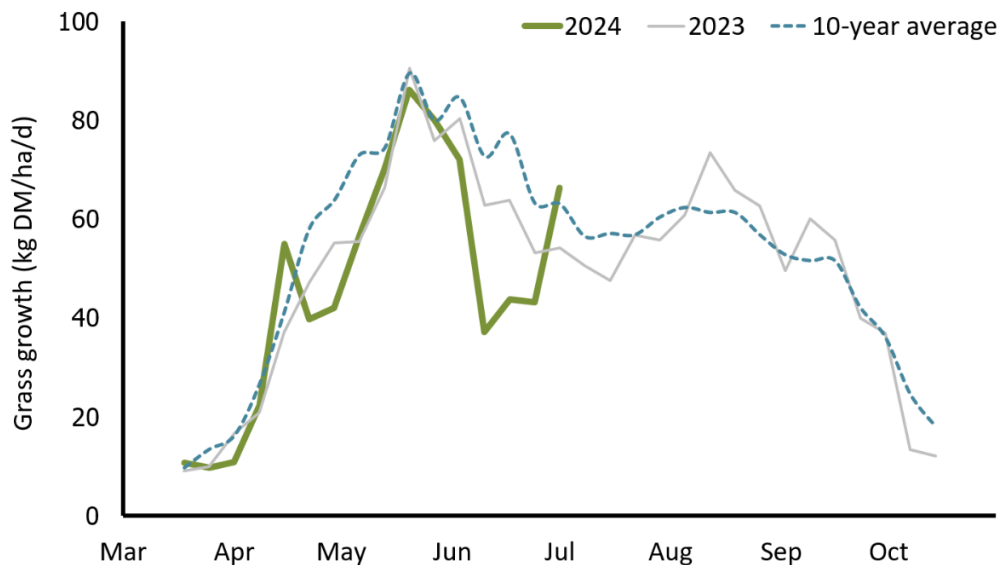


## Week beginning 01<sup>st</sup> July 2024



### MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Grass growth increased sharply over the past week, exceeding the LT av. however, it is forecast to drop back below the LT av. over the incoming week. Grass plot growth in 2024 up to 1<sup>st</sup> July is 5.2T DM/ha, which is 82% of the LT av. for the same period.
- Grass quality, especially CP% is extremely variable between GC pilot farms, whilst ME is relatively consistent and higher on farms, in part due to better grazing residuals.
- Average farm covers continue to be quite low on some farms, despite many farms still feeding supplement to reduce demand. Continue to measure the grazing platform on a weekly basis. Assess and consider options available to reduce demand.
- Whilst supplement reserves are reducing for some, feeding supplement is still a good option to maintain AFC above 2100kg DM/ha and recover from a deficit quicker.
- Continue to apply fertiliser and dilute slurry in line with a nutrient management plan.

Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
<b>Dairy — maintenance plus (M+)</b> (kg/cow/day)*	19.2	<b>DM (%)</b>	19.1
<b>Growing animals — live weight gain</b> (kg/head/day)**	1.02	<b>ME (MJ/kg DM)</b>	11.6
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, and 15 kg DMI. Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg milk		<b>CP (% DM)</b>	14.9
**Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, and 6.6 kg DMI. Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain		<b>WSC (% DM)</b>	15.3