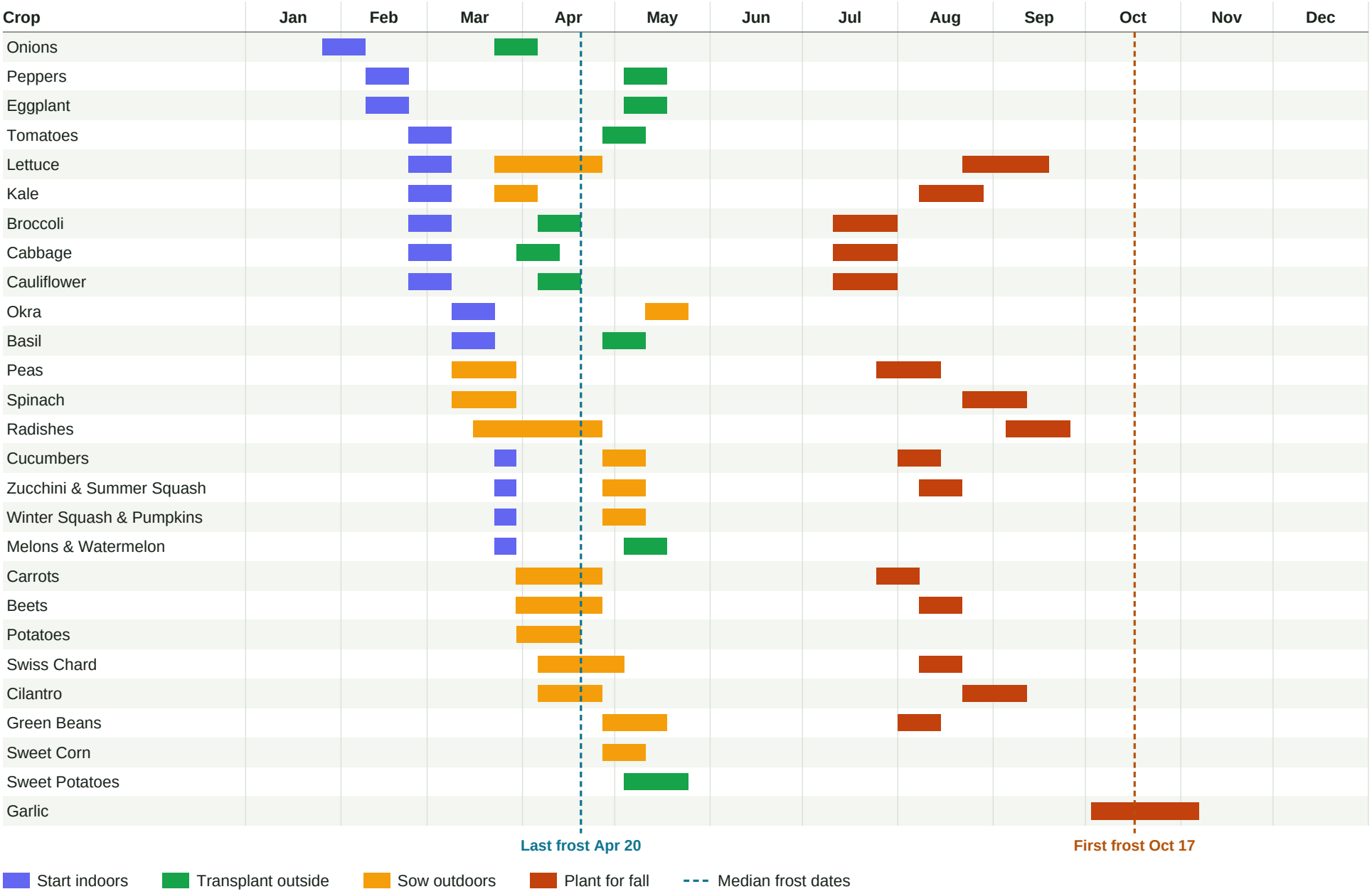
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| Crop | Start indoors | Transplant outside | Sow outdoors | Plant for fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onions | Jan 26 – Feb 9 | Mar 23 – Apr 6 | — | — |
| Peppers | Feb 9 – Feb 23 | May 4 – May 18 | — | — |
| Eggplant | Feb 9 – Feb 23 | May 4 – May 18 | — | — |
| Tomatoes | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Apr 27 – May 11 | — | — |
| Lettuce | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Mar 30 – Apr 13 | Mar 23 – Apr 27 | Aug 22 – Sep 19 |
| Kale | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Mar 23 – Apr 6 | Mar 23 – Apr 6 | Aug 8 – Aug 29 |
| Broccoli | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Apr 6 – Apr 20 | — | Jul 11 – Aug 1 |
| Cabbage | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Mar 30 – Apr 13 | — | Jul 11 – Aug 1 |
| Cauliflower | Feb 23 – Mar 9 | Apr 6 – Apr 20 | — | Jul 11 – Aug 1 |
| Okra | Mar 9 – Mar 23 | May 11 – May 25 | May 11 – May 25 | — |
| Basil | Mar 9 – Mar 23 | Apr 27 – May 11 | — | — |
| Peas | — | — | Mar 9 – Mar 30 | Jul 25 – Aug 15 |
| Spinach | — | — | Mar 9 – Mar 30 | Aug 22 – Sep 12 |
| Radishes | — | — | Mar 16 – Apr 27 | Sep 5 – Sep 26 |
| Cucumbers | Mar 23 – Mar 30 | May 4 – May 11 | Apr 27 – May 11 | Aug 1 – Aug 15 |
| Zucchini & Summer Squash | Mar 23 – Mar 30 | — | Apr 27 – May 11 | Aug 8 – Aug 22 |
| Winter Squash & Pumpkins | Mar 23 – Mar 30 | — | Apr 27 – May 11 | — |
| Melons & Watermelon | Mar 23 – Mar 30 | May 4 – May 18 | — | — |
| Carrots | — | — | Mar 30 – Apr 27 | Jul 25 – Aug 8 |
| Beets | — | — | Mar 30 – Apr 27 | Aug 8 – Aug 22 |
| Potatoes | — | — | Mar 30 – Apr 20 | — |
| Swiss Chard | — | — | Apr 6 – May 4 | Aug 8 – Aug 22 |
| Cilantro | — | — | Apr 6 – Apr 27 | Aug 22 – Sep 12 |
| Green Beans | — | — | Apr 27 – May 18 | Aug 1 – Aug 15 |
| Sweet Corn | — | — | Apr 27 – May 11 | — |
| Sweet Potatoes | — | May 4 – May 25 | — | — |
| Garlic | — | — | — | Oct 3 – Nov 7 |

Wait until after May 7 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.