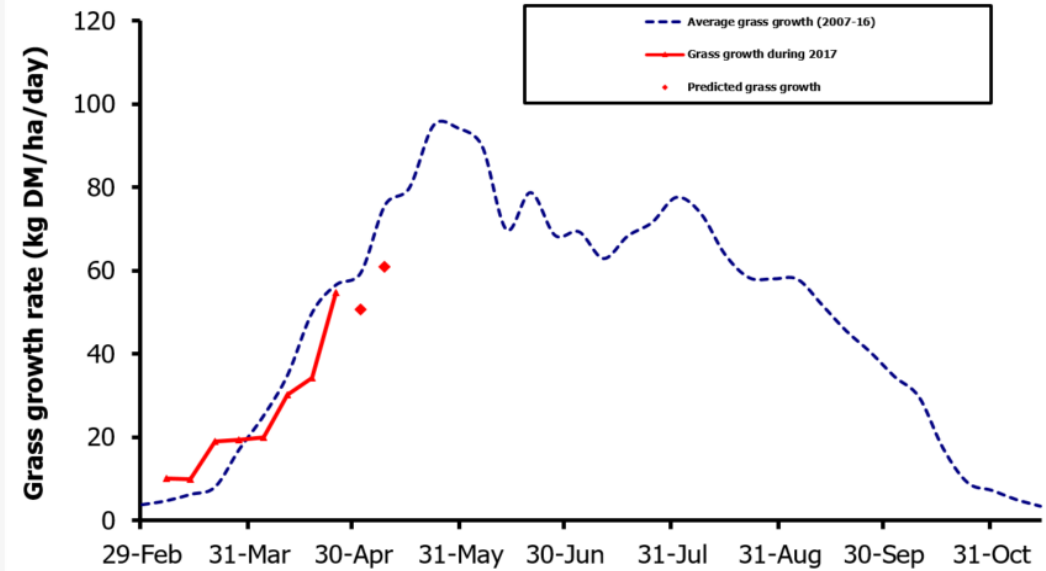
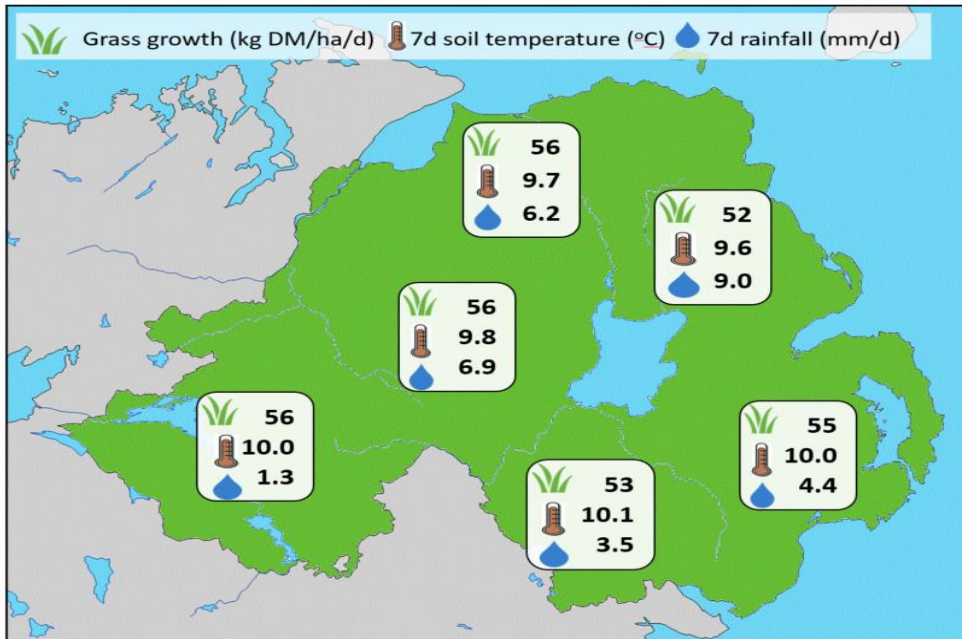


## Week Beginning 24 April 2017



### MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Growth rates are predicted to remain slightly below average at 51 and 61kg DM/ha/day for the 7 and 14 day forecasts.
- Across the 30 GrassCheck farms, a wide range in farm covers is evident, fuelling differences in growth rates.
- For fields with covers in excess of 3400kg DM/ha, grass should be taken out of the rotation to maximise grass utilisation.
- Grass quality remains good this week, however dry matter contents are responding to the wetter conditions experienced in the past few days and are trending below the seasonal average.
- For the latest grass and weather info visit [agrisearch.org/GrassCheck](http://agrisearch.org/GrassCheck)

Grass Growth (kg DM/ha/day)		Grass Quality	
		GrassCheck plots	On-farm
Dairy farm 7d average*	64.9	DM (%)	14.6
Beef farm 7d average*	42.8	ME (MJ/kg DM)	12.3
<b>GrassCheck plots#</b>		CP (%)	18.3
Previous 3 weeks	54.7	WSC (%)	17.0
Forecast 7 days	50.7		
Forecast 14 days	61.0		

\*On-farm grass growth data supplied by AgriNet

\*On-farm data for week ending 21/04/17

# GrassCheck plots receive 270 kgN/ha/year

