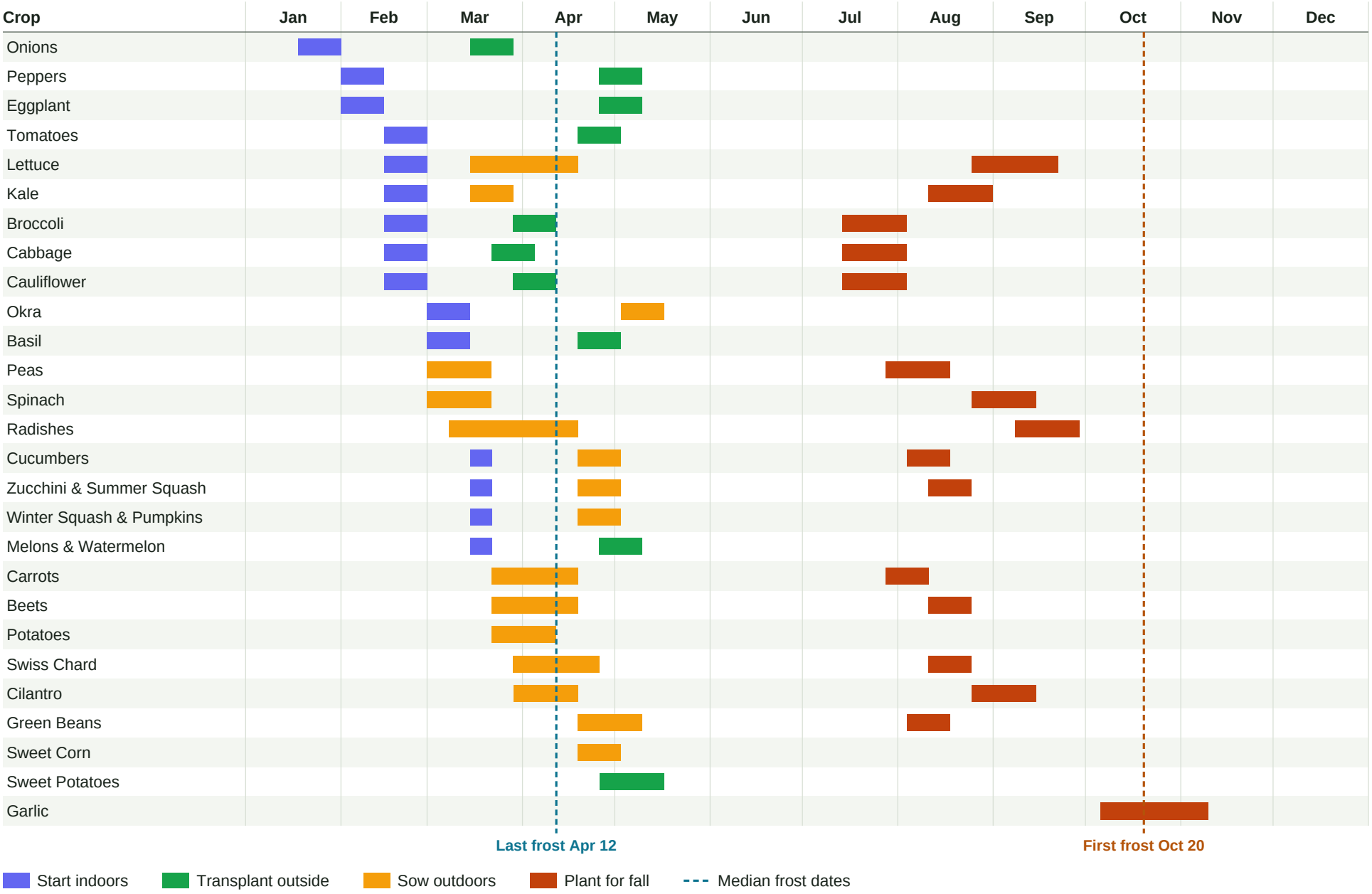
Hecker, IL planting calendar

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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Jan 18 – Feb 1	Mar 15 – Mar 29	—	—
Peppers	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Apr 26 – May 10	—	—
Eggplant	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Apr 26 – May 10	—	—
Tomatoes	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Apr 19 – May 3	—	—
Lettuce	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Mar 22 – Apr 5	Mar 15 – Apr 19	Aug 25 – Sep 22
Kale	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Mar 15 – Mar 29	Mar 15 – Mar 29	Aug 11 – Sep 1
Broccoli	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Mar 29 – Apr 12	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Cabbage	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Mar 22 – Apr 5	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Cauliflower	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Mar 29 – Apr 12	—	Jul 14 – Aug 4
Okra	Mar 1 – Mar 15	May 3 – May 17	May 3 – May 17	—
Basil	Mar 1 – Mar 15	Apr 19 – May 3	—	—
Peas	—	—	Mar 1 – Mar 22	Jul 28 – Aug 18
Spinach	—	—	Mar 1 – Mar 22	Aug 25 – Sep 15
Radishes	—	—	Mar 8 – Apr 19	Sep 8 – Sep 29
Cucumbers	Mar 15 – Mar 22	Apr 26 – May 3	Apr 19 – May 3	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Mar 15 – Mar 22	—	Apr 19 – May 3	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Mar 15 – Mar 22	—	Apr 19 – May 3	—
Melons & Watermelon	Mar 15 – Mar 22	Apr 26 – May 10	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Mar 22 – Apr 19	Jul 28 – Aug 11
Beets	—	—	Mar 22 – Apr 19	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Potatoes	—	—	Mar 22 – Apr 12	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 29 – Apr 26	Aug 11 – Aug 25
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 29 – Apr 19	Aug 25 – Sep 15
Green Beans	—	—	Apr 19 – May 10	Aug 4 – Aug 18
Sweet Corn	—	—	Apr 19 – May 3	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 26 – May 17	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 6 – Nov 10

Wait until after Apr 28 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.